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## Board of Trustees Bans Negroes From Entry

### Board Gives Great Stress to Social Elements in Report

Chowan College will admit no Negroes, the Board of Trustees decided at their meeting on Thursday, December 8.

The decision, in accordance with the local option ruling of the N. C. Baptist State Convention, came as the first such ruling in state Baptist colleges, it is believed. Gardner-Webb, which must soon make a decision on the social problem, already has a request for admittance from a Negro student.

The trustees, given a green light by the State Convention to make their own decision on the admittance, decided in the words of their resolution: "to not accept applications from the Negro race".

Laying great stress on the general social requirements of entrance, the resolution stated that in order for a student to be acceptable for entrance, he must be acceptable for full membership in the local churches of the N. C. Baptist State Convention. This does not mean a student must be a Baptist, but that he be "acceptable."

The board said that the educational pattern of Chowan united social training with academic development and that the two must necessarily be considered as a whole. It further said that students must be of the "social range to fit into the life of the community".

The Board also called attention to the fact that Chowan is supported by individual Baptist churches and the nearby countryside. Other considerations for admittance remained unchanged.

The committee for review of applications for admittance was set by the board as the academic dean, the president of the college, and head of one department to be named by the president and the dean.

A third provision of the resolution said that any admission "which is doubtful in the minds of the above named admissions group would be referred to the executive committee of the Board of Trustees."

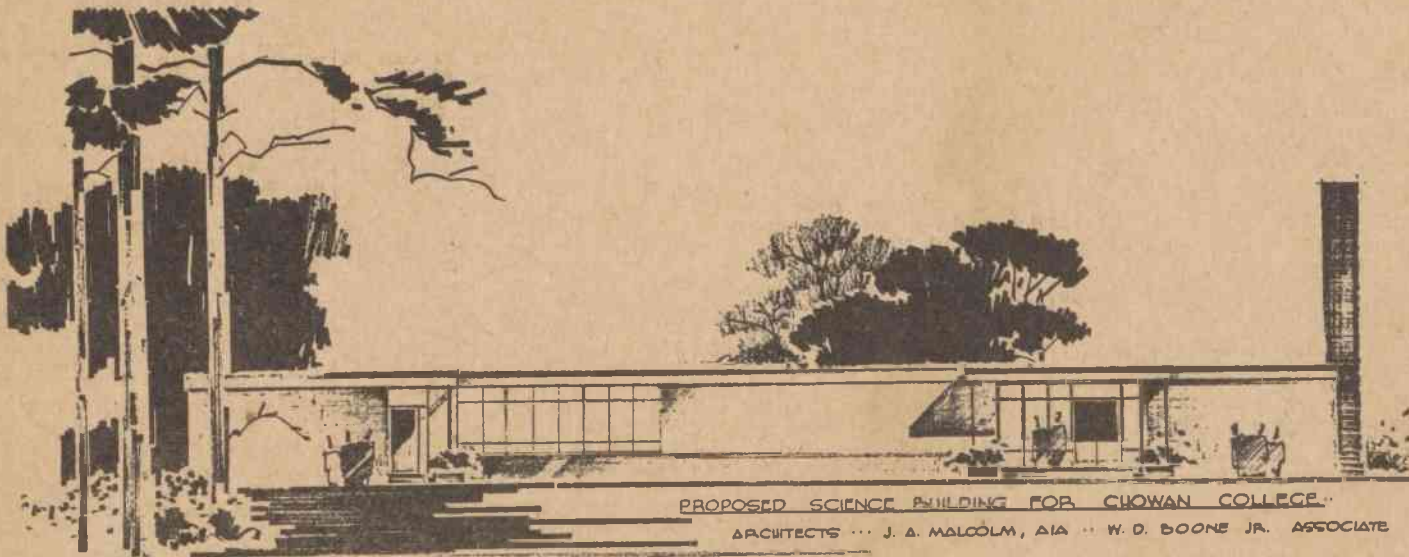
### College Plans for New Rec Building

Chowan College will have a new recreation building next fall if present plans are realized, Dr. F. O. Mixon, president of the college, announced recently.

The center which will meet a long felt need on the campus, will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000 and will stand in the vicinity of the old Science Building. The building will be constructed under the guidance of Mr. J. A. Malcolm of Charlotte, architect.

The building will include a kitchen, a post office, a snack bar, and two lounge rooms for social functions on the campus.

The recreation center has been approved but has not reached a definite stage as yet, Dr. Mixon said.



### SACSC Scheduled to Examine Chowan In October 1956

Chowan College made tentative application for membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools at an Association meeting in Miami Beach, Florida, November 27 to December 1.

President F. O. Mixon and Dean L. R. Grogan were interviewed by the Committee on Accreditation at the initial meeting of the Associational meetings. Following the interview President Mixon requested the Association furnish the College with the necessary application material and to request October, 1956, as the date for formal application.

For more than two years Chowan College has studied

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### Auto Strikes Tree In Late November

The campus of Chowan had its first automobile accident this semester on November 21 when a car driven by a construction worker slammed into a pine tree on the east side of the grounds.

The car, a 1948 Desoto driven by Wilkins Motley, colored, around 4:30 in the afternoon. Motley, one of the crew working on the new science building, was leaving work when the accident occurred.

One of the five passengers in the car, Lucius Motley of Jackson, colored, was hospitalized, suffering multiple cuts and bruises. Two other of the persons riding in the car received minor injuries but were on the job the next day.

Passengers in the car reported that a part of the steering apparatus locked causing the crash. They said that the car was not exceeding 20 miles per hour. The car was a total wreck as a result of the crash.

### New Science Building To Contain 18 Rooms

The constant march of progress of Chowan has a tangible mark for visitors to the college in the presently rising new science building.

When the structure nears completion in March, Chowanians will truly have an object of pride in it, the first stride in a long building program presently being set up by the college.

The building, which should be finished by the last of March, according to Mr. H. T. Timberlake, general contractor in charge, is at present going up satisfactorily. The March date for the completion of construction is dependent upon good weather conditions and the availability of materials, says Mr. Timberlake. The building will be ready for use by the fall semester.

More than 11 feet of earth had to be graded all along the 50 feet by 120 foot base in order to prepare the building for erection says Mr. Timberlake. The first story of the building will be on the first level of the split level structure he says, making the building conform to modern one story specifications.

The foundation crew and masons are already at work on the building with the roofing process due to begin by Christmas. Mr. W. C. Reese of Woodland, in charge of plumbing and heating for the structure, already has members of his crew at work laying pipe for the building.

More than 3,000 feet of piping, including gas lines, steam lines and heating will lead up to the building. The piping will serve two boilers in the building, one for steam and the other for hot air. Six men are busy on the plumbing. Bennett Brothers of Ahsokie is also engaged in the plumbing installation.

The building will be constructed of solid blocks and concrete, ridding it of one of the major hazards of construction—fire. It will be completely fireproof. More than 170 cubic feet of concrete will go into structure.

The building will include 18

rooms of all description. Floors will be constructed of concrete and tile with the blocks painted to furnish a more pleasing interior. The structure will be stuccoed on the outside.

The roof will be the built up roof, a standard roofing process. Huge steel beams, which serve as one of the main supports for the building, had to be moved into place by heavy duty machinery. Howell Steel Company of Weldon did the work on the beams.

The contrasts between the new building and the building presently being used for science instruction are truly startling. The present science building, an antiquated wooden frame building constructed in the early days of the college, was never meant to serve as a science building and falls far short of supplying the facilities and conditions needed for Chowan's needs in the year 1955.

The old building has three labs, only one class room and two small offices. The chemistry lab, the largest of the three labs, can accommodate only 18 to 20 students and must serve as the scene for practical work in four subjects.

The biology lab can comfortably take care of only 12 students. The third lab must serve the needs for both physics and nurse technician courses. The biology lab has a capacity of 12 persons while the physics-lab tech laboratory can handle only half a dozen adequately.

In order to instruct all biology students, instructors must hold three different sessions with the present equipment.

The chemistry lab will at the present time take care of 18 to 20 students for all chemistry subjects. The chemistry labs, four in all, in the new science building will afford specialized equipment in all phases of chemistry. The four chemistry labs in the new building will be for general chemistry, quantitative analysis, qualitative anal-

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### Rev. Bradshaw Tells of Japan

Rev. Melvin Bradshaw, a graduate of the University of Richmond and a recent returnee from the Baptist Mission fields in Japan, delivered the principal address for the Foreign Missions week at Chowan on December 1.

Speaking to the student body in the morning chapel service, Rev. Bradshaw gave a vivid description of the conversion of Capt. Mitsuo Fuchida, a renowned Japanese Christian. Capt. Fuchida, a Japanese air force ace who helped to plan and execute the attack on Pearl Harbor, visited the United States in 1953 to deliver a series of revival services.

In Japan for five years, Rev. Bradshaw was situated at Kokura on the southern island of Kyushu. Kokura is the site of the Baptist Girls School in Japan.

He will return to Japan in June 1956 for a new assignment at the Baptist Hospital in Kyoto. While in this country, he will study for his Doctor of Divinity Degree at the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville. A father of four children, Rev. Bradshaw is a native Virginian.

Rev. Oscar Creech made the presentation of the visitors to the Chowan student body. The second visitor, Dr. Bruce Whitaker, the Baptist Student Union Secretary of North Carolina, introduced Rev. Bradshaw.

### Emory Byrum Attends Meet

Emory Byrum of the Chowan student body attended a special meeting of the State Committee of the Baptist Student Union in Raleigh on Saturday, December 3.

Byrum, a member of the council, was named to the committee which convened to study purposes and functions of the council and plan future activities. The meeting, held in the Biblical Recorder Building, lasted from 9:30 in the morning through 3:30 in the afternoon.