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## Annual Alumni Meeting Here Sat., May 3

The Rev. John L. Long, Jr., will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Chowan College Alumni Association on Saturday, May 3.

Registration will begin at 9:30 in "The Columns", and the formal program will commence at 10:30 in the college chapel. The college choir, directed by Professor James Brisson, chairman of the Daniel School of Music, will present a program of special music.

Greetings will be brought by Dr. Whitaker, president of the Alumni Association. Mr. Long's address will conclude the morning's program. At one o'clock, luncheon will be served in the college cafeteria by Mrs. J. F. Beamon, college dietitian, and her staff. At the conclusion of this meal a musical "Memories" will be given with J. M. "Piggy" Jenkins as the master of ceremo-



REV. JOHN L. LONG, JR.

nies, and Mrs. E. L. Norton (Dorothy Maddrey) as the accompanist. Mrs. Julian Porter (Jay White) is the script writer.

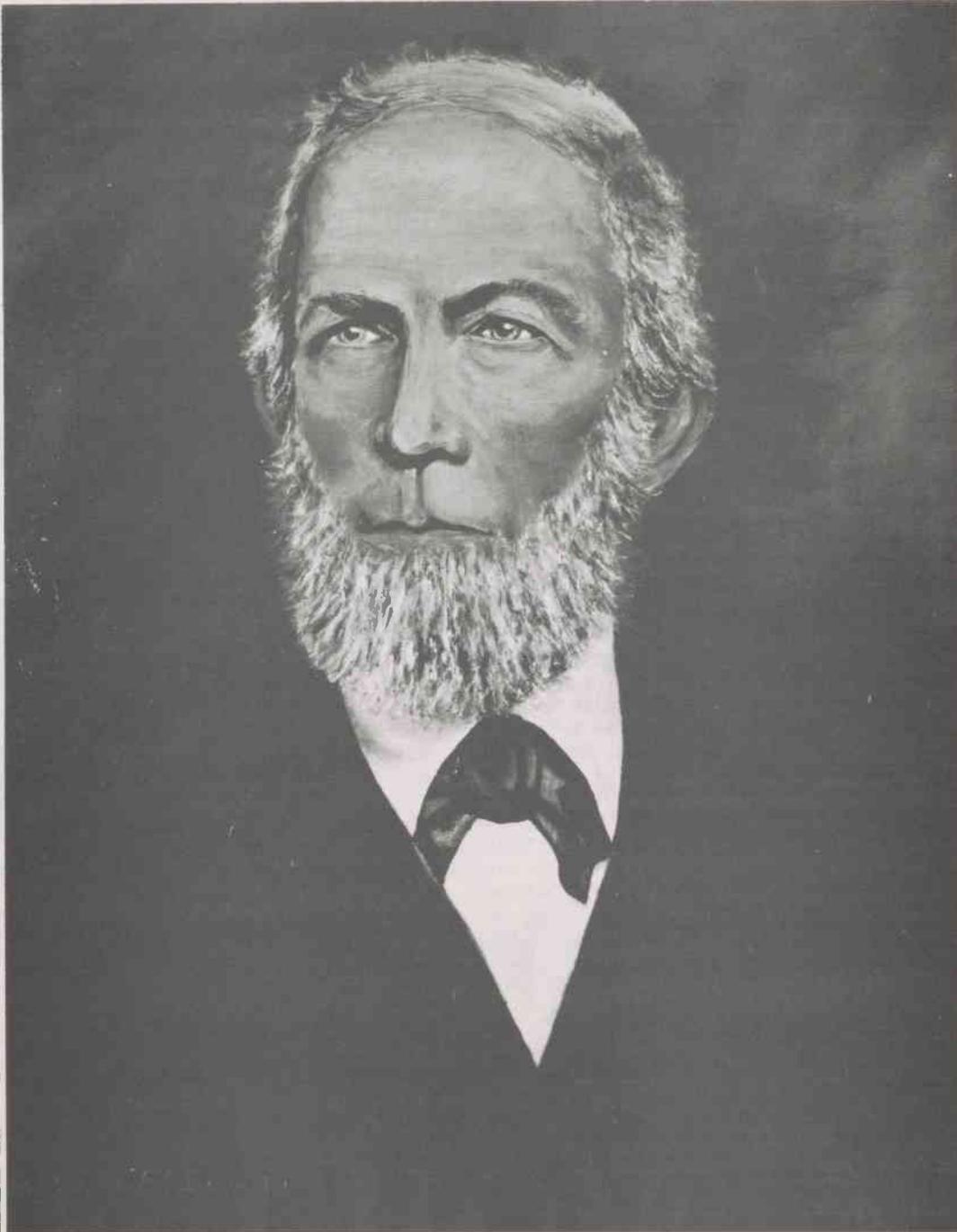
The Annual May Day program which will be held on the front campus at three P.M., to be directed by Mrs. Bruce Whitaker, will feature the work of the girls' physical education classes. The local unit of the Alumni Association will entertain the May Court at a reception at the conclusion of the May Day program.

Mr. Long, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Long, of near Severn, is a popular young minister now working on his Master's Degree at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest. He was graduated from Chowan College in '52. He received his B. A. Degree in '54 from Wake Forest College and his B. D. from Southeastern Seminary in January, 1958. For several months he served as youth director of Wake Forest Church.

## B. S. U. Officers Are Elected

On Monday, April 13, the new officers of the Baptist Student Union were installed. They are Ed Worley, president; David Snell, vice president; Gloria Sumner, treasurer; Linda Watson, secretary; Billie Harris, program chairman; Reba Hale, social chairman; Chloe Ward, publicity chairman; Robert Futrell, music chairman; Tommy Norvell, outreach chairman; J. R. Britton, periodical chairman; and Dinky Whitley, Sunday school representative.

The installation was held at Vespers and the theme of the service was, "The Light of the World." Jesse Ray Mansfield read the scripture and Ed Worley gave the benediction.



ARCHIBALD McDOWELL

This is a photolithographic reproduction, made in the school of printing, of a large oil painting of Chowan's first president. His great-nephew, Dr. Edward A. McDowell, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon. (Other pictures on page 3.)

## Commencement Exercises May 25-26

Final dates and arrangements have been made for the 1957-58 commencement exercises.

The baccalaureate service will be held on Sunday, May 25, at 8:00 P. M. Dr. Edward A. McDowell, professor of New Testament at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, will deliver the sermon. Dr. McDowell is a great-nephew of Chowan's first president, Archibald McDowell.

Before being called to the Southern Baptist Convention's newest seminary, "Dr. Mac," as he is affectionately known to his

students, served with distinction for a number of years at the Convention's oldest seminary, Southern in Louisville, Ky.

He is not a stranger to alumni and friends of Chowan College; in 1952, he delivered a significant Founder's Day address on the life and work of his distinguished great-uncle, Archibald.

Graduation exercises are scheduled for Monday, May 26, at 10:00 A. M. The speaker for this service will be one of Southern Baptists' most prominent educators, Dr. R. Orin Cornett.

Dr. Cornett, who is now executive secretary of the Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, came to his present position from a responsible administrative post at Oklahoma Baptist University.

Opportunities to hear such outstanding personalities in the field of Christian Higher Education are rare. It is anticipated and hoped, therefore, that large numbers of Chowan's alumni and friends will be present for the commencement exercises on May 25-26.

## Mrs. McDowell Presents Historic Item To College

An item of inestimable historical value has been added to the Chowan College library. Mrs. Emily S. B. McDowell of Scotland Neck, recently presented to the College a small picture of Dr. Archibald McDowell, Chowan's first president. President McDowell was the grandfather of Herbert McDowell, Emily McDowell's late husband.

Although the antique frame which houses the picture of Ar-

chibald McDowell is considerably larger, the picture itself is only about 2" X 3". It was from this tiny miniature that Mrs. McDowell painted a large oil portrait of the first president, which she has also given to the college in recent months. It now hangs in the beautiful main parlor of the "Columns" building.

When complimented for her generosity in giving the time and talent necessary for the painting

of such a portrait, Emily McDowell said: "This was my project for Christian Education from the standpoint of art."

A new library building is one of the seven proposed additions to the Chowan campus through the current Enlargement-Development program. Plans for the new library call for a special wing which will house many items important in the 109-year (See ITEM page 6.)

## May Day Festival May 3rd

(Pictures on page 3.)

Lovely Sara Burrus, elected by the students, will be crowned May Day Queen on Saturday afternoon the third of May at 3 p.m.

Sara is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Burrus of Hatteras. She finished high school at Hatteras before entering Chowan in the fall of 1957.

Sara is a lovely five-foot five-inch brunette who plans to further her college education after finishing at Chowan. She is an active student in the Y. W. A. and also a typist for the college annual. Her hobby is painting. She was also Queen of the Chowan Braves' basketball team.

Patsy Edwards will attend the queen as Maid of Honor. Patsy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Edwards, of Murfreesboro.

The Queens' Court will be Chloe Ward of Durham, Billie Harris of Elizabeth City, Barbara Russell of Hertford, Pat Moore of Durham, Lillian Carter of Woodland, and Audrey Adams of Durham.

They will be dressed in full-length gowns with matching hats in pastel colors.

## Chowanians Attend B. S. U. Conference

Nineteen Baptist Student Union members from Chowan College and their advisor, Miss Frances White, attended the annual Spring Leadership Training Conference of the Baptist Student Union of North Carolina which was held April 18-20 at the College Park Baptist Church of Greensboro.

Attending from Chowan were Reba Hale, Chloe Ward, Frank Meadow, Joy Ferguson, Billie Harris, Gwen Eure, Gloria Sumner, Eloise Scruggs, John Whitley, Bettie Jo Lassiter, Jane Winslow, Tommy Norvell, Ed Worley, Charles Thompson, David Snell, Robert Futrell, Dennis Looper, Wayne Davis.

Approximately 400 college and university students attended the two day conference which had as its theme, "He Leadeth Me." The main points of the theme were developed by Dr. J. H. Phillips, Associate Professor of Religion, Duke University; and Dr. Eric Rust, Professor of Christian Apologetics, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Robert Seymour, pastor of the Mars Hill Baptist Church, conducted a series of worship meditations at the beginning of each session. Another special guest was Mr. Howard Bramlette, Department of Student Work, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

A special feature of the conference was the Workshop Groups, for the purpose, of training the local campus officers and committee chairman for their tasks for the coming year. An address on the "Art of Leadership" concluded this feature of the conference.

The forty-five voice BSU State Choir, composed of students from the various colleges and universities of the state, under the direction of Ivey Heath, from the University of North Carolina, performed at three of the convention sessions.