Enrollment Has Doubled Over Past Three Years

Gift to be Used For Purchase Of Rare Books

The Chowan College library has received a gift of \$500.00 to be used to add to the library's collection of North Caroliniana. Donated by Mrs. Haywood Duke of 815 Woodland Drive, Greensboro, the gift was made in memory of her mother, the late Mrs. Etta Savage Etheridge, a member of the 1887 graduating class at Chowan.

Mrs. Neva Campbell, Chowan College librarian, in making the announcement stated that half of the gift funds are being used for the purchase of rare books on North Carolina and the remainder for the procurement of more contemporary volumes.

Among the books already added to the library as a result of Mrs. Duke's gift are: a first edition of Moore's School His-1584 to 1879; King's Mountain and Its Heroes, a valuable history of that decisive battle, written by Lyman C. Draper in 1881; and North Carolina, 1780-81, an 1889 publication describing the invasion of the Carolina by Lord Cornwallis.

Also: Ante-Bellum North Carolina, a social history written by Guion G. Johnson in 1937; Early Architecture of North Carolina, prepared in 1947 by Frances B. Johnston and Thomas T. Waterman; and North Carolina History told by Contemporaries, by Dr. Hugh

Noted Educator Leads Convocation

An address by Dr. E. Norfleet Gardner of Henderson, outstanding minister, author, educator, editor, and Christian statesman, highlighted the opening Convocation program at Chowan College on Friday morning, September 9, at 10

A native of Franklin, Virginia, Dr. Gardner earned both the B. A. and M. A. degrees at the University of Richmond. He also holds the B. D. degree from the University of Chicago and the Th. M. from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. In recognition of his contributions to the religious life of the south, the University of Richmond conferred upon him in 1952 the honorary degree of Doctor of

His pastoral ministry was performed primarily in North Carolina Baptist churches, notably in Dunn, Thomasville, Henderson, and Laurinburg. While son, and Laurinburg. While pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dunn, Dr. Gardner taught religion at nearby Campbell College.

Immediately following his retirement from active pastoral and has served on many of his are well-known and are printed duties some months ago, the Chowan Convocation speaker became interim editor of The Charity and Children, official publication of the Baptist Child- North Carolina, chairman of the ren's Homes of North Carolina, and remained in that position until the recent appointment of gram of advancement for North the new editor.

An author of note in religious circles, Dr. Gardner has col- the Foreign Mission Board of pans, seldom uses more than laborated with others in the the Southern Baptist Convention. one pan, one spoon, one plate,

Over the past three years the student enrollment at Chowan College has almost doubled. In the fall of 1957, 299 students were enrolled. This fall 586 students have been enrolled.

This year's record-breaking student body at Chowan—over 100 more than last year's alltime high of 479-is truly a cosmopolition group.

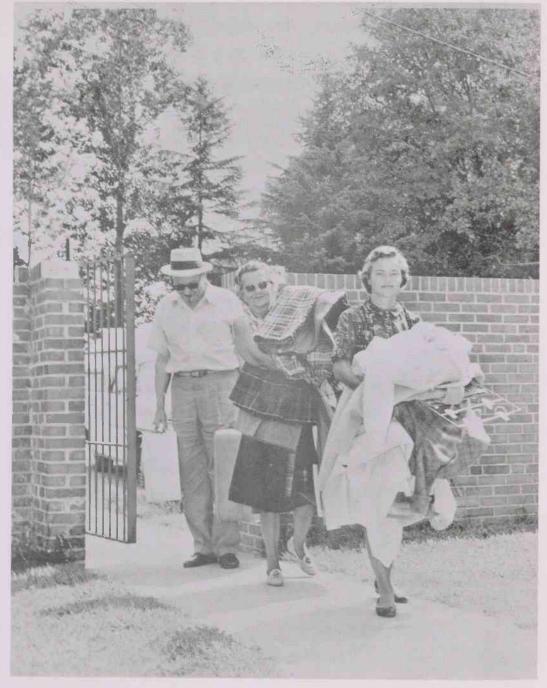
There are students from 65 North Carolina counties enrolled, along with enrollees from numbers of other states, including New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Washington, D. C., West Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida. Two young ladies from foreign countries are also enrol-led at Chowan this year—one from Thailand, the other a Ro-tary Exchange student from Finland.

Commenting on the tremendous increase in student enrollment this year, Chowan President Bruce E. Whitaker stated that he viewed the situation with mixed emotions.

"Naturally, I am delighted," he said, "at the fine enrollment increase, as well as at the exceptionally high caliber of the students this year."

He went on to add: "However, I regret very much the fact that we were forced to turn away well over 100 qualified young people because of a shortage of both classroom and housing facilities."

Dr. Whitaker concluded by saying: "The marked increase in student enrollment at Chowan is but a forerunner of what is yet to come; it serves only to highlight the tremendous challenge which is before North Carolina in the program of their



Grandparents aid Carole Lee Meador of Richmond, Va.



Freshman and Sophomores get acquainted

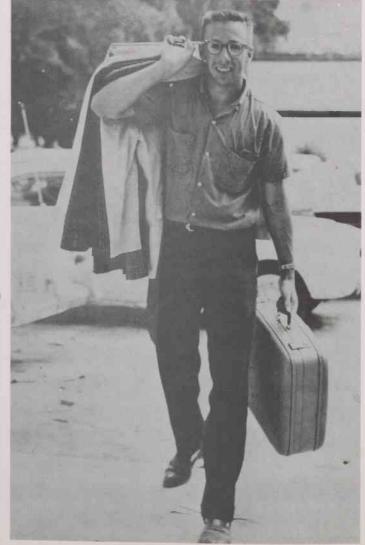
Commandments.

Throughout his ministry, Dr. Gardner has been a recognized leader among Southern Baptists the Baptist State Convention of Convention's important commit- wich. tee which is preparing a pro-Carolina's seven Baptist col- meal for himself alone, provided leges, and is also a member of he has to do the dishes and

Among his own published books Bruce E. Whitaker, who preare: Old Testament Characters; sided over the opening Convoa two-volume work entitled cation program, extended a cor-Lamp Unto My Feet; Journey to Japan; and Always the Ten and returning sophomores on the Chowan campus.

The rules for good cooking and committees. At present, he persist in their slovenly ways is the recording secretary of and women get married without bothering to learn how to boil an egg or made a sand-

The person who is getting a production of several writings. Chowan College president one fork, or one glass.



Bill McCants of Wyoming Del., returns for last semester