

## Conference Held for Women; Sponsored by Student Personnel

A picture of a "new breed" of woman — the emerging professional woman of the 1970's and 1980's — was presented by Dr. Charlene Dale, president of the North Carolina Council of Administrative Women in Education, at Chowan College Wednesday, November 8.

Speaking to an audience of young ladies and a sprinkling of males from high schools and Chowan at the second annual "The Professional — A Woman" conference, Dr. Dale called the professional woman "a new breed." "When she reads her newspaper, she's still interested in a recipe for apple strudel but she also checks the financial page

on her stocks and bonds."

She has shorn the image that a woman must be weak, passive, docile, indecisive, dependent and helpless. "We are seeing women shifting from dependency to emerging independence," Dr. Dale, a public school principal in Charlotte, stated. She said a woman should have the right "to call the plays in her own life."

In order to obtain her new status, Dr. Dale asked the young ladies in the audience in Marks Hall auditorium to consider themselves first a human being and then a woman. She warned that it is not enough to depend on "love, marriage, and children" for total self-fulfillment.

"On an average, you will live to be 80, yet in your planning, it's hard to see beyond 25 or 30. Most women will have their last child by the age of 30. Twenty years later her last child will be in college. Therefore, the last 30 years of life will be empty if you put all your dreams in being a wife and housemaker," she reasoned.

The slogan, "A woman's place is in the home," must be exposed as a myth, she said. "Who do you think said it in the first place, a man or a woman?" she asked.

She said the "June Allyson" image of a model woman is "fading fast." Dr. Dale described this woman as "accommodating and sweet, wanting only what her husband wants."

But today, the working woman is to be envied, assured Dr. Dale, named Charlotte's "Outstanding Career Woman in Education" in 1971. She can be a financial asset to her husband. "She is a dream — a giver, not a taker, a winner, not a loser, a contributor, not a parasite," she explained.

The speaker, the mother of three teenage daughters, emphasized, "But most important, she is a person, a human being."

And how are women, with their new-found freedom and independence, faring? "They are demonstrating a surge of ambition in their jobs, which is a surprise to some," she remarked.

As for the male, she believes he will have to learn to adjust to the new trend. "As the woman's role undergoes a change, it will take an effort on the part of men to understand women now and in the years ahead," she stressed.

But she is optimistic that both sexes will benefit from "the new horizons which have opened up to working women."

The two-day conference was sponsored by the department of student personnel at Chowan College and directed by dean of women, Vicki Tolston. Two panel sessions each were held Wednesday and Thursday. High schools sending students included 11 from North Carolina and four from Virginia.



**WRITING CHOWAN PARENTS**—Parents of Chowan College student will soon receive a letter from Nancy Long, shown above in her dormitory room in McDowell Columns. Nancy is a sophomore from Newport News, Va., and is completing her study in graphic arts.



**ART CLASS**—Members of the art classes used the recent warm, sunny days to make sketches of the beautiful campus. The scene above was taken by the eight-acre lake at the rear of the campus.

## Congress Notes 125th Anniversary

The 125th Anniversary of  
Chowan College

HON. WALTER B. JONES  
of North Carolina

In The House of Representatives

Thursday, October 5, 1972

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, in this day of "bigness", where the larger universities continue to grow and expand, it is all too easy to forget the important role played by the smaller institutions of higher learning.

On October 11, 1972, Chowan College located in Murfreesboro, N. C. will celebrate its 125th anniversary. The college first opened its doors on October 11, 1848, as a result of the interest and influence of the Baptist of northeastern North Carolina and southeastern Virginia. It was originally known as the Chowan Baptist Female Institute. In 1910 its name was changed to Chowan College.

It is significant to know that even with the Civil War, this college remained open while many others were closed. Due to conditions beyond the control of the administration, the college was closed from 1943 to 1949. Since reopening, the growth has been phenomenal in enrollment, physical facilities and expanded academic offerings.

I want to join with thousands of others and pay tribute to the present administration as well as those of the past who have offered educational training to many who might otherwise been denied this opportunity. In terms of dollars and cents, it would be futile to attempt to evaluate its worth to a wide section of both North Carolina and Virginia. For many years it has been fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. I predict that its influence and its service will expand as time goes on and will continue to be an inspiration to the thousands of young people who pass through its portals.

To all, congratulations on this, the 125th anniversary.

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## Blood Flows Free During Visit of Bloodmobile

Chowan students donated a record 281 pints of blood November 20, during the visit of the Tidewater Regional Bloodmobile.

Some fifty other students were rejected for a total of 330 who registered to give, said William McCraw, campus chairman for the blood program. This was the largest number to register and donate and McCraw reported the response of the students is the "talk of the region," in the words of a Tidewater Regional Bloodcenter spokesman.

### Praises Organization

McCraw praised the joint efforts of members of the Circle K Club and the Chowan student nurses for their support. "They did a great job in recruiting students as donors," McCraw said. The student nurses also assumed various duties in the gymnasium, where the blood was received.

Also thanked by McCraw for their cooperation was the faculty and staff members.

Remarking on the students' response, McCraw noted, "it appears they have a great in-

terest in helping others through the blood program. Many were able to put aside their apprehension about giving blood and discovered it's easy and painless as others had said it was."

### "Huge Success"

McCraw noted the canteen was a "huge success" with the students who consumed "some 10 gallons of milk, approximately 50 gallons of orange juice, about 25 loaves of bread and 25 pounds of pimento cheese, peanut butter and egg salad as well as cookies."

A goal of 300 pints has been set for the spring visit, April 18, of the bloodmobile, McCraw announced. Chowan has won the silver bowl last year and two of the past three years for the greatest percentage of its student body donating blood. The professor said that Chowan competes in the college division in the Tidewater region, and now has a head start for its third win which will place the silver bowl permanently in the trophy case on campus.