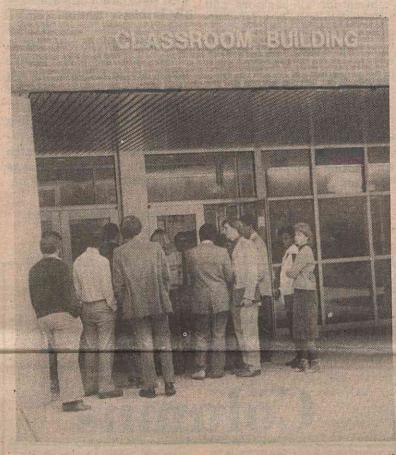
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## L.C. dedicates Taft building



Distinguished crowd awaits Taft dedication

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The E. Hoover Taft Jr. classroom building was dedicated on October 20, 1983 at 11:15 a.m. The dedication was held in the Taft building and was attended by Louisburg College trustees, the Taft family and friends, faculty and the local press.

Several dignitaries were present. The dedication began with a declaration by the current chairman of the board of trustees Ben E. Jordon Jr. The Rev. Dr. James H. Bailey, pastor of the Jarvis Memorial United Methodist

Church in Taft's hometown of Greenville, North Carolina delivered the invocation. Greetings were made by Jordon and the Rev. Dr. Samuel D. McMillan Jr., chairman of the board of higher education and campus ministry of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Dr. George Anne Willard, professor of social studies and chairperson of the faculty affairs committee at Louisburg College also extended greetings.

Announcements and recognitions were made by the academic dean of Louisburg College, Dr. C. Edward

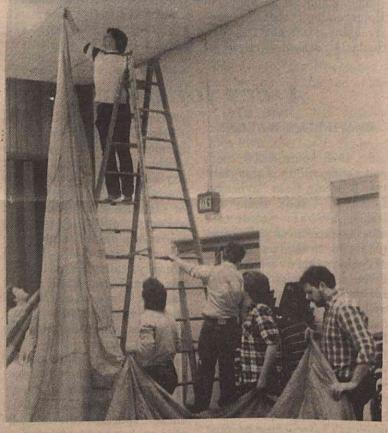
Brown, Jr. The man whom Louisburg College's library is named for, Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, President Emeritus of Louisburg College read the scripture.

The students of Louisburg College also played a role in the dedication. The anthem, "Praise the Lord" from "Judas Maccabaeus" was sung by the Louisburg College Ensemble, directed by Miss Sarah Foster.

A tribute was made to Taft in the dedication of the classroom building. President of Louisburg College, Dr. J. Allen Norris, Jr., made the tribute. In it, Dr. Norris told of Taft's leadership of Louisburg College for the past 23 years, 14 of them as Chairman of the Board of Trustees from 1968 to 1982. Norris explained that Taft was instrumental in the outstanding development and progress Louisburg College has made. Quoting Dr. Norris, "It is fitting that the board of trustees should honor E. Hoover Taft Jr. for his leadership in behalf of Louisburg College and for his humanitarian influence on several generations. We and countless others are the better because this man has had dreams for improving the quality of life and has been and is a statesman in guiding these dreams to reality.'

Following the tribute by Dr. Norris the presentation of the building was made by Jordon. The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Mercer made the dedication. Finally Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Bethea, a trustee of Louisburg College, gave the benediction.





Entertainment committee members, left to right, Paul Smith, Jennifer Kershiner, Kenny Barefoot, John Pugh, and William Warren prepare for dance.

