

Loss of Starters Fails To Douse Smith's Hopes for Three in Row

By HARRY PICKETT

Chowan College's recent basketball success hasn't gone down the drain as many people speculate. Sure the team has lost seven sophomores six of whom are playing at four-year schools, five starters, and four Eastern Tarheel all-conference selections. But as last year's ETC coach of the year Jerry Smith puts it, "We've got a lot of talent coming in here."

Smith, who enters his third season as head coach of the Braves basketball team, seems confident that his team can win big again this season, despite

the loss of last season's starting five.

During the first two seasons as head mentor, Smith who earlier had great success at Bertie High School, leading it to four state appearances and a state championship in 1970, has guided Chowan to two straight ETC championships, the school's only two.

In his first season, the Braves wound up 20-8, sweeping the conference championship with an 8-0 mark while playing an all-freshman team. Last season, those freshmen were sophomores, and they again streaked through the pack, coming up with another unmarred league cham-

ampionship, and ending the season with a 23-7 record. The Braves were runner-up in the region, missing the national playoffs by one point.

This team returns five players, but only two lettermen. Smith went out and recruited 10 players for this season, with the tallest man being a mere 6-6, but the coach isn't pessimistic at all, as he said, "We had a good recruiting year — a very good recruiting year, based on the overall talent in this area."

"Overall, we're going to be a little young and short; all that's compared to last year's team, and the teams in our conference," he noted.

Heading the list of returners in 6-8, 230 sophomore center William Barnes of Greenville, N.C. Barnes started in several games for the Braves last season, but was nagged with a chronic backache for much of the year. He will be counted on for his scoring, rebounding, and his leadership abilities this season.

But says Smith, "We aren't going to pattern our whole ball game around Barnes, but we are definitely going to use him. We're going to carry the ball to him."

"People are going to have to stop him, especially if we get in the position where people have to play us man-to-man," he noted. "They are going to have to stop Barnes because we're going to stick it right in to him, and we're going to tell him to stick it in their nose."

Johnny Johnson of Tarboro will be expected to nail down a big forward position. The big 6-6, 225 leaper, was a top reserve on last year's squad.

"With Barnes and Johnson together, we've got a pretty good combination under the basket," Smith chuckled. "People are going to have to play them, I'll tell you that."

Other returners include 6-5 Jean Earl Williams, a probable starter at a forward position from Lewiston, N.C. Haywood Evan 5-9 of Tarboro and Mark Murdock, 5-8 of China Grove, each play the point guard position.

Smith didn't want single out any of his freshmen as being the best of the crop, but 6-4 swingman Andre Cobb of Raeford and 6-4 forward Larry Canady of Deep Run each have versatile talents. Both were named honorable mention All-America by Bill Cronauer of the St. Petersburg Fla. Times.

Cobb, a silky smooth player, tacked in 16 points an outing last season as a senior at Hoke County High School. He was an All-Division IV 4-A cager, and an honorable mention All-East performer.

Canady, the lanky forward from South Lenoir High School, averaged a blistering 21.5 a game, and hauled in 12.8 rebounds. He too made all-conference, and was an honorable mention All-East selection.

Six-foot-four Douglas Stevenson of Shallotte, is a husky, physical-type player, who Smith describes as "a good type of person." Stevenson led West Brunswick High School to a 24-4 season and a berth in the 3-A state playoffs last spring, averaging 15.3 points and 13 rebounds per game. He was selected All-Three Rivers Conference, All-East, and was named school and county athlete of the year.

Pender High School was the source of three Southeastern, North Carolina stars. Smith signed three All-East Central Conference players including Vishon Fuller who averaged 16.8 and 9.5. Fuller will play either big guard or small forward at 6-4.

Teammate Hassonil Jones "may be the sleeper" of the crop, according to Smith. At 6-4, Jones cranked out 14.8 a game, and yanked for 9.3 boards. Elton Mosley, shot at a 11.9 pace and handed out 5.8 assists for the Pender team.

Mark Moore, a 6-4 product of Fairfax, Va., was an All-District performer at W.T. Woodson High School. Averaging a tough 16.6 and 9 rebounds, the "aggressive" Virginian led his high school team to a 21-4 campaign.

John Cratch of Kinston, N.C. is a skinny 6-6 center, who played his high school ball at North Lenoir. There, he chipped in 16 numbers a game and snared 12 rebounds. Cratch should back up Barnes.

Six-foot-four Mark Hunter comes from the Hoosier state of Indiana. He brings with him a 19.6 average, along with 12 rebounds a games. At Lawrenceburg High School in Lawrenceburg, Indiana, Hunter led his team to a 19-6 finish. He was named all-region and all-district. "He is fundamentally sound, and a good shooter," Smith noted.

Donald Hunter, no relation to Mark, hails from Enfield, N.C. He didn't play high school ball as a senior, but came up with 19 points and 19 rebounds as a junior. Hunter, who stands at 6-4 was named All-Roanoke River. "He's got a lot of tools — has a good jump shot, and is a great leaper."

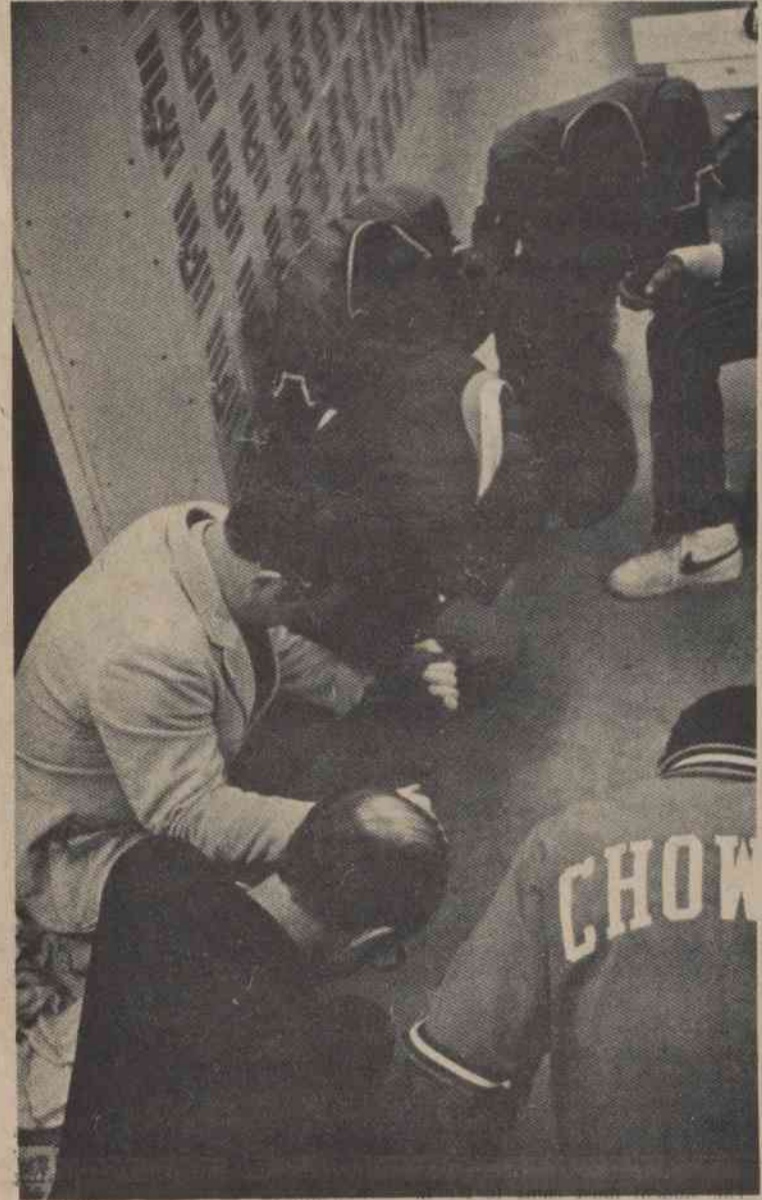
Richard Dickerson notched only 12 points a contest at Northern Durham High in Durham, N.C., but Smith says the 175-pounder could possibly crack the starting lineup as a point guard. "He's quick and has good size. I think he'll play good defense. He's not really a shooter; but I don't need one from that position."

Does winning a third straight ETC title look realistic to Coach Smith at the moment?

"It looks just as realistic as it did the first year I came here, and we did it with freshmen."

"I never said it was going to be easy, though."

You know, it never is.



Tiny Willie Wilson has her eye on the hoop as she goes up for a jump shot against Mt. Olive.

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small colleges such as Chowan. The environment at Chowan helps students improve their feelings of self-esteem, self-respect.

The Student Government Association is budgeted approximately \$21,000 for on-campus movies, dances, concerts and other types of entertainment for 1979-80. Please do not expect the SGA to provide a social life comparable to that in a large university. Accept Chowan College for its strengths and for what it can do for you to help you realize your short and long-range goals.

Also, one needs to accept Murfreesboro as a small town where commercial entertainment is lacking. For this reason the college, through the SGA and Student Development, attempts to provide students with various forms of entertainment.

Students who want the preferential treatment and other benefits which are found at Chowan can have the best of two worlds by first earning the associate degree from Chowan and then transferring to a larger senior college or university. Chowan graduates do this, and they do it successfully.

Happiness at Chowan is thinking positively about the strengths of the college without trying to turn it into a university with an enrollment of 20,000. If Chowan had such an enrollment, it would lose its strengths as a small college where students express satisfaction with student friendships, faculty relations, classroom instruction and opportunities for participation.

While some Chowanians may express a degree of dissatisfaction with the social life, they can boast of preferential treatment from members of the faculty and staff. This includes health services. Help is available at Chowan. Ask for it. Many Chowanians, will be helped through non-credit courses in Study Skills and Human Potential Development. Many of last year's freshmen benefited from these courses. The way to achieve desired results is to participate with the expectation that you will develop better skills and learn how to be in charge of what happens to you. Be determined to get all you can from classes in Study Skills and Human Potential.

Become involved in intramural sports and residence hall programs. Do not go home every weekend.

Chowan has a small number of students who do not honor regulations on academic cheating, vandalism, theft, alcohol and drugs. At Chowan specific abuses of college policy are attacked. Ignoring problems related to cheating, theft and vandalism would not permit the guilty an opportunity to use the offense as a lesson of experience. Members of the faculty and staff at Chowan work to help students develop into more responsible leaders and citizens.

Chowan is an investment in people. Chowan College takes people who want to improve themselves and gives them extraordinary opportunities to do more with their lives than they ever dreamed. I challenge you to make your stay at Chowan College a worthwhile investment of your time and money.

R. Clayton Lewis
Dean of Students

Lady Braves' Stock Boosted by Recruits

By ALLEN DAVIS

Five talented recruits were expected to join returning veterans in the Columbia Blue and White women's basketball uniforms this year, with four other possibilities, Coach Roy Winslow predicted shortly before the end of the spring semester.

"None of the recruits are seven feet, three inches tall like Ralph Sampson of Harrisonburg, Va.," Winslow cracked, "but we do have a few with talent equal to that of former University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill star Phil Ford."

"With their talent and the experience of the veterans mixed together, this season should be a successful one."

Two of the expected recruits were teammates at Wayne County High School, Jesup, Ga. They are 6-foot pivot Donnie Stephens and 5-5 guard Sandra Dixon. From North Carolina are 5-11 pivot Nancy Fleming, Halifax Academy, Littleton, and 5-4 guard Tina Mildred, Concord. The fifth recruit is

5-6 guard Selestine Hood, Caesar Rodney High, Dover, Del.

These players collectively averaged 80 points a game while in high school. Hood was high with 25, followed by Fleming, 20; Stephens, 15, and Dixon and Mildred with 10 apiece.

Possible additions noted by Winslow were Jacquelin Gore, West Brunswick High, Shallotte; Jenifer Cherry and Bonnie Powell, Rocky Mount, and Brenda Hartment, East Stroudsburg, Pa.

Expected to return from last year's team which won seven out of 23 games, were forwards Gale Batts, Laura Brailsford and Deborah Brown, Center Mary Reilly and guards Sandra Brown, Wilhemina Wilson and Queenie Torrence.

The team's leading scorer, forward Anita Durham, was transferring to Appalachian State, guard Donna Hudson planned to leave school and center-forward Georgia Ross was undecided about playing another year.

Casting Call Sounded For First Play of Year

By CINDY LEE

"I feel that the drama program improved greatly in '78-79," said Greg Simpson who appeared as Teddy in "Arsenic and Old Lace" and Bert Powers in "Send Me No Flowers," the fall and spring productions of the Chowan Players for the last year.

Simpson continued, "Last year was a good rebuilding year. Unfortunately, it was hard to keep student interest long enough to see a production through. This year I would like to see a broader range of plays produced."

Six additional stage lights were purchased with the profits from the plays.

Mrs. Sandra Boyce, director, plans to cast in early September for "Do Not Drink The Water", a comedy in two acts by Woody Allen. It is about a

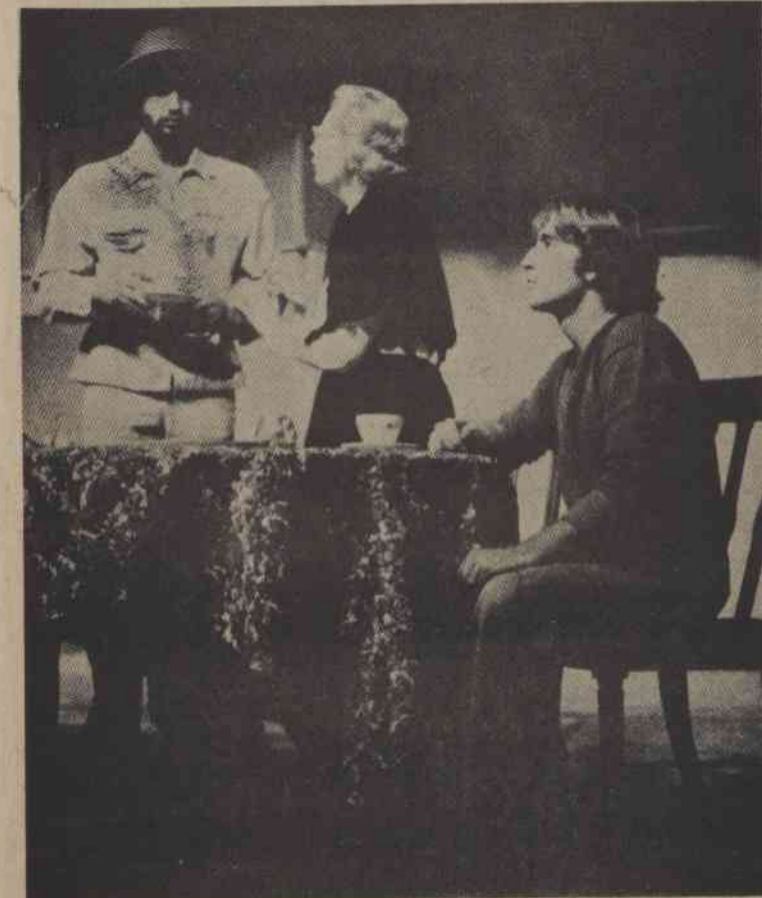
family of American tourists trapped behind the iron curtain in an American Embassy. According to Mrs. Boyce "What doesn't happen to them doesn't bear repeating."

There are 15 roles to be filled which are divided about evenly between male and female parts.

"The play ran for one year on Broadway and got rave reviews," Mrs. Boyce added.

Mrs. Boyce encourages all students who are interested in helping with the fall production either on stage or backstage, to see her by registration day, Tuesday, August 28. Her office is 115 Daniel Hall.

Mrs. Boyce also stated that the Drama Workshop will be offered in the Fall semester and that Drama Appreciation will be offered either in fall or spring.



Greg Simpson, Mrs. Betty Batchelor and Greg Andrassy in scene from "Arsenic and Old Lace" last fall.

Jenkins Hall Defending Cup Champs

The President's cup is an award which Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, president of Chowan College, presents annually at Honors Day to the president of the residence hall (the day student organization functions as a competing unit in the competition) which earns the greatest number of points through competition in six areas:

(1) Academics; (2) attendance at college-sponsored activities such as athletic events, plays, lectures, and concerts; (3) intramural sports; (4) residence hall programs/activities; (5) citizenship; and (6) proration. The President's Cup is the most cherished award presented a group during the Honors Day program.

Students are urged to upgrade the quality of competition between units. The competing units are: (1) McDowell Columns/Mixon; (2) West Hall; (3) East Hall; (4) Belk Hall; (5) Jenkins Hall; (6) Parker Hall and (7) Day Student Organization

Winners for 1978-79 in the six areas were: (1) Day Student Organization in academics; (2) Jenkins Hall in attendance to college-sponsored events; (3) McDowell Columns/Mixon in intramural sports; (4) Belk Hall in residence hall programs/activities; (5) Day Student Organization in citizenship; and Day Student Organization in proration. Jenkins Hall was the winner of the President's Cup with 65 points. Belk Hall accumulated 61.5 points, East Hall 49.5 points, McDowell Columns/Mixon Hall 48 points, Day Student Organization 47 points, West Hall 35 points, and Parker Hall 31 points.

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Sept. 1	N.C. State J.V.'s	Away	2:00
Sept. 7	E.C.U. J.V.'s	Away	2:00
Sept. 15	Newport News App.	Home	8:00
Sept. 22	Potomac State College	Away	8:00
Sept. 28	E.C.U. J.V.'s	Home	8:00
Oct. 6	Ferrum	Away	1:30
Oct. 13	Lees McRae	Home	1:30
Oct. 20	Hudson Valley	Homecoming	1:30
Oct. 27	Westchester	Away	1:30
Nov. 3	Wesley	Parents Day	1:30
Nov. 10	Nassau	Away	1:30

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