

## No Christian Backbone

By JIMMY LEE

Have you ever taken a close look at a history of the "Christian" Church throughout the ages? It is a pathetic chronical of back-downs!

The first came under the reign of the "women on a scarlet colored beast." This "lady" wanted the attention and worship of all the peoples of the world—not so much to win them to Christ as to herself.

Her only way of winning her pagan nearbys was to enscribe some of their practices into her own worship rituals. Soon the immortality of the soul, sprinkling instead of immersion, Christmas, Easter, Sunday worship, and other practices (all of which we have no record of the early Church following) were preached as gospel, and those who did not practice them were burned as heretics!

Then this woman had children who tore away from her even as they were still in her womb, leaving their marks upon her; marks that can never be healed until she has retrieved her lost sons. These wayward children did not exercise all of their mother's bad practices but kept some of them.

Many good men of the church fell because of the public-opinion mindedness displayed by their own character—a characteristic that has caused many to follow the trail leading to deprivation while always believing they were on the road to magnification. So was it that the first child fell as did the second and so on until they were all as in the wrong as their mother.

Now, with the revival of a theory first introduced by the "great" Aristotle, the Church is once again falling back. The new problem child is the theory of evolution. The Darwin-Huxley theory is taught as fact (not theory) in most high schools and colleges throughout the world. This modern, German-born postulate teaches a creation without a Creator. The Church saw that unless they countered, there would be no Church at all in time. So it took another look at the creation story and suddenly began to see how they could work evolution into it. Soon this absolute impossibility was accomplished and the Church was "saved" once again. Now, people can sincerely believe in God and evolution at the same time!

At one time every word of the Scripture was believed as absolute, historical datum. Today's ever-forward-looking young ministers "see" that all the points of the Bible may not be completely supported by history or, at least, cannot be proved. So, instead of proving all things as God commands, they say that Adam may

never have lived at all but was placed in God's Word as an example for us. The same goes for Abraham and the other Patriarchs. This, they believe, will always stand up before the atheist. Since they cannot heal people as did Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit of God, ministers say that God gave us doctors to heal us. So they send their congregation to the doctors costing them billions of dollars every year while they refuse to obey God or take Him at His Word in James 5: 13-15. If some of the ideologies of these sincerely deceived young men were true, it would make God out as a liar and a fake!

You should take time to search out the Scriptures and see exactly what they say. This should be done by yourself and not with some "Christian" helps! After you have proven all things, then find the Church that does exactly what you found and nothing more. You will find the one true Church that has never swayed from God's way. If you have searched diligently and God has opened your eyes then you will truly become a jewel in a world of granite. The facts you will learn will astound you and you will begin to see just why the United States is in the position it is in now. You will be able to read II Timothy 3:16-17 with all sincerity and confidence. You will have a tranquility of mind that only the begotten of God can possibly have. You will be able to have pity upon those poor old ladies who go to church every Sunday and condemn the actions of young people when they themselves have never even begun to feel the "Peace of God." Your life will be that of an individualist and not that of a follower. You will become a vertebra in the backbone of God's true Church.

### Youth-led Revival

The fall semester was climaxed for a group of six Chowan students with a Youth-led Revival at Calvary Baptist Church, Roanoke Rapids. The Reverend L. Edgar Whitlock, Pastor of Calvary Church, praised the team for the excellent work accomplished in the meeting. He added: "Our people fell in love with them. They were representing Chowan College and Chowan may well be proud of them."

Mr. John Whitley was responsible for the arrangements in connection with the meeting. Students who participated—either through leading in prayer, reading the Scriptures, special music, testimony, or sermon—included Linda Cowan, Benny Gibbs, Jerry Harper, Dwight Hooker, Joan Morris, and Joyce Stringfellow.

## \$100 Thousand Needed to Assure Financing of New Construction



BILL RODEN, DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Efforts are now being made to secure the \$100,000 needed to assure the total financing cost for constructing and equipping the new classroom building. A total of \$165,000 has been contributed to the Development Fund as campaign results to raise funds for the classroom building. Payments dollar to one gift of \$50,000, common 229 of the 305 pledges made to date, and funds from 443 cash gifts, ranging in size from one prise this total. The campaign was begun in the fall of 1961.

This building, the most significant campus addition planned to date, will not only relieve severely crowded classroom conditions, but will also greatly strengthen Chowan's academic program. Construction will begin early next month to have the building ready for the fall term.

We are indeed grateful to the alumni, supporters and friends of Chowan College who have responded to this campaign. The individual efforts and support of many of these have produced gifts from many other sources. It is this kind of concern and interest in the growth of Chowan College and the needs of Christian higher education which gives assurance to the Development Program.

During the next several weeks additional persons, foundations, businesses, and corporations will be contacted to raise \$60,000 of new money. Payments this year from existing pledges will provide about 40% of the \$100,000 needed.

It is the sincere hope and concern of the students, Board of Trustees, faculty, and administration of Chowan College that this educational need will be adequately and timely met. The Development office earnestly solicits the support and interest of all.

### Conference

March 8-10 is the date set aside for the Sixth Annual Student Missions Conference at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Wake Forest, North Carolina. This annual even—sponsored jointly by the two mission boards of the Southern Baptist Convention and Southeastern Seminary—is open to all college students interested in the mission of the church.

Students interested in attending the conference should contact Chaplain Taylor before February 19. Registration fee is \$1.00. Meals are \$.50, \$.85, and \$1.00. The seminary furnishes housing.

## Plans Made for Future Events

Three committees, representing the Chowan College Alumni Association, met recently at the college.

The nominating committee selected the officers for the coming year. The slate of officers will be presented at the annual meeting of the association. J. M. "Piggy" Jenkins of Murfreesboro is chairman. John Whitley, Murfreesboro and Mrs. Grady Bridgers, Jackson, are also on the committee.

The May Day committee made plans for the annual meeting, which is scheduled for May 5 in connection with the May Day activities. Members of this committee are: Mrs. Ethleen Underwood, Chairman, Murfreesboro; Mrs. Harry Hill, Murfreesboro; Mrs. T. J. Benthall, Ahsokie; Miss Sylvia George, Murfreesboro; and Miss Anna Belle Crouch, serving as college representative.

The third committee consists of the association officers, the ex-

ecutive secretary of the association and Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, president of the college. This committee did the final screening of prospective recipients of the "Distinguished Alumni Awards". The Chowan College Board of Trustees, upon recommendation of the Alumni Association, recently established that the Alumni Association could give a maximum of three such awards. The name of the recipient of this award is to be announced at the Commencement program.

Rev. C. Bailey Jones, Suffolk, Va., is president of the Alumni Association. Other officers are: Mrs. Beatrice Spivey, Winton, Vice-president; Mrs. Glen Benthall, Ahsokie; Secretary; and Mr. Edgar Parker, Franklin, Va., Treasures.

### Seminary Choir Sings at Chowan

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary Choir from Louisville, Kentucky presented a concert program at Chowan College on Wednesday, February 6.

The concert program was designed with the interest of the listener in mind. It consisted primarily of two contrasting motets: "Sing Ye To The Lord," by Bach; "O Saviour Throw The Heavens Wide," by Brahms. A unique feature of the concert was the presentation of "Three Worship Episodes," utilizing different musical art forms of the church.

Dr. William C. Bushnell, conductor, has been a faculty member of the seminary for six years. His experience in the field of church music education is extensive. He is chairman of the graduate committee for doctoral studies in the School of Church Music at the Louisville Seminary.

The choir membership, 19 men and 19 women, represented the three colleges of the seminary and are in a course of training toward becoming leaders in the ministry of music, religious education, and theology.

### MSM Attended

"Urban Culture and Christian Conscience" was the theme for the state conference of the Methodist Student Movement, held at First Methodist Church, Charlotte, North Carolina, February 1-3. Featured speakers and discussion leaders included Harry Golden, free-lance writer and editor of "The Carolina Israelite;" Robert Regan, staff member of the Methodist Board of Christian Social Concerns; and W. C. Smith, Jr., Secretary, Department of Student Work, Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Two students from Chowan, along with Mr. and Mrs. Weaver and Mr. Jordan, attended the conference. These were Linda Lane and Margaret Rideout. In reporting on the conference Linda said: "Attending the Methodist Student Movement Conference was of great interest. The theme of the conference showed each of us how biased our opinions toward integration can be. We had a chance to meet our state officers and many other important people related with the work of MSM. I really did enjoy it and hope I have the chance to attend many more."



PROGRESS AT CHOWAN COLLEGE—The Old President's Home located beside the Graphic Arts building on the Chowan Campus has been torn down to be replaced by a new classroom building which is expected to be started this spring. The home, which has been standing for a number of years, first housed a family when the college reopened and later was used for classes. In 1959 the building was converted into a men's dormitory. When the 1962 registration began the building was accommodating approximately 19 female students.