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## Fund Will Help Build Religious Activities Chapel

# G-W College Receives Gift From Dover Family

BOILING SPRINGS — Dr. E. Eugene Poston today announced a gift from the family of the late John R. Dover, Jr. to be applied to the construction of a religious activities chapel on the Gardner-Webb College campus.

The religious activities chapel, part of the proposed religious activities center for the college will be built in memory of John R. Dover Jr., who served many years on the Gardner-Webb Board of Trustees and in other capacities.

Dr. Poston, president of the college, said, "This is a big step toward the building of a visible symbol of the 'Extra Dimension.' We at Gardner-Webb have no center for the religious activities at the present time. The fundamental necessity for offering a strong education program has held priority and some of the gracious aspects of the college have had to be postponed. The time has come, however, to erect a visible symbol of the 'Extra Dimension' and the religious activities chapel will be just that.

John R. Dover III, acting on behalf of himself, his sister, Mrs. G. J. Vincent and his mother, presented the gift to the college through Dr. Poston. He remarked that his father had often told him of the many contributions Gardner-Webb College has made to the com-

munity and to his own life. John R. Dover Jr. attended Boiling Springs High School, forerunner of Gardner-Webb, in 1911 and was part of the school's growth from a high

school to a junior college. He was chairman of the committee which selected Dr. Poston as president to replace the retiring Dr. Philip Elliott. Dover was active in civic and church life

of the community serving in many capacities. Among these was presidency of the Shelby Rotary Club and superintendent of the Dover Baptist Sunday School. He also served as chair-

man of the board of the Dover Textile Group.

The Dovers' interest in the college is evident by the presence of the Dover Memorial Library built in memory of John R. Dover Sr. and the Charles I. Dover Campus Center now under construction.

John R. Dover Jr. gave the first money for an endowed academic scholarship at Gardner-Webb and the fund, named in memory of Dover, has now grown to over \$50,000 with interest from it being used to assist students who are academically talented.

His daughter, Mrs. G. J. (Jack) Vincent and John R. Dover, III, are his surviving children. Mrs. Vincent's husband is vice-president and general manager of Dover Mills and serves on the college's Board of Advisors and in the present campaign was a co-chairman for solicitations of the Board of Advisors.

John R. Dover III is director of industrial relations for the Dover Textile Group and was convocation chairman for the college's events which started the present campaign for \$1,125,000, and he is also a member of the Board of Advisors.

The widow of John R. Dover Jr. lives at Cleveland Springs Estates. She is the former Miss Elaine Hamrick of Shelby.



**CHAPEL IS NAMED**—The religious activities chapel to be constructed at Gardner-Webb College will be named in memory of John R. Dover Jr. A sizable gift toward the construction of this building has been made by the family of John Dover Jr. This includes his wife, daughter, and son-inlaw, Mr. and Mrs.

G. J. Vincent and his son, John R. Dover III. Shown around a portrait of Dover are, left to right, Dr. Eugene Poston, president of Gardner-Webb College; John Dover III, industrial relations director of Dover Textiles and G. J. Vincent, vice-president and general manager of Dover Textiles.

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