Faculty Marshall, Phyllis Dudley Dewar, bringing the College Mace led the procession of platform delegates. Following are Dr. Jackson, and Dr. Thomas E. Corts.



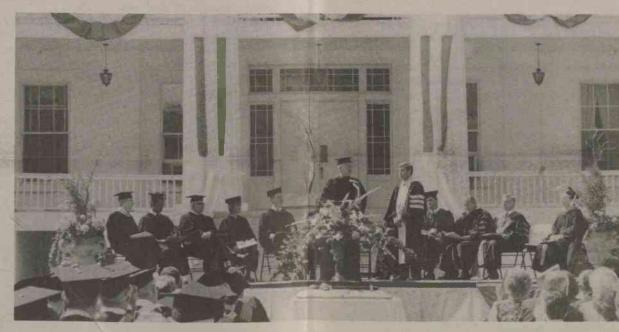
Over 50 delegates from other institutions across the country marched in the inaugural procession.

The Inaugural Pathway



A continental breakfast served in the President's Dining Room brought together faculty, students and guests. Jerry and Carolyn Jackson (second from left), and daughter, Jami, (center), greeted guests at the breakfast.

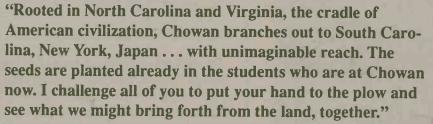




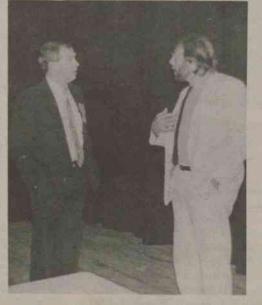
In a symbolic gesture, President emeritus, Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker placed the Chain of Office on the shoulders Dr. Jerry Jackson during the inaugural ceremony. Thomas M. McCrary, chairman of the Board of Trustees performed the investiture and charge to Dr. Jackson. The Rev. Thomas H. Caulkins delivered the benediction.



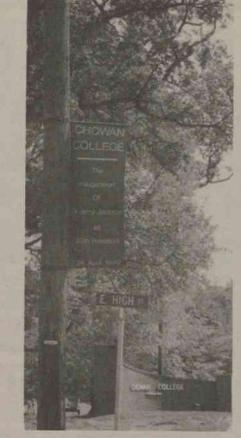
A sumptuous repast was served under bright tents. Barry Bauguess and his trumpeters sounded the processional marches, and also played for the luncheon on the Campus Green.



— Dr. Jerry F. Jackson



Following the symposium, Dr. Kenneth Wolfskill, chairman of the Department of Language and Literature at Chowan, discussed methods of teaching students with Partick Bizzarro, English professor at ECU.



Banners waved high from poles along Main Street, High Street, and College Street in Murfreesboro to signify the importance of the day.



The inaugural symposium, chaired by Dixie Goswami of Clemson University, gave participants ideas for education for the 21st century. Also on the panel were (left to right), Patrick Bizzaro and James Kirkland, professors of English from East Carolina University, Ms. Goswami, Dr. Connie Eble, English professor, UNC-Chapel Hill, and Jack Murrah, president of the Lyndhurst Foundation.