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# Guess Who Stopped By . . .

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Ford Pressing the Flesh

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In response to a question concerning job prospects for "tomorrow's college graduates," the President asserted that the prospects will be better in June of 1976 than they were in June of 1975. A recent CBS report, however, stated that job opportunities for those holding degrees are still decreasing. In regard to federally funded programs for higher education, Ford emphasized the importance of "pushing programs that aid the student." He pointed to the "success" of present aid in the form of grants and loans, but as to future programs said only, "We'll have to wait and see."

President Ford opened the conference remarking about how pleasant it was to be in "sunny North Carolina" compared with the wintry conditions he had just left in Chicago and Washington. He also professed his interest in local sports and his hope that he "can do as well" in the upcoming North Carolina primary as U.N.C.'s Phil Ford has done for his team this year.

When asked "who's minding the store?" in Washington while he was visiting here, Ford replied to an amused audience that, "This is Saturday, and alot of people take Saturday off."

While Guilford students were away on Spring Break, President Gerald Ford paid a visit to the Guilford College campus. Swarms of Secret Service and White House staff people scurried around campus throughout the week, as students were busy soaking up the rays at Ft. Lauderdale and Daytona.

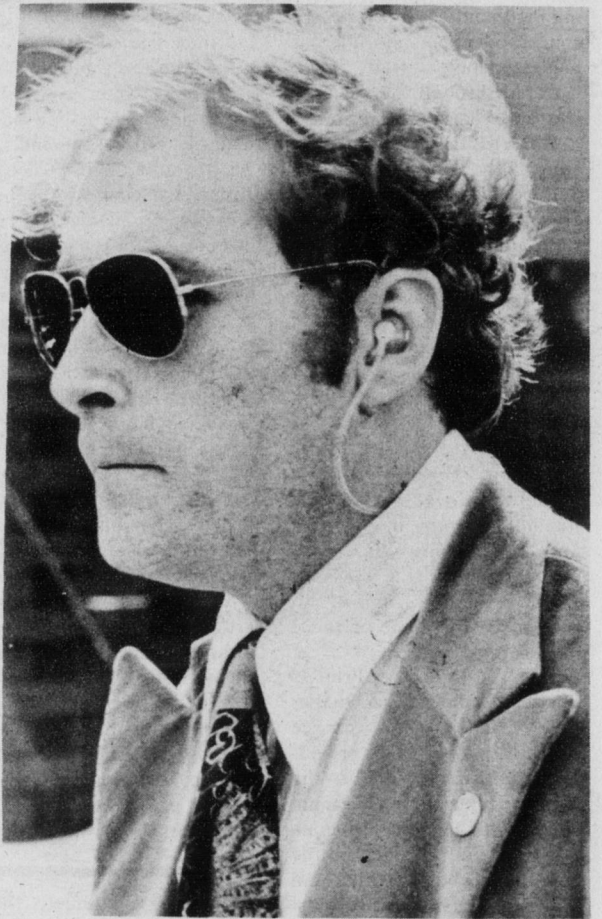
Guilford administrators first became aware of the President's intention to visit on Thursday March 4th through a phone call made to the head of the College News Bureau, Dave Owens.

The following week the complexion of the campus changed dramatically. Grass was mowed and weeds pulled as men in well tailored suits began to appear on campus. Southern Bell launched a massive invasion, sending as many as nine trucks and crews at one time. These men installed countless phone lines for press and President under the direction of Presidential Pre-Advance and Advance staffs.

The responsibilities of the college were handled mainly by Hugh Stohler, Dave Owens, Charlie White, Ron Keane, and Ron Short.

Buildings were checked and rechecked by Secret Service agents, practice helicopter landings were made on the baseball and football fields, and the number of steps between places were counted.

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Secret Service Agent keeps an eye on the President



Presidential motorcade delivers Mr. Ford to Founders