

18th President served 32 years

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man, Thomas M. McCrary of Raleigh, will be the Rev. J. Felix Arnold, Enfield; E. L. Hollowell, Edenton, Mike H. Johnson, Hamilton; Mrs. Mary Alice Matthews, Williamston; J. Guy Revelle, Jr., Murfreesboro; and Miss Emma Gay Stephenson, Pendleton.

Spivey said he has asked Ben C. Sutton, Business Manager, to serve in a staff relationship to the Search Committee.

Stated Spivey, "The task of the Search Committee will be difficult. We covet the best wishes and prayers of all friends and supporters of the college as we enter this critical undertaking.

Best Wishes Extended

"Dr. Whitaker will, of course, continue to provide the capable leadership to which we have become accustomed throughout the remainder of this year. We wish for him and Esther only the very best as he begin to bring to conclusion his truly outstanding service."

Spivey said President and Mrs. Whitaker were honored in 1987 with the establishment of a scholarship for academic excellence at Chowan.

The scholarship was initially funded by \$10,000 contribution from the couple's two sons, Barry Eugene and Garry Bruce Whitaker. Barry was joined in making the gift by his wife, Becky Goff Whitaker. Garry is single.



The Rev. Bennie Pledger, who has served several terms on the Board of Trustees, joins other members in extending best wishes to Dr. Whitaker on his forthcoming retirement. The long-time president of the college informed the trustees and advisors of his intentions during the semi-annual meeting in September.

Trustees offer best wishes

Trustees approve record budget for '88-89

The Board of Trustees, meeting jointly with the Board of Advisors in September, approved a record budget of \$8,660,000 for the 1988-89 session. They heard Business Manager Ben C. Sutton report that the \$125,000 1987-88 Annual Giving goal was topped by more than \$6,000.

Dean of Students Clayton Lewis reported the fall enrollment was 966 full time students, an increase of 57 over last year. He said applications increased by 20 percent.

Dr. B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., Dean of the College, said the college's accreditation has been reaffirmed for the next 10 years by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Dr. Whitaker praised Dean Lowe for the leadership he provided in the campus-wide reaffirmation effort.

Resolutions Adopted

Trustees adopted resolutions in the memory of two deceased trustees, C. Urbin Rogers of Williamston, who died on July 9 after 17 years of service; and Robert C. White of Windsor, who served 15 years before his death on June 6; and to the late Bobby S. Cross, Director of Development for 18 years before his death on May 11. Gifts to the Bobby S. Cross Scholarship is nearing \$17,000, Whitaker reported.

Resolutions of appreciation were adopted for Mrs. Susan Parker Kerr of Indian Lake Estates, Fla., who has made the largest single individual financial commitment in the college's history. The previous largest gift was \$500,000.

Trustees approved the employment of Mrs. Beryle Lewis, counselor for the Upward Bound Program.

Printing Scholarship Approved

Whitaker reported on the establishment of the W. A. Krueger Printing Technology Scholarship with a \$25,000 gift from W. A. Krueger, of Tryon and Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Advisor chairman, the Rev. J. Felix Arnold of Enfield, welcomed new advisor, Hugh Daughtry, Jr., of Greenville.

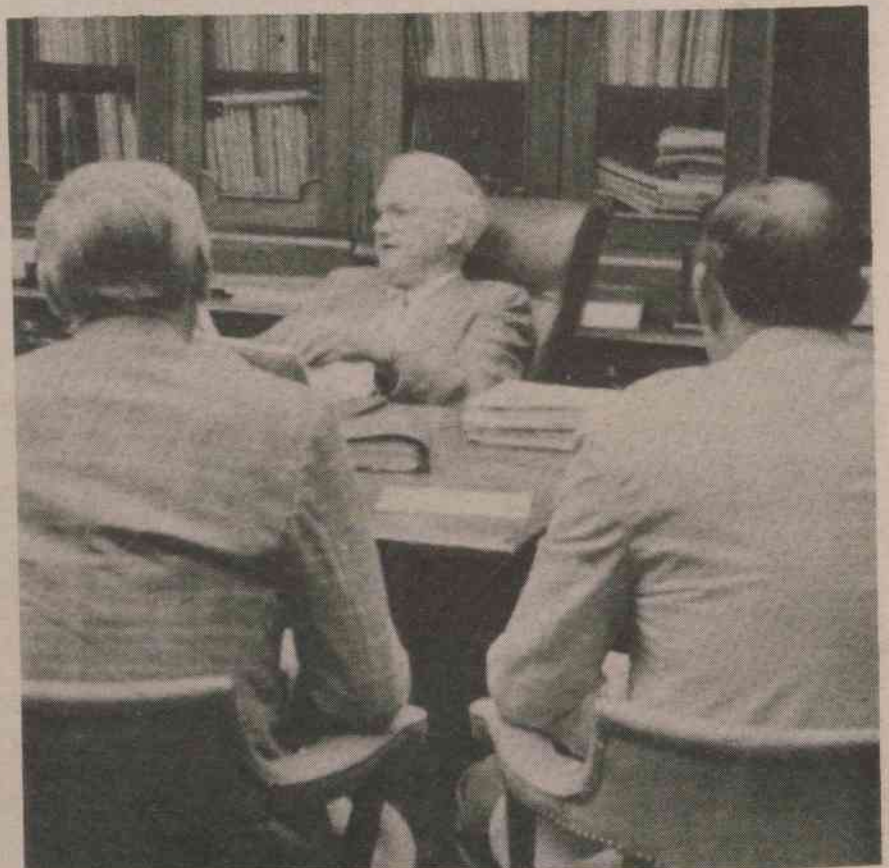
Staff member Elizabeth Starke and professors Dr. Dorothy Hill, Dr. Garth

Faile, Stephen Bowman, and Miss Anna Belle Crouch, emeritus, presented a program of entertainment and information to trustee and advisor spouses while the joint session was in progress.



Heads committee

Thomas McCrary is serving as chairman of the Search Committee to identify candidates for presidency of the college.



Administrative officers hear plans

The top five administrative officers of the college, including Dean R. Clayton Lewis and Dean B. Franklin Lowe, Jr., were told by Dr. Bruce E. Whitaker, center, of his intentions to retire at the close of the current academic year.