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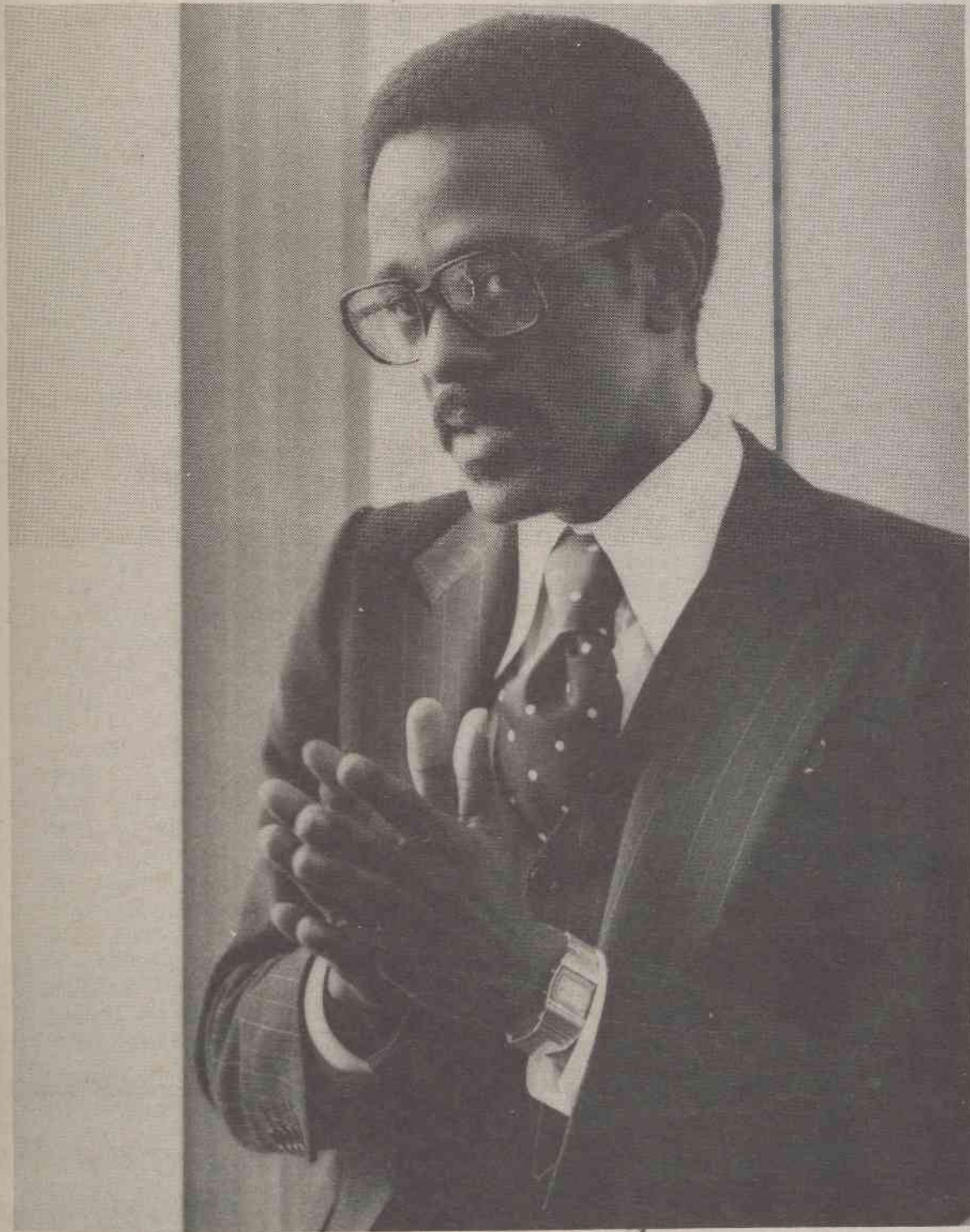
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Dr. Evans to Address:

NINETY-FOURTH COMMENCEMENT



Dr. Therman E. Evans

ECSU REPORT

Dr. Therman E. Evans, Assistant Medical Director for Connecticut General Life Insurance Company, will be the keynote speaker during Elizabeth City State University's Ninety-Fourth Commencement, set for Sunday, May 10, at 10:30 a.m., in the Robert L. Vaughan Center.

Formerly the National Health Director for Operation PUSH, Dr. Evans had served earlier, 1974-76, as the Director of the Health Manpower Development Corporation. From 1972-74, he held positions in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) as the Chief, Program Development Branch, Office of Health Resources Opportunity, Health Resources Administration; and as a Special Assistant to the Director of Health Manpower Opportunity, Bureau of Health Manpower Education, National Institutes of Health. While at HEW, numerous programs were developed to meet the increased need to recruit, motivate, and train disadvantaged persons for medical, dental, and health-related careers.

In announcing the May 10 Commencement, Chancellor Marion D. Thorpe indicated, "Because of Dr. Evans' earlier concerns and leadership ECSU has been

fortunate in being able to implement, with increased federal assistance, the Minority Biomedical Support Program, Health Career Recruitment and Counseling, Health Careers Academic Achievement, and other programs and services."

"Thus, we are most pleased to secure his services during our Commencement," Dr. Thorpe added.

A practicing physician at the East of the River Health Center, Washington, D.C., Dr. Evans holds numerous positions on advisory boards and committees, and serves as a consultant to several agencies. Awarded the MD degree by the Howard University School of Medicine, in 1971, he is also the recipient of honorary degrees from the University of California at San Diego, and Bethune Cookman College.

Following the Commencement address by Dr. Evans, Chancellor Thorpe will award degrees in the arts and sciences to approximately 250 candidates for graduation. Then the graduates will be inducted into membership in the ECSU General Alumni Association. Music for the ceremony will be provided by the University Choir, Billy C. Hines, Director. Immediately following the Commencement exercises there will be a formal dedication.

