

Chidley Philanthropy Spans Nearly Half Of Century

The Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of North Carolina College will also mark the semi-centennial observance of an annual "pilgrimage" to the institution by one of its oldest friends and supporters, Dr. Howard J. Chidley of Winchester, Massachusetts.

The Canadian born minister, pastor emeritus of the First Congregational Church of Winchester, was one of the first Northern philanthropists to answer Dr. James E. Shepard's plea for funds when the school was founded as a private institution "for Christian training" in 1910.

Contributions to NCC from the congregation of the First Congregational Church of Winchester and its pastor since 1910 are estimated at nearly \$60,000. In the early days, gifts from the congregation also included clothes, linen, food and other material goods.

Originally intended for "oper-

ating costs," contributions from the New Englanders were earmarked for scholarship assistance after the State of North Carolina undertook financial responsibility for the College in 1925. Dr. Chidley's annual visit to NCC, during which he is the featured speaker before general assemblies and small groups, is one of the highlights of each academic year. These visits have continued almost without interruption since the school was founded.

Evidence of his long association with NCC is the fact that the first dormitory erected on the campus was named for his first wife, Mrs. Florence Burrows Chidley. A wooden structure for women, it was razed shortly before the present million dollar Chidley Hall for men was dedicated in honor of Dr. Chidley in February, 1952.

Dr. Chidley also has the dis-

tingtion of being the first person to receive an honorary degree from North Carolina College. It was awarded by Dr. Shepard in 1917.

A native of Oakwood, Ontario, Canada, and a graduate of Edmund's High School of Burlington, Vermont, the noted cleric earned his bachelor of arts degree at Dartmouth College and the bachelor of divinity degree at Union Theological Seminary. He has also studied at Columbia University and at Oxford. He was naturalized as an American in 1917.

(The college's second awardee is President Sekou Touré of Guinea, who received the LL.D. degree here last October 29.)

An author of some six books on religious subjects, Dr. Chidley retired recently as pastor of the First Congregational Church of Winchester after thirty-five years of service in the ministry.

Graduates In Science Pursue Medicine And Teaching

NCC's departments of chemistry and biology have graduated numerous students who have gone on to carve successful careers in medicine, dentistry, and college teaching in the area of science.

The dean of all NCC graduates in the field of dentistry is Dr. J. M. Hubbard, prominent Durham dentist who is secretary of the North Carolina College Board of Trustees. Hubbard finished NCC in 1915 and the School of Dentistry at Howard University in 1925.

Hubbard and his son, Dr. J. M. Hubbard, Jr., also an NCC graduate in the class of 1945, operate a modern dental clinic on a main thoroughfare in Durham.

Two students with doctorates in science, William Randolph Johnson and Catherine Caldwell, are professors of chemistry at Florida A&M University and Tennessee State A&I University respectively.

W. E. Reid, W. G. Wright, and W. E. Payton, all holders of bachelor and master's degrees in chemistry from North Carolina

College, are assistant professors in that subject at Prairie View University, South Carolina State College, and Southern University.

Aaron L. Seate, who has NCC BS and MS degrees in chemistry, is a chemistry instructor in the City School System of Pittsburgh, Penn. He formerly taught at Southern University.

NCC graduates who are practicing dentists (and who have been in recent contact with the school) include: James Campbell, Durham; Hardy Coe-field, Goldsboro; Andy Harris, Henderson; Samuel Hill, Los Angeles; Eugene Kilgore, Johnson City, Tennessee; Henry McDaniel, Jr., New Jersey; Donnie Lee Simons, New York; Ernest Simons, Camden, N. J.; J. D. Settle, Elwood Streeter, Los Angeles, California; Orlando Stovall; Harry Thomas, California; Stephen Thomas, Burlington; and Joseph B. Williams, who is an officer in the United States Army.

Medical doctors include: James Bell (psychiatrist) New York; William Brownlee, Washington, D. C.; Gwendolyn Brownlee, Howard University Medical School; Samuel D. Bryan, New Bern; David Cook, Durham; Kenneth Chambers; Johnny Gilchrist, New York; Calvin Norman, California; Edward Norris, Philadelphia, Pa.; Claude Stevens, South Carolina; Warren Sturwick, Freedman's Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Freddie Weaver (psychiatrist), Los Angeles; David Weaver, Washington, D. C.; and Hilton Wilson, Washington, D. C.

Shepard Scholars Are Top Students

Three of the top high school graduates in the State of North Carolina were scheduled to enter North Carolina College in September for the current term under the auspices of the James E. Shepard Memorial Foundation.

These include: Nathaniel W. Morehead, an honor graduate of the William Penn High School of High Point. Morehead was president of the National Honor Society Chapter and a member of the Crown and Scepter Club.

Romain Barnes, salutatorian of her class at the Frederick Douglas High School of Elm City. She was president of both her class and of the Student Council.

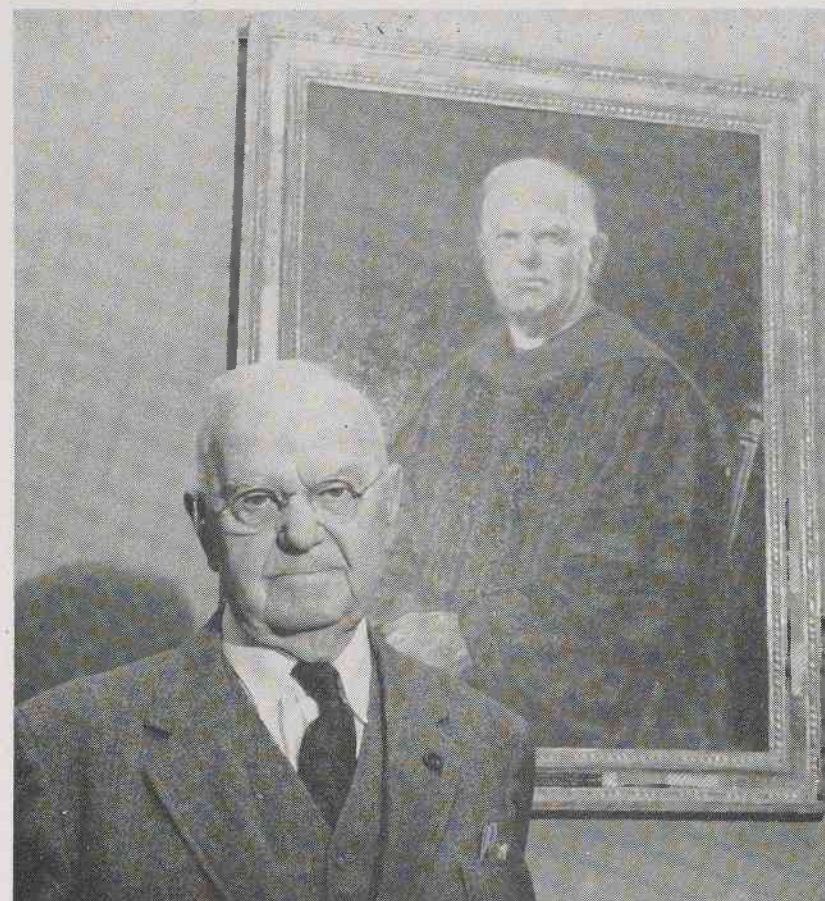
Samuel Sullivan, an honor student in physics at the West Charlotte High School of Charlotte. Sullivan was selected among the group of top ranking students who attended the Summer Institute here this past summer.

As James E. Shepard Scholars, these students will have financial assistance of an organization founded to advance the educational objectives of NCC's founder and first president. Talent and need are prominent among the criteria of requirements.

Since its founding in 1948, the James E. Shepard Foundation has awarded \$200 tuition scholarships to more than a hundred needy students. Extremely

selective, the Foundation for ten years gave grants on the basis of competitive examinations conducted on a statewide basis. During the past year, it experimented with recommendations as bases for the awards.

Nevertheless, "Need, Scholarship, Extra-Curricular Promise, and Citizenship" remain the basic requirements for consideration.



For more than forty years Dr. and Mrs. Howard J. Chidley of Winchester, Mass., have visited NCC. In the lower photo above, the Chidleys and NCC's first family, the Elders, are shown with a student group in the Chidley Hall Dormitory reception room. In upper photo, Dr. Chidley poses by his portrait which adorns the reception room's wall. The occasion marked an elaborate program honoring the Chidleys and sponsored by the men's governing body.

Tuition Grants To 50 Students

Some fifty students, including eight with special promise in science, have been awarded full tuition scholarships (\$130.50 each) for the present academic year.

Last year's scholarship drive among faculty, students, and friends of NCC made the awards possible.

According to a release from Dean G. T. Kyle, acting chairman of the Scholarship Committee, nearly \$7,000 has been allocated for scholarship and other financial aid purposes as a result of the scholarship fund campaign.

Dean Kyle also pointed out that scholarships were awarded on bases of "promise and need." "We are interested in the able student," he said, "and are especially interested in assisting students who are not financially able to attend college."

The Dean also called attention to the "widespread geographical distribution" of the awardees. "We hope to uncover talent and ability wherever they may be found," he said.

This year's awardees include: Yvonne Barrow, Shelby; Bobby E. Battle, Springfield High, Lucame; Claristeen Blackwell, Cathedral Latin High, Raleigh; Julia Booker, North Carolina College, Durham; Fredda L. Bost, Logan High, Concord; Christine Brown, B. T. Washington High, Clarkton; Shirley M. Brown, Hillside High, Durham; Allan L. Bristol, Freedman High, Lenoir; Carolyn N. Bryant, Newbold High, Dover; Augustus E. Cheston, Jones High, Trenton; Raydell Cox,

Saint Joseph's School, New Bern; Hazel A. Ellison, Hillside High, Durham; Joyce P. Erwin, Olive Hill High, Morganton; Doreatha Fields, Carver School, Mount Olive; Willie M. Foster, Henderson Institute, Henderson; Barbara A. Hamer, Mount Olive High, Whiteville; Earl Jones, West Southern Pines High, Southern Pines; Charles D. Knox, Hillside High, Durham; Susie M. Lane, Reidsville; Matilda C. Lee, Apex Consolidated High, Fuquay Springs; Edward T. Matthews, Dudley High, Greensboro; Robert C. Parks, Second Ward High, Charlotte; Jean Riddick, C. S. Brown High, Winton; Lucinda C. Ross, Hawkins High, Warrenton; Clara D. Simmons, Dillard High, Goldsboro; Jo-Ann Staggers, B. T. Washington High, Rocky Mount; Marian L. Suitt, Hawley High, Creedmoor; James L. Walker, E. E. Smith High, Fayetteville; Augustine Watlington, B. T. Washington High, Reidsville; A. E. Weatherford, III, North Carolina College, Durham; and Metoka L. Welch, R. J. Bunche High, Weldon.

The following students were awarded tuition scholarships on the basis of their special aptitudes in science. They were outstanding among the forty-five high school seniors, who attended the Science Institute for High School Students, here last summer: Haywood Barnes, Rocky Mount; Costello Brown, Mebane; Thomas Hammond, Durham; Richard Hicks, Rocky Mount; Benjamin H. Ollison, Roxboro; Frank E. Parker, Gas-

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DR. CHIDLEY INSPECTING THE NEW CHIDLEY HALL DORMITORY FOR MEN