

NCC Offers Rich Summer Program



The Samuel T. Gibsons of Raleigh, N. C., Mr. and Mrs. Gibson, NCC alumni, are shown here with daughter Pheriby, with son Samuel, Jr., inset, both of whom are recent graduates. Pheriby, Mrs. Vernard Henley, Jr., Richmond, Va., now has a son, Vernard, III, a prospective NCC student.

A comprehensive offering of courses, clinics, and workshops during the nine weeks of Summer School gives North Carolina College a year-round academic program. With more than a thousand students reporting soon after June commencement exercises, both faculty and facilities of the College are in continuous operation in the service of the State and area.

The NCC Summer School is under the leadership of Professor J. H. Taylor, who has served it as director for more than ten years.

Dr. Taylor regards the Summer School as "no mere interruption" of the regular session but "a logical continuation of the school year."

Under his direction, the pro-



June, 1953, proved a memorable date for three members of the Thomas Lee Boykin family of Parkersburg, N. C. As the above photo indicates, NCC President Alfonso Elder conferred three professional degrees on the twin girls, Bertha Lee, and Myrtle Tee, and their brother, Thomas Edison Boykin. Bertha Lee and Myrtle Tee received undergraduate degrees at NCC prior to earning their advanced degrees in library science. Thomas Edison graduated from Shaw University and later came to NCC to study law, receiving his LL.B. degree in the same commencement program with his twin sisters.

Graduates Send Children To NCC

"Good morning, Mrs. Eagle-son," said the freshman to NCC's registrar of a number of years. "My mother, who was graduated in 19—, told me to be sure to look you up."

This greeting heard increasingly on the NCC campus belies the apparent youth of the College. Already the sons and daughters of NCC graduates have begun to follow the paths of their parents to the Durham institution.

Although there have probably been no grandchildren of alumni to enroll, a number of NCC students represent the second generation. In addition, there are several families which have had unusually large numbers of sons and daughters to graduate from NCC.

The father of two recent graduates was in NCC's first college class in 1925. He is Raleigh realtor S. T. Gibson, who had as his next door neighbor in the dormitory a young man just beginning his career as a teacher of mathematics and physics - Alfonso Elder.

Although Gibson went on to Shaw University to complete his undergraduate work, he returned to Durham and to NCC for his wife.

She is the former Thelma Christine Gilmer, who finished in NCC's last high school class (1927) and in an early college class, 1931.

Both offsprings from this union are NCC graduates - Pheriby, '56, and Samuel, '59. Pheriby, who now lives in Richmond, Va., recently gave birth to what may be NCC's first third generation student, Vernard Henley, III.

Mrs. Gibson has other roots at NCC. Her father, the late J. E. Gilmer, did most of the early brick work on campus, including the home now occupied by President Elder.

She remembers Dr. Elder, Miss Pauline Newton, English department; Professor (retired) J. T. Taylor, psychology; Professor (retired) Charles L. Holmes, Spanish; and Miss Marjorie Shepard, history, as some of her favorite teachers.

More numerous than second generation families perhaps are those families with several members holding NCC degrees. Two 1959 honor graduates, for example, are in this category.

Yvonne Harrell, an honor graduate from Ahoskie, is the

fourth person in her immediate family to earn degrees here. The first, John D. Harrell, Jr., received the B.S. degree in 1951 and the master of science degree in 1953.

Robert, a 1955 graduate, was also awarded a bachelor's degree in law here in 1958. Blanche finished magna cum laude in 1957.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Harrell, Sr., of Ahoskie are parents of the four alumni.

The Atwaters of Chapel Hill, two sons and two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Atwater, also hold NCC degrees.

Faye Magdalene Atwater, who finished cum laude last June, is the last of four members of the James W. Atwater family of Chapel Hill to earn degrees at NCC. James, a magna cum laude grad in 1953, later earned a master's degree in American literature at the University of Pennsylvania on a Woodrow Wilson fellowship.

Muriel and Samuel graduated in 1957.

The James family of Camden, South Carolina, boasts three students to finish NCC, all of them girls. Marian Lucia was graduated with honors in 1945, Althea in 1954, and Ernestine in 1956. Mr. and Mrs. S. W. James are the parents.

Without a doubt, the all-time record is held by the prolific Holloway family of Durham. Since the early forties, eight Holloways have attended NCC, seven of them earning bachelor's degrees between 1945 and 1956.

J. Simeon, Jr., now an insurance agent in Lynchburg, Va., was first to attend. He was followed by Anna (now Mrs. Anna Holloway Morris), who was graduated in 1942. Mrs. Morris teaches in a junior high school in Philadelphia.

Also in Philadelphia is Margaret, '45, who serves her brother Hiliary, '49, as secretary. Hiliary is the national secretary of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity with offices in Philadelphia.

Two Holloways, John Mills and Roxie, were awarded bachelor's degrees at NCC in 1950. He is the business manager of St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, and she is secretary to NCC's graduate dean, Dr. W. H. Brown.

Lily V. and Josephine, who finished in 1954 and 1956 re-



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gram of Summer studies has been enriched to include the normal sequences of courses for both undergraduate and graduate students as well as in-service training for teachers and specialists. As a consequence, enrollment has increased from 589 students in 1946 to 1206 in 1959. Thus, the summer enrollment is only about 150 less than the size of the student body during the regular session.

A considerable proportion of the enrollees registers for clinics and workshops constituting the

most complete offering of this kind in the area.

Notable among these is the Summer Institute for High School Teachers of Science and Mathematics, which recently completed its third year under the direction of Dr. W. H. Robinson, chairman of the physics department.

This institute which has operated in successive years on grants of \$55,700, \$60,300, and \$61,500 from the National Sci-

ence Foundation, is widely regarded as one of the foremost projects of its kind. Conducted as an independent unit in conjunction with the Summer School, its interracial faculty consists of resident and visiting professors and occasional lecturers who are distinguished in the areas of science and mathematics.

Although the majority of enrollees are natives of North (Continued on Page 16)



The four persons pictured above have in common the fact that they are members of the same family (brothers and sisters) and that they all hold degrees from North Carolina College. They represent the James W. Atwater family of Chapel Hill. In order, left to right, they are Samuel, '57; Muriel, '57; Faye Magdalene, '59 (cum laude), and James, '53, a magna cum laude graduate.



The Holloways of Durham hold the distinction of having the largest number of degrees from North Carolina College among them. Four of the seven degree holders are shown above with their mother, Mrs. Zelma S. Holloway, fifth from left, and President and Mrs. Elder, extreme right. The alumni pictured include Hiliary, '49, Mrs. Margaret H. Arrington, '45, Josephine, '56, and Lily, '54. Not shown are J. Simeon, Jr., Mrs. Anna H. Morris, '48, and John Mills and Roxie, both of whom were graduated in 1950.