

# College Observes 16th Founder's Day; Dr. Knight Speaks, Mrs. Semans Honored

An address by Duke University President Douglas M. Knight and the awarding of an honorary Doctor of Humanities degree to Mrs. Mary Trent Semans were highlighting events in the sixteenth annual observance of North Carolina College's Founder's Day.

The convocation, honoring the life and career of the late Dr.



DR. DOUGLAS KNIGHT  
... delivers address

James E. Shepard, founder of the college in 1910 and its president until 1947, convened in the college's B. N. Duke auditorium and attracted a standing-room audience of students and townspeople.

During the program, at which Dr. Bascom Baynes, chairman of the NCC board of trustees, presided, Dr. Alfonso Elder, retired NCC president presented the occasion. NCC President Samuel P. Massie introduced Dr. Knight; and President Massie Dr. Walter Brown, representing the alumni, and James Ferguson president, of the NCC Student Government, conducted the college's traditional, symbolic "Truth and Service" ceremony.

Speaking on the subject, "The Great Ambitions of Liberal Education," Dr. Knight urged that college students master the excitement of true learning, "without the loss of our humanity our wit, our concern for all the round earth's imagined corners.

"This is what education stands for in my eyes, and in my heart. . ."

Explaining what he termed

the great perpetual question of "what we ourselves are up to as people," he declared that people cannot expect much from buildings, endowments, or education unless they can grasp the living purposes for which these things are devoted.

"A college", he said, "is by definition concerned with the important affairs of life." "It is not a playground, not a bone-

yard of dead ideas, not a mere arena, not a political storm center, and not a Hollywood set. It is a place where all of us can be concerned . . . about the permanent questions of reality value, significance, and a place where we can find the beginning, at least, of an answer to a few of them."

"Understanding," he continued, "is first an adventure of

the individual mind and heart. Yet individuals can hope for nothing unless they know how to look beyond themselves."

"This is the great paradox of learning—that it deals with the infinite relationships of inner man and outer universe. Unless you are able both to be yourself and change yourself in some significant way, you cannot. (See **Observes**, page 3)

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### Charlotte Co-ed Reigns Over Homecoming

A senior sociology major from Charlotte reigned over North Carolina College's annual Homecoming activities here this week.

Margaret Priscilla McCullough, winner of the "Miss Homecoming" title in last spring's campus-wide student elections, was the reigning beauty at the homecoming activities and was presented at halftime at the NCC Eagles-Shaw University Bears football game.

Miss McCullough is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McCullough, 115 West Bland Street, Charlotte. She is a graduate of the York Road High School where she was an active student, participating in basketball, dramatics, the band, the student council, the French Club, the Y-Teens and the NHA. She was Student of the Week in an activity sponsored by the **Charlotte Observer**, her home town daily newspaper.

An active student here, she has participated in the band, was chosen "Miss Sophomore," is a senior counselor, and is a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Miss McCullough said that she is very happy that she was (See **Reigns Queen**, page 3)



MARGARET McCULLOUGH, CROWNED "MISS HOMECOMING" by North Carolina College President, Dr. Samuel P. Massie, during halftime of the game between NCC and Shaw University.

### Funeral Parody, Sadie Hawkins Dance End Homecoming Activities

NCC students participated in an abundance of pre-homecoming activities here this week in connection with homecoming celebration sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Student Government Association.

The activities were a vanguard to the homecoming day football game between NCC and Shaw University of Raleigh.

Following the theme, "Football Frolic of '63", the pre-game activities included two nights of pep rallies and recreational dancing, a band concert on the third night, and a mock funeral and Sadie Hawkins dance on the final night.

In addition to the activities, there was a competitive decorative and thematic display between campus dormitories. New Residence Hall won top prize.

At the mock funeral NCC students participated in an all but real funeral for the Shaw University Bear.

B. N. Duke Auditorium took on the atmosphere of a funeral at a Negro rural church as students began "amening," crying, wailing, and shouting behind the opening statement of Presiding Minister, Irby Logan of Atlanta, Georgia.

Logan said that the students and sympathizers were gathered to give final rites to "the Bear who made the horrible mistake of tangling with the Eagle."

Mr. James Parker, Audio-Visual Center director, followed with a slow, witty and inclusive speech of how death came upon the Bear. In a macabre speech, Rev. Parker said the Bear was wandering in strange woods when suddenly prayed (See **Homecoming**, page 3)

### Men's Weekend Set

North Carolina College's Men's Weekend, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 16-17, will feature seven major events this year, according to a schedule of activities released by John L. Stewart, dean of men.

The annual observance, which follows the theme "Living Up to Truth and Service," will begin with the Eagles' Autumn Ball on Saturday, Nov. 16, at 8:30 p.m.

(See **Men's Weekend**, page 4)



BAND LEADER COUNT BASIE AUTOGRAPHS PICTURES for two NCC co-eds who attended the concert given here this week by the "The Count."

The two students, Wanda Sutton and Annie Lewis, were among some 3,000 persons attending the concert sponsored by the NCC Marching Band and the office of the Dean of Students.

### NCC Students Invited To Participate In Activities Sponsored By Others

North Carolina College Students have been invited to participate in two activities sponsored by outside organizations, according to Dr. Marion D. Thorpe, dean of students.

The first of these is an essay contest sponsored by the Education Department of the Embassy of India. This is part of the cultural program of the Government of India, sponsored for American students in various colleges and universities. Its aim is to stimulate interest in Indian Culture and Civilization.

Competition is open to students between the ages of 18-24 by January 1, 1964, on topics of "Religion, Secularism, and Democracy in Modern India." The essay should contain from 2,000 to 2,500 words, typed. This essay should reach the Education

Department, Embassy of India, 2107 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D. C., by January 15, 1964.

The second is sponsored for (See **NCC Invited**, page 3)

### Home Economists Elect Officers

Joyce Belcher, a junior home economics major and a general science minor, has been elected president of the North Carolina College Chapter of the American Home Economics Association for the 1963-64 school year. Her election to office came in the initial meeting of the club for the year.

Other officers elected were (See **Elects Officers**, page 3)

at NCC, and state chairman of the North Carolina Resource-Use Education Conference.

The general theme of the conference is, "Resource-Use Education: The Key to Quality Learning and Living." According to Dr. Speigner, the 1963 conference is designed to create an awareness in supervisors, principals, and students, "of the unlimited natural resources which are available in every community that should be used to enrich instruction."

Principals, supervisors, teachers, and parents throughout the state have received invitations to participate in the conference, Speigner said.

The keynote speaker for the conclave will be Dr. Stanley E. Dimond, professor of education at the University of Michigan, who will address the afternoon session at 2 p.m. in B. N. Duke auditorium.

Author of **Schools and the Development of Good Citizens**, and co-author of **Our American Government**, Dr. Dimond is past president of the National Council for the Social Studies and holds membership in the NEA, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Kappa, the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, and the American Educational Research Association.

In the 10:30 morning session, which will feature the role young people can play in conserving community resources,

(See **Conference**, page 4)