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Whiting Inaugurated Fourth President

SGA President Salutes Whiting

By MR. DOUGLAS C. GILLS
Student Government President

Throughout the entire year, President Albert N. Whiting has revealed to us what he has considered to be his philosophy of education. His philosophy fortunately im b o d i e s precisely what the majority of students in colleges today are advocating. The president has stated and implemented his ideals that students and faculty as well should participate more in the governance of the college.

Student bodies on campuses across the country are actively expressing their concern that full participation of a constructive nature should be a reality at these institutions also. But here, at North Carolina College, the transition from a policy of administration domination of the lives of the students to one in which the student body has become a partner in the search for knowledge and truth is anxiously being born. It is being born without unwarranted expressions of discontent on the part of students or faculty.

A year ago, North Carolina College was an institution with a future filled with gloom and disparity. The friends of this institution questioned with valid assumptions its ability to survive. The student body was overcome with feelings of hopelessness and despair. Now with the emergence of President Whiting, who has proven his sincerity, ability, and his determination to make progressive change a reality at North Carolina College, we can have faith in the institution's future, and inspiration has replaced desperation.

A president of an institution must be able to convey to his faculty and his student body ideals that can be achieved through mutual cooperation of all parts of the academic community. He cannot be successful if each segment of the institution has goals and ambitions which are irreconcilable to each other. They must be able to direct their energies into a program of education in which the common interests of all segments have been successfully realized.

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Dr. and Mrs. Albert N. Whiting examine a scrapbook in their home at North Carolina College. Dr. Whiting will be inaugurated fourth president of NCC in a 3 p.m. ceremony on April 27.

Excellence Goal Of Administration

By DR. CHARLES A. RAY
Chairman of English Department

North Carolina College's traditional emphasis upon truth and service at the level of excellence appears headed for renewed implementation in the administration of President Albert N. Whiting.

And the key to the implementation of the college's ideals can be found within a "college culture" that features three clearly defined strata—the administration, the faculty and staff and the students.

Dr. Whiting believes that "the administration and faculty develop the curricula and extra-curricula activities, the rules and regulations, the college objectives and the means through which the objectives are achieved . . ."

Excellence Extolled

That he expects the ideal of "excellence" to continue to prevail at NCC is apparent in the recent announcement of a campaign to raise more than \$1 million for faculty salaries. A dynamic recruitment program to staff existing vacancies and innovations to provide financial assistance for faculty members to do advanced study and to pursue terminal degrees are other tangible examples of President Whiting's interest in upgrading the quality of instruction at NCC.

Emphatic in the Whiting emphasis upon an improved program of instruction is a frank

desire to bridge the student-faculty gap as it sometimes exists in American education. Informed teachers must do more than exhibit their academic wares in their professional journals and at their specialized meetings. Dr. Whiting puts his views this way: ". . . it is clear to me that colleges and universities must seek a way to fuse the present emphasis upon advanced scholarship and methodology with an informed and re-

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Building Program Accents Expansion

By DR. WILLIAM JONES
Vice President for Financial Affairs

The physical plant of an institution must be geared to the educational programs and size of enrollment of the institution. Therefore, the present and future physical plant at North Carolina College must have a direct relationship to the educational programs and the student population.

To the end of meeting these requirements, the College has

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Sociologist Takes Mantle April 27

Inaugural ceremonies on Saturday, April 27, will mark North Carolina College's official welcome to Dr. Albert N. Whiting, the fourth man to hold the college presidency since its founding in 1910.

Dr. Whiting, who took office on July 1, 1967, takes on the mantle of Dr. James E. Shepard, the college's founder and its president from 1910 until his death in 1947. Others who have worn the mantle include Dr. Alfonso Elder and Dr. Samuel P. Massie.

Dr. Whiting received his elementary education at Jersey City Public School; his secondary education at Dickinson High School, Jersey City, New Jersey; his A.B. degree at Amherst College (cum laude graduate) and did further study at Columbia University and the University of Pittsburgh. He received the A.M. degree at Fisk University and the Ph.D. degree at the American University in Sociology and Public Welfare.

He has taught at Fisk University, Bennett College, Atlanta University, Morris Brown College, and Morgan State College. He was a propaganda analyst with the U. S. Department of Justice in Washington, D. C. in April 1943 through September 1943, and First Lieutenant, Company Commander, Army of the United States, 1943-46.

Among many honors, Dr. Whiting has received the National Urban League Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh; was a Teaching and Research Fellow, Fisk University; and is a member of Alpha Kappa Delta Honorary Sociological Fraternity. He is listed in American Men of Science, in Trustees, Presidents and Deans of American Colleges and Universities, in Who's Who in American Education, in Who's Who in the East; and in Who's Who in America.

He is a member of the American Sociological Society, Southern Sociological Society, the National Conference of Deans and Registrars of which he is a past

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STITES VIEWED IN RETROSPECT

By MISS ROZITA BULLOCK
Campus Echo Reporter

Elaborate preparations are being made for the inauguration of our fourth president, Dr. Albert N. Whiting. The oldtimers



cannot help but recall with nostalgic pride how it was in the days of the last two inaugurations of Dr. Elder Elder and Dr. Samuel P. Massie. They cannot help but

recall the sadness when news was received about the death of our founder and first president, Dr. James E. Shepard on that sorrowful day of October 6, 1947. Through all of the regalia, pomp and circumstance of the other two inaugurations that were experienced and will be experienced on April 27, 1968, one cannot but reflect on the man, who with his mighty will, founded this institution. Without him, and the men like him, such occasions could not have been possible.

Elder Inaugurated

The throbs of "Le Prophete" drummed out the beats for the academic procession on Friday, June 3, 1949, marking the inauguration of Dr. Alfonso Elder. In it were many dignitaries and scholars of that day, some of whom have faded away and some of whom are still carrying the torch in the progress and perpetuation of education.



Many representatives from businesses and educational institutions throughout the United States were in attendance. Such men as W. Kerr Scott, Governor of the State of North Carolina, Dan K. Edwards, See RITES, page 3



The coming inaugural procession of April 27 is reflected in the one of Founder's Day held November 3, 1967, as shown above. Leading the line of march were, from left, Dr. Charles Orr, professor of Education and marshal; NCC President Albert N. Whiting; Dr. J. Neal Hughley, college minister; Dr. Bascom T. Baynes, chairman of the Board of Trustees; and Lieutenant Governor Robert W. Scott, speaker for the occasion.

EDITORIAL NOTE

The articles contained in the Inaugural Echo reflect various facets of North Carolina College as an institution of higher learning—its history, its present focus on the inauguration of its fourth president, and certain offerings and innovations in education. The staff of the Echo presents this issue as a token to the guests who will participate in the inaugural activities and to the members of the North Carolina College family.

SCHEDULE OF INAUGURAL EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 1968	
ART EXHIBIT	8:00 P.M.
James E. Shepard Memorial Library (Black Tie)	
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 1968	
8:00 A.M.-12:00 Noon	Registration of Representatives and Special Guests James E. Shepard Memorial Library
12:30 P.M.	Inaugural Luncheon for Representatives and Special Guests The North Carolina College Dining Room
2:00 P.M. - 2:40 P.M.	The North Carolina College Band Concert Campus Lawn
2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.	Robing of Representatives The Law School and Fine Arts Buildings
2:30 P.M. - 2:40 P.M.	Formation of the Inaugural Procession
3:00 P.M.	Inauguration Exercises The Richard Louis McDougald Gymnasium
Immediately following	The President's Reception New Residence Hall Lawn

(In case of inclement weather, the Band Concert will be held in the R. L. McDougald Gymnasium, and the President's Reception will be held in the Education Building Auditorium.)