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REGINALD HAWKINS & SHIRLEY CHISHOLM

Rep. Shirley Chisholm Campaigns At FSU

By JANICE PAULING, EVERNA GWYNN

Shirley Chisholm, the first black woman candidate for the presidency of the United States, appeared in FSU's Seabrook Auditorium before a capacity crowd last Thursday. Sparkled with applause and standing ovations, she was received by an overwhelming enthusiastic audience. As America's "first-first," Mrs. Chisholm referred to herself as being representative of the new breed of politicians -- the first woman and above all, the first black to run for the nation's highest office.

In terms of the upcoming pri-

mary the congresswoman stated her position "All of us want a share of the American dream," she said. "But we aren't going to get it as long as the white male over 50 years of age remains in office and the lobbyist and interest groups have control."

In terms of her platform, Mrs. Chisholm said that she intends to represent the poor blacks, Spanish speaking, Indians, and whites. "Better housing projects," she said, "have been delayed in order to build multi-million dollar space projects. Where on earth are we going?, she questioned. "By the time we get through we may as well go to space. Instead of spend-

ing money on space transportation we should spend it on earth transportation."

In response to the slogan, "A Vote for Chisholm, is a vote for Wallace," Mrs. Chisholm said that this is a bunch of bologna. "George Wallace has his own inroads in North Carolina," she said. Don't use me as a sacrificial lamb or scapegoat. We, the black's candidates don't intend to be used as scapegoats any longer. Let Terry Sanford and Wallace campaign in the state of North Carolina. They have the right but just don't use me as their scapegoat because I am physically, intellectually & emotionally qualified to run for the presidency. At this moment I'm on a very serious mission in this country," she forcefully stated. "I'm going all the way to the convention to lead us. Traditionally we've had all white conventions. This year we're going to have a real polka-dot convention.

The congresswoman announced that her campaign is going along very well. In fact, she said, "I have just received word from my D.C. office that I picked up three delegates in Minnesota on Wednesday. Also I just discovered that I will be the only liberal candidate running in Michigan.

The bulk of her supporters, she said, are college students. "If it had not been for them, I don't know where my campaign would be now."

Would she drop out of the presidential race? Definitely not. "I am on my way to Pennsylvania Avenue," she said.

"Why do I think I can succeed? Well, it took a little black woman to lead three hundred people out of bondage. It took another little black woman to get sick of going to the back of the bus, and it may very well take another little black woman to put this country together again. The time has come for this country to have a leader with a little soul. I say right on."

number of applicants for the positions, which also included candi-

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BRENDA WATSON

Brenda Watson Leads, Spearman Speaks To 294

By ROOSEVELT MCPHERSON

Dr. Leonard H.O. Spearman, acting director, Division of Student Assistance, U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will deliver the Baccalaureate address to approximately 294 seniors. Brenda Watson, editor-in-chief of The Voice, will be honored as Valedictorian of Fayetteville State University's 1972 Graduation Class during the school's 95th Annual Commencement Program scheduled here May 14. Miss Watson, who has held her present position with the school newspaper for one year, has achieved the highest grade average in her graduating class over her four-year stay here.

Determination, sacrifices, and ability have been Brenda's main tools in reaching her goals, she said. Her numerous achievements obtained while at FSU clearly show the immeasurable energy and talent she possesses.

Brenda, who's a native of Durham and a graduate of Hillside High School, has been accepted by four universities for graduate

study. "I haven't quite made the decision which one I want to go to, but I hope I will make the right decision when I do decide," she said.

She has applied to several universities and hopes to receive fellowship offers from the respective schools. "I'm looking forward to continuing my education," she said, but somehow, I'm both happy and sad to be graduating. It's a mixed feeling which I find hard to explain."

"I've had the opportunity to develop while here," said Brenda, who's also president of Sigma Tau Delta National English Honor Society on campus. "I've grown physically, mentally, emotionally, intellectually." Her background includes a major in English and experience in the field of journalism, but she intends to pursue a career in speech therapy. The Alpha Kappa Alpha member was selected to Who's Who in Colleges and Universities during her junior year

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Voice Summer Writer Is Summer Intern

Roosevelt McPherson, who currently is serving as sports editor and feature writer on the Voice, will spend 13 weeks this summer as a journalistic intern with the Greensboro News Com-

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McPherson, a 23-year-old Fayetteville native and Army veteran, will be one of seven interns in the program. He, along with another intern will work on the Record. Three others are slated to work on The Daily News, with two others working at the TV station. He will start work on May 22 and work until August 18.

McPherson was one of a large

FSU Retirees Far From Retiring

By Janice Pauling, Argie Hocutt, Annette Barnes

To many people retirement means the beginning of a life filled with rest and emptiness, but not to the two ladies who will retire as of May 14, and a third who retires on June 30. Miss Lois Turner, a 26 year member of the Communicative Arts Faculty, Mrs. Flora Grant, a 20 year employee of Maintenance, and Mrs. Marea Singletary, 13 years a dormitory directress, currently in Bryant Hall, all have plans to make retirement mean the beginning of life for them.

When asked of their plans for the future, the three had similar, yet varied answers. Miss Turner, a 43 year veteran of education who has also taught in Winston

Salem, Warsaw, and Rocky Mount, replied in three words, "Travel! Write! Read!" Which has priority? "All of them. I plan to travel to Greece, and on the eastern side of Africa to the city of Alexandria. Then the Holy Land will be my next stop.

"As for writing," she said, "I plan to do a one act play on the teaching profession itself." A close association with the drama guild for 24 years has left its mark. "I also plan to write essays - the serious, reflecting kind. And more reading is exactly what I intend to do."

Like Miss Turner, Mrs. Grant also plans to travel. A Fayetteville resident for 30 years, she will relax by going to Panama and San Francisco, if her health continues.

Mrs. Singletary also plans to travel, but, perhaps, not so extensively as the other two. She has so much work to do here in Fayetteville that "getting away may not be so easy." Working with the missionary circles of 24 churches, she is the Grand Deputy of the Eastern Star's 10th District, which in itself is composed of 18 chapters, and is recorder of the Grand Chapter, which means, work, work and more work.

A native of Sanford, she worked as a dietitian at Central Orphanage in Oxford and taught for 20 years in her hometown before coming to FSU. As to how she managed to get along with so many girls through the years she said it was "by being someone the girls could talk to, and

knowing how to keep my mouth shut afterwards," she laughed. "And that's my advice to the next dormitory directress."

In terms of reflections, all three have a lot to remember. To them FSU has been a home within a home. Watching the remarkable transformations in students stand out in their minds as being truly rewarding.

And what do they want most for the university in the future? Well, a continuation of the growth, and a definite improvement in the lowering morale on the campus. If these wishes come true, then FSU will always be a place where retirees continue, even after their job is done. Maybe not physically, but surely through their hearts.