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Dr. John R. Larkins, left, Founder's Day speaker, chats with Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons in front of the Ezekiel Ezra Smith Memorial. (Photo by Teri Guy)

LARKINS ADDRESSES FSU AUDIENCE

"Unless you are employed in the media, your best chance of being recognized as a noteworthy black is to become an outstanding athlete, entertainer, loud race spokesman, or a criminal," stated Dr. John Larkins as he addressed the Founder's Day audience at FSU.

"Black students want and need a solid background. Where are the black physicians, the lawyers, the educators, scholars? For every hour you spend on the playing field, spend two in the library," he advised.

Larkins recalled that some considered the sacrifices of educators who recognized the need for higher education for blacks "an act of madness."

"But it was more than that. It was an expression of supreme confidence and faith in the educability of people who were declared by the majority to be beyond the reach of the benefits of civilization."

Dr. John Larkins is Special Assistant to the Governor of North Carolina, James Hunt. He is a distinguished social worker and civic leader and is an alumnus of Shaw University and received his Masters degree from Atlanta University. He was conferred the Doctor of Laws degrees from Columbia University, North Carolina Agricultural University and Shaw University. North Carolina College awarded him the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.

He is the recipient of fellowships and numerous

Art

by Harvey C. Jenkins

The Area of Art of Fayetteville State University is sponsoring an Art Show featuring Bobby Rodgers. The Art Show gallery hours are 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, May 1, 1978 through May 12, 1978 in the Rosenthal Art Gallery, located on the Fayetteville State University campus.

awards, citations, and other recognitions. He has served on numerous state and national commissions, boards, and committees.

Dr. Larkins has lectured, written and conducted studies about the social and economic status of blacks in North Carolina, the employment of blacks in public welfare systems in southern states, about black parolees and alcoholism and blacks.

Larkins referred to FSU Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons, Jr., whom he said was a person he could always

"depend on to give good solid advice." He congratulated the chancellor, faculty and students for all that they have done to make this the creditable institution it is today.

Hatcher Appointed To Student Development Post

by Lillie Booth

On March 13, 1978, Dr. Cleophus Hatcher was appointed Vice Chancellor for Student Development. This appointment by Chancellor Charles "A" Lyons filled the



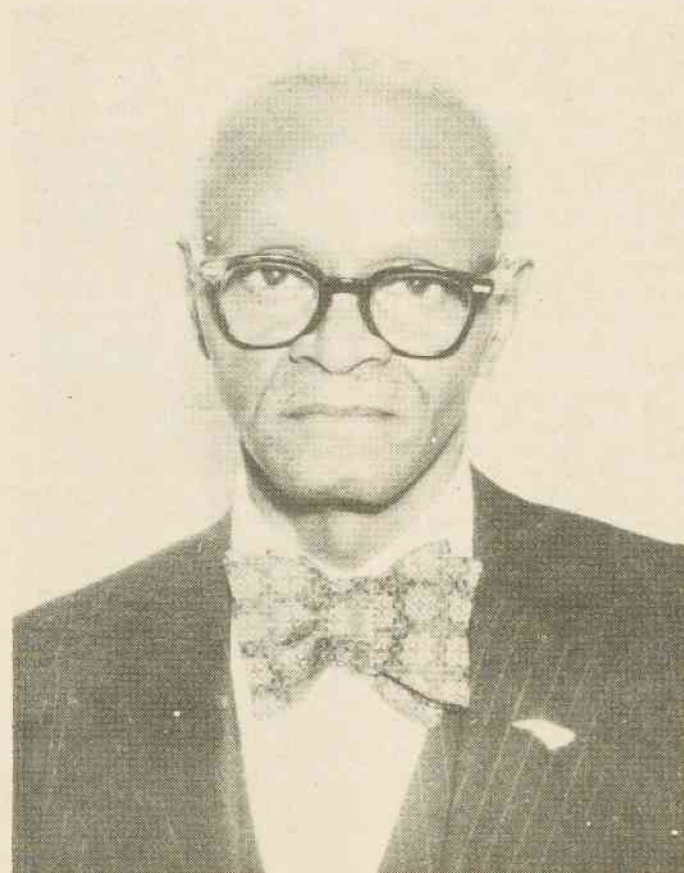
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AFROTC Needs Qualified Students

Do you believe in yourself? Do you want to be a leader of people? Are you courageous when meeting a challenge? The Bronco Detachment of ROTC is seeking qualified men and women who can answer "yes" to all these questions. If you are a sophomore now and expect to be a junior next fall officials at the ROTC office would like to talk to you before the end of this semester. They are accepting applications from students who want a career in the Air Force after graduation.

Many careers are available to those who qualify for them. Besides the well

known pilot and navigator specialties the Air Force also offers careers in weather forecasting, behavioral science, accounting and finance, procurement, communications, missiles, computers, transportation personnel, and many, many others. Too many to mention in this space. If you have not selected a career pursuit you might drop by the ROTC office for a chat with the staff members and cadets. Much information is available there. They are located in the Women's Gymnasium in rooms 1, 2, and 3. You may telephone those offices on extension 1464 or 1465.



LARKINS

vacancy created by the death of J.C. Jones in January.

Dr. Hatcher has been with us since the beginning of the fall semester. THE VOICE welcomes Dr. Hatcher to his new position and in doing so would like to give our readers a preview of ideas that he has in mind for us here at FSU.

He has been involved with the Intercollegiate Athletic program as an assistant football coach and the women's basketball coach since being here at Fayetteville State. This has offered him the chance to view the athletic program and to give him an idea of how the Intramural program can be improved to provide recreation for all students. It is his feeling "that such a vital Intramural program should be staffed (supervision) and funded to the extent that it will be one of our most effective programs on campus." He would like to see the present program upgraded and a new program put into effect that would extend into the community to help the disadvantaged youth especially because "That's our tomorrow."

Dr. Hatcher is "also concerned with providing cultural and recreational programs within the confines of the men and women dormitories and Intercollegiate (at least for women)." Such a program would involve "inviting certain guests that will give positive cultural exposure to students."

The transition from professor to administrator will be no problem for Dr. Hatcher. The majority of his professional experiences which spans twenty seven years have been spent in administrative capacities.

"All of the positions that I have held have always focused on providing services for students." Before coming to FSU he was the Director of the Student Union and college activities at Bowie State College in Bowie, Maryland.

Born in Alabama, Dr. Hatcher received his bachelor's degree from West Virginia State College and his master's degree from the University of West Virginia. His education specialist degree and the doctorate of education were earned at the George Washington University. He has also attended courses and workshops at Youngstown University, Westminster College, Howard University and others. All of these have focused on special needs and programs for students.

The staff that Dr. Hatcher will be working with is a good one he believes and he is proud of them. He feels that their many years of experience and dedication will be invaluable to him in setting up the type of program he desires.

Dr. Hatcher is interested in channeling the energy that the students have here at FSU in the right direction. His proposal begins by making sure that the students aren't bored. "Basically, they are good students, but they need special leadership being set before them to take them in a positive direction. After all, an idle mind is the devil's workshop."

Our new Vice Chancellor is married and the father of six daughters. Again, we welcome Dr. Hatcher to his new position and we offer our services to him whenever needed for the benefit of the student body.