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FSU Students Boycott Classes To Protest Homecoming Theme

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FSU students boycotted classes, marched and chanted "We're Comin' Out," and finally stormed the Administration Building on October 27, 1980 in effort to relate to Chancellor Lyons and FSU family members their displeasure concerning the newly adopted Homecoming Theme "A Proudful Past; A Progressive Future." Students alleged that they had submitted the theme "We're Comin' Out" as their choice and that it had been adopted only to have it changed because someone in the administration said that the theme was too vague.

No one appeared to know how the mix-up occurred. Chancellor Lyons stated that he was unaware that any changes had been made.

Sources in the Office of Development said that students had been referred to Homecoming Theme Committee if they wished to express displeasure with the theme. However, when Dr. John Wolfe, the head of the committee, was contacted he stated that no student representative had consulted him in reference to the theme. Too,



Chancellor Lyons, students and other officials talk over problems.

(Photo: Ronald Spicer)

he stated that the theme "We're Comin' Out" had not been officially adopted, but it had only been submitted as an idea.

Johnathan Fant, the student representative on the committee and responsible for the students input, had failed to complete the proper chain of communication necessary to

make the complaint known, according to Mr. Irving Veazie, the Advisor for the Student Government Association.

Many students felt that the change had been deliberately made and in an effort to let the administration know that they

"would not be dictated to like children," protested to have their choice used and also demanded that cars be allowed in the parade. If cars could not be used many organizations would be excluded from the parade because of the lack of

funds to purchase a float.

A two day consultation with the Chancellor, students and other university officials ended with the students getting the theme "We're Comin' Out." Two cars were allowed in the parade.

Tenth Annual Graduate And Professional Schools Visitation Days At Ohio State

Due to their knowledge and persistence as undergraduates, the following students were able to participate in the Tenth Annual Graduate and Professional Schools Visitation Days at Ohio State November 2-4, 1980:

Mary Owens, Math, Computer Science; Linda Nelson, English, English; Melody Maddox, History, History/Political Science; Billy Hopkins, Elm Ed., Educational Administration; Wanda Coston, Sociology, Social Work.

The Ohio State University, over the past ten years has awarded almost five million dollars in fellowship grants to

nearly eight hundred minority group students with a desire to pursue graduate degrees. Last year four of our own fellow Broncos were accepted at Ohio State, three of whom were recipients of fellowships.

The former graduate Gerald Johnson in Educational Administration are now students at Ohio State. A graduate of Fayetteville State University and 1979 graduate of Ohio State University is Kathy McLaurin Terry with a Master's in Education.

During the past eight years, 15 Fayetteville State University students have received fellowships for graduate study.

—Mavis Colvin

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Dr. Lyons Is Honored



Left to right: Dr. Leo Williams, Dr. Guthrie Turner, Dr. Charles "A" Lyons, Jr. and Dr. George Debnam.

The Shaw University of Williams, Jr. and Doctor of Humane Letters on Drs. Charles "A" Lyons, Jr., Guthrie L. Turner, Jr. and George C. Debnam. Dr. Lyons

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