

NCCU's Chancellor's Last Fall Convocation Scheduled Oct. 7

Chancellor Albert N. Whiting, beginning his 16th and last academic year as chief administrator of North Carolina Central University, will address his last fall convocation of the university's students and employees at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, October 7.

The convocation has been rescheduled from its original date of September 23, as shown on the university's academic calendar. It will be held, as have the three convocations the preceded it, in R.L. McDougald Gymnasium.

Faculty members will march in academic regalia in a procession opening the convocation.

Dr. Whiting came to what was then still called North Carolina College at Durham on July 1, 1967, as the institutions' fourth president. His title was changed to Chancellor when the state's system of higher education was restructured by the 1971 General Assembly to include all 16 senior colleges and universities in the University of North Carolina system (which began operations in

1972.) The name of the Durham institution had been changed to North Carolina Central University in 1969.

The chancellor announced in January that he plans to retire June 30, 1983. A search committee appointed by the Board of Trustees is currently seeking his successor.

During Dr. Whiting's tenure as chief administrator, North Carolina Central University created its fifth

school, the School of Business, in 1972.

Academic programs created at NCCU during Chancellor Whiting's tenure include its Academic Skills Center, which has become a model for other universities' academic assistance programs; its Criminal Justice Program, Public Administration Program, and Pre-Engineering Program; and Evening Law Program; the Media-Journalism Pro-

gram of the English department; a Social Work concentration in the Sociology department; and professional degree (Bachelor of Music) programs in Jazz and Church Music.

Buildings planned and constructed on the campus during the past 15 years include Eagleson Residence Hall, the O'Kelly Football Stadium, the Hubbard Chemistry Building, a new Maintenance Building, the Farrison-

Newton Communications Building, the new Turner Law School Building, and the health Sciences Building occupied this fall by the departments of Nursing and Health Education.

Annexes and additions were built onto the James E. Shepard Memorial Library, the Old Law School Building, the Music and Fine Arts Building, and the Diana S. Dent Home Economics Building. Under construction are a

Criminal Justice Building, an addition to the W.G. Pearson Cafeteria, and a ten-million-dollar Physical Education complex.

Dr. Whiting is a native of Jersey City, N.J., where he attended elementary and secondary schools. He graduated cum laude from Amherst College in 1938, attended Columbia University and the University of Pittsburgh of Social Work, and received his M.A. degree

from Fisk University. He received his Ph.D. degree in sociology and public welfare from The American University in Washington, D.C.

He has taught at Fisk University, Bennett College, Atlanta University, and Morris Brown College. He was Dean of the College at Morris Brown from 1953 to 1959, the Dean of the College at Morgan State College from 1959 until his appointment to the presidency of North Carolina College in 1967.

Chamber Announces Photo Hunt Winners

The Greater Durham Chamber of Commerce recently announced winners of the "Great Photo Hunt" which was conducted in August. A dozen photographers entered numerous photographs in four separate categories. More than 30 photographs were chosen to be judged in the finals of this contest. Categories for the contest included Durham Skyline, Downtown and Surrounding Durham, Durham Public and Private Buildings, and Miscellaneous photos capturing the flavor of Durham. The purpose of this contest was to provide the Chamber with dramatic and attractive new photographs which could be used in publications and brochures promoting Durham.

Contest winners included Robert Thompson of Chapel Hill who finished first in the Downtown and Surrounding Durham and Durham Public and Private Building categories. Thompson was also an Honorable Mention winner in the Durham Skyline and Miscellaneous divisions. Other winners included Ms. Kathy Shelburne of Durham, first place in

Durham Skyline and Honorable Mention in the Durham Public and Private Buildings. Additional winners included Ms. Rhonda Bullock of Durham, Honorable Mention-Downtown and Surrounding Durham, and Gregory Bowling of Durham, the first place finisher in the Miscellaneous division. The Chamber's "Great Photo Hunt" will become an annual affair and has been scheduled to be conducted in May of 1983.

Judges for this first annual contest included William Erwin, Associate Director of Public Relations, Duke University Medical Center; Alex Rivera, Director of Public Relations, North Carolina Central University; and Ms. Carolyn Gross, President of the Durham Photographic Arts Society and medical photographer—Lenox Baker Children's Hospital. The judges reviewed each of the entries for impact, continuity, treatment of subject, finishing, quality, composition and relevance to theme. First Place and Honorable Mentions cash awards were presented in each category.

NCCU Hosts Advisory Budget Commission: Requests \$2.6 Million

North Carolina Central University requested \$2,628,000 for renovations to existing buildings and facilities as North Carolina's Advisory Budget Commission toured the university recently.

Chancellor Albert N. Whiting told the body, which recommends biennial budget allocations to the North Carolina General Assembly, that no requests for new facilities will be made for the 1983-85 biennium in accordance with instructions from the UNC General Administration.

Renovations sought include improvements to the Diana S. Dent Home Economics Building, to meet certification requirements of the American Home Economics Association; a thorough renovation of the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system of the older portion of the 600,000-volume James E. Shepard Library; renovation of the old health building to accommodate data processing and duplicating facilities; renovation of the space occupied by the School of Library Science in the Shepard Library building; renovation of the Alexander-Dunn Building which houses the university's Academic Skills Center and its Career Counseling and Placement Bureau, installation of a trash removal system; paving walks and drives; and replacement of an underground electrical switching device.

The most expensive of the projects is the renovation of the old Health Building. The building now houses the university's Student

Health Services, its Data Processing Center, and a Duplicating and Copy Center. Additional space in the building is available for these units since the Health Education Department moved to the first floor of NCCU's new Health Sciences Building. The renovation cost is estimated at \$965,000, with a movable equipment cost of \$65,000 bringing the total to \$1,030,000.

Listed as first priority for the 1983-85 biennium was renovation of the Diana S. Dent Home Economics Building. That \$158,000 project includes \$85,000 in fixed equipment, will bring the home economics departments foods laboratory and its textile laboratory up to the certification standards of the American Home Economics Association, the national accrediting agency in those areas.

Second priority went to the replacement of the existing heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system in the older portion of the library. The cost of that project is estimated at \$503,000.

Renovation and air conditioning of the old Health Building, described above, is the third priority. The other projects, in priority order, are renovation of the School of Library Science facilities, \$215,000; replacement of the underground primary oil switch in the campus electrical system, \$25,000; the trash removal system, \$54,000; renovation and air conditioning of the Alexander-Dunn Building, the old cafeteria, \$618,000 and paving walks and drives, \$25,000.

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