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Purks Named Director Of Board Of Higher Education; Will Head Top Education Institution Of The State; William Friday Chosen To Take Over University Job



DR. HARRIS PURKS OF THE STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION
leaves acting presidency of Consolidated University

LEAVES PRESIDENT LAST JULY:

Purks Has Served University Two Years

James Harris Purks Jr. became acting president of the State Board of Higher Education on July 15, 1955, following the resignation of President Gordon Gray as assistant secretary of the board for international security affairs. He was provost of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, coming here from New York where he was associate director of the General Education Board.

Di Favors Breaking Up Labor Merger

The man with the pick will come charging in and control the country," prophesied Sen. Moss, proponent of the bill concerning organized labor which was passed by the Senate Tuesday night.

The bill, which resolved that the United States shall take immediate action to break up the new union of the AF of L and the CIO, was passed by a vote of 9 to 5 by the senators. Senators and guests favored it by a vote of 10 to 6.

Problems posed by the merger of the labor unions were presented by Sen. Self. Politically, he said, he felt leaders would sway the union's 15 million members into voting for one particular party. On the economic front, he feared workers would gain more than was sound in the way of set wages and certain privileges.

"The farmer is subordinated to the laborer," he said. He added that labor's rise had also hurt the white collar worker and educators.

HESITATE
Looking at the merger, Self predicted that management would see less profits, and therefore, hesitate to expand.

On the negative side, Sen Hester failed to see any reason for dissolving the merger. He said that in the past combinations of big business have been permitted.

Sen. Reid added to the negative side by terming the merger "a great example of democracy." As for its being politically powerful, he argued that organizations such as the American Legion, the American Medical Assn., General Motors and Dupont have supported political parties.

Favoring the bill, Shaw felt that it was not the votes of the combined unions that should be feared but the leaders and the pressure they would put on politicians.

Friday Has Come Up Ranks

William C. Friday, who yesterday was named successor to Dr. J. Harris Purks as acting president of the Consolidated University, is a graduate of N. C. State College.

Dr. Purks became director of the State Board of Higher Education, and Friday was elevated from his position as Secretary of the University of North Carolina to temporarily supplant him.

Friday served as assistant to former President Gordon Gray until his promotion to the secretary's job in February of 1955.

Friday's full name is William Clyde Friday. He was born on July 13, 1920, in Rapine, Va. An honor graduate from the School of Textiles at State, he is a Baptist and permanent president of the class of 1941.

He served as an ensign in ordnance during World War II, entering the service in the spring of 1942 and getting his discharge on Feb. 1, 1946.

After his discharge, Friday entered the University Law School here and got his LL.B. degree in June of 1948. He passed the State Bar examination in August of 1948, and received his license to practice.

During the summer of 1948, when Friday began looking for a job, University officials approached him with an offer to make him assistant dean of students. He accepted and served in this capacity until his appointment as assistant to President Gray.

Friday currently serves as president of the North Carolina Division of the American Cancer Society, and has recently concluded a three-year term as a member of the Board of Deacons of the Chapel Hill Baptist Church.

Gastonia Institute Enrolls 250 Persons

RALEIGH, Jan. 4 (AP)—The Gaston Technical Institute in Gastonia has attracted a record-breaking enrollment of 250 students this term, Director Edward W. Ruggles of the N. C. State College Extension Division announced.

A group of 20 new students entered the school's one-year technical courses in radio-television, electrical, mechanical, and automotive technology at the opening of the winter term Monday.



SECRETARY OF THE CONSOLIDATED UNIVERSITY WILLIAM FRIDAY
takes over Purks' job until new president is named

PROF. & YATES SAY:

Signing Class Rolls Under Honor System

BY PEGGY BALLARD
Does signing the class roll come under the Honor System?

"Anything that involves signing one's name should come under the Honor System," said a University professor yesterday.

Chest Drive Nets \$688

The student Campus Chest ended a drive Dec. 18 with contributions totaling \$688.60, treasurer Bill Self announced yesterday.

Trophies will be awarded to first place winners in each of the competing divisions for the first time this year, said Self. Men's Dormitory, women's dorm, sorority and fraternity students competed to increase contributions.

First place winners are: women's dorm, Smith; men's dorm, Battle; sorority, Alpha Delta Pi, and fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Other Campus Chest officers are: Curtis Daughtry, chairman; Miss Katherine Petrou, solicitations chairman; Bob Harrington, publicity chairman, and Miss Donna Ashcraft, secretary.

The professor, who prefers to remain unnamed, found 55 students signed as present in his class on Dec. 15 when only 39 were present.

"Students seem to feel that signing the roll is not under the Honor System," the professor said. "Students say they do not like the cut system and they see nothing wrong with signing the role falsely."

YATES
"Signing the roll is under the Honor System," Ogburn Yates, chairman of the Men's Honor Council, responded yesterday.

The cut system has been in effect only two years and some students have not yet connected it as being a part of the Honor System, Yates explained.

"Students are honor bound to the cut system as they are to the Honor System although it is a minor part of the Honor System," Yates said.

Five students have admitted signing the roll for absent members of the class, said the professor. Ten names are still unaccounted for.

The case has been turned over to the Men's Honor Council.

\$16,000 Salary For Purks; Friday Gets 'Full Powers' As Head Of 3 Universities

RALEIGH, Jan. 4 (AP)—Dr. J. Harris Purks today was selected as director of the State Board of Higher Education, and 35-year old William C. (Bill) Friday was named to succeed him as acting president of the Consolidated University of North Carolina.

Dr. Purks, who has headed the University since Gordon Gray left to become an assistant secretary of defense, was named director of the newly-created higher education board at a session this morning.

Friday was chosen to succeed him as acting president by the University Trustees' Executive Committee after a lengthy session in the Governor's Office which lasted until late in the afternoon.

The Executive Committee first voted 9-2 to accept Dr. Purks' resignation and then voted unanimously to choose Friday to head the University until a new president is chosen.

before the three units were consolidated.

Allen said a special, nine-member trustees' committee, which is conducting a search for a successor to Gray, has given no indication when it will report. He expressed the opinion it would take "more than two months"—the time in which Dr. Purks' resignation will become effective — to select a president.

Although Victor S. Bryant of Durham, chairman of the special committee and also a member of

the executive committee, was present, Allen said the Executive Committee was careful "not to get into a discussion of the long-range" question of selecting a permanent president.

Purks, who was recommended by Gray as his successor, made it clear to newsmen he is not a candidate for the presidency. He said he and his wife had agreed several years ago that he would not seek the presidency of any university.

He described his new job as "a very important position, and a great responsibility."

See an outline of Dr. Purks' career, column 1, this page.

Tatum's 'Summit' Meeting Friday

BY KEN ALYTA
The Associated Press

Maryland's Jim Tatum is coming back to North Carolina — at least for one day. What happens after that will be determined by his "summit conference" here Friday with University officials regarding the vacant head football coaching job.

The meeting brings to a climax many years of speculation regarding the return of big Jim to his alma mater. This time it appears that the Tatum issue will be resolved — once and for all — with the feeling that sunny Jim will make the oft-rumored move to his old school where he began his head coaching career in 1942.

Apparently no formal meeting as such has been set up. At least, no plans for such a session could be learned.

Chancellor Robert B. House, the one man above all others with whom Tatum might be expected to talk, was out of town. Chuck Erickson, the athletic director, was not expected back from his Orange Bowl game trip until tonight. The University sports news bureau could shed no light on the situation.

PERMISSION

Tatum announced yesterday in Miami, where his Maryland team was beaten by Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl Monday, that he had requested and received permission from Maryland President Wilson H. Elkins to talk to North Carolina officials regarding the vacancy.

Beyond the bare announcement Tatum would not comment. Maryland took steps, meantime, to make Tatum's present job more attractive by offering him security. Elkins said Tatum has been told "we could have the coaching position put on a permanent tenure, just like a professor."

This would mean Tatum would have to agree to certain policies and if his personal conduct was satisfactory he could remain at Maryland as long as he wished.

Elkins explained, "The position would not depend on his winning or losing, but on his personal conduct. It would not be a life-

time contract, but would give him a lot more security." Elkins said he had made no other offer nor entered into any agreement with Tatum.

For years the 42-year-old Tatum's name has been linked with the coaching job here. Tatum makes no secret of his love for the school and Chapel Hill. He once said, "I want to be buried here."

TACKLE

Tatum was a tackle on the 1934 team that was captained by George Barclay, the man he will succeed if he comes here.

After naval service Tatum was head coach at Oklahoma in 1946 and won 8 of 11, including a Gator Bowl victory over North Carolina State. He has just completed his ninth season at Maryland where he has won 73, lost 15 and tied 4. Five of his Maryland teams have won bowl bids. Three had 10-0 regular season records.

A split-T advocate, he is considered one of the game's top defensive coaches.

North Carolina has experienced six successive losing seasons after the "golden years" of All America Halfback Charlie Justice and Coach Carl Snavely, during which the Tar Heels played in major bowls three years out of four.

Last season, the record was 3-7, giving Barclay a three-year record of 11-18-1. The 1955 team was chiefly a sophomore-junior squad.

State College, TV Offer Math Course

RALEIGH, Jan. 4 (AP)—The North Carolina State College Extension Division, in cooperation with WUNC-TV, began a series of televised lectures on solid geometry tonight.

Prof. Henry C. Cooke of the college's Mathematics Dept. will present the series of lectures over Channel 4 as a supplement to the Extension Division's regular correspondence course.

The State College Extension Division and WUNC-TV are offering the course as a service to students planning to enter colleges which require solid geometry for entrance.

GM'S SLATE

Activities scheduled for Graham Memorial today include:
Squad, 4-5:30 p.m.,
Room; Tri-Ota, 8-9 p.m.,
Room; Student Council, House Room, 7-10 p.m.;
University Check Representatives, 3:30-5:15 p.m., Council;
Bridge lessons, 4-6 p.m.,
House Room, and Ceramics 4:15-5:15 p.m., APO

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