

Dr. Massie Resigns NCC Presidency

DURHAM - Dr. Samuel Proctor Massie resigned his position Wednesday, Jan. 19, as president of North Carolina College during a meeting of the college's board of trustees.

Accepting Massie's resignation effective June 30, the board granted him a leave of absence with full salary beginning Feb. 1, thanking him for his services to the college and wishing him well in future endeavors. Massie, 46, and the third president of the 55 year old institution, did not comment on reasons for submitting his resignation or his plans for the future.

Bascom Baynes, chairman of the board, said he plans appointing a selection committee soon to make recommendations of persons to fill the \$17,000-a-year post by July 1. In the meantime, the board named an interim committee to perform the duties of the presidency beginning Feb. 1 in Dr. Massie's absence. William Jones, business manager at the college, is chairman. Other members are Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, dean of the graduate school, and Dr. William H. Brown, professor of education and former dean of the graduate school.

Baynes was quoted by a Durham newspaper as indicating later that Massie's resignation was not entirely unexpected. "I can't speak for the board as to whether or not his resignation was expected. As for myself, it was expected in a way. I had heard comments about his possible resignation from others but had heard nothing directly from him."

The board meeting and subsequent developments occurred on the second day of the one-week examination period for fall semester classes. Hence, many segments of the campus, on which 2,700 students are enrolled, were unaware of any unusual activity.

A native of Little Rock, Ark., Dr. Massie was graduated from Dunbar Junior College in Little Rock as an associate in arts and received the B. S. degree two years later from Arkansas A. M. and N. College in 1932. He earned the M. S. degree in chemistry at Fisk University



DR. S. P. MASSIE

In 1940, his work toward a doctorate at Iowa State College being interrupted by World War II, he nevertheless received the Ph. D. in organic chemistry from that institution in 1946. In 1946-47, he was an instructor of chemistry at Fisk Uni-

versity. In 1947, he went to Langston University in Oklahoma as professor of chemistry and remained until 1953 by which time he was chairman of the Department of Chemistry. From 1953 until 1962 he was chairman of the Department of Chemistry at Fisk, winning the Manufacturing Chemists' Association's national award in 1961 for "outstanding teaching in the field of chemistry."

In 1962, he left Fisk to become associate program director for undergraduate science education of the National Science Foundation in Washington, administering a budget of some \$8 million. He also served part-time in 1962-63 as chairman of the Department of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at Howard University.

Massie became the third president of North Carolina College on Sept. 1, 1963, following the retirement of Dr. Alfonso Elder, now president emeritus, who headed the institution for fifteen years. Dr. Elder had succeeded Dr. James E. Shepard, founder of the college in 1910 and its president until his death in 1947.

A&T Angel Flight Adopts Viet Nam Air Force Unit

GREENSBORO--A girls' organization at A&T College has adopted, for its own, an Air Force Unit now in combat in Viet Nam.

The organization, the Angel Flight, a sponsor group for the A&T Air Force ROTC Detachment, last week received acceptance of its offer of adoption from the 19th Air Commando Squadron.

Responding for the outfit was Lt. Col. John D. Pace, commander, who expressed on behalf of his crews appreciation for the thoughtfulness.

The Squadron, flying C-123 Provider Assault Transport Aircraft, operates in the air-lift of troops and supplies throughout the theatre in support of combat operations.

Report brief episodes of blurred vision, slurred speech, or numbness in the face, an arm, or a leg to your family doctor, the North Carolina Heart Association urges. You may be heading for a massive stroke.

Go To Church Sunday



DISCUSS SEX--Left to right: Azell Martin of Boston, Mass.; Raymond McKie, of Newark, N. J.; Mrs. Ethel Nash, Assistant Professor of Preventive Medicine, Bowman Gray School of Medicine and President of the American Association of Marriage Counselors; Ella Belle of Carthage and Shirley Daniels of Montgomery, Ala. Mrs. Nash was the featured speaker at Winston-Salem State College last week and discussed "Sex and The College Student."

Senior Citizen's Pitching Arm Routs Robber

ST. LOUIS, Mo. (NPI) - There's an 88-year-old senior citizen with an accurate pitching arm who is minus some chinaware, but there is also a would-be robber who'll tell you she'd be a credit to any pitcher's mound.

Mrs. Priscilla Hamilton routed a burglar armed with a knife and a gun last week when she pelted him with dishes. She told police she was awakened by the man who demanded money. She said she didn't have any.

The man followed her to the kitchen and that was his undoing. Mrs. Hamilton found him a perfect target for her china. He found her aim too perfect and took off--sans loot.



PERSONNEL STAFF EXECUTIVE - Don M. Thomas, above, of Detroit, Mich., was appointed personnel staff executive in Chrysler Corporation's personnel placement, recruitment, and development office on Tuesday, Jan. 25. A native of Oberlin, Ohio, Thomas joined Chrysler Corporation from American Airlines, where he served eight years as an administrator in personnel relations and on the company's legal staff. He is married and the father of two children.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - W. O. Conrad, Jr., left, plant manager for the Greensboro Western Electric Company, presents check from his company to A&T College to cover a full scholarship for a top ranking student in engineering. Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, president of the College, accepts the check.

Dr. Steele, Of Smith U., Succumbs

CHARLOTTE - Dr. Algernon O. Steele, veteran teacher at Johnson C. Smith University, died on Monday January 17. Dr. Steele joined the faculty of the University in 1932 and continued in active service until his death. He was professor and head of the Department of Religious Education, chairman of the Division of Humanities, and Dean of the Chapel.

Before coming to Johnson C. Smith University, Dr. Steele taught science at Mary Allen Junior College in Crockett,

Texas. He was a favorite speaker before college students and youth groups for many years. Dr. Steele was the author of two college text books: The Bible and Human Quest and The Questing Christ. He was also author of Student Shifts in Religious Beliefs and Attitudes.

Dr. Steele was born in Mocksville. He was a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University (valedictorian of his class) and received the A. M. degree from Northwestern University, the B. D. degree from Garrett Biblical Institute, and the Ph.D. from the University of Chicago. Johnson C. Smith University conferred the honorary degree of

Doctor of Divinity in 1948. Dr. Steele was an ordained minister in the United Presbyterian Church, USA, a member of the American Association of University Professors, The American Academy of Religion, Religious Education Association, and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity (honored in 1965 as a twenty-five year member).

He is listed in the Directory of American Scholars, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, and Who's Who in Colored America.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Fletcher Steele, and two brothers, Elthue Steele, of Washington, D. C. and Leon Steele, of Albany, Georgia.



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