



50TH ANNIVERSARY FOR P. R. RICHARDSONS -- The Golden Wedding Anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peter (Lona Heggins) Richardson was observed August 21 in Zebulon with many guests, including four members of the original wedding party in 1916. L-R, Jason Richardson, Mrs. Margie Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Bertha Jones Morgan and David Heggins. (J. B. HARREN FOTO).

R. P. Richardsons Of Zebulon Celebrate Golden Anniversary

BY J. B. HARREN
ZEBULON -- The home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmore (Vernetta Richardson) Harris, 237 Stronchion Street, was the setting Sunday for the lovely fiftieth wedding anniversary celebration of Mrs. Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peter (Lona Heggins) Richardson. The Rev. J. P. Mangrum performed a partial re-enactment of the original wedding ceremony which united the happy couple in 1916.

With a few of the original wedding party members present, the occasion was filled with joy and many pleasant memories of the half-century-ago event.

A Golden Wedding march was followed by the singing of "My Rosary" by Lorenzo Battle and words of welcome by Mrs. Harris (the only child, altho the couple reared several foster children). Rev. Earl Pretty prayed and Mr. Battle sang "The Lord's Prayer."

Mrs. Harris presented her parents and the ceremony was performed with the repledging

of the marriage vows which were, again, sealed with a fervent kiss which no one could doubt that the seasoned couple really mean -- after fifty years together.

Mr. Battle sang "Because," and the hundred or more relatives and guests moved into the adjacent home of the happy couple where they posed for photographs with their close relatives and "waiters" at their original wedding. After cutting a wedding cake they received their many guests. Mr. Richardson is 74 years of age. Both are life-long residents of the Wake-Franklin Counties area.

Members of the original wedding party in 1916 present for the Golden Anniversary were, in addition to the honorees, Jason Richardson, Mrs. Margie Ellis, Mrs. Bertha Jones Morgan and David Hurley Heggins.

Other relatives included: Wesley Downey, Frank W. Heggins, Arthur K. Heggins, Mrs. Geneva Bethea, Mrs. Marie W. David Heggins, Mrs. Helen Pettiford Heggins, Mrs. Matilda Heggins and Miss Virginia Dare Heggins. All are descendants of the late Frank and Joanna Heggins.

Among the out-of-towners present were: Mrs. Leota Grade, New York City; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce (Corleese) Morgan, Jake Joyner, Mrs. Annie Smith, and Mrs. Annie H. Harren, all of Rocky Mount, and Moses Richardson, Durham.

Dr. Speigner Will Attend Canadian Geography Meet

DURHAM - Dr. Theodore R. Speigner, chairman of the Department of Geography and director of the Division of Resources - Use Education at

North Carolina College at Durham, will attend the sixty-second annual convention of the Association of American Geographers at the Royal York Hotel and the University of Toronto, Canada, August 28-Sept. 1.

Speigner is a member of the association's Cooperation Colleges Committee for Southern Colleges, which sponsored an eight weeks session at Clark University, Worcester, Mass. for students attending predominantly Negro colleges of the South and border states. He will participate as a consultant in a sectional meeting dealing with climatology and soils.

Faculty Institute Planned

DURHAM - North Carolina College's faculty institute, scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, September 6 and 7, will feature six professional sessions, two of them addressed by distinguished educators.

At the first general session at 9 a.m., Tuesday, William Jones, chairman of the interim committee administering the college, will greet old and new faculty members and will discuss the general theme of the institute: "Implications of Local, Regional, and National Norms of Performance for North Carolina College."

At the second session at 10:10 a.m., Dr. William E. Cadbury Jr., director, Broadening Opportunities Program, Haverford College, will deliver the principal address.

The third general session, which begins at 2 p.m., will be concerned with the college's examination of some of its internal policies and procedures. Dr. Cecil Patterson, acting director of the Summer School, will discuss the college's class attendance policy; and Dr. Joseph A. Pitman, professor of education, will discuss the college's probation list.

The fourth session, beginning at 3:35 p.m., will continue the internal examinations as treated in the third session, with considerations of travel policy and attendance at scholarly meetings by Dr. Stewart B. Fulbright, dean of the Undergraduate School, and faculty policies on research and "Varia," the college's journal, by Dr. Helen G. Edmonds, dean of the Graduate School.

PERSONALS

CONSULATE GENERAL, FAMILY VISIT

Rev. David M. Thomas, Consulate General of Liberia, who lives in New York City, and his family spent the weekend with their cousin, Mrs. Mary Sapp, of 325 Smithfield Street.

SPEND WEEKEND IN ASHEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wimberley, Jr., and son, Richard, III, Mrs. Richard Wimberley, Sr., and Mrs. Virginia Peebles spent a delightful weekend in Asheville, where they visited

NCC Requests \$3.9 Million For Biennium

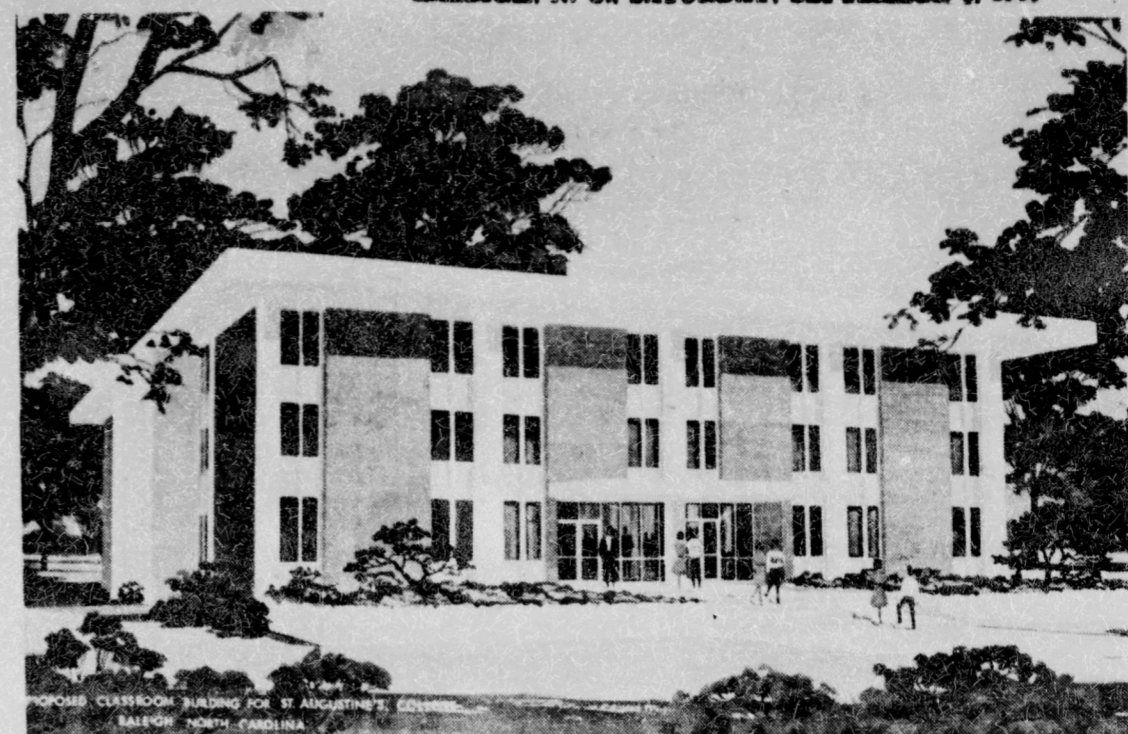
DURHAM - North Carolina College officials last Wednesday requested \$3,943,000 in capital improvement funds for the 1967-69 biennium during a visit to the campus by the State Advisory Budget Commission.

William Jones, NCC business manager and chairman of the interim committee administering the college until a president is selected, said this amount is needed to cover adequately the needs of an expected student enrollment of 2,789 by the end of 1969. The college now enrolls 2,449 students.

Given first priority in the request were repairs to the men's gymnasium, renovation of the fine arts building, repairs and construction of roads and parking areas, air-conditioning of six buildings which receive year-round use, and resurfacing of tennis courts and repairs to the track.

Next in priority were major renovations or additions to buildings. These included land purchases totaling \$200,000; an addition to the home economics building, \$122,000; installation of a clock system, \$18,000; an addition to the current storage building, \$35,000; an addition to the maintenance shop, \$43,000; and campus planning, \$25,000.

New construction projects recommended were a communications building, \$1,269,000; a president's home, \$72,000; a health science building \$750,000; and a new athletic field, \$560,000.



Mother Of Mrs. Speigner Dies In Mich.

DURHAM - Mrs. Clara B. Jordan, mother of Mrs. Theodore R. Speigner, a teacher at Hillside High School, Durham, died Monday evening in Flint, Michigan, after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services will be held later this week in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Survivors include Mrs. Speigner; two sons, Fred Jordan of Flint, Edward Jordan, Buffalo, N. Y.; three sisters, Mrs. Thomas Wheeler, Flint, Mrs. Alie Henderson, Tuscaloosa, and Mrs. Mollie Jefferson, Artesia, Miss.; one brother, Thomas Jefferson, Tuscaloosa; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Jordan lived for several years in Durham with her daughter, Mrs. Speigner, and attended White Rock Baptist Church before moving to Flint. A member of the First African Baptist Church in Tuscaloosa, she sang in the senior choir for more than 40 years and was an active member of the missionary circle and other church auxiliaries.

Mrs. Speigner is the wife of Dr. T. R. Speigner, chairman of the North Carolina College Department of Geography, head of the college's Resource-Use Education program, and a member of the Durham Board of Education.

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BACK FROM VIET NAM -- Sp.4 Willie Clifton Hinton, son of Mrs. Salome Hinton McClam, of Smith Drive, Garner, has recently returned home from Viet Nam and is home for good. Hinton is a graduate in the class of 1963 at Garner Consolidated School and joined the armed force immediately after graduating from high school there.



DR. ARVARH E. STRICKLAND, associate professor of history at Illinois Teachers College--South, Chicago, has been selected by the Illinois Sesquicentennial Commission to write a history of Illinois for the period of 1929-68, as part of the observance of the state's 150th anniversary in 1968. (NPI PHOTO).

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