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President's Inauguration Is Set For Tomorrow

Lt. Gov. Scott To Head Body Of Delegates

By MOSES KAMARA

The Lieutenant Governor of the State of North Carolina, Mr. Robert W. Scott, will be the state's official representative when Dr. Lewis Dowdy is inaugurated as sixth president of A & T College on Saturday, April 3.

Mr. Scott will head a group of prominent government and education officials at the inaugural ceremonies which start at 11:00 A.M. in Charles Moore Gymnasium. The mayor of Greensboro, Mr. David Schenck, and Dr. William C. Archie, director, North Carolina Board of Higher Education will join the lieutenant governor on the official platform.

More than 200 official representatives from leading colleges and universities all over the nation, civic, religious and educational organizations will also attend the event.

The main speaker at the inaugural ceremonies is Dr. Raymond C. Gibson, professor and chairman of the Division of Higher Education at Indiana University.

The inauguration of Dr. Dowdy comes one week prior to the first anniversary of his appointment as president of the college. He assumed the post on April 10, 1964, following the resignation of Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, who had held the position since 1960.

Several social activities were scheduled as part of the inaugural activities. Mr. and Mrs. Dowdy were dinner hosts to junior and senior students on March 30, and to freshmen and sophomores on March 31.

A pre-inaugural ball will be held to night beginning at 10:00.

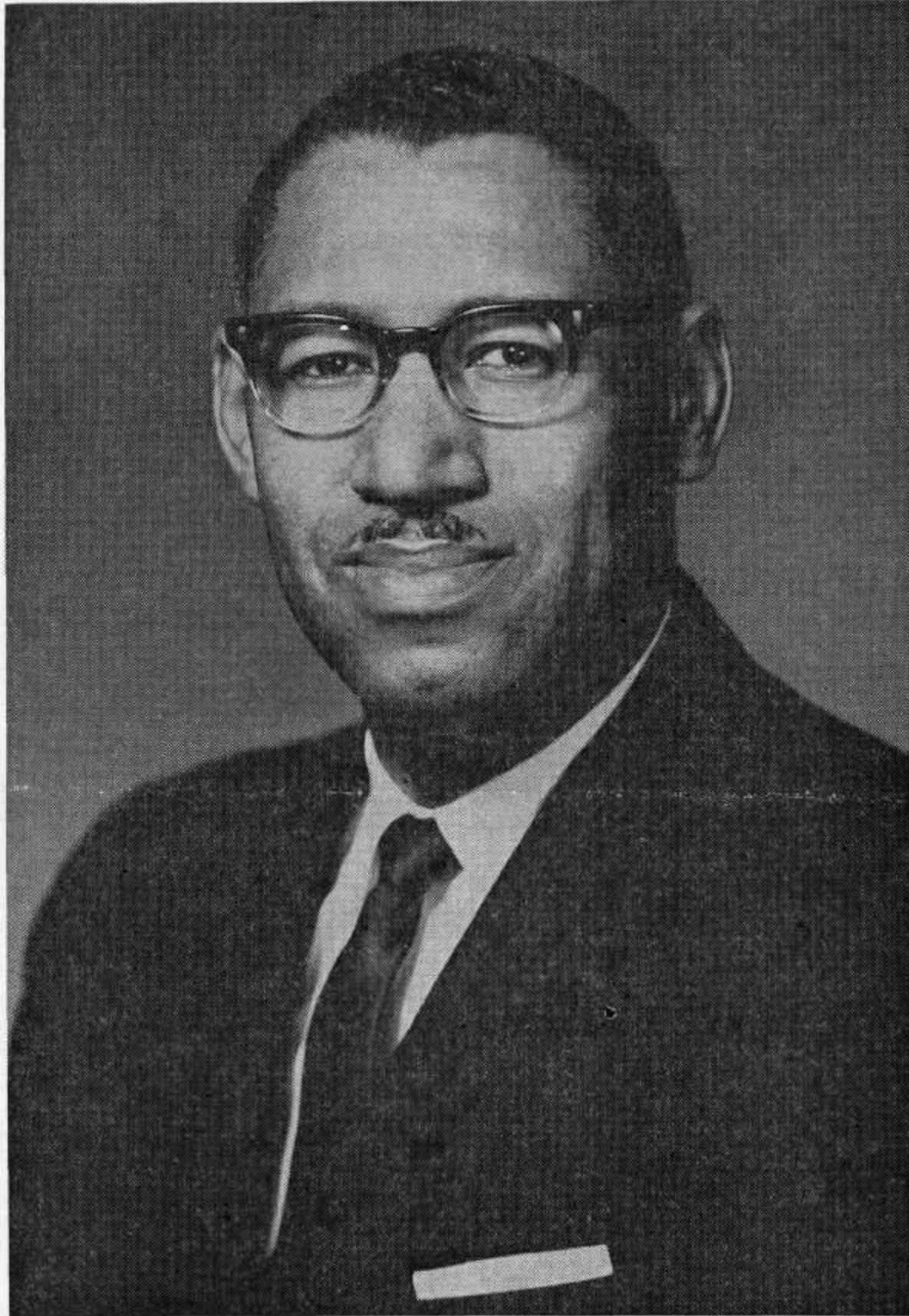
Other activities include a guard of honor for the president by student cadets of the Air Force and Army ROTC Detachments on Saturday, April 3, at 9:30 A.M., the President's Reception to be held at the Oaks at 3 P.M.

Immediately following the inauguration, a luncheon will be held in Murphy Hall, and it will feature a main address by Mr. Asa T. Spaulding, president of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Inaugural Events Saturday, April 3

Saturday, April 3, 1965

- 8:00 - 10:00 A.M.
Registration of Delegates and Guests
Coffee Hour
Cooper Hall Recreation Room
- 9:30 - 10:30 A.M.
R. O. T. C. Parade and Review
Parade Ground - North Campus
- 9:30 - 10:00 A.M.
Robing of Representatives
Cooper Hall Recreation Room
- 10:00 - 10:30 A.M.
Formation of the Inaugural Procession
- 11:00 A.M.
Inaugural Exercises
Moore Gymnasium
- 1:00 P.M.
Luncheon for Official Representatives and Special Guests —
Murphy Hall
- 3:00 P.M.
The President's Reception
Cooper Hall



President Lewis Carnegie Dowdy

A & T College's sixth president will be formally installed April 3, just one week prior to the first anniversary of his assumption of the duties of institution head.

An experienced educator and administrator, Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy will be inaugurated at 11:00 tomorrow morning in ceremonies in Charles Moore Gymnasium.

The 47 year old president, a native of Eastover, South Carolina, is a graduate of Allen University where he finished cum laude. He received the M. A. degree from Indiana State College, and is presently a candidate for the doctorate degree at Indiana University. Dr. Dowdy holds an honorary degree, Litt. D., from his alma mater, Allen University.

Dr. Dowdy has been at A & T since 1951, having first come to the institution as the director of student teaching. For four years he

served as dean of the School of Education and General Studies and for two years as dean of instruction. He served as acting president twenty months between 1961 and 1963 while his predecessor, Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, filled a Peace Corps assignment.

Prior to coming to A & T, President Dowdy worked in the public school system of South Carolina. For seven years he was a principal in two South Carolina schools. He had also been a supervising principal and a teacher of English and French at Winnsboro High School in Winnsboro, South Carolina.

The president holds several appointments: professional, civic and religious. He is a member of the following commissions, councils and committees: Advisory Committee on Nursing Education; North Carolina Board of Higher Education; Community College Advisory Council, North Carolina Board of Education; North Carolina Film Board; North Carolina

State Teacher Education Evaluation Committee; North Carolina Council on Human Relations; Committee on Educational Program of the Piedmont University Center of North Carolina; Greensboro Library Planning Committee; and Greensboro Good Neighbor Council.

Among the numerous professional organizations of which he is a member are the National Education Association; North Carolina Teachers Association; Secretary, Division of Arts and Sciences; The American Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges; Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education; and Vice-chairman, Section of Public Institutions, Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

His membership in religious, civic and social groups include the Hayes-Taylor; YMCA; Deacon, Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, and Greensboro Men's Club.

Over forty of President Dowdy's relatives are expected to attend the inauguration.

Dr. R. C. Gibson Will Deliver Main Address

Dr. Raymond C. Gibson, professor and chairman of the Division of Higher Education at Indiana University, will be the main speaker when Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy is inaugurated as the sixth president of A & T College on April 3.

Dr. Gibson, a noted educator, has studied and worked at every level of American education. A product of rural Kentucky, he received the B. A. degree in 1932 and M. A. in 1936 from Western Kentucky State College, Bowling Green, Kentucky and the Ph. D. at the University of Wisconsin in 1944. His areas of specialization were English and mathematics as an undergraduate, and School Administration and Political Science as a graduate student.

For five years Dr. Gibson served with the United States Government; two years under the State Department, 1950-52, as Director of the U. S. Education Mission to Peru where he was instrumental in planning and building the first modern, degree-granting teachers college in Latin America; he spent one academic year in Thailand where he co-ordinated the planning of a modern college of education in 1953, and directed a study concerning the reorganization of Chulalongkorn University in 1956.

For three years, he was Director of Education Missions Branch, U. S. Office of Education where he was responsible for program development and recruitment of personnel to serve in the United States Education missions in 35 countries.

He was awarded the distinguished service decoration, the highest civilian decoration by the Peruvian Government.

Professor Gibson went to Indiana University in 1955 where he has developed the department of Higher Education from which 35 students have already received doctoral degrees.

He directed the statewide study on "Resources and Needs for Higher Education" in Iowa, in 1959 and 1960 and did a similar study in Missouri in 1962. He is currently a special consultant to two college presidents in the Middle-west and consultant to the Board of Trustees and the Rector of the University of Lima in Peru.

Dr. Gibson's work and travels have taken him to twenty-six countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Latin America and Australia.

He is an author of a number of books and other publications.

Inaugural Events Friday, April 2, 1965

Friday, April 2, 1965

- 3:00 - 5:00 P.M.
Dr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Dowdy will be at Home to Delegates and Guests
The Oaks
- 6:00 - 10:00 P.M.
Registration of Delegates and Guests
Cooper Hall Recreation Room
- 10:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M.
Pre-Inaugural Ball
Moore Gymnasium

On The Election Of The President

(Reprinted from THE REGISTER, March 20, 1964)

What are the ingredients which make a good president? Competence? Experience? Personality? Knowledge of the job? Dedication? These and many others are necessary traits for a good college president.

The Board of Trustees of A&T College evidently considered the same points; for in naming Dr. L. C. Dowdy the successor to Dr. Proctor, they tapped a man who possesses all of these and then some.

A&T is very fortunate to have such a man in her midst. No extended, far-flung search had to be conducted to fill the vacancy in the college's highest post, for an able man was near at hand.

Having filled the position as acting president for twenty months during his predecessor's leave of absence, Dr. Dowdy is in a position to be cognizant of the demands of the presidency. With such recent experience, he is no doubt well equipped to head an institution of this size.

Other positions which Dr. Dowdy has held during his years at A&T have also surely left their stamp and will provide guidance based on experience.

Upon talking with the President-elect, one is immediately impressed with his concern for A&T College and A&T College students. He is a sincere person who is ever willing to lend a sympathetic ear to student problems.

At the same time, Dr. Dowdy is a young man who should be able to meet the physical rigors of his new position. A&T should, therefore, be able to look forward to many prosperous years under his leadership.

A&T College has found a man with the ingredients necessary for a good college president. It has found a man who is dedicated and experienced and who combines competence with a knowledge of how to get the job done.

Good years, then, are envisioned for A&T College under the Dowdy administration, good years which will be geared towards progress and an elevation of A&T's position among institutions of higher learning.

On The Inauguration Of Dr. Dowdy

By MOSES KAMARA

When Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy is inaugurated tomorrow as president of A&T College, an official stamp will be added to a position which he has occupied with dignity and efficiency for nearly one year.

Dr. Dowdy's appointment in early 1964 by the Board of Trustees was not a surprise to most people here. For one academic year he acted as president of the institution when his predecessor, Dr. Samuel Proctor, was appointed as Peace Corps director in Nigeria. During this period, Dr. Dowdy exemplified his administrative ability which undoubtedly contributed to his subsequent appointment as president.

Shakespeare said that some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them. Dr. Dowdy in becoming president of this historic institution has achieved a measure of greatness. He, like many other great men, was not "born great," nor has "greatness been thrust upon him." He has earned it!

As an administrator, President Dowdy possesses vast experience both at the high school and college levels. For seven years he was principal of Ocean Grove School, Aiken, and Saint Phillip's High School, Eastover, both located in South Carolina. He also served for four years as supervising principal and teacher of English and French at Winnsboro High School, Winnsboro, South Carolina.

At the college level, Dr. Dowdy's administrative experience speaks proudly for itself. For five years he was director of Student Teaching at A&T College, four years as dean of the School of Education and General Studies, and for two years as dean of instruction at A&T College.

President Dowdy's interest in and devotion to his work is passionate. That he is loved and admired by his students is beyond any doubt.

Informal interviews with a cross-section of the student-body bear witness to the esteem in which the students and other members of the community hold the president. Typical comments by students were as follows: "I think A&T is in fine hands with President Dowdy behind the wheel;" "He is a kind and gentle individual who has taken full advantage of his educational opportunities and wants us to do the same;" "He always wants to know whether our food is good;" "He feels the same way about his work as a star football player feels about football."

Surely, if any man has undergone a systematic process of preparation, and possesses dignity with simplicity, wit and humor, patience and progressiveness, it is Dr. Lewis Dowdy.

Pleasing Traits

During our freshman orientation exercises when President Dowdy spoke to the class of '68 for the first time, I received a vivid impression of him. I never thought that the president of a college would possess such a pleasing personality as he did on this particular day. When he stepped out on the stage to speak to us, I felt at that moment that he was a man who deserved the respect of all because of his tactfulness. When speaking, he did not pause for meaningless words; every word came to him with meaning and truth. I noticed too that his speeches are not lengthy, but they still come to the point.

President Dowdy is a man of many pleasing traits. He is very responsible. His duties are carried out in such a manner that no one cares to question him or his procedures of work. He too is kind and considerate of others when performing his duties, and he never lets his outside or personal problems interfere with his duties as a college president.

Many more things could be mentioned about President Dowdy as the president of the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina and the man himself. I feel that we are all gifted to have him here to preside over us.

Ora Banks

Informal Manner

As a high school senior, I was once called to the office of the guidance counselor at my school with several other students. As we walked down the hall toward the room, we wondered what could be so important to get all of us out of a class. I, in particular, was amazed at my presence; we had heard the A&T College representative early that day. Could this have any connection? We were puzzled. Now we were at the office. Singularly, we walked in. Standing near the door, I watched the smiling faces coming out of the inner office. My expectation was building up. Then, with a smile and a pat on the shoulder, a friend said, "O.K. go in, Smith." I moved toward the door.

I walked in; and, for the first time, I was face-to-face with a president of a college. There he sat looking as relaxed and as casual as a student. He spoke with the eloquence of a poet, and with the friendliness of a pal. The informal conversation amazed me. I had expected a man of his position to be slightly on the formal side, but he spoke as a normal human being. The scholar impressed me because of his informal manner. He impressed me so much that I am now a student at A&T.

My impression of a college professor changed within the short period of this meeting. How he spoke was as interesting as what he said. The most remarkable characteristic was the relaxed and "cool" impression left with me. He not only left the impression of being intelligent, but he seemed friendly and down to earth. Because of the impressions left with me, I shall never forget the meeting with Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, President of the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina.

James D. Smith

Hurried

The impressions that I have of President Dowdy were formed mostly on the things I have heard others say about him. I have never had an informal talk with him. In fact, I don't think I have ever talked with him at all, except in the receiving line at a reception for freshmen.

This man seems, in my eyes, to be always in a hurry with very little time of his own. He seems to be a very warm hearted person who, although he is very busy, has time to talk with students when they go to visit him. One of my classmates had an interview with the President last quarter. After he reported on his interview, he extended an invitation to all students from President Dowdy to come and talk with him whenever they wished. This little show of interest in the new students made me feel as if I had been given the invitation personally. It makes me know that a man capable of doing a good job

The Inquiring Reporter: Inaugural Special What Is Your Impression Of Dr. Dowdy?

in running the school and taking an interest in the students is at the top.

Whenever I see Mr. Dowdy, whether it is on stage, in a receiving line at a reception or any other place, he seems always calm and relaxed. I have never seen him in a hurry or upset before a crowd.

I think that it takes a special kind of a person to make a school of this size run smoothly. Up to this time I have seen nothing to give me the impression that Mr. Dowdy is not doing an excellent job. I think that, with the help of other people, he will be able to continue his work here without very much trouble.

Charlotte Harris

Thoughtful

A few years ago I was a resident of Greensboro, North Carolina and I resided near the college campus. My mother and my stepfather were both graduate assistants at the time; and, quite coincidentally, my mother's work brought her in close contact with President Dowdy daily. Little did I realize then that Mr. Dowdy who came into many of our conversations would someday be president of this great institution. However, all the time I couldn't let my imagination merely be satisfied with his forever being dean of the School of Education and General Studies. While this in itself is good, there just seemed to be a little more waiting out there for a man whose qualifications merited this position and even more.

I've often heard it said that "Nice guys finish last." A live counter-example to this statement is embodied in the person of Mr. Dowdy; for surely, I don't think they come any nicer.

I remember very vividly an incident that took place a few weeks prior to our moving to Henderson, North Carolina which will stand out among all others. My parents had just received their Master's

degrees, and naturally we were all quite excited. Mr. Dowdy had phoned his congratulations, but more striking than this was a letter which came a few days later addressed to me, my brother, and my sister. It was from Mr. Dowdy. He had known my mother prior to her recent marriage at the time she was a widow, both her parents dead, and with three small children to worry about. He made us more aware of how proud we should be to have her as our mother, and he wished us all the best of luck as we started our new family unit. It was very touching, and I still have that letter today. In spite of his busy schedule, he took time to be that thoughtful.

"Some men are born great, some men achieve greatness, and some men have greatness thrust upon them." I sincerely feel that President Dowdy's life has been a fine example of all three.

Anita Patterson

Person, First

President Dowdy seems to me a person first and a president second. He tries to make each student feel he is a part of one big family. He also tries to fill the student in on the latest thing that is taking place as far as buildings and additions to our campus. He lets us know just how our money is being spent, so as to prevent any student from going around with the wrong impression.

This past week the Office of the President has sent out personal invitations to all male students in the dorm asking them to take part in the events of the coming week. This is one point that we would not find taking place on too many of our sister campuses.

I feel that these two events have done more to form or shape my impression of President Dowdy than any of the comments I may have heard in the streets or on campus.

Milton B. Austin

An Unsolicited Interview

By STANLEY JOHNSON

Immediately following a dispute between a member of the college personnel and me, my mind was filled with the following thoughts: "I'll tell the President about Mr. X. What right had he to make a decision about me on the basis of his hypothesis!" I'll tell the President that this man was simple-minded in his decisions and thick-headed in his ability to reason. Not only that, but he probably thought that because he was a well-established staff member he could get away with anything, especially if it concerned a green-freshman. I had been advised to take such matters up with the dean of students or the dean of men, but I decided that it was too important to be handled by a mere dean.

It was late in the afternoon when I reached the President's office; but I met his secretary, Miss Virginia Durham, just as she was leaving. I informed her that I wanted to see the President. Because it was after hours, I found it necessary to tell her the nature of my visit. She was most understanding and co-operative. She went into the President's office and returned directly with permission for me to have my requested interview. Upon hearing this news, I was not the least bit nervous or impressed because when I'm angry I have room for no emotion other than anger. In the President's office, I was immediately overcome with a feeling of rudeness on my part. There in the office was another distinguished looking gentleman with whom the President had obviously been in conference. I do not remember this man's name, even though the President introduced him to me; but I do remember that he was a member of the college staff.

My lack of memory was probably due to the state of mind I was in at the beginning of the interview. Dr. Dowdy asked if he could be of any assistance to me. I was caught completely off guard, for he was nothing like what I had expected.

I explained my problem to him and made sure to leave out all the adjectives that I had used in my previously rehearsed explanation. He listened attentively; and when I had finished, he suggested a

solution that would bring the best results to all concerned.

I was deeply impressed with his wittiness and sense of humor. While waiting for Miss Durham to get some needed forms, the President, his guest, and I engaged in some informal conversation. Dr. Dowdy asked me in what section of Scott Hall I lived and if I liked my room assignment. I replied that I lived in section 'A' of Scott Hall and that I liked my room, but found that my bed was very uncomfortable. The trouble was probably due to a deep sag in the middle of the bed.

Dr. Dowdy told me that he had had a similar experience while in graduate school. His remedy was to place a foot locker under the bed so as to support the sagging portion. I departed from Dr. Dowdy's office with a feeling of complete satisfaction. As a result of the interview I held no remorse for the thick-headed Mr. X, but I had the highest regard for the competent Dr. Dowdy. My most dominate thought on that cool winter afternoon was that we, at A&T, are indeed lucky to have a man of Dr. Dowdy's caliber — someone who, though head of the college, can still listen to and sympathize with a lowly freshman.

INTERESTED

The office of president of a college carries many responsibilities. These great burdens can quickly lead to a decline in the person holding this office; therefore, the president must be a man of great abilities.

I have been at A&T College less than a year, but during this time President Dowdy has shown the qualifications of a good president to me. He is very much concerned with the social and scholastic activities of the students. He is planning for construction of a new center for activities on campus, and he also is planning for the construction of additions to the different schools.

He seems to love his work and never shows any signs of the great burden it has upon him. His most important assets are his continued interest in the welfare of the student at the College.

Arthur Henderson

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DR. LEWIS C. DOWDY



STUDENT LEADERS. More than 60 student leaders cut short their summer vacations to return for the College's First Leadership Conference Wednesday, September 10. Present also for the all-day session were faculty and staff members.

Dean Dowdy Keynotes Student Leadership Conference

(Reprinted From The Register, October, 1958).

"The Student Organization Program should be continually changing and dynamic," said Dean L. C. Dowdy to the participants at the College's first Leadership Conference in Bluford Library, September 10.

In his keynote address, "The Role of Student Organizations in Helping A&T College to Meet the Crisis in Higher Education," Mr. Dowdy cited the need for organizations to re-evaluate their pro-

grams in the light of present needs. "The justification of each activity must lie in the contribution it makes to the learning and development of youth," he said.

Calling activities the recognized responsibility of the school, the speaker indicated that the student organization program should grow out of the life of the college and be adapted to the local situation. Continuing, Mr. Dowdy stated, "There is a need for continuous interpretation to the public of the activity program."

"If organizations are to function effectively, student leaders must accept certain challenges," he said. They must live up to the respect that their organizations have demonstrated in them. They must respect and commit themselves to organizations and their purposes. Leaders must not use their organizations only to increase their prestige.

Following the keynote address, group sessions were held during the afternoon. The main purpose of the group sessions was to relate the morning program to the future of the campus organizations, and to extend this discussion to other questions concerning the functioning and cultural development of the organizations.

Conference delegates were divided into four groups with Walter McAllister, Walter T. Johnson, Elworth E. Smith, and James B. Spurlock as chairmen of their groups.

Members of the faculty who attended the conference and assisted each group as consultants were Dr. Charles L. Hayes, Mr. Jimmie I. Barber, Dr. Charles Pinckney, Mrs. Ruth Gore, Dr. George Hunter, Mrs. Loreno Marrow, Mr. W. H. Gamble and Dr. Howard Robinson. Assisting the chairmen of the groups were recorders, Yvonne Lake, Shirley Jean Gillard, Yvonne Marable, and Esterlene Smith.

Closing remarks for the conference were given by Dr. W. N. Rice, chairman of the College Committee on Organizations. President W. T. Gibbs also spoke at the morning session, and Edward Nesbitt, president of the student council, presided.

Mrs. Elizabeth Dowdy: Profile

By ALOHA PEYTON

The wife of A&T College's sixth president is a charming, attractive woman from Terre Haute, Indiana.

Terre Haute is a French phrase meaning higher ground, and it seems that Mrs. Elizabeth Dowdy has come from Terre Haute to even terre-"er" haute to become the first lady of A&T College.

What does the first lady of Agrieland do other than be a house wife, hostess, speaker, clubwoman and mother? She teaches special education classes in one of Greensboro's public schools. In her spare time, according to the first lady, "I play a little, (Incidentally, she is an accomplished pianist), and I like to read; however, I rarely have time for hobbies."

A native of Indiana, Mrs. Dowdy, or Betty as our president refers to her, is a graduate of Indiana State College. She received both the B. S. degree in elementary education

and the masters degree in education there.

How does a girl from Indiana get to meet a boy from South Carolina? Well, they simply come to North Carolina, which is exactly what happened in the case of our President and First Lady.

The inside story is that Mrs. Dowdy, then Elizabeth Smith, was on her first teaching assignment in Goldsboro, North Carolina when she was introduced to a young insurance agent by the name of Lewis C. Dowdy. Romance blossomed and they were later wed in her home in Indiana.

This all took place back in 1943. Since, there have been three children added to the Dowdy family — two sons, Lemuel and Lewis, Jr., and a daughter Elizabeth. Lewis is a student at Johnson C. Smith; Lemuel is at Howard University and Elizabeth is enrolled in a local elementary school.

Dowdy Devotes First Year As Dean To Consideration of Improvement

From the Magazine Supplement To THE REGISTER, June 1, 1957

L. C. Dowdy completes his first year as dean of the School of Education and General Studies this month.

Elevated from the position of assistant professor to dean, Mr. Dowdy is largely responsible for continuing the amicable relationship that has long existed between the dean of the school and his faculty and students.

The most prominent features of the dean are without a doubt his "immaculate sincerity" and his eternal purposeful planning. When he says, "I'll think about that" or "Let me think about that", regardless of the problem, he has really already thought about it; but only after careful deliberation will he offer what he believes to be a good solution.

Besides attempting to solve immediate problems, Mr. Dowdy has sought to improve the academic program at the school. To this end, he has studied not only programs of other schools; but through tests and interdepartmental consultations, he has tried to determine the needs of the students.

Says Mr. Dowdy, "I feel that four years should be spent for a purpose. I am interested in students' getting what they should get and there is no better time to get it than within four years."

Of the present curriculum Mr. Dowdy stated that changes should be made but the need will have to be discussed and the best will be obtained for the students. Experiments will have to be run with

courses for two years; and, perhaps, more cultural tests will be given."

In conclusion Mr. Dowdy stated that to improve the intellectual ability of the students in order that they might be able to face situations, the best thing to do is to teach the students how to study and teach them how to evaluate their own achievement."

Dowdy Named Man Of Year

(Reprinted from THE REGISTER, October 16, 1964)

Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy was named man of the year in higher education by the Piedmont District of the North Carolina Teachers Association October 1 at Dudley High School.

In recognition of his contribution to higher education, Dr. Dowdy was presented a plaque by E. T. Artis, an official of the organization.

School leaders from throughout the Piedmont met for divisional meetings and a general business session for election of 1964-65 officers of their district.

Elected president of the Piedmont District Teachers Association North Carolina Teachers Association, was Joseph C. Duncan of Yanceyville.

Vance H. Chavis of Greensboro, was elected vice president; G. J. Foster of Greensboro, treasurer;

and Ida F. Simmons of Yanceyville, secretary.

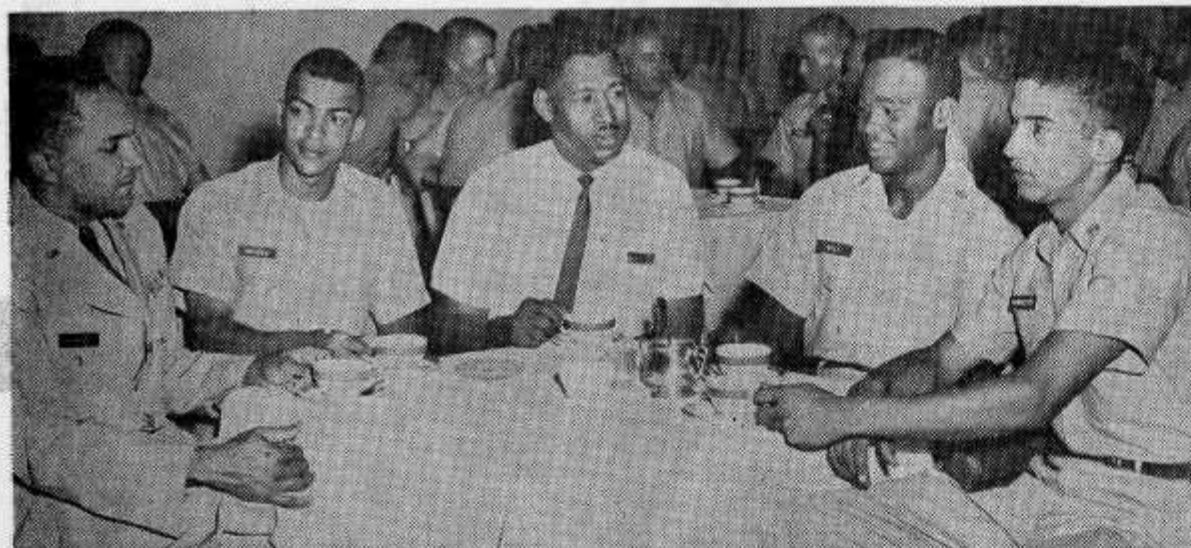
All meetings were held at Dudley High School.

Approximately 2,000 teachers and administrators from 13 counties were present. They came from Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Durham, Guilford, Lee, Moore, Orange, Franklin, Randolph, Richmond, Rockingham and Scotland.

Presiding yesterday was Charles H. Coleman of Reidsville, district president. Coleman is principal of Branch Street Elementary School.

ATTENTION: FACULTY

In case of rain April 3, faculty members will assemble in the east corridor of Moore Gymn at 10:30 a. m.



AF-ROTC SUMMER CAMP. Dr. L. C. Dowdy joins Lt. Col. Willis J. Hubert and Cadets Reaves, Bell, and Burnette at lunch.



THE FIRST FAMILY. Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Dowdy join daughter Elizabeth at the piano. Lewis and Lemuel are students at Johnson C. Smith University and Howard University, respectively.

Activities of a Busy Administrator



RIGHT, TOP TO BOTTOM

He congratulates new Army Officers and Air Force Officers

He Meets NFA Delegates

He Receives Commendation from Faculty and Staff.

He Presents Cake to Sierra Leone Students on Second Anniversary of Country's Independence.

He accepts Scholarship Fund From Postal Workers.

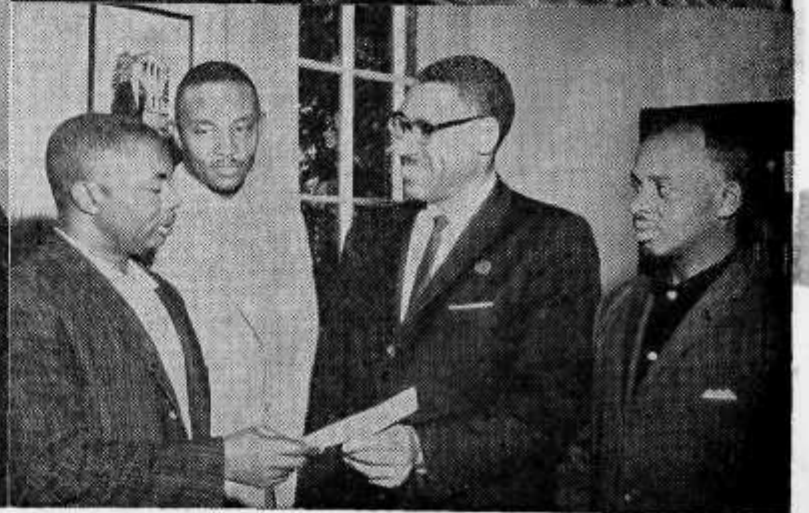
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He Receives Check From Alumni.

He Awards Star to Editor.

He Crowns Miss A&T.

He Meets with Officials of Project Uplift.



Former High School Dropout, Now A Physicist

By E. F. CORBETT

A school boy "drop out," who never completed high school but overcame that handicap to receive the Doctor of Philosophy degree and become a professor at A&T College, got another honor last week.

The drop out, now Dr. Alexander Gardner, professor of physics, has reached a new milestone in a short but almost amazing career in his field.

He delivered on last Wednesday a scientific paper before the American Physical Society, the nation's leading professional organization for physicists, at the organization's annual convention held at Kansas City, Missouri.

The paper, "A Study of Atomic Mobility in High Concentration Silver-Cadmium Alloys," describes results of research he conducted independently last year as a part of requirements for the Ph. D. degree at the University of North Carolina.

The findings in his research, later corroborated by a special study at Wake Forest College, refute a theory of long standing in physics.

Other developments in the life of Dr. Gardner, which read like Horatio Alger story, are far more amazing than his noteworthy appearance at Kansas City.

At the tender age of 14, Gardner walked out of the high school classroom for good in his hometown, New Bern, just a month before the end of what would have been his first year, and "thumbed" his way to Norfolk, Virginia. That was in 1944.

Looking for real adventure, he pushed his age up to 16, and joined the U. S. Merchant Marine. He got it!

On his third trip across the Atlantic, his ship in 1945 was torpedoed, but Gardner survived that. He was picked off a life raft and landed by a mercy ship at Galveston, Texas.

Running out of both, satisfactory ship assignments and money, he strolled into the Galveston post of

office and joined the then, U. S. Army Air Corps, which turned out to be a five and a half year stint.

With the electronics training received in the service, Gardner returned to New Bern in 1950 to open a combination radio repair and record shop, a business which flourished for five years.

Gardner explains that while his business afforded a living it was dull by comparison with the pace he had set and lacked a real challenge.

Like a bolt, a new idea struck . . . He would go to college. The idea came from a disparaging remark made by a college graduate associate, about Gardner being a drop out.

That day he closed his radio shop for good, left early the next morning for Greensboro and A&T College.

He passed the high school equivalency test and was admitted to A&T.

"In what field do you wish to major? Gardner was asked. "Physics," he said, The interviewer gasped.

But the new student tackled physics, considered by many students one of the more disciplined in undergraduate programs.

That is not all, he graduated four years later summa cum laude, at the very top of his class, and left

A&T with one big ambition, to return to the college as a professor of physics.

That was in June, 1958. He was admitted to UNC in 1959 under a teaching fellowship and aimed at nothing short of the doctor's degree. He told the folks there that he was not interested in pursuing the masters degree, the usual cycle in the graduate program . . . a Ph. D., or nothing.

Just a few months prior to receiving the terminal degree, he was told that since he had qualified for the masters degree, he should accept it. He got that one, too.

Already drawing attention from leading scientists in his field, Gardner, is happiest over reaching his highest, original ambition to become a college teacher. "I just wish to help give some bright young students some of the opportunities which I have had," he explains.

Gardner resents suggestions that he is self-made. He gives a lot of people credit for the help he has received. Leading the list, are Dr. Donald A. Edwards, his major professor and chairman of the A&T Department of Physics, and even the fellow who first called him a drop out.

While at A&T, Gardner served in his senior year as president of the Student Government and was elected to membership in the Alpha Kappa Mu and Beta Kappa Chi Honor Societies.



MRS. MARTIN LUTHER KING AT A&T

Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., wife of the noted civil rights leader and 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner, greets students following her appearance at A&T College as keynote speaker at the observance of Women's Weekend.

She speaks to Kaye Spruill, West Hempstead, N. Y.; and Ronald Campbell, Kings Mountain; as Allegray Wilder, Belhaven, "Miss A&T," looks on from center.

Spirit Of Struggle For Equality To Continue After Selma March

"The Spirit of the struggle for equality, will continue after Selma," an audience was told at A&T College last Sunday.

The speaker was Mrs. Martin Luther King, Jr., Atlanta, Ga., wife of the noted civil rights leader and 1964 Nobel Peace Prize winner. She was delivering the keynote address at the concluding program of the annual Women's Weekend observance.

A crowd of nearly 2,000 attended the program, held in the Richard B. Harrison Auditorium, and another 500 persons were turned away.

Speaking from the subject, "The Civil Rights Struggle and the Responsibility of the Individual," and appearing on the same afternoon in which the now famous Alabama March began, Mrs. King vowed that the spirit of the Selma to Montgomery march would not fade at the steps of the Alabama Capitol, but would continue until every citizen in America enjoys full equality.

"The Negro," she said, "is not interested in taking away the rights of others. He wishes only to share in them."

The speaker said that she is proud of the progress which had been made in recent months, but warned that the civil rights struggle might be moving into a critical and dangerous period. She fears that some Negroes may feel a sense of complete fulfillment and may reduce the impetus in the upward push.

"Though we have come a long, long way," she added, "We still have a long, long way to go."

Mrs. Lewis C. Dowdy, wife of the president of the college, delivered the main address at the annual banquet on Saturday.

Speaking from the subject, "New Dimensions for Today's College Women," Mrs. Dowdy said women who have had special advantages have larger responsibility in the development of the highest moral values; the development of an awareness of, and sensitivity to, the great problems "of our times," and facing the future with highest optimism and courage.

She told the coed, "In our nation's desperate need for education, the relatively untapped reserves of woman's intelligence and capacity for education, cannot be ignored."

In challenging her audience, Mrs. Dowdy warned, "If the woman's

education is curtailed, she can usually expect a smaller pay check, more unstable employment, and far less satisfaction with her work."

The dinner meeting also featured the presentation of special awards to the women students for high scholarship, leading and group living.

The leadership award went to Mrs. Patricia Lawson Royal, a senior from Blairs, Va., and president of the Women's Council.

Winners of the scholarship awards included: Veronica Mask, Winston-Salem; Willie P. Washington, Badin; Brenda Richardson, Westbury, N. Y.; and Gloria Brooks, Jamesville.

The observance was sponsored by the A&T College Women's Council and conducted under the supervision of Mrs. E. Bernice Johnson, dean of women.



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ON APRIL 6

Dr. Crossland Will Be Guest Speaker At Annual Honors Day Convocation

Dr. Fred E. Crossland, program Associate of the Education Division, Ford Foundation, will be Convocation speaker at the Annual Honors day event to be held in Charles Moore Gymnasium, April 6 at 9:00 a.m.

The Ford Foundation administrator, who is a native of Pennsylvania, is a graduate of Brooklyn College where he earned his B.A. degree. He was awarded both the M. A. and the Ph. D. degrees from New York University.

Before assuming his present position at Ford Foundation, Dr. Crossland was the dean of admissions at N. Y. U. Other positions held by him prior to that were those of Director of Public Occasions; Assistant Secretary of the University; and Associate Professor of Political Science, all at New York University.

Dr. Crossland has authored two college textbooks on political science and government and has written numerous articles in professional journals.

Fifty-five students with cumulative averages of 3.00 or above will be honored at the convocation. Scholastic averages are based on grade standing at the end of last fall quarter.

Seniors dominate the list of fifty-five students. There are 21 senior honor students, 13 juniors, six sophomores, and 15 freshmen.

Other activities on the Honors Day Program include a film forum at 10:30, an honors conference at 1:30, an evening reception, and a

Library Program Will Feature Discussions

The Library Program Committee will present its Spring Quarter Program on Monday, April 12, 1965 at 7:30 P.M. in the Taylor Art Gallery, located on the basement floor of the F. D. Bluford Library.

Three faculty members of the English Department will be present to discuss recent books they have written. Dr. Walter C. Daniel will talk about his "Sean O'Casey and the Comic", one of the British Authors Series published by Twayne. "Images of the Negro in America", edited by Dr. Darwin T. Turner and Miss Jean M. Bright will be discussed by the editors. This is a work of selected source materials for college research papers, published by D. C. Heath.

This presentation should be of great interest to potential writers who wish to do well on writing assignments as well as those who desire to show creativity.

Sidney Poitier To Present Oscar To 1965 Winner

Sidney Poitier, winner of last year's Academy Award for the best performance by an actor, for "Lilies Of The Field," has been named to the cast of the 37th Annual Awards Presentation of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, Joe Pasternak, producer of the program, announced today.

In keeping with tradition, Poitier will present this year's "Oscar" to the winner in the best performance by an actress category.

He joins an exciting cast which to date includes Elizabeth Ashley, Fred Astaire, Carroll Baker, Richard Chamberlain, Angie Dickinson, Vincent Edwards, Judy Garland, Greer Garson, Bob Hope, Gene Kelly, Angela Lansbury, Debbie Reynolds, Barbara Rush, Jean Simmons, Dick Van Dyke and Andy Williams.

Hope will MC the April 5 "Oscarcast" which will be aired over the combined radio and television facilities of the American Broadcasting Company and world-wide over the facilities of the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service.

Smorgasbord at 7:00 p.m. All these events will be held in Moore Gymnasium where a dance will follow the Smorgasbord.

A section in the gymnasium balcony will be reserved for the public during the film forum and the conference. The reception, Smorgasbord, and dance will be open to honor students and their guests only.

Senior honor students from more than eight North Carolina colleges and universities have been invited to participate in the honors conference. Conference topic is "Contemporary Society — Its Characteristics, Its Demands, Its Prospective Evolution."

Awards will be presented at the convocation to the ranking students in each class and recognition will be given to students listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" who are also honor students.

Chairman of the Honors Program Council, Dr. Gladys W. Royal states that "Approximately 200 Aggies will be involved in some way in these activities because of their appearance on 'A' or 'B' Honor Rolls."

Ten Sophomore Nursing Students Receive Caps

Ten sophomore student nurses received caps in the school's eleventh Annual Capping Exercises Sunday. The ceremony took place in Richard B. Harrison Auditorium.

The ten who were capped are Feleta Andrews, Betty Daniels, Adeline Gracey, Lee Hammonds, Delcie Johnson, Luther Mae Johnson, Pearl Washington.

The Reverend Cecil Bishop, pastor of the local Trinity AME Zion Church delivered the capping address. Reverend Bishop, speaking from the topic, "You cannot come down," told the ten students, "This is your day; there are opportunities open that have not previously been open."

He advised them to remain with what they are doing and to recognize the greatness of their work.

King

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— Appeal to American consumers to refuse to buy Alabama goods.

— Ask the Secretary of the Treasury to withdraw all federal funds on deposit in banks in Alabama.

Ask federal agencies to "withdraw support for a society that refuses to protect life and the right to vote" under the 1964 Civil Rights Act.

"You have already decided on the high way." "May God grant you the strength never to come down," he said.

Awards were presented to three of the students being capped and to a senior nursing student. The Dr. C. C. Stewart Memorial Scholarship award was presented to Willie P. Washington by the Greensboro Medical Society; the Moses H. Cone Women's Auxiliary Award was given to Feleta Andrews as the student showing the most professional promise; and the Medical Surgical Nursing Award from the Greensboro Academy of Med-

icine went to Luther Johnson for being outstanding in clinical nursing. The Teloca Grads Award, being given by the Greensboro Chapter of Teloca Grads, was presented to Mrs. Martha Linton. The Teloca Club is the campus professional organization for nursing students.

New Testaments were given to each student by the Auxiliary of the Gideons, and corsages were presented by the women's Auxiliary of L. Richardson Memorial Hospital.

The ten student nurses were capped by Mrs. Naomi W. Wynn, dean of the School of Nursing.

CAMPUS BEAT BY YEE

I wonder why the weather reports were so popular on campus this week? Do you think it's because someone thought it might rain over the weekend. . . You know it has been traditional to expect a few showers for the President's Receptions, so let's hope showers don't apply for Presidential Inaugurations too.

President Johnson was the most popular dancer at his inaugural ball, and we hear that Dr. Dowdy is going to do the "mouse" . . . Have you herd of it? Well it's supposed to be the latest dance out, so keep an eye on the most honored host, and you may learn a few new steps.

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