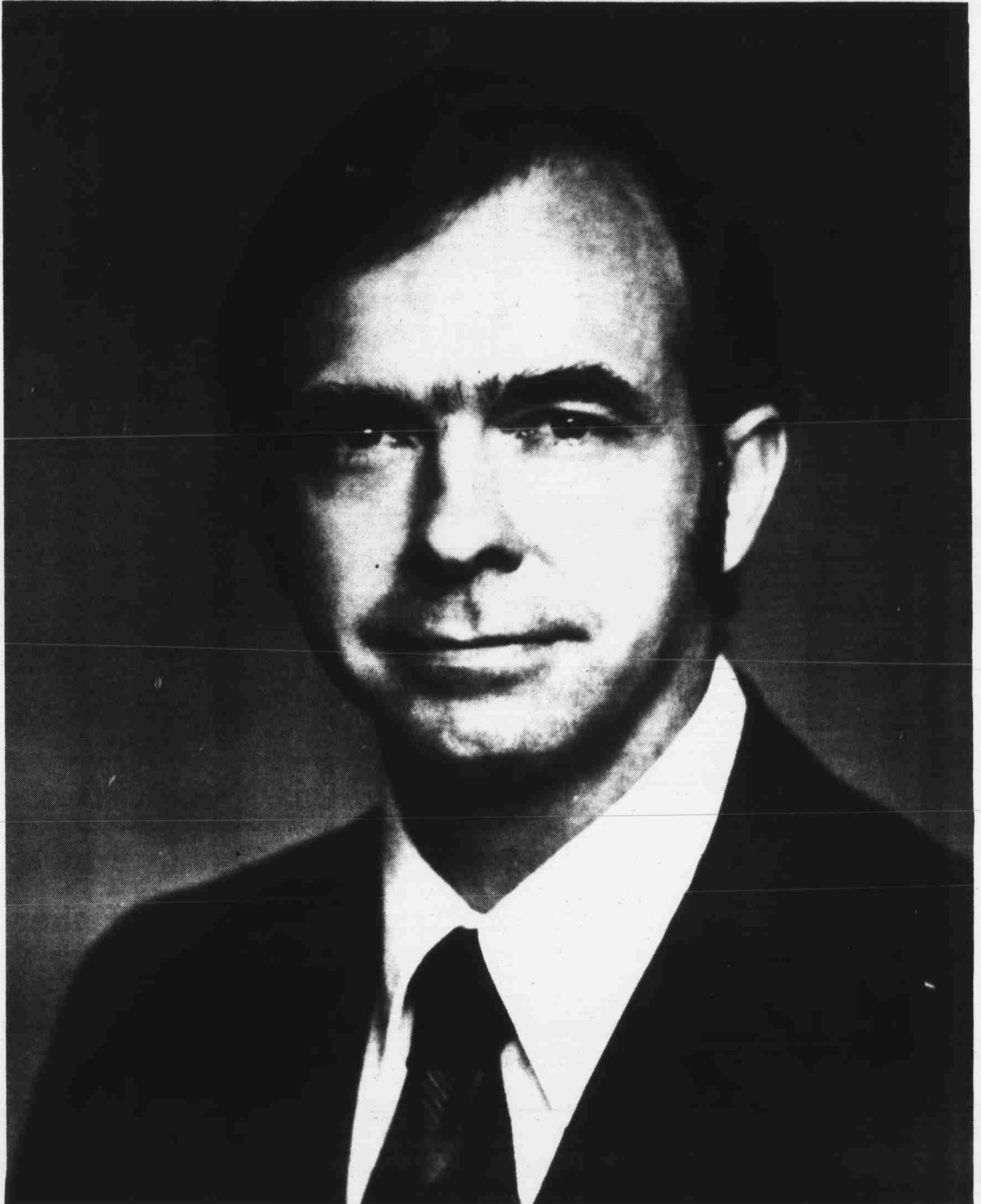


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Resumé: Joab Langston Thomas presents outstanding credentials to State

Personal Data

Born February 14, 1933, Holt, Alabama. Married Mary Dukes of Boise, Idaho, December 22, 1954. Children: Catherine, David, Jennifer, Frances.

Education

Diploma, Public Elementary and High School, Russellville, Alabama A.B., 1955, Harvard University; A.M., 1957, Harvard University; Ph.D. in Biology, 1959, Harvard University.

Employment

Teaching Fellow, Harvard University, 1955-59. Cytotaxonomist, the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, 1959-61. Assistant Professor of Biology, the University of Alabama, 1961-62. Associate Professor of Biology, 1962-66. Professor, 1966-69. Assistant Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, 1964-65, 1969. Dean for Student Development, 1969. (Title changed to Dean of Student Affairs, 1971). Vice President for Student Affairs, 1974-present.

Professional Organizations

American Institute of Biological Sciences. Botanical Society of America. American Society of Plant Taxonomists. International Association of Plant Taxonomists. New England Botanical Club—(Member of the Council, 1961-62). Harvard Botany Club—(President, 1959). Alabama Academy of Sciences. Alabama Council of Student Personnel Educators—(President, 1973-74). National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (Member of Committee on Research and Program Development, 1973-present). American College Personnel Association.

Honor Societies

Phi Beta Kappa Omicron Delta Kappa (Faculty Secretary, 1971-73). Society of the Sigma Xi (President of the University Chapter, 1967). Jasons Alabama Library Association Book Award, 1974 Carleton K. Butler Award, 1975 Student Government Association President's Award, 1975 Outstanding Professor Award, 1964-65

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Director, the University of Alabama Herbarium, 1961-65. Director, the University of Alabama Arboretum, 1964-65, 1966-69. Director, Biological Station at Tanglewood, 1963-65. Participant, Smithsonian Summer Institute in Systematics, 1968. Vice Chairman, Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate, 1968-69. Chairman, Arts and Sciences Faculty Senate, 1969. Academic Administration Internship, American Council on Education, 1970. Dean of Interim Programs, 1971-present.

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Dendrology
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Graduate Council, 1966-68. University Council, 1966-present. Committee on the Honors Program, 1964-68. Committee on Instruction, 1964-66. Committee on Basic and General Studies, 1965-67. Committee on Academic Adviseement, Chairman, 1965-67, 1969, 1974. Committee on Student Petitions, 1965-67, 1969. Committee on Courses, 1965-66. Intercollegiate Athletics Committee, 1968-70, 1971-present. Committee on Interdisciplinary Programs, 1968-69. University Research Committee, 1966-68, Chairman, 1968. Committee on Student Academic Affairs, 1969. Instructional Grants Committee, Chairman, 1970-present. University Budget Committee, 1970-present. University Physical Planning Committee, 1969-present. Student Life Committee, 1969-present. Committee on the Use of Human Subjects in Research, Chairman, 1969-present.

Committees for which Dr. Thomas is the Reporting Channel at Alabama

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Ombudsman
Student Awards
Student Life
Alabama University Student Center Board of Visitors
International Student Affairs
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Recreation
Student Health

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Thomas new Chancellor

by Jim Pomeranz

Dr. Joab Langston Thomas is the new Chancellor of North Carolina State University, appointed today to the top State post by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors.

That action took place in the University Student Center's Stewart Theatre at a special 2 p.m. open session of the state's higher education governing body.

Dr. Thomas was recommended to the Governors by UNC President William Friday, who chose Thomas from a list of three names presented to him by the State Board of Trustees upon recommendation of a chancellor's search committee.

Dr. Thomas, obviously pleased with being selected as chancellor, sets the new job as a challenge.

"I'm pretty excited about the prospects," he told the *Technician* in a Thursday night interview. "I like a challenge."

The search to replace retired Chancellor John T. Caldwell lasted more than 10 months. In November of 1974 State Board of Trustees Chairman Walter L. Smith appointed a committee to search out a successor after Caldwell announced his retirement from the office he held since 1959.

Dr. Thomas comes to State from the University of Alabama where he has been Vice President of Student Affairs.

At Alabama, Dr. Thomas has most recently worked under Dr. David Matthews, that university's President, who is presently United States Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare.

Matthews speaks highly of Thomas.

"Dr. Joab Thomas is an excellent educational leader with a uniquely broad background," Matthews told the *Technician*. "He has really been a Renaissance man doing

everything from teaching to extensive research in his own field to academic administration to student services, all at the same time and all well.

"If anybody understands a comprehensive state university today, Joab Thomas does," he added.

State student Body President Mary Beth Spina, who took part in the search committee work, feels that State is receiving the finest man possible.

"We're really lucky," she smiled. "He's a friend. His sincerity is right on the line, he's so down to earth. He's got the brain, but he's also got the personality."

Spina stated that with his "excellent personality" he would be able to get along with everyone.

"He has appeal to a broad base of people," Spina suggested, "students, faculty, staff and legislators. He's charismatic."

During the interviewing of candidates, Spina telephoned the Student Body President at the University of Alabama, Dale Wallace, for a few hints about Dr. Thomas.

"I told him we were considering Dr. Thomas for our Chancellor and asked him to tell me some things about him," she stated. "The Student Body President said that because the students think so much of him and since they really didn't want to lose Dr. Thomas, he would only tell me the bad things, but then he said he would have to make up bad things."

"The man is really fantastic," Spina continued. "There are no bad things about Dr. Thomas."

Smith, who served as chairman of the search committee, was more than pleased with the final result of the search. "Dr. Thomas has all the necessary ingredients to make a good chancellor," he told the *Technician*. "He has the goods to do a great job. I'm looking forward to working with him."

Friday was also happy with the choice of Smith. "I am pleased that Dr. Joab Thomas has accepted this task. I think we have a good man."

Dr. Thomas will assume his duties as Chancellor on January 1, 1976.

Dr. Thomas, 42, grew up in the small western-central Alabama town of Holt, located just a few miles from Tuscaloosa. He has been on the staff at Alabama since 1961, just two years after completing his bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees at Harvard University.

The University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa is just one of three campuses in that state system. It has a fall enrollment this year of 15,500 and a faculty of over 800. It's 13 academic divisions include schools of: Arts and Sciences, Commerce and Business Administration, Communications, Community Health Services, Engineering, Education, Graduate School, Graduate School of Library Services, Law, Social Work, New College, Home Economics, and Continuing Education.

The Office of Student Affairs, which Dr. Thomas headed, oversees the activities of three major divisions: Student Services, Student Life, and University Housing. Other responsibilities included within these divisions are Health Services, freshman counseling and orientation program, the University Counseling Center, the Interim Academic term, the Placement Center, and the Parnets Program.

Dr. Thomas is credited with having broadened the counseling program and initiating programs for tutoring in university residence halls during his tenure as Student Affairs vice president.

In addition, he has maintained a position on the University of Alabama faculty by continuing to teach biology, his field of specialization.



Newly appointed State Chancellor Joab Thomas and his wife Mary are greeted by acting Chancellor Jackson Rigney upon their arrival from Tuscaloosa, Ala. Thomas, 42, was approved by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors today in a special opening meeting held in the University Student Center's Stewart Theatre. He will assume his new duties January 1.

Friday recommends Thomas

The following is UNC President William Friday's statement to the Board of Governors.

"On November 1, 1974, Mr. Walter L. Smith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of North Carolina State University, appointed the Chancellor Search Committee composed of three members of the Board of Trustees of North Carolina State University, three members of the faculty, the president of the student body, and the president of the Alumni Association. Mr. Smith served as chairman of the committee.

"The committee held its first meeting on November 9. At this meeting, notices were sent to the faculty, staff, students and alumni requesting the names of potential candidates. Similar notice was given to the news media. Also at this committee meeting, qualifications for the chancellorship were discussed and procedures for the search adopted.

"One hundred and eighty-eight names of potential candidates were received by the committee and screened during the following ten months. The committee met 13 times. Various members of the committee visited 15 candidates away from the N. C. State campus and conducted 10 interviews on the campus. On September 13, 1975, three of

the candidates were approved by the Search Committee and recommended to the Board of Trustees. On September 20, 1975, the Board of Trustees approved the three nominees and transmitted their names to my office. All three of these nominees previously had visited the campus of N. C. State and the University's General Administration in Chapel Hill.

"Let me pause here to pay tribute to Chairman Smith and the other members of the Search Committee for their diligence and devotion to duty as they carried out this important assignment.

"In accordance with the requirements of the Code of the University, I am today recommending to the Board of Governors that Dr. Joab Langston Thomas be appointed Chancellor of North Carolina State University, the appointment to be effective January 1, 1976. I make the recommendation with pride and confidence.

"Dr. Thomas has been serving as Vice President for Student Affairs and Professor of Biology at the University of Alabama in his native state. After completing his secondary education in Russellville, Alabama, he obtained his undergraduate degree as a Phi Beta Kappa at

Harvard University in 1955, his master's at the same institution in 1957 and his doctorate there in 1959. During 1959-61, he was on the staff at Harvard. He joined the University of Alabama in 1961, and rapidly rose on his merits to his present position in 1974.

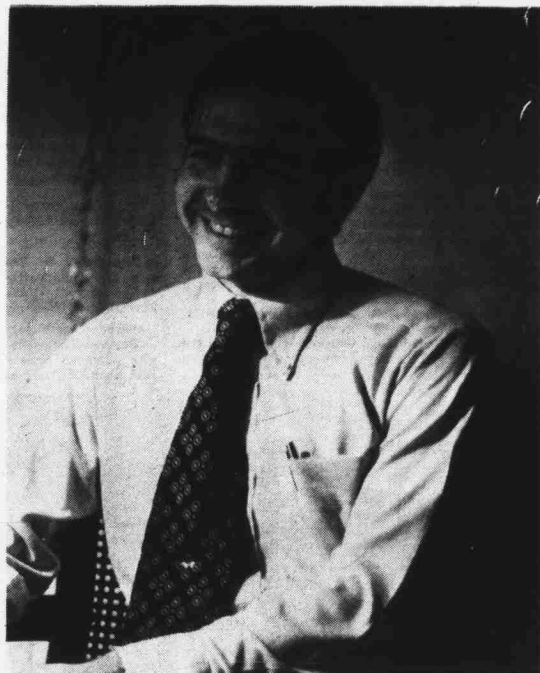
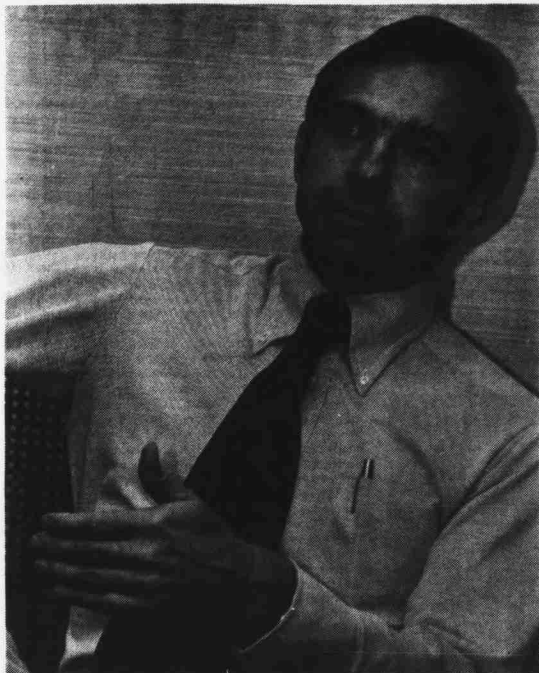
"A member of regional, national and international professional associations, Dr. Thomas has impressive credentials as a teacher—he won the Outstanding Teacher Award at the University of Alabama in 1964-65—as a researcher and author of numerous publications, and as an administrator.

"Dr. Thomas combines these professional qualities with personal traits of high character and purpose, a sense of humor, and unpretentious friendliness. As testament to his excellent judgment and profound good taste—and I might add, his good fortune—I cite the fact that he married the charming Mary Dukes of Boise, Idaho, some 21 years ago and they now have four fine children.

"Mr. Chairman and members of the Board of Governors, I commend to you Dr. Joab Thomas as a man eminently qualified to lead this great institution and to add luster to its enviable reputation in North Carolina, in the nation, and in the world."



UNC President William Friday

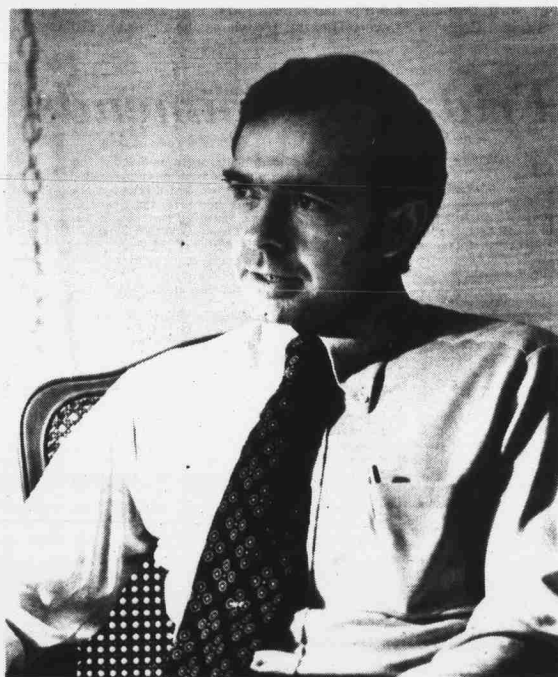
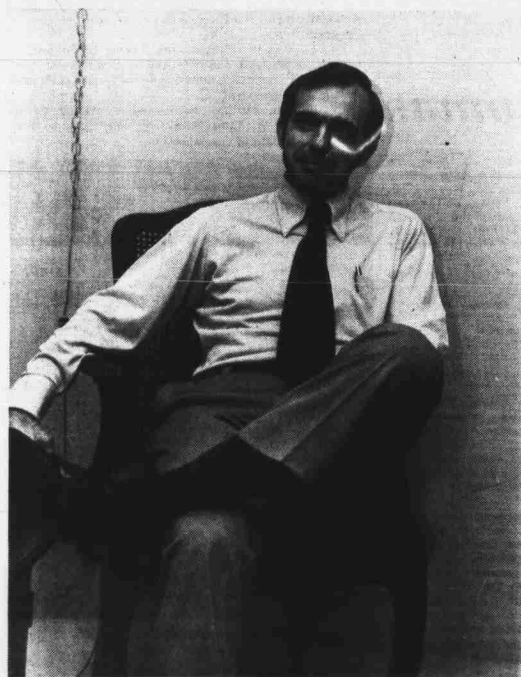


Joab Thomas

The changing of the guard at NCSU

Interview by Kevin Fisher and Jim Pomeranz

Photography by Paul Kearns



How does it feel to be the end result of a ten month, nationwide search, to be the new chancellor of North Carolina State University?

Well, it's a very challenging job, obviously...I'm pretty excited about the prospects. I like a challenge. It's been a long search and a search like this is very tiring. I'm sure there are a number of candidates who've gone a long way with it...it begins to drag after a time...you go through long periods of time where you just don't know anything, you don't know how to plan...you don't know whether to can the peaches for next year or not.

But we're very pleased the search has come to an end...we can make some definite plans now and go about setting up what we can do for North Carolina State University.

In your academic career, had you always aspired to someday head a university?

Well, strangely I hadn't...this had not been a part of my self-image, that I would one day be a college president. I had really fallen, step by step, from being a professor into varying degrees of administration. People on the faculty feel that this is stepping down...that you go further and further down as you leave the teaching ranks, and in some ways they're correct...you get further and further away from the real academic world, the kind of thing that you went into, that you were trained for.

I never did really see myself as being chancellor of a university...it just came on step by step. I don't think I would have ever made the double jump if I hadn't taken the intermediate stages, and each one came along almost as something I didn't really foresee.

You're only 42 years old. Do you anticipate remaining at State for two decades, or could this post possibly lead to other things?



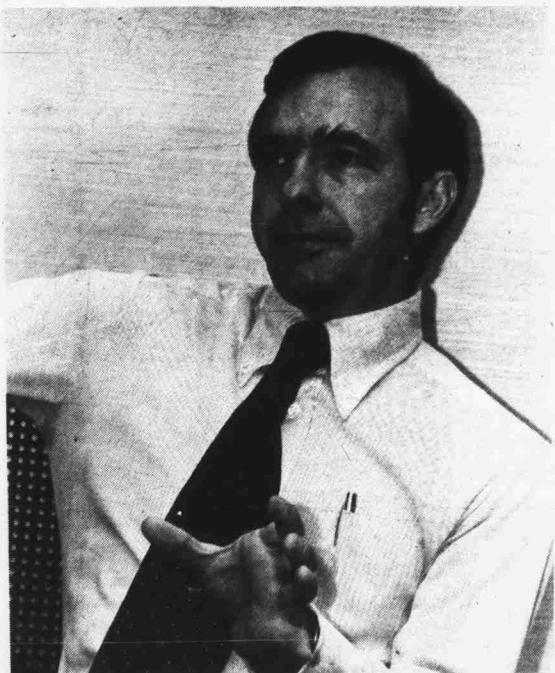
I certainly don't see this as a stepping stone, no, if that is the question. I tend to form very strong, even fierce, loyalties very quickly. I've only been affiliated with two universities in my life. I did all my undergraduate and graduate work at Harvard University and I taught there for a time and almost stayed there the rest of my life.

I had an opportunity to go to Alabama and decided I wanted to try a southern university...I like the South better than I do the northeast as a place to live...I like the people better, I like the general philosophy of life a little better so we moved to Alabama and I've been there for fourteen years. I was ten years at Harvard and I've been fourteen now at Alabama...chances are I'll spend quite a long time here at North Carolina State.

The political game is definitely part of the role of the chancellor of N. C. State. Are you ready for it?

Well I'm not sure...I hope that I'm up to it. I have a feeling that there's probably less politics in higher education in North Carolina than in Alabama. In North Carolina you do have a highly structured consolidated university and this structure by its very nature removes the university chancellor somewhat from the political fray. The President of the University of Alabama has to go to the legislature himself, he and his representatives, so they do the direct political work with the legislature as well as the kinds of things that you have to do in working with the alumni and all the other forces.

So I'm familiar with the political fray, although I haven't had a great deal of experience in that. Frankly one of the attractive things about the consolidated system in North Carolina is that the chancellor here would not be totally responsible for all of the legislative work and particularly...I don't mind working and making my case with the legislature



...I would rather like the opportunity to do so, but I don't like the kind of political battles that can come about as a result of trying to make your case at the expense of some other colleague at another institution.

Chancellor Caldwell was noted for his excellent rapport with students. The indication from people we've talked to in Alabama is that the same friendship relationship exists between yourself and students. How do you account for this?

Well I think that that kind of respect is a matter not of...one way...but a mutual respect. I have a lot of respect for the students. We have managed to develop at Alabama, and I think a similar thing exists here, more of a partnership with the student body.

In fact the relationship there is that of an advocate rather than an adversary...you don't have students coming in coalitions making non-negotiable demands of us...

Chancellor Caldwell was generally regarded as pro big-time athletics. Are you of that persuasion, or do you feel too much money is spent on collegiate athletics?

It's a complicated concept. I don't know the details of the athletic financial picture at State, but I know that at Alabama the athletic department is completely self-supporting. There is not one nickel of appropriated money that goes into athletics in any way. In fact it's more than self-supporting, it's a profit making program, and the football program supports the rest of the athletic program largely, because it makes so much money.

There has actually been a great deal contributed to the University of Alabama out of what comes from the football program. Football has meant a great deal to the University of Alabama, it's meant a great deal to the institution. It has brought us some scholastic things you would

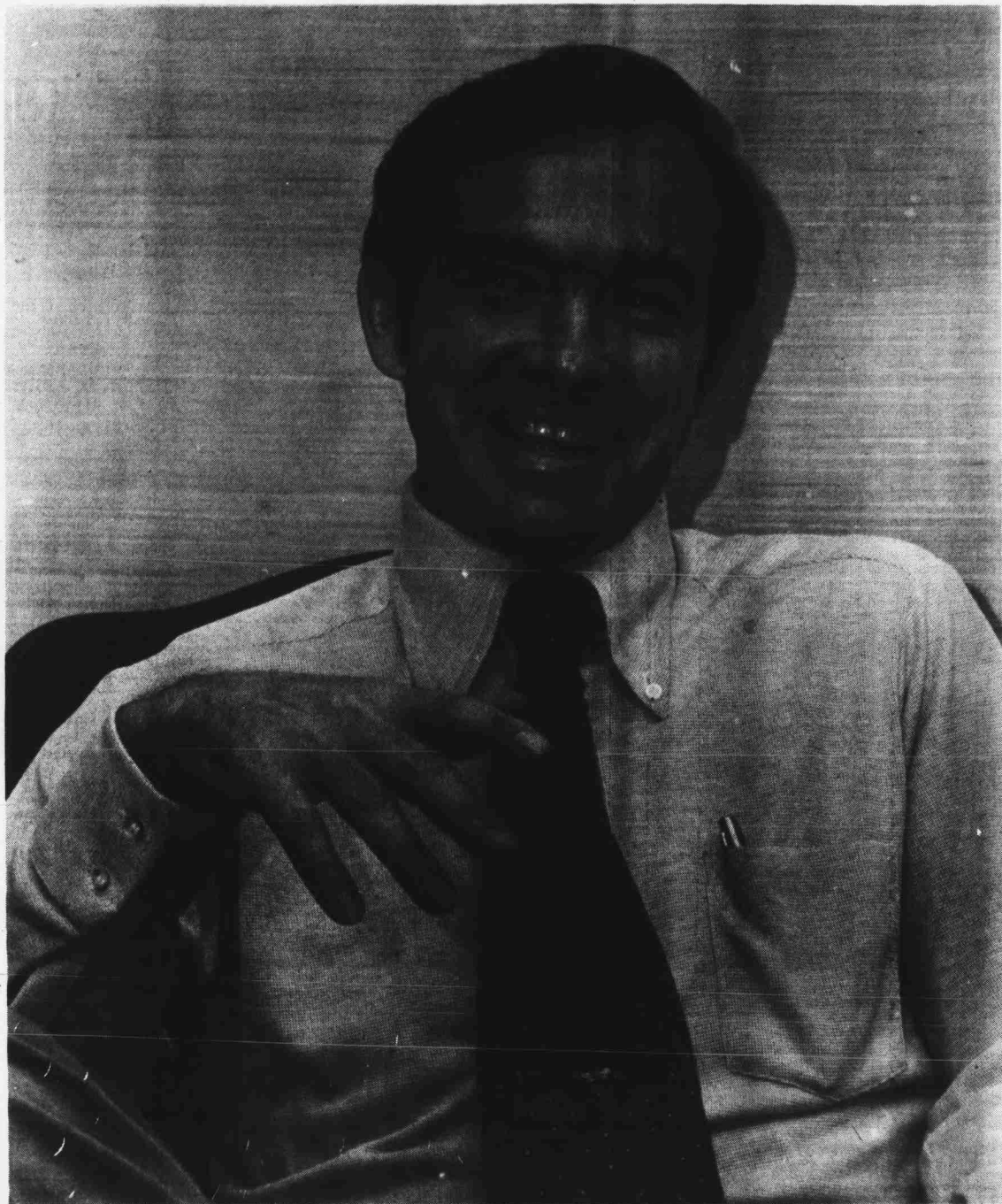
not believe. We've gotten intellectual benefit out of the football program. If I could see an opportunity to reap the same kind of benefits...to have a program contribute that much to the university as it has at Alabama, I think I'd be a fool not to support it.

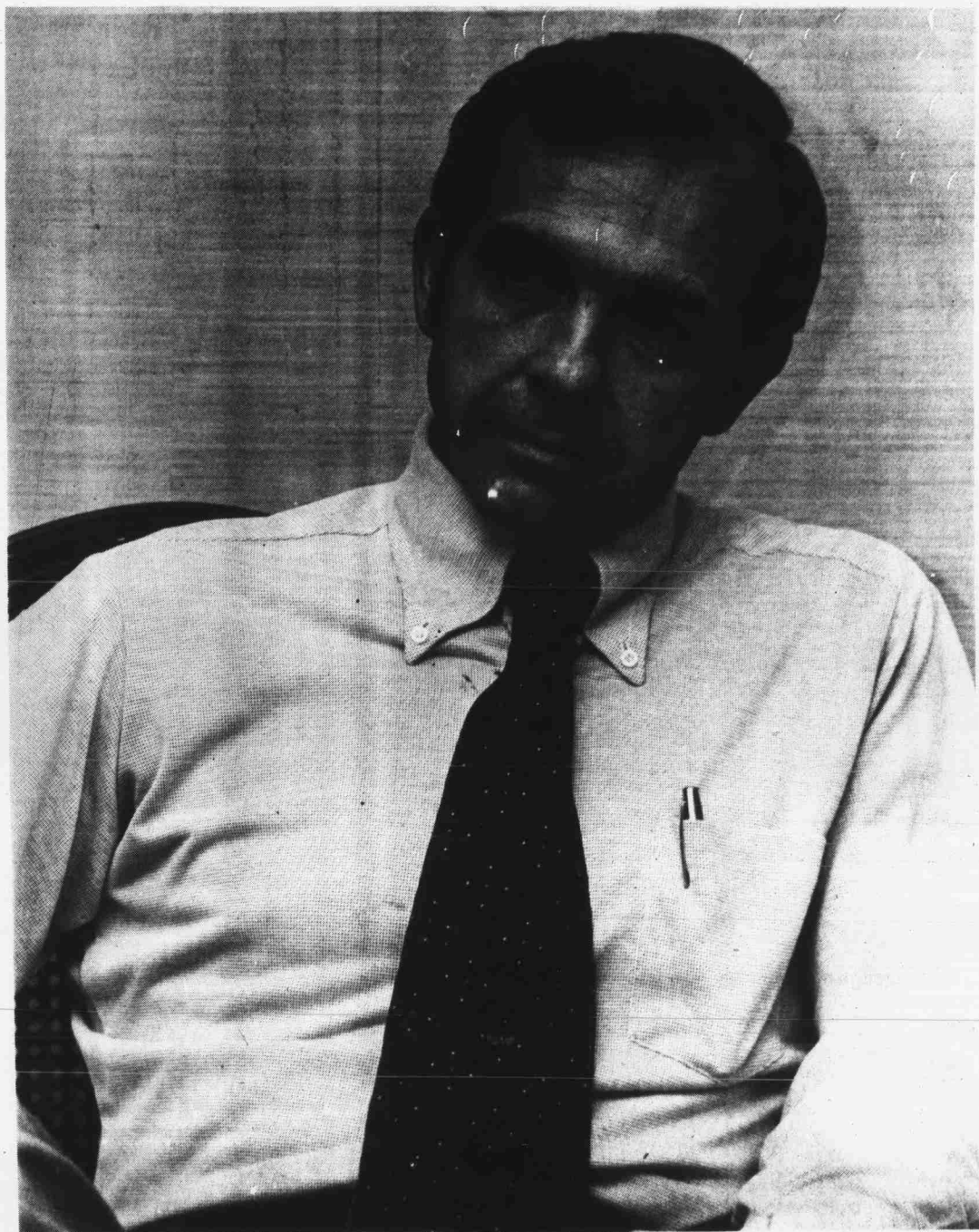
To ask a somewhat sticky question, do you think that pressure will be put on you by either the Board of Trustees, Board of Governors, or individuals to use your former professional relationship or standing personal friendship with HEW Secretary David Matthews, who is currently on leave from the presidency of the University of Alabama, to influence HEW decisions where the University of North Carolina's system is concerned?

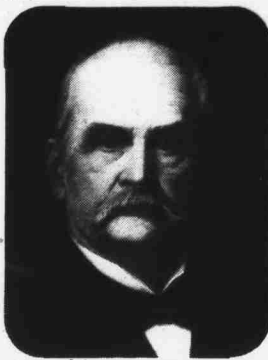
It's certainly a possibility...I don't know that the Board of Trustees or the Board of Governors would apply this kind of pressure, but I expect that there will be people who will attempt to apply that kind of pressure. Let me say that...two things...one, I think that David Matthews as Secretary of HEW will make a difference. I think he's going to make a real difference in that post. But my being a friend of David Matthews will not make any difference at all.

Finally, a coffee table discussion question—how do you interpret a university's purpose? Is it to train individuals to do certain jobs, or should it concentrate on producing "educated" human beings?

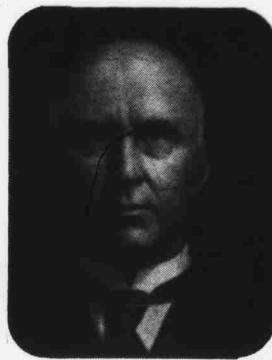
I think if a university limits itself to training a person to perform a particular task then it has reduced itself to a trade school. You've got to teach a student how to think critically and how to learn...teach him where the sources of information are, how to get at this information...how to learn...



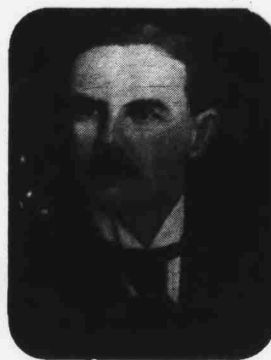




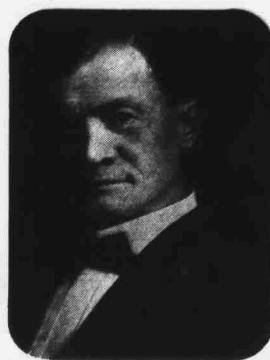
Alexander Holladay



George Winston



Daniel H. Hill



Wallace Riddick

Chancellors

Thomas is ninth executive officer, succeeds eight greats

by Hardy D. Berry

Numerically speaking, Dr. Job Langston Thomas is the ninth chief executive officer of North Carolina State University, officially, he could be the 10th or 12th.

There have been acting chief executives who could be counted in the succession, men such as Acting Chancellor Jackson A. Rigney.

It's necessary to say "chief executive officer" because N. C. State has had presidents and chancellors, and once was headed by a "dean of administration."

The title was "president" for the first five chief executives, then "dean of administration" for more than a decade, and finally "chancellor."

Complicating matters, or perhaps only making the story of the titles more interesting, is the fact that the chief executive who held both the dean of administration and chancellor titles was also known—better known in many respects—as Colonel.

Though North Carolina State University is known as a scientific and technological university, an emphasis which is written into its own definition of itself, only two of its presidents and chancellors have been scientists or engineers—Wallace Riddick and Carey H. Bostian.

Holladay

The first president, Alexander Q. Holladay, who served the first 10 years of the institution's life, from 1889 to 1899, was a lawyer. An alumnus of the University of Virginia, he had studied languages, moral philosophy and the law at the University of Berlin. Holladay had a Civil War con-

nection, as did a number of the early Southern presidents. Son of a congressman, he was studying in Berlin when the guns fired at Fort Sumter, he joined up and achieved the rank of lieutenant and served as an aide to General Bragg. Before coming to open the new North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts in 1889, he had served as president of Stonewall Jackson Institute in Virginia and of Florida State Agricultural College at Lake City.

Born in 1839, he was 50 when NCCAMA—that's the 1889 acronym—opened under his administration, 60 when he retired, and 70 when he died in Virginia in 1909.

Winston

George T. Winston (1852-1932) was a native of Bertie County and became president of State at age 47. He attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was appointed to the U.S. Naval Academy in 1868, resigned the appointment after two years, and was graduated in 1874 from Cornell University with a degree in literature. He taught mathematics at Cornell for one year and then returned to Chapel Hill where he taught Latin.

In 1891 he was named president of Chapel Hill. In 1896 he was named president of the University of Texas and in 1899 of "A&M," as N. C. State was then known. He retired in 1908 at 57 years.

Hill

Vice president under Winston and a professor of English, Daniel Harvey Hill (1859-1924) was the

son of president of Davidson College and Civil War general, who later became president of the University of Arkansas.

Hill was 49 when he assumed the N. C. State presidency, and resigned eight years later, in 1916, to write fulltime his "History of North Carolina in the Civil War."

Riddick

Wallace C. Riddick, who succeeded Hill in 1916, was the first of the chief executives to represent the scientific-technological dimensions of the institution. Holladay, Winston and Hill were all classicists.

Riddick was a civil engineer. President from 1916 to 1923, Riddick was a native of Wake County (born in 1864) and studied at Wake Forest and Chapel Hill. He earned a B.A. at Chapel Hill and five years later earned an engineering degree from Lehigh.

N. C. State's first "name-change" was made immediately following his assuming office. "State" was incorporated in the title to make its public character and charter clear, and the more professional "engineering" was substituted for "mechanic arts," making the new name North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering.

Riddick was 52 when he became president and 59 when he resigned. Riddick returned to the engineering faculty and became the first dean of engineering. He died in 1942 at 78.

Brooks

Eugene Clyde Brooks (1871-1947), successor to Riddick, was the last "president" of North Carolina State College of Agricul-

ture and Engineering. He was 52 when he became president in '23.

A native Tar Heel, he had a distinguished record of educational leadership in the State, including being superintendent of public instruction. A graduate of Trinity College (now Duke), he did graduate work at Columbia and received honorary degrees from Davidson, Duke and UNC.

According to Dr. A.M. Fountain, from whom much of the information in this article came, Dr. Brooks "guided the college through two vital periods—that of the organization into schools, with deans, in the mid-twenties and that of consolidation in the early thirties."

When N. C. State and the Universities at Greensboro and Chapel Hill were consolidated in 1931, its name was changed to include "of the University of North Carolina." Brooks resigned in 1934.

Harrelson

Succeeding him was John W. Harrelson, 49, the only alumnus to head N. C. State to date. A native of North Carolina, Harrelson was born in 1885 in the Double Shoals section of Cleveland County. He was educated in textiles, mechanical engineering and mathematics at State. His career from 1905 until his death in 1955 was associated with "State College." He had retired in 1953.

Harrelson was "dean of administration and consolidation, until 1945 when the title was changed to chancellor.

Bostian

Dr. Carey H. Bostian, a geneticist with a Ph.D. from the Uni-

versity of Pittsburgh, also a native North Carolinian, has been the only scientist to date to head the University.

Born at China Grove, N. C., March 1, 1907, Bostian received his B.S. degree from Catawba College in 1928 and his Ph.D. in 1933. He joined the N. C. State faculty as an assistant professor of zoology in 1930.

Dr. Bostian holds all of whatever records there are as one of State's all-time popular teachers. This past year he was honored as the first Watauga Medal award winner for his teaching. He served as chancellor from 1953 to 1959 when he resigned to return to the classroom. He became chancellor at 46.

Caldwell

Dr. John Tyler Caldwell, Mississippi State and Princeton Man, political scientist, USDA junior economist, high school music teacher and former president of Alabama College and the University of Arkansas, became the eighth chief executive of North Carolina State in 1959. He was 48.

During his administration, the University so designated in 1965 by the State legislature after a battle-doubled or tripled in most dimensions. When he presided at his final commencement in 1975, Chancellor Caldwell had conferred nearly two-thirds of all the degrees awarded in the institution's history.

Caldwell was born at Yazoo City, Miss., in 1911, just 150 miles west of Holt, Alabama, where 22 years later, his successor would be born and become the youngest chief executive of North Carolina State University.



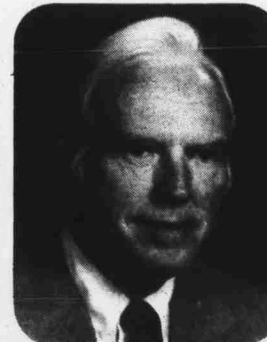
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