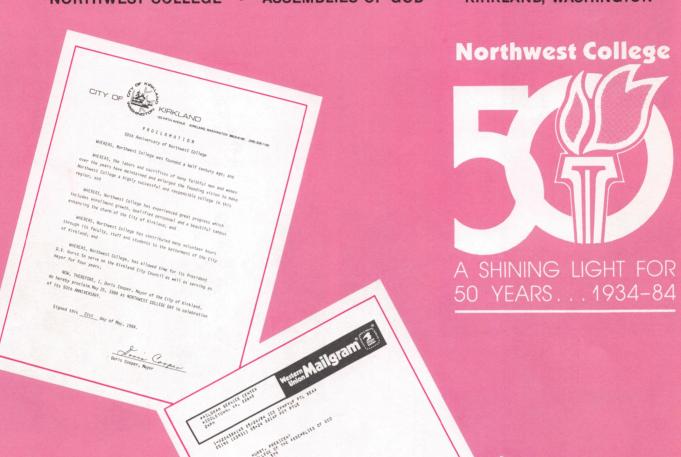
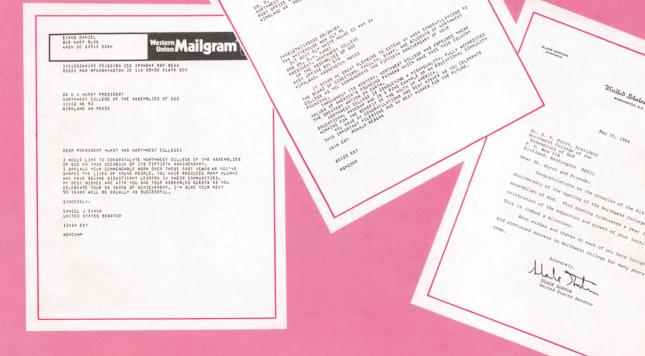
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Dr. D. V. Hurst

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Banquet
That Was

What a night it was! The banquet hall at the Red Lion was packed with 982 paid guests. A number were not able to secure tickets. For that we were indeed sorry.

They were there from far and near – Hong Kong, Colorado, California, and all the Northwest region states. A total of 625 alumni, 100 "Friends of N.C.," as well as "Founders," former faculty and board members. The spouses of the first two presidents were there, Mrs. Anna Ness and Mrs. Edith Butterfield. Many of their family members were there, too.

Alumni president and emcee for the evening, Denny Davis, was in his best form. Missionary evangelist, Eugene Ness, son of the first president "capstoned" the evening in grand style. His humor and his insights captured the spirit of the event and covered the fifty years with a verbal sweep and in a time frame few could equal and no one exceed. The spirit that has made NC great through the years was evident in what he said.

And the multi-media visual, with voices from the past



Emcee Denny Davis and members of the head table.



Mrs. C.E. Butterfield and Mrs. Henry Ness



President Hurst recognizes Edith Glew, having been the first student to enroll.



President Hurst welcomes the honorable Rod Chandler



Speaker Eugene Ness, son of the first NC president.



The Northwesterners, Jerry Gillock, and Dale and Rita Lidstrom sing.

and present, pictures that recalled early days, days of founding and development was a masterpiece. Alumni Les Welk and Al Baunsgard, along with Henry Portin, Phil Gustafson and photographer Jim McKim put together a pictoral and narrative review that left everyone deeply moved and more appreciative than ever of what God has done these fifty years at NC.

Guiding and controlling all the activities was our own "Skip" Bennett. As chairman of the year long 50th anniversary series of activities his hand was on everything that happened. The excellence of his work showed at every turn.

Words to describe the night? Fantastic! Moving! Gratifying! Awesome! So much for which to be thankful! So much reason to praise God!

And the next years? They have to be better with such a foundation as this first fifty have provided.

Yes, NC is a miracle college.

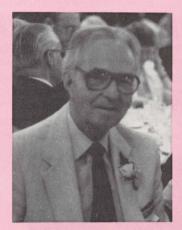
And yes, the Debt Retirement fund drive did very well, indeed. Over \$230,000 was pledged and given through

the year and up to the close of the banquet. More has come since then. We can still reach the goal of \$250,000. Think of it: \$1 = \$2.52! A total of \$230,000 = \$579,600 in debt service impact reduction. What a year of Jubilee contribution that means! And for the years to come!

Were you a part of that? Have you contributed? Pledged to contribute? Will you? Why not help us reach the goal? I'll give you until September 15, 1984 to make your contribution. That's the start of the new school year. Why not write me . . . right now?

By the way. I heard one negative comment about the 50th anniversary banquet. "I came all this way and it was over so soon. Why didn't they go longer?" And I think others felt the same way. Afterwards they stayed and stayed.

I have one thing to say: "Thank God for what He has done in fifty years through NC." And one more. It's written on the Ebenezer stone now standing out front of Butterfield Chapel, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us!"



Delbert Cox, early NBI faculty member.



A good time was had by all!

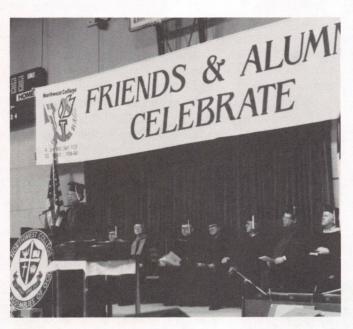








## THE JUBILEE COMMENCEMENT



Platform commencement participants were (L to R): D.V. Hurst, President; Dr. Frank Rice, Academic Dean; Dr. Don Argue, speaker; Dr. A.D. Millard, Dean of Admissions; Dr. Fulton Buntain, Rev. R.L. Brandt, Chairman of the Board; J. Melvyn Ming, and Professor LeRoy Johnson. Not pictured Rev. William Aho and Rev. Roy Brewer.

The campus never sparkled more brightly than it did on May 27th when 173 graduates donned in cap and gown answered to roll call in Butterfield Chapel just before the cross-campus processional at 3:00 p.m. In front of the chapel stood the newly dedicated "Ebenezer Stone" — a handsome monolith with a brass plate quoting the famous words of the Prophet Samuel at Mizpeh, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

As the honor guards unfurled their flags and led the march from the chapel to the pavilion, a capacity crowd inside the pavilion plus an overflow crowd outside waited in wrapt attention as the colorful line of graduates, faculty, administrators, and guests "descended" the hill. This was not an ordinary procession. It was a milestone in the College's fifty year history.

Among the graduates who filed into the pavilion was the one whose graduation would represent the 3,460th in the school's history.

The commencement program was filled with ceremonies of recognition and commemoration. An honorary doctorate was conferred upon the Reverend Fulton Buntain, senior pastor of First Assembly Life Center in Tacoma. Seventeen grads were honored with membership in Who's Who Among Colleges and Universities in America. Five grads were recognized for having earned the Evangelical Teacher Training Association diploma. Three returning colleagues from faculty and board were given the faculty award of honor, Delta Tau for long and faithful years of service to the College.



Honorary members inducted into the Delta Epsilon Chi honorary society were Rev. Walter Buck (received by Mrs. Dorothy Garka, sister), Mrs. Eva Wangen, Rev. Sam Smith, and Chaplain John DeWitt.



Dr. Fulton Buntain being hooded by Academic Dean Rice.



The class of 1984

## "NO ORDINARY DAY"

Perhaps the most touching part of the proceedings came when two little girls walked up on the platform. One was Gina Davis, sole surviving member of the Dan Davis family. The other was her adopted "sister" and cousin. A senior student, Dan, and all other members of his family were killed instantly in November in a tragic head-on auto accident just days before Dan was due to complete his studies at Northwest College. College president, D.V. Hurst presented to the family the President's award, given post-humously in honor of Dan, and a scholarship to Gina should she decide to enter Northwest College in the future.

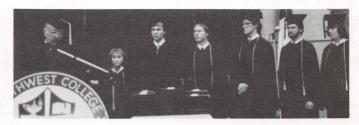
Highlighting the afternoon was a timely message on the "man who God uses" brought by Dr. Don Argue, president of North Central Bible College in Minneapolis, sister school of Northwest College.

Climaxing the colorful array of ceremony, choral music, prayers, and addresses, was the moment when 173 candidates for degrees received their respective degrees. Sixty-eight received A.A. degrees; 103, Bachelor of Arts degrees, and two received Bachelor of Theology degrees.

The concluding scene was one of the milling crowd of family members, friends, and well wishers which intermingled amongst the graduates in front of the pavilion and over the campus while the campus was still bathed in the light of the afternoon sun and the sound of chimes from the College chapel. This was no ordinary day: it was the capstone in the College's year of jubilee.



Receiving the Delta Tau award were board members Don Skidmore and John Christman and retiring professor Dr. John Pone.



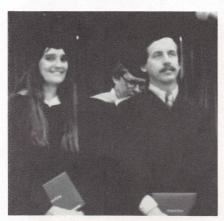
Those inducted into the Delta Epsilon Chi Honor Society were (L to R): Lisa Barnhill, Jeff Davis, Arne Dixon, Dave Green, Tim Woods, Charity Lovelace, and (not pictured) Albert Saffold.



The King's Choralons



Commencement speaker, Dr. Don Argue, presents a special diploma to President Hurst.



A family affair for Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gholson.



Ky Griffin gladly accepts his diploma.



Jael Howard's face tells the story with a smile.

## Dr. Rice Returns to Classroom Dr. Ming Assumes Academic Helm

After serving for the past seventeen years as the College's Academic Dean, Dr. Frank B. Rice Jr., is "returning to the classroom." A twenty-two year veteran at the College, Dr. Rice said, "It's something I have been thinking and praying about for some time."

Prior to taking on the duties of the academic dean's office Dr. Rice served as professor of English at the College and will return to this field in which he is a "master."

During his tenure as the chief academic administrator of Northwest College, NC has made some noteworthy accomplishments including the gaining of full regional accreditation with the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. Capstoning his career as dean of the school was notification it had received examiners' recommendation of approval for teacher-education, an important step towards approval by the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

During his time as dean, Dr. Rice has served significantly in the broader academic community of which the College is a part. He has served on the Intercollegiate Relations Commission among colleges in the State of Washington. He currently serves as chairman of the Accrediting Commission of the American Association of Bible Colleges. He has served on numerous examining committees for both the Northwest Association and the American Association of Bible Colleges.

In his quiet, unassuming manner Dr. Rice has been productive not only in academic and professional leadership in the College but has given quality spiritual leadership. Coming from the Southland's "Bible Belt," Dean Rice has shown deep respect for biblical values and for the moving of God's Holy Spirit. More than once his voice has reverberated with a prophetic unction from the chapel pulpit reminiscent of a Hebrew prophet like Amos or Hosea.

Speaking of Dr. Rice, President D.V. Hurst said, "Dean Rice's hand has guided the academic affairs of NC for almost two decades. The strengthening of the program has been steady and almost phenomenal. For example, with no doctorates on campus at the beginning of this period the College has moved to a point when for many years forty to forty-five percent of the full-time teaching faculty hold doctoral degrees. The College is deeply indebted to Dr. Rice for his many years at the academic helm and is grateful he will continue in service on faculty."

Succeeding Dr. Rice in the post of the dean's office will be Dr. J. Melvyn Ming, popular and energetic professor of Christian Education. Dr. Ming has served on the faculty for the last eight years. He has been active in the Christian Education enterprise both within the denomination and in the interdenominational, evangelical community. He tooled out and inaugurated the NC's Youth Ministries major the first for the Assemblies of God in the nation and was the major architect together with Dr. Rice in the school. He will take on his duties as dean designate in a one-month "overlap" with Dr. Rice starting August 1st and then will assume full duties starting September 1st.

Commenting on Dr. Ming's appointment, approved by the Board of Directors in its annual meeting, President Hurst said: "Dr. Ming is uniquely suited to take charge of the continuing development of NC's academic program. Son of a pioneer

Assemblies of God minister, he was raised in its traditions. He is a product of Southern California College, B.A., Southwestern Baptist Seminary, MRE, and Drew University, D.Min., and has further doctoral studies at Seattle University. He has served in associate positions (youth minister and C.E. director) in several large churches. He is a favorite conference speaker. He has shown expertise in curriculum design and development, in church ministries training and in the classroom, itself. He thus brings great strength to the post of dean continuing a strong tradition. We are grateful to God that from our own ranks of faculty, as was done seventeen years ago when Dean Rice was appointed, we are able to designate a new dean. The transition should be smooth."

## STONE OF REMEMBRANCE EBENEZER DEDICATION

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," I Samuel 7:12 are the words inscribed on the plaque adorning the large stone in front of the C.E. Butterfield Chapel. Friday morning, May 25, 1984 the Lay Council, along with members of the Board of Directors, students, faculty, and administrators dedicated this token of gratitude for the Lord's gracious provision over these past fifty years.

Lay Council President, Howard Hoskins, expressed thanksgiving to God and confidence that the vision upon which NC was established will be perpetuated in the years to come. As the trumpet fanfare was lifted and those assembled sang the affirming words of "On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand, All Other Ground is Sinking Sand," a spirit of excitement filled the air.

The Ebenezer stone will be a lasting reminder to all those that attend NC in the years to come of the faithfulness of our God.



## Dr. John Pope Retires

After twenty-four years of service to Northwest College, Dr. John M. Pope is retiring from the faculty this June. His faithful work has spanned most of the years during which the present campus was being developed. Perhaps no faculty member is better known throughout our fellowship, or will be longer remembered.



Dr. Pope holds degrees from Central Bible College, Wheaton

College, Fuller Seminary, and the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. His records at those institutions reveal a high order of scholarship. During his time at NC he has maintained membership in several scholarly organizations and has pursued educational travel on several occasions. The most recent trip was to Romania to study the pentecostal revival there — a movement in which his immigrant parents had played a pioneer part. It was in their memory that Dr. Pope and his brothers several years ago established the Pope Memorial Grant, which will continue to finance NC faculty members' research and publications in the years to come.

Dr. Pope also served as a reserve chaplain at Ft. Lewis for many years along with his teaching at NC. His file contains several commendations and special awards for his fine service there.

Perhaps NC will remember Dr. Pope most for the multitude of different subjects he taught over the years — in French, history, philosophy, Bible, theology, and missions — and for his famous "bear story" about a humorous encounter he had with a bear in a Canadian park. Maybe he will now have time to enjoy more vacation travel such as produced that tale.

#### **CAMPUS CALENDAR**

#### **SEPTEMBER**

17-19 Autumn Quarter Registration and Orientation20 Class Instruction Begins

#### OCTOBER

1-5 Spiritual Emphasis Week - Rev. Dave Roever

#### **NOVEMBER**

22-25 Thanksgiving Recess

#### **DECEMBER**

3-5 Final Exams

#### **JANUARY**

2 Winter Quarter Registration

#### ATTENTION!!!

You still have time to apply for fall quarter!

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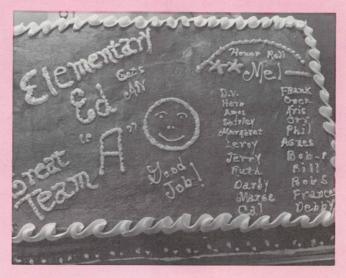
## ELEMENTARY EDUCATION TAKES FINAL DEVELOPMENT STEPS



NC faculty meet with the team from the Superintendent of Public Instruction Office.



(left to right) Dr. Rice, Dr. Ming, Dr. Mercer, and President Hurst are all smiles after the state review.



The cake tells the story of the entire NC team that worked so very hard in formulating the program.

#### NORTHWEST COLLEGE ANNOUNCES A NEW MAJOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

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## Alumni Association News

The end of the academic year at NC also means many exciting and meaningful events within the Alumni Association.

Association president, Denny Davis, presented five three-hundred dollar scholarships from the association to returning students. Those receiving the scholarships were (left to right) Ghryn Wakefield, Allen Fox, Tami Heinzig, and John Brewer (not pictured, Mark Cole).





As part of the Golden Jubilee banquet, in which 625 alumni attended, the annual association awards were presented. Those named as Alumni of the Year were: (left to right) Rev. Charles Slaughter, Miss Lillian Bach, and Rev. Paul Trulin. Those receiving the Didaskolos (teacher) awards were: Dr. Richard Bishop and Miss Estelle Crittenden.

One of the highlights of any alumni gathering are the opportunities for the individual classes to have respective reunions. One of the largest this year was the class of '44 which enjoyed a full day of refreshing reflections and fellowship.

The NC family steadily grows!



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