NATHANIEL PERKINSON HAYES

Nathaniel Perkinson Hayes has had an extraordinary career as head of one of the more important business enterprises in this State. Born in Warren County, he earned both Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees at this University the former in 1921 and 1922.

That Mr Here: got his first taske I hard the Hayes moved to Pittsburgh to work in the steel industry, but in a few years he returned to North Carolina, joined the Carolina Steel Corporation in Greensboro and rose to become its President in 1951.

Under his guidance the Corporation has grown manyfold. Mr. Hayes' personal contribution to the industry is marked by his honorary membership in the American Institute of Steel Construction, of which he was the first Southerner to become President in 1956, and this election as Vice President of the Southern Division of the National Association of Manufacturers in 1972.

Mr. Hayes has been active in his church, community, and the public service

the State, serving as trustee or director of several institutions of
higher learning and the Moses Cone Memorial Hospital. He has done much also
for his alma mater, in particular as Chairman of the Business Foundation of
North Carolina, Inc., an organization which has strengthened our School of
Business Administration, and as a member of the Order of the Tar Heel
One Hundred. This University if proud to honor this alumnus for his remarkable
achievements both in business and in the public service.

PHILLIP HETTLEMAN

Phillip Hettleman is an eminent investment banker and a generous supporter of worthy causes - educational, religious, and community. Born in Baltimore, he grew up in Goldsboro, and received his B.S. degree as a member of the distinguished Class of 1921 of this University. In 1923 he earned a Master's degree in Business Administration from Columbia University.

Since 1923 he has been a highly successful investment banker and bond broker. He was a general partner of the D.H. Silberberg Company until 1938, when he formed his own firm - Hettleman and Company - of which he was the senior partner until 1975. The Company was a member of the New York Stock Exchange.

He has served in many important positions in professional and philanthropical organizations. Only a few can be listed here: he has been Governor of the National Association of Security Dealers, Director of The Salmon Foundation for Medical Research, and President of the Alumni Association of the Columbia School of Business. In 1961 he received the Alumni Medal of the Columbia University Alumni Federation.

Among the alumni whose selfless generosity through Alumni Annual Giving over many years has been vital to the health of this University, Mr. Hettleman stands with the foremost. This Award is given in recognition of his brilliant career, his loyalty to this Institution, and his work in many ways over many years in the public interest.

SUSIE MARSHALL SHARP

Susie Marshall Sharp, a distinguished lawyer and jurist, is the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of North Carolina. Born in Rocky Mount, she attended the North Carolina College for Women and the Law School of this University, where she was the student editor of the North Carolina Law Review for two years, a member of the Order of the Coif, Phi Beta Kappa, and the Order of the Valkyries. In 1949 she became the first woman in the history of the State to serve on a court of general jurisdiction as a Special Judge of the Superior Court, of North Carolina. She became Associate Justice of the Supreme Court in 1962 and rose to her present position in 1975.

In January of last year Judge Sharp's smiling portrait adorned the cover of <u>Time</u> magazine along with those of other notable women, together described by <u>Time</u> as "A Dozen Who Made a Difference." The accompanying article noted that Judge Sharp had "been a trailblazer when Bella Abzug was a little girl." Judge Sharp's carefully written decisions have always reflected a clear understanding of and consideration for the letter of the law, but also a concern for equity and human compassion.

In 1970 this University recognized Judge Sharp's achievements with an honorary degree. Today, through this additional honor, we commemorate the continuing achievements of this outstanding alumna.

WILLIAM DAVIS SNIDER

William Davis Snider is a top-notch North Carolina editor who can write lead editorials on knotty international problems, thoughtful discussions of state tax structures or warmly human column accounts of a family vacation at the beach. For twenty-six years his thoughtful editorials have reflected his concern for the less fortunate, his affection for his state and his country, and his unrelenting opposition to pretense and false values.

Born in Salisbury, Bill Snider won his A.B. degree here in 1941, served for four years in the Army during World War Two and then served in the administrations of Governors R. Gregg Cherry and W. Kerr Scott. In 1951, returning to his first love of journalism, he became Associate Editor of the <u>Greensboro Daily News</u>; he was named editor in 1965; in the following year he became editor also of the <u>Greensboro Record</u>. He has served as Chairman of the North Carolina Editorial Writers Conference and President of the North Carolina Press Association and the National Conference of Editorial Writers.

No prisoner of the editorial Ivory Tower, Bill Snider has rendered significant public service to his state and community. He has been Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Greensboro Public Library, President of the North Carolina Children's Home Society and Chairman of the North Carolina Awards Commission; he has worked with the Family Service-Travelers Aid Society, the Community Council, and the Cerebral Palsy School.

A member of the Order of the Tar Heel One Hundred, he ranks among the most notable and dedicated alumni of this University, which takes pride in recognizing the distinctive accomplishments of one of her sons with this Award.

SHEPPERD STRUDWICK

Shepperd Strudwick is one of the most talented actors of the American theater. Born in Hillsborough, he attended the University here and did his first serious theater work with the Carolina Playmakers; he also achieved Phi Beta Kappa and was elected to the Gorgon's Head Lodge and the Order of the Golden Fleece.

Mr. Strudwick's performances in outstanding plays on Broadway, in motion pictures, and in television productions have stirred audiences and impressed the critics. Writing of his work in such plays as The Price and Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf, these have commended his "flair" and "poise," as well as the "shock," "high voltage," and "polish" of his performances; they have called him "brilliant," "magnificent," "superb." Playgoers in this area had an opportunity to see his virtuoso performance in Arthur Miller's The Crucible presented by the Playmakers Repertory Company on campus last season.

With this Award the University adds its plaudits to the countless others earned by this distinguished alumnus for his consistently excellent performances in over thirty roles in theater, fifty motion pictures, and a hundred television productions in a career that continues to flourish.

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