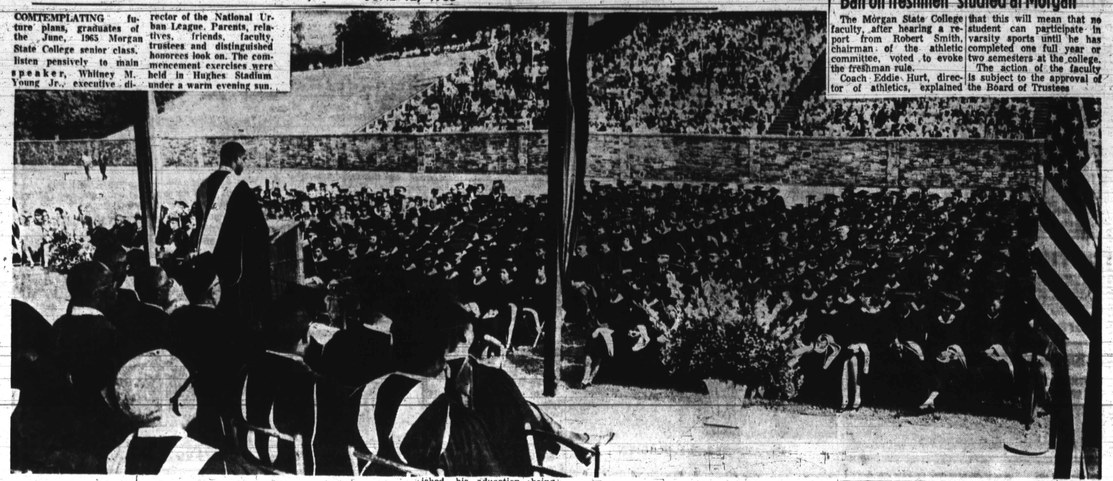
COMTEMPLATING future plans, graduates of the June, 1965 Morgan State College senior class listen pensively to main speaker, Whitney M. Young Jr., executive director of the National Urban League. Parents, relatives, friends, faculty, trustees and distinguished honorees look on. The commencement exercises were held in Hughes Stadium under a warm evening sun.



Ban on freshmen studied at Morgan

The Morgan State College faculty, after hearing a report from Robert Smith, chairman of the athletic committee, voted to evoke the freshman rule.

Coach Eddie Hurt, director of athletics, explained that this will mean that no student can participate in varsity sports until he has completed one full year or two semesters at the college. The action of the faculty is subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees

Degree recipients "kicked upstairs"

Three of the seven recipients of honorary degrees at Morgan State College, June 7 became great after meeting prejudice early in life, said Dr. Carl Murphy, chairman of the Board of Trustees at the dinner following commencement exercises.

They are Dr. Whitney Young Jr., executive director of the National Urban League; Jack Greenberg, director counsel, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund; and Dr. Stephen J. Wright, president of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn.

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OF DR. YOUNG, who received the degree of Doctor of Humanities, Dr. Murphy said:

"So when Whitney Young, because of his race, could not study at Berea College in Kentucky, a separate colored school was set up at Lincoln Ridge headed by his father.

"Dr. Young was graduated from Lincoln Institute and Kentucky State College, then studied at Harvard, the University of Minnesota and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

"Kentucky's separate school law surely motivated Dr. Young to get finer educational opportunities than Berea College itself provided."

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OF MR. GREENBERG, who was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, Dr. Murphy said:

"Dr. Greenberg was once suspended from public school for calling a teacher by his nickname. He never forgot he was not given a fair hearing and there and then he dedicated himself to seeing that others got one.

"They say his religion is the law and he feels as though he is in the House of the Lord when he enters the Supreme Court of the United States."

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DR. WRIGHT, who received the honorary Doctor of Laws Degree, "was one of the first plaintiffs during the initial attack on the unequal salary system in Maryland," Dr. Murphy said.

"He was teaching at Upper Marlboro at the time. His suit, filed by the late Charles Houston, NAACP special counsel, set the pattern for a flood of suits throughout the South.

"As a result he was blacklisted as a teacher in Maryland. In short he was fired. But teachers' salaries were equalized.

"Stephen Wright then finished his education being graduated Ph.D. from NYU, going to Hampton Institute for eight years as professor of education and dean of the faculty; next to Bluefield State College (W. Va.) as president for four years. Eight years ago he was chosen president of Fisk University.

"No wonder Dr. Wright said himself that getting fired from Upper Marlboro was the best thing that ever happened to him."

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OTHERS HONORED at the trustee dinner were the Rt. Rev. Cedric E. Mills, bishop of the Virgin Islands; Mrs. Mary N. Brooks, principal of Harlem Park Elementary School, Baltimore; Dr. William Henry, president of Bowie State College, Bowie, Md.; and Dr. William L. Hansberry, eminent Africanist and former professor of early African history at Howard University.

The dinner followed commencement exercises at which 450 graduates received degrees in Hughes Memorial Stadium.

Dr. Murphy's talk was the closing speech of the dinner.

THE PRESIDENT of the college, Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, presided, and was acclaimed by speakers, who pointed out the growth of the college under his administration.

Dr. Henry told the group that under the guidance and leadership of Dr. Jenkins, Morgan is scheduled for a place in the sun. "At least 40 percent of the students are at Morgan because they believe in Democracy. Democracy is function; education must be used to destroy ignorance and prejudice," Dr. Henry said.

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IN THIS vein, Dr. Jenkins remarked that no college or university has honored so many civil rights leaders as has Morgan. The Board of Trustees has conferred its highest honors on Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King, Roy Wilkins, Phillip Randolph, James Farmer and now Whitney Young and Jack Greenberg, he pointed out.

At the speakers table, other than those mentioned above, were:

Mesdames Martin D. Jenkins, Carl Murphy, Eldine Johnson; Dr. Elaine Davis Johnson, Mrs. Dwight Holmes, Mrs. Cedric Mills, Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Emory; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Niles.

Dr. and Mrs. Josiah Henry, Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrd, Dr. and Mrs. Bliss Forbush, Mrs. William Henry, Dr. and Mrs. Lemuel Leeper.

The dinner was attended by:

Messrs. and Mesdames E. Dale Adkins, Albert Avant, I. Duke Avent, Russell Baker, R. D. Brown, Frank Butler, Edwin Catapano, Thomas D'Alessandro 3rd, K. Lloyd Davis, Messrs. and Mesdames Walter T. Dixon, Plak Douglas, J. Bruce Edenoy, Joseph S. Endowski, Thomas B. Finan, J. Basil Frazier, J. Arnett Frisby, William Gardner, A. Paul Moss.

Messrs. and Mesdames Neal Harris Jr., Herbert M. Hayes, Clarence Henderson, Matthew Hirsh, Sidney Holland, Sr., Francis Ingbiart Jr., Kniffer Jackson, Marshall W. Jones, Jr.

Messrs. and Mesdames Earle Leppert, Clarence Mitchell 3rd, Howard Murphy, James H. Murphy, John H. Murphy 3rd, Clarence Parham, Joel Newton, James E. Nixon, Henry E. Niles.

Messrs. and Mesdames Clarence Parham, Charles Parkhurst, William Proctor, Robert L. Smith, Edgar Stone, Gilbert Stricker, Jerome Todd, G. Lacher Washington.

Messrs. and Mesdames Edward N. Wilson, Kenneth O. Wilson, David N. Wright, Buddy Young.

Fudge and Mrs. Robert Waite, the Rt. Rev. and Mrs. Harry Dorsey, Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Cornish, Rev. Bishop and Mrs. Edgar Love, the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Payne, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Bennett, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reid, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stanislaus Cole and Mrs. Merly J. Smith, Drs. and Mesdames Lawrence F. Abbott, Donald Rando, Philip Butcher, Charles Campbell, Simon Carter, Frank De-Costa, Frederick Dedmond, G. James Fleming.

Drs. and Mesdames Otis Prue, Robert Gill, L. J. Bury, Melvin Flippo, Harold Hamilton, Jackson, Thomas C. Jones, William Lockwood, W. Newton Long Jr., Dylan Lourie, Richard Marshall, Richard McCoy, M. George McDonald, Damon F. Mills.

Drs. and Mesdames Lisle Blackbourn, Earl Moses, Saul Perdue, George Phillips, Albert A. Smith, George Sproul, Jerome Stone, Hyman Strickland, Julius H. Tyler, Henry Pedersen, Albert N. Whiting.

Mesdames Willard W. Allen, Vivian Cook, Carrie Pitchell, Inez Key, Hermelia Martin, Lois Patterson, Bertha Tickner, Florence Wright.

Misses Beatrice Mays, Adele Proctor, Mary Shaw, Brenda Thompson, Beulah Davis, Carrie Johnson; Messrs. Percy Baker, Robert Bell, Howard Brooks, Robert Dozier, Dr. Isaac Dyson.

Dr. Walter Fisher, J. Raymond Harris, Cliff Mackey, Dr. Robert L. Jackson, Reginald Kearney, Dr. Richard L. McKinney, Henry G. Parks Jr., James Spencer, Charles Woodbury.

Morgan Alumni cites Elmer S. Patterson

Elmer S. Patterson, superintendent of grounds and buildings at Morgan State College, was recipient of the Alumni's 25 - year award when that group held its 20th annual alumni buffet dinner, Saturday.

The plaque was presented by E. Lloyd Davis, business manager, who cited Mr. Patterson as "a real person, a real worker, one who always does his best, and whose best is ideal." Mr. Davis added that Mr. Patterson never compromises, is never superficial, but does the right as he believes it to be right.

"He is never so concerned about tomorrow or worried about yesterday that he fails to do a good job today," he said of the honoree.

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IN HIS response, Mr. Patterson gave credit for his career at Morgan to three persons. He told the group that the late James Carter inspired him to join the faculty; that the late Dr. D. O. W. Holmes allowed him to assume the full responsibility of the job; and that Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, the current president, gave him the freedom of action necessary to do the job.

To his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson, he expressed thanks for his training, and to his wife, Mrs. Agnes Patterson, for cooperation. Her interest, cooperation and devotion had made the 25 years pass like a dream, he declared.

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IN HIS report to the alumni, Dr. Jenkins emphasized the fact that Morgan must go along with integration of both faculty and staff as well as student body. He talked of the need to draw very able students to the college, to obtain funds for better salaries for faculty and staff, to understand the problems of student unrest.

Equal with the need to recruit their share of brightest students, there is the need for good secretaries, the president said.

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THE DINNER was arranged by a committee headed by Mrs. Susie H. Clark, and including Bruce Edemy, Miss Lola Howard, Mrs. Rowena Lewis, Dr. Nathaniel Proctor, Mrs. Roxanna Tunstall.

Also Miss Dorothy Wiggins, Miss Aileen T. Bagley, Miss Barbara Randall, Dr. Edward N. Wilson, Mrs. Ella Edemy,

And Miss Kate Layton, Miss Sallie Ponzo, Mrs. Ida Washington and Miss Harriette Howard.

Among those attending were:

MARYLAND COUNTIES: Mrs. Vonnie E. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Gowan, Miss Carlotta M. Gowan, Capt. and Mrs. Samuel H. Hull, Mrs. Bessie M. Jackson, Mrs. Emma W. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Melbourne C. Langford.

NEW YORK: Mrs. Helen C. DeMatte, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bergner, Miss Elaine McCoy, Dr. and Mrs. Frank W. Thompson; GEORGIA: Dr. James M. Grant; VIRGINIA: Miss Mary W. Nesnett.

WASHINGTON: Walter W. Black Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Julius E. Glover Jr., Mrs. Burma S. Hill, Mesdames Barbara L. Moore, Ruth A. Mosley; Miss Hilda M. Perry, Dr. Harold T. Pinkett, Charles H. Pollard, Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ware, Mrs. Jessie W. Wright, Mrs. Mary P. Truitt.

NORTH CAROLINA: Mrs. Minetta B. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Gaines, Booker T. McCallum, Mrs. Alice P. McLeod; NEW JERSEY: James S. Alston, Miss Winnie L. Booker, Dr. and Mrs. Lemuel C. Lesner, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Noble, J. Basil Frazier.

RHODE ISLAND: Alfred L. Pinderughes.

OHIO: Mr. and Mrs. Albert C. Gilbert Jr., Charles Gilbert, Albert Gilbert III, Miss Walda A. Gilbert, Dr. Clarence L. Huggins Jr.; PENNSYLVANIA: William C. Green, Joseph E. Jones, Mrs. Velma M. Mason, Clarence C. Outlar, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Tyrrell, Mrs. Velma L. Wilson.

And DELAWARE: J. Stanley James, William Lewis, Theodolph H. Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Thomas Jr.

Drew Bakeman; Messrs. and Mesdames Julius Brazelton, George M. Brooks, Jerome Bruce, Ernest Bryant, Jr., Johnson, Richard Burns, Roscoe Christian, Franklin Bates.

Messrs. and Mesdames Joseph Dorsey, Bruce Edemy, Clarence Elder, Talmadge T. Hill, Nathaniel Hurd, Jr., Howard, Edward P. Hurt, Robert L. Jacobs, Dr. Nancy Arson.

Messrs. and Mesdames George Johnson, Vernon Johnson, W. Talbot Johnson, William C. Johnson, Charles Mebane, Elmer E. Patterson, George G. Patterson, Nathaniel Peck.

Messrs. and Mesdames Robert Proctor, William W. Proctor, Wilbert L. Walker, Paul R. Wilson; Drs. and Mesdames Eugene D. Byrd, Charles R. Cornbolt, Martin D. Jenkins, Roland McConnell, Carl Murphy, Nathaniel Proctor, Walter Sheridan, George H. Scaulding, Herbert W. Trafton, Walter Turner; the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cirislip.

Mesdames Christine Bando, Thelma P. Bando, Lafherine Bascom; Dr. Ruth Brett, Mesdames Vivian H. Burley, Grace L. Burke, Grace Burkett, Susie H. Clark, Ruth Cleaver, Virginia B. Coleman.

Mesdames Emily Crafle, Bertha Cross, Sarah F. Dixon, Innorene R. Douglass, Anna E. Edwards, Mary M. Forbes, Anita Foster, Margaret Gasparitatile Hill, Genevieve Harris, Sadie Hall, Muriel Hall, Mesdames Jane H. Hawkins, Katie B. Hayes, Shirley Hobbs, Dwight O. W. Holmes, Georgiana Howard, Velma G. Ingram, Brenda Johnson, Elizabeth Johnson.

Mesdames Edna F. Lane, Mary W. Law, Clarice F. Lee, Rosena Lewis, Blanche M. Lindsay, Sarah W. Lyles, Aretha Mays, Carolyn Murray, Beatrice Myers, Sallie Neal.

Mesdames Kathleen Neptune, Claire Price Myers, Sallie Neal.

Parker, Greta Parker, Lula Patterson, Emily Peck, Katherine Perry, Effa H. Pierce, Ulrice Pope, Geraldine Powell, Mesdames Innorene R. Rose, Mattie Russell, Margaret M. Saunders, Johnie L. Smith, Jeannette Stokes, Mattie Sutherlin, Charlotte Swan, Natalie Tilghman, Jessye Valentine.

Mesdames Llewellyn Walker, Mary E. Ward, Ida H. Washington; Messrs. Walter Williams, Lillian Watty, Rose Weems, Sadie Weems, Effie Williams, Mattie Wooddon, Florence C. Wright, Mesdames Sarah E. Wright, Ethel Wright, Julia Harrison, Bernice Nelson, Mesdames Ethel Harrison