Presidents of The Past

PRESIDENTIAL HISTORY OF SHAW’S UNIVERSE

Dr. Henry Martin Tupper 1865-1893
Dr. Charles Francis Meserve 1894-1919
Dr. Joseph Leishman Peacock 1920-1931
Dr. William Stuart Nelson 1931-1936
Dr. Robert Prentiss Daniel 1936-1950
Dr. William Russell Strassner 1951-1962
Dr. James Edward Cheek 1963-1969
Dr. King Vergil Cheek 1969-1971
Dr. J. Archie Hargraves 1971-1976

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9:00—10:15 A.M.
10:30—11:45 A.M.
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1:30—2:45 P.M.
3:00—4:15 PM

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HISTORICAL PROFILE

Located in Raleigh, North Carolina, Shaw University, founded in 1865, is the oldest historically Black institution of higher education in the South. The University archives has materials reflecting the history and importance of the school through the various educational programs initiated since Shaw’s founding. For the record, vast numbers of ministers, teachers, doctors, arts, sciences, missionary training, nursing, and industrial educational programs have come through Shaw in the years prior to World War I.

In its early history Shaw provided education for newly-freed slaves from elementary school to the graduate and professional level. In 1893, at the death of Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, Shaw’s founder and first president, approximately 200 ministers and 4,000 teachers had been trained. By early 1900, graduates from the medical, pharmacy, and law schools were practicing throughout the country as well. One of the medical doctors was a nephew of Booker T. Washington.

Shaw had an educational impact internationally. Many early students came from Central and South America and Africa. Indeed, some of the first Black college-trained missionaries were Shaw graduates. Shaw has many "firsts as leaders" who have helped gain renown for the University as a producer of Black leaders.

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SHAW JOURNAL HEADLINES READ......In 1960, With The Usual Crime The Unusual. So, "Pro Christo et Humanitate" - For Christ and Humanity, the students of Shaw University sat, walked, were jailed, were unified, discussed issues, they were physically hurt and they spoke to multitudes for the sake of justice. The North met with the South and the East with the West to tear down barriers and for all races to come together and confer in a spirit of unity and brotherly Love.

* The Shaw Journal, May 1960 p. 4-5.

Dr. Martin Luther King visits Shaw University

*...........they were physically hurt...............

ELIJAH SHAW
Major benefactor and school's namesake

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