Presidential Installation



TACOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Little Theater Building
11 a.m., February 16, 1968

PROGRAM

(Participants in the academic procession will assemble in the Fine Arts Building at 10:45 a.m.)

PROCESSIONAL "Proud Heritage"
WILLIAM P. LATHAM

TCC Concert Band ROBERT H. DEZELL, Director

ACADEMIC PROCESSION

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER. TCC Concert Band

INVOCATION FATHER THOMAS PITSCH

Church of St. Patrick

PRESIDING Dr. Paul E. Jacobson

Dean of Instruction, Tacoma Community College

REMARKS..... THE HONORABLE DANIEL J. EVANS

Governor of the

State of Washington

GREETINGS FROM THE FACULTY. JACK H. HYDE

President, Tacoma Community College Association

INSTALLATION CHARLES L. EDMUNDS

Chairman, Board of Trustees

Tacoma Community College

RESPONSE DR. THORNTON M. FORD

President, Tacoma Community College

Ushers: Associated Women Students



THORNTON M. FORD, Ed.D.

Thornton M. Ford has been identified with Tacoma Community College since planning for the college began. Dr. Ford came to Tacoma in 1961 as director of extended education. He was chairman of the educational specifications committee which developed plans for the 150-acre campus on Tacoma's West Side. He was named president in 1964, the year in which construction began.

It has been Dr. Ford's satisfaction to watch the dreams of the planning years transformed into reality. The college opened with 1,100 students in September 1965. In the following two years, 17 buildings were added to the original two on campus, and enrollment

climbed to nearly 2,700.

Dr. Ford has devoted his entire career to education. After service with the U. S. Navy in World War II, he earned a bachelor of arts degree at Western Washington State College. He taught at the junior high school level for six years — two years in the Sunnyside School District, two years in Aberdeen and two years in Ketchikan, Alaska. He received a master of education degree from Western Washington State College in 1952. As director of guidance for the Ketchikan Independent School District from 1955 to 1957, he organized the district's first guidance and counseling program. From 1957 to 1960 he was director of Ketchikan Community College. During the 1960-61 school year he was a teaching assistant at Washington State University while beginning work on a doctorate in education. The doctoral degree was awarded in 1965.

