

Pugsley elected president of North Central group

The election of Dr. A. L. Pugsley, university president, to the presidency of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools will not take him away from his duties at YSU, Dr. Earl E. Edgar, Vice-President for Academic Affairs, announced yesterday.

Dr. Pugsley was elected president of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools in Chicago last Wednesday and will begin his term on July 1, 1971. The NCA, which is the largest regional accrediting agency in the U.S., made the announcement at its 76th annual meeting.

President Pugsley has served the organization for many years, and is currently vice-president. His list of past positions include consultant or official examiner for more than 40 colleges and universities, committee member, vice chairman, chairman of the Commission on Colleges and Universities, and member "at large" of the Executive Board of that Commission.

Dr. Edgar called President Pugsley's election "a recognition of his educational leadership on a

national basis." He added that "the honor to the president of an institution brings national recognition to that school." Dr. Edgar stated that President Pugsley's new office would offer him a chance to "contribute to the maintenance of standards and quality of universities."



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Pres. A. L. Pugsley

1966. He had previously served in various administrative and instructional positions at Kansas State University, after working for the Office of Education in Washington, D.C., as assistant director of the National Engineering Science and Management War Training Program.

Holding degrees in civil engineering and architecture as well as honorary doctorates from South Dakota State and Kansas Wesleyan University, President Pugsley became YSU's second president in

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Since its beginning in March of 1895 at Northwestern University, NCA membership has grown to include 554 colleges and universities, in addition to lower schools. Today, the NCA is involved with accrediting member institutions with a total enrollment of over five million students.