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CHARLESTON, IL--Fifteen years ago an Eastern Illinois University graduate left Morehead State (Ky.) University as Dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Technology. On July 1 he'll return--as president.

Dr. C. Nelson Grote, a native of Oconee in Shelby County, sees his new job as "a great opportunity, and a great honor to be invited back to the institution where my administrative career began."

Grote and his wife, the former Wilma Ellen McGee, not only graduated the same year (1950), they received their bachelor's degrees as a husband and wife team on the platform. As Grote recalls, they were the first among three other couples to be so recognized that spring commencement day at Eastern.

Edward T. Breathitt, Vice Chairman of Morehead's Board of Regents, said reasons for Grote's selection include "outstanding leadership abilities and his commitment to Morehead State."

Another honor came to Grote earlier this year. He was named the top community college executive in the Pacific region. Grote currently is the chief executive officer of the Community Colleges of Spokane, Wash.

Grote has held the Spokane position since 1981. Prior to that he was president of Schoolcraft College in Livonia, Mich. He holds master's degree and the doctorate from the University of Illinois. He attended Oconee High School for one year and Pana High School for three years.