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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

THEME: *Operation Success*

President's Convocation



THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 1975 AT 10:00 A.M.

Health and Physical Education Building

Prairie View, Texas

PROGRAM

Presiding: MRS. MARY TEMPTON
Nursing Major

PRELUDE..... Music Department
Prairie View A&M University

INVOCATION..... RAY BEATTY
Minister, Church of Christ
Prairie View, Texas

MUSIC from the Opera *Treemoniska*

“I Want to See My Child”..... Duet
Department of Music
Prairie View A&M University

GREETINGS: “The Undergraduate Students”..... HILLERY ROBINSON
Mechanical Engineering Major

“Graduate Students”..... MRS. KAY DAWES
Graduate Student, Field of Education

“Faculty”..... DR. W. E. TAYLOR
Director, Freshman Studies—Mathematics
Prairie View A&M University

MUSIC from the Opera *Treemoniska*

“We Will Trust You As Our Leader”..... Music Department

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER..... ALTHEA TATE
Miss Prairie View, 1975-76

ADDRESS: “Operation Success”..... DR. A. I. THOMAS
President, Prairie View A&M University

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALMA MATER: “Dear Prairie View”

BENEDICTION..... THE REVEREND W. VAN JOHNSON
Dean of Chapel
Prairie View A&M University

SPECIAL PLATFORM GUESTS

PHILLIP WILLIAMS.....	Cooperative Education
SALVADOR RUIZ.....	Project Mite
DEBRA DIBBLE.....	Engineering Concept Institute
VALARIE YOUNG.....	Engineering Science Institute
WAYLAND DAVIS.....	National Science Foundation
SHARON DeVAUGHN.....	Experiment in Living
USHA JAIN.....	Upward Bound
IRIS LAWRENCE.....	Project Pride
MICHAEL PELAYO.....	High School Industrial Education Workshop— Sponsored by: Dow Chemical Company
SHIRLEY PHIPPS.....	Freshman Class
JESSIE NORTHCUTT.....	Sophomore Class
KAY W. BROWN.....	Junior Class
NELSON THOMPSON.....	Senior Class
CHARLES GREEN.....	Student Government Association
KENNETH PORTER.....	Junior Fellow Association
PAMELA BAKER.....	Pan-Hellenic Association
JOE IDLEBIRD.....	Honor Society
ANDREA BRUCE.....	Athletics

RECENT DOCTORAL RECIPIENTS

(University of Houston)

DR. FREDDIE FRAZIER.....	Coordinator of Engineering Mathematics
DR. FRANK HAWKINS.....	Assistant Professor of Freshman Mathematics
DR. EDDIE BURNETT.....	Director of Residence Halls

THE UNIVERSITY THRUST

Operation Success

OPERATION SUCCESS is based on the philosophy that each student admitted to Prairie View A&M University has the potential to succeed.

The complete education and experiences of the student at Prairie View A&M University are designed and implemented to help them keep the status to which they were born, namely: *THEY WERE BORN TO WIN! . . . THEY WERE BORN TO SUCCEED!*

The University recognizes that many students, who are admitted, may have *academic, social, cultural, vocational, economic, or personal handicaps*.

There are no students admitted, however, with handicaps which cannot be corrected so that the student can achieve success. The students do have the potential to succeed.

OPERATION SUCCESS is based upon the philosophy that the University will organize its human and material resources into such systems that will minimize the *academic, personal-social, cultural, and career awareness and vocational attainment* of each student enrolled.

OPERATION SUCCESS is also based upon the philosophy that it is important for the student to enroll at the University, *but it is even more important that he or she graduates from the University* with a wide variety of new experiences and high level achievements.

To this end, the University will not be satisfied until at least 90 percent of those students who enroll also graduate.

ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. To establish academic achievement as the first and major priority of the students, staff, and administrators of the University.
2. To facilitate student knowledge of the programs required for their academic majors and to ensure that they follow those programs.

PERSONAL-SOCIAL-CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

1. To facilitate student participation in a wide range of cultural, recreational, and leisure time activities.
2. To facilitate student involvement in the many opportunities provided for positive leadership experiences and to stimulate student participation in a variety of activities that provide experiences in the role of positive followers.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

1. To facilitate student selection of career fields that are compatible with interests and potentials and to encourage them to become thoroughly familiar with other closely related career fields.
2. To facilitate student knowledge of professional qualities required of leaders in their chosen career fields.
3. To facilitate student planning of programs to develop the personal, social, and professional qualities required of leaders in the career fields and encourage them to follow their planned program.

PHYSICAL FACILITIES

1. To facilitate student care and responsibility in handling University property and their own personal property.
2. To facilitate the knowledge that damages to University property and equipment must be paid for by students. In order to keep buildings and equipment in good repair, the University has no alternative other than to raise student fees.