President's Convocation Exercises - October 1969

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PRAIRIE VIEW AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE OF TEXAS

THEME: "The Road Ahead"

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For All Students

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THE PHILOSOPHY

Prairie View A. and M. College is a residential college and operates under the philosophy that personal and social development of the student is of paramount importance. With this in mind the aims and objectives of the residential college.

1. To develop a community of scholars consisting of students and faculty.

2. To provide an environment where students may achieve the optimal personal and social development.

3. To provide for the maximum intellectual development of the student.

4. To provide each student with salable skills in a vocation or group of vocations.

5. To assist each student to become a leader in his generation.

6. To assist each student to make the best use of his resources in college and later in life.

7. To assist each student in becoming an over-achiever.

8. To develop in students a moral concern for others and a concept of service to others.

9. To develop responsible citizens who will contribute to the democratic life.

10. To have the entire campus (including residence halls) serve as a center of learning as well as a center of wholesome living.
PROGRAM

Presiding: LARRY WHITE, President, United Men's Congress

PRELUDE .............................. Miss SHIRLEY HAYNES
Music Department

INVOCATION ............................. THE REVEREND HENRY JACKSON
A. M. E. Chaplain, United Ministries
Prairie View A. and M. College

MUSICAL SELECTION: “Thou Creator of the Stars” ......................... W. Harris
A Cappella Concert Choir: Dr. H. EDISON ANDERSON, Director

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE ......................... Miss POLLY ELMORE
Miss Prairie View

REMARKS ................................. Dr. A. I. THOMAS
President, Prairie View A. and M. College

MUSICAL SELECTION: “The Impossible Dream” ........................ Ringwald
A Cappella Concert Choir

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER .................. Midshipman LT. DAVID BREWER
Director of Finance
Student Government Association

SPEAKER .......................... THE HONORABLE CARL T. ROWAN
Nationally Syndicated Columnist, Author, Diplomat
Former Director of U. S. Information Agency
Washington, D. C.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION — Humanitarian Award

ALMA MATER: “Dear Prairie View”

BENEDICTION .............................. THE REVEREND MR. JACKSON

Ushers for the President’s Convocation are members of the Junior Fellows Organization
ALL COLLEGE CONVOCATION SPEAKERS — 1969-70

OCTOBER 2—
   Dr. A. I. Thomas

OCTOBER 23—
   The Honorable Carl T. Rowan

NOVEMBER 20—
   Michael E. DeBakey, M.D.

JANUARY 15—
   Councilman Thomas Bradley

FEBRUARY 7—
   The Honorable Robert Weaver

MARCH 20—
   The Honorable Barbara Jordan

APRIL 30—
   Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm

ALMA MATER — “Dear Prairie View”

Dear Prairie View, Our song to thee we raise
In gratitude we sing our hymn of praise
For mem’ries dear, for friends and recollections,
For lessons learned while here we’ve lived with thee,
For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion
To serve thee now, and through eternity.

As days go by our hearts will not grow cold,
We’ll love Thy purple royal and Thy gold,
We’ll through our lives exemplify Thy teaching,
We’ll always strive a blessing to be.
Thy children we our love and pride confessing,
We’ll love Thee now, and through eternity.

Words by O. Anderson Fuller
Music from “Finlandia” by Sibelius

COMING ATTRACTIONS

OPERA: “Turandot” — Jones Hall, October 26, 1969

“THE BELIEVERS” — October 29, 1969, The Black Experience in Song, Health and Physical Education Building

MARTHA REEVES AND THE VANDellas ALSO THE MASTER OF SOUL
   IN CONCERT — November 7, 1969, Health and Physical Education Building