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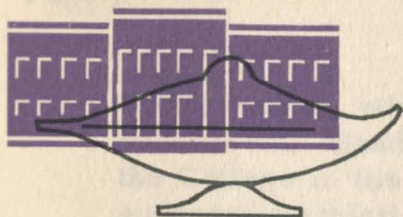
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From the Desk of the President



# NEWSLETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW A. & M. COLLEGE

Prairie View, Texas

Volume XXIX

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## A. CALENDAR - February, 1959

1. Orientation of New Students . . . . . February 1
2. Registration for Second Semester . . . . . February 2-3
3. Second Semester Classes Begin . . . . . February 4
4. Race Relations Sunday . . . . . February 8
5. Negro History Week Activities . . . . . February 9-10
6. Football Banquet . . . . . February 12
7. All-College Career Conference . . . . . February 15-16
8. Class A and B State Basketball Tournament . . . . February 19-21
9. Alpha Kappa Mu Convocation and Banquet . . . . February 26
10. Class AA and AAA Basketball Tournament . . . . February 27-28
11. Basketball

### Here

- Prairie View vs Southern . . . . . February 7  
Prairie View vs Jackson College . . . . . February 9

### Away

- Prairie View vs Texas College . . . . . February 3  
Prairie View vs Southern . . . . . February 14  
Prairie View vs Jackson College . . . . . February 16  
Prairie View vs Arkansas State . . . . . February 21  
Prairie View vs Grambling . . . . . February 23  
Prairie View vs Mississippi Vocational . . . . . February 24

## B. SEMESTER CHANGES

February 1 is the beginning of our spring semester. Orientation of new students and registration activities will command our attention during the opening days of this month. It is obviously a time for checks and balances for all of us--to look back for high points, for mistakes, and determine our course in the light of past experiences.

College-wide, our record for the first semester has been unusually successful. Heading the list of achievements is the acceptance of the College in the Southern Association. We have experienced a very successful athletic season and moving well into another. Many of our regular activities have been of the highest order--just a little better than in previous years. Let us hope that the new semester will be just as fruitful.

C. NEGRO HISTORY WEEK

The Department of History sponsors several activities in observance of Negro History Week which begins Sunday, February 8. Sunday's Worship Service will be dedicated to Race Relations. The speaker is Rabbi Robert I. Kahn. A cultural program which features artistic renditions by representatives of Negro Colleges of Texas is scheduled for Sunday evening.

The General History Week Convocation is scheduled Monday at eleven o'clock, and the principal speaker is Mr. Robert O. Mensah, Press Attache, Ghana Embassy, Washington, D. C. Workshops are scheduled both Sunday and Monday with discussion centering around the theme--"Toward Better Human Relationships."

D. ALL-COLLEGE CAREER CONFERENCE

The theme for this year's All-College Career Conference is "Preparation for Effective Service." The two day program will feature an outstanding speaker and several visiting consultants representing the several career fields. Staff members are encouraged to participate in these activities and emphasize the importance of the conference to all students.

E. INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE ACTIVITIES

We are approaching the season when thousands of high school youngsters will be visiting the campus in connection with Interscholastic League events. The first of these is scheduled in February--the State basketball tournaments for all classes of schools. All staff members are urged to contribute in making the visit of these high school students a pleasant and memorable experience for them.

F. INCOME TAX CLINIC

The Department of Business Administration will sponsor a Tax Clinic on February 13 which is designed to aid employees of the College with problems of filing income tax returns. A representative of the Internal Revenue Service will serve as consultant along with members of the Business Department staff.

G. ALPHA KAPPA MU PROGRAM

The Alpha Kappa Mu Honorary Society will present a major convocation on February 26. The speaker for this event is Dr. Ira De A. Reid, Chairman, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Haverford College, Pennsylvania. Faculty members are encouraged to participate in this special program.

The President's annual banquet honoring all students who have achieved academic excellence is scheduled for the evening of February 26. Mrs. Charles E. White, member of the Houston School Board, is the guest speaker.

H. COOKING AND BAKING DEPARTMENT

Two important activities were sponsored by the Department of Cooking and Baking during January. A conference which included participation of the Chefs Advisory Committee to the Department was held recently on the campus. The Texas Hotel and Club Chefs Association and the Texas Hotel Association are cooperating with the College in the promotion of this important program.

The Department also sponsored a demonstration of meat preparation, presenting a visiting field home economist from the National Livestock and Meat Board, Chicago, Illinois.

I. CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mr. John D. Holmes, staff member of the Department of Economics, who successfully completed his final examination for the Ph.D. at the University of Illinois, Urbana, during January. University officials complimented Mr. Holmes highly on his research project and performance during the examination.

J. NEW ARRIVALS

The College is happy to welcome the following new family members:

Martha Louise Weston, born to Major and Mrs. L. G. Weston, November 24, 1958. Major Weston is an instructor in the Military Science Department.

Soynia Marie Heard, born to Sergeant and Mrs. Frank Heard, Jr., January 6, 1959. Sergeant Heard is a member of the staff, Military Science Department.

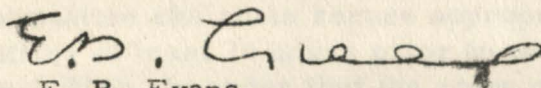
Phyllis Ann Charleston, a 6 pound baby girl born to Mr. and Mrs. Cube Charleston, January 23, 1959. Mr. Charleston is an instructor in printing in the Division of Industrial Education.

K. IN CLOSING

May I leave with you this statement -

J. Edgar Hoover (FBI) suggests that juvenile delinquency may be curbed by starting with grownups. Adults, he says, must set an example for youngsters by "re-establishing a firm moral structure." America's adults are afflicted with "decadence disease" and the symptoms are self-indulgence, pleasure before duty, and the constant search for the easy way. The infection has spread to the Nation's youth, Hoover argues, and the remedies are discipline, restraint and self control.

Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans  
President

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P. S. Workers' Meeting will be held Tuesday, February 3, 7:30 P. M.,  
Administration Auditorium.

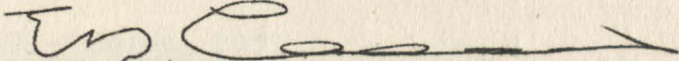
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PRAIRIE VIEW AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE  
Prairie View, Texas

Office of  
The President

February 1, 1959

TO: All Employees

  
FROM: E. B. Evans, President

SUBJECT: Use of Administration Building Conference Room

Through the years, it has been necessary to appoint numerous committees to help plan and carry out the many facets of the Prairie View program. Each year the number of committees increases. Along with the setting up of the committees comes the problem of adequate facilities in which to hold meetings.

It is our desire that each employee and committee have access to the various facilities of the school when needed; however, we want to use these facilities in a manner that will be most advantageous to all concerned.

Realizing that we have a shortage of adequate meeting places, the Administration Conference Room has been made available to various committees from time to time. The number of requests to use the Conference Room, however, has become increasingly large, and we find it necessary to follow a systematic scheduling of meetings to be held in this room. Occasionally two or more individuals schedule meetings in the Conference Room at the same time without having secured prior clearance for its use thus causing conflict and embarrassment.

We are kindly asking that each committee chairman secure appropriate clearance from the President's Office at least 24 hours prior to scheduling a meeting in the Conference Room. Also, in order that the room may be available for larger groups, it is suggested that committees composed of fewer than six persons secure a smaller facility for their meetings.

Your usual fine cooperation in matters of this kind will be highly appreciated.