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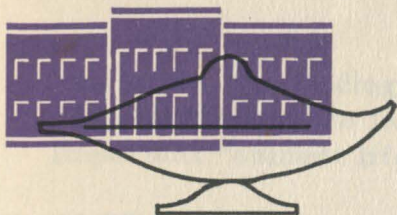
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From the Desk of the President



NEWSLETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW A. & M. COLLEGE

Prairie View, Texas

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NUMBER 1

A. CALENDAR - September, 1960

1. Faculty Orientation September 12-14
2. Freshman Orientation September 15-18
3. Registration September 19-21
4. Classes Begin September 22
5. Registration Closes September 24
6. Football Games -
 Prairie View vs Jackson College,
 Jackson, Mississippi September 24
 Prairie View vs Texas Southern University,
 Houston, Texas October 1

B. GREETINGS

Welcome to all new staff members and greetings to everyone as we begin our 1960-61 school year. As we move into our 84th year, let us accept the challenge implicit in our long and fruitful history. Let us be determined to make this "the best" of all the years that have passed.

Good luck to all of you.

C. FACULTY ORIENTATION

The 22nd Annual Faculty Orientation Conference is scheduled for the period of September 12-14. The theme of this year's conference is "Cultural-Social Development of Prairie View Students; A Proper Responsibility of the College." The keynote speaker will be Mrs. Annie G. Sasser, Associate Director of Student Life at Tennessee A. and I. State University.

This year's conference calls for active participation on the part of all members of the faculty. The theme concerns itself with a major objective of the College for 1960-61, and a committee has been appointed to

implement the findings and recommendations growing out of the sessions. All members of the faculty are encouraged to give serious thought to this important "student life" objective of the College.

D. FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

An Orientation Program for entering freshman students will begin Thursday, September 15, and will continue through Sunday, September 18. Each member of the staff is asked to contribute to this important activity. This period of orientation is of great importance in the lives of our entering freshman students, and we do not want to miss one single opportunity in helping them to make a good adjustment to college life.

Copies of the Orientation Program are available in the Student Life Office.

E. FACULTY IMPROVEMENT

Members of the faculty are encouraged to engage in individual or group research activities, both in College-wide or departmental programs. The quality of our staff is determined largely by the amount of scholarly studies reported and published as well as participation in conferences and meetings of professional organizations and societies.

F. CONGRATULATIONS

To Mr. Norman J. Johnson, Department of Health and Physical Education, and Mr. Alfred T. Kynard, Division of Industrial Education. Both men completed requirements for Doctorate degrees during the summer session--Mr. Johnson at the University of Michigan, and Mr. Kynard at the University of California at Los Angeles.

To the large number of faculty members who continued their studies at universities across the country or through private study, special activities, or travel abroad.

To Clifton Johnson, Prairie View College tennis star, for winning the singles title in the American Tennis Association's intercollegiate tournament at Hampton Institute. The College has received the "Williams Cup," a perpetual trophy signifying the intercollegiate tennis championship. It is now displayed in the Administration Building.

To Doctor I. E. Glover and Mr. Samuel H. Douglass for being selected to serve as panelists in reviewing applications from various colleges and universities for National Science Foundation Programs of assistance in the field of mathematic.

To Cadet Joseph L. Rutledge for being selected the most outstanding cadet in his company at the conclusion of the 1959-60 General Military Science Summer Camp at Fort Hood, Texas.

G. NEW STAFF PERSONNEL

The following new staff members have been listed by Schools, Divisions, and Departments. Some rosters are still incomplete, therefore, other new staffers will be reported in the October NEWSLETTER.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. Miss Bessie Williams (transfer)

DEAN OF INSTRUCTION. Miss Otha Lee Spencer

SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES:

DEAN'S OFFICE Miss Irma L. Anderson

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION. Miss Ezra L. Henderson (transfer)

EDUCATION. Mr. Carl C. Weems (returning
from leave)

ECONOMICS. Mr. Clarence M. Batie

NATURAL SCIENCE. Mr. Charles Pratt
Mr. Claude Tolbert

POLITICAL SCIENCE. Mr. Tobe Johnson (*Returning*)

FISCAL OFFICE. Miss Magvina Roberson

REGISTRAR'S OFFICE. Miss Darlene Sheppard

SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING. . . . Mrs. Earline Johnson
Miss Mattie L. Heath
Mr. Reuben Sherman
Mr. Norcell Haywood

DIVISION OF NURSING ED. . . . Mrs. Rose E. Hynes (returning
from leave)
Miss Ollie B. Foreman
Miss Cathryn Lillian Martin
Miss Helen Delois Tilley

- MILITARY SCIENCE AND TACTICS. Captain David B. Gobel
Captain Frank H. McNeil
M/Sgt. John I. Mitchell
- COUNSELING CENTER. Doctor Ronald J. Rousseve
(transfer)
Mrs. Herthal R. Davis
- MEMORIAL CAMPUS CENTER. Miss Betty Hunter
Mr. Arthur L. Walker
Mr. Martin L. Epps
Miss Arlene M. Pierce
Mr. Louis Morris
Mr. Edward E. Ford
Mr. James W. Marion
Mr. Albert C. Boson
Mr. James Ragston
Mr. Charles H. Ragston
Mrs. Juanita Freeman
- COLLEGE EXCHANGE. Mr. George L. Richardson
- MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT. Mr. Chester Knowles
- BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS
MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT. . Mrs. Ann M. Stubblefield
- CUSTODIAL SERVICES. Mr. Herbert Kemp
Mr. Charles Gooden
Mrs. Mary Lee
Mrs. Ethel P. Mosley

H. FOOTBALL

King Football takes over again in September. Only one game is scheduled during the month, but on October 1, the Panthers are scheduled to play one of their most important games--Prairie View vs Texas Southern University.

The city of Houston will be the site of this annual clash between Prairie View and Texas Southern University for the next few years. It is expected, however, that this game will be, in effect, the same as a home game. The same is true when we will play Southern University in the Prairie View Bowl in Houston.

I. HOLIDAYS AND VACATION SCHEDULE

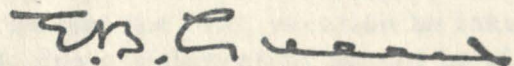
Attached is a memorandum from Doctor M. T. Harrington, Chancellor of the A. and M. College System, concerning holidays and vacation for 1960-61. May we remind you that the fiscal year ends August 31, 1961. If an employee does not use the allotted vacation days prior to August 31, only the authorized 10 working days' vacation entitlement can be transferred to the next fiscal year. Special forms for transfer of vacation can be secured from the President's Office.

J. IN CLOSING

Among efforts to enhance the quality of Education, made by the NEA during its July meeting in Los Angeles, was a proposal to tighten teacher-training standards. The following highlights of this proposal should be of interest to all of us:

1. Teacher-training should be upped from 4 to 5 years.
2. Trainees should have at least a half year of practice teaching. Practice teaching should be introduced early in the college career to weed out those with no aptitude for the classroom.
3. For their first year in the field, teachers would get non-renewable permits. Only when they fully demonstrate ability to teach, would they be recommended for permanent certificates.
4. Graduate work should include liberal as well as professional education.

Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans
President

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Attachment - 1

TEXAS AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Office of the Chancellor
College Station, Texas

July 8, 1960

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 60-2

TO: Presidents of Colleges and Directors of Services and Agencies

SUBJECT: Holidays and Vacation Schedule for 1960-61

During the next fiscal year there will be 15 legal holidays for state employees in addition to two weeks' annual leave. Provision is made, however, for educational institutions to adjust the actual observance of these holidays as will permit the most efficient operation.

Below are listed the holidays authorized for System employees for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 1960:

September 5 - Labor Day

November 24 and 25 - Thanksgiving recess

December 23 at 5:00 p.m. to January 3 at 8:00 a.m. -

Christmas recess including New Year's Day

March 31 - Spring Holiday

The additional five days named as holidays by the Legislature will be added to the authorized annual leave of two weeks to make a three weeks' vacation period for full-time twelve months' employees. The scheduling of vacation periods for employees will be administered by the employees' immediate supervisor. It is not required that the total vacation be taken at one time, but in scheduling vacations, due consideration should be given to the efficient operation of the part of the System concerned.

/s/

M. T. Harrington
Chancellor