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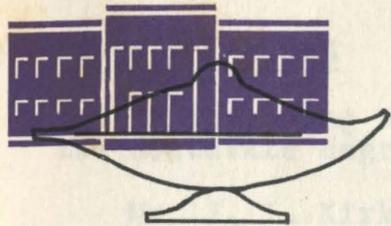
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From the Desk of the President



# NEWSLETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW A. & M. COLLEGE

Prairie View, Texas

XXXIII

SEPTEMBER, 1962

NUMBER 1

## A. CALENDAR

1. Faculty Orientation . . . . . September 10-12
2. Freshman Orientation . . . . . September 13-16
3. Registration . . . . . September 17-19
4. Classes Begin . . . . . September 20
5. Registration Closes . . . . . September 22
6. Football Games -  
    Prairie View vs Jackson State College . . . . . September 22  
    Jackson, Mississippi

## B. GREETINGS

Welcome to all new staff members and greetings to everyone as we begin our 1962-63 school year. This marks the beginning of our 86th year. Let us all dedicate ourselves to the task of bringing about achievements which surpass those of past years.

## C. FACULTY ORIENTATION

The 24th Annual Faculty Orientation Conference, scheduled for September 10-12, has as its theme, "The Role of the Faculty in Developing a College Reading Program." Visiting speakers for this conference are Dr. Lynette Saine of Atlanta University and Dr. Douglas F. Parry, director of the Reading Program at Texas A. & M. College.

All members of the faculty and staff are encouraged to cooperate fully in this effort. The opening General Session is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, September 10.

## D. FRESHMAN ORIENTATION

Four days of special orientation activities have been planned for entering freshmen beginning on September 13. This activity is of great importance in helping our freshman students to make a good adjustment to college life. Each member of the staff is asked to contribute to this important program.



STEAM PLANT . . . . .Mr. David Curtis  
COLLEGE EXCHANGE. . . . .Mr. Frank Yepp  
CUSTODIAL SERVICES . . . . .Mrs. Darlene Clark  
Miss Ruby Walker  
Mr. Leroy Ward  
Mr. John Livingston

G. WELCOME

The Prairie View Family is happy to welcome its newest member, little Canlen Thomas Charleston, born on July 29. The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Cube Charleston. Mr. Charleston is an instructor in the Printing Department.

H. IN CLOSING

The annual Faculty Conference scheduled this month will focus much needed attention on the most controversial educational issue today--the teaching of reading.

A child will learn little else in today's world if he does not first learn to read properly, and as Harvard University psychologist John B. Carroll points out, "...the teaching of reading, at every stage, involves the teaching of thinking."

The nation-wide importance of this subject of reading is evidenced in the special study conference of 28 reading experts called by James B. Conant, former Harvard president, and financed by the Carnegie Corporation. The essence of their report would include a number of factors. The most important of which is the need of competent, dedicated, well-educated teachers.

Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans  
President

C O P Y

TEXAS AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Office of the Chancellor  
College Station, Texas

July 13, 1962

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 62-4

TO: Presidents of Colleges and Director of the Texas  
Forest Service

SUBJECT: Holidays and Vacation Schedule for 1962-63

During the next fiscal year 14 legal holidays have been designated in the appropriation bill in addition to the two weeks of annual leave. Provision is made for educational institutions to adjust the 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, 1962:

September 3 (Monday) - Labor Day  
November 22 and 23 (Thursday and Friday) Thanksgiving  
Recess  
December 24 - January 1, inclusive (Monday through  
Tuesday) Christmas Recess  
April 12-15, inclusive (Friday through Monday)  
Spring Recess  
July 4 (Thursday) - Independence Day

Any part of the System is authorized to further adjust this schedule, but if changes are made, please notify this office. The appropriation bill also provides that employees who have completed 15 years of service are entitled to three days in addition to the two weeks of annual leave.

The scheduling of vacation periods for employees will be administered by the employee's 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  
M. T. Harrington  
Chancellor