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FACULTY REPORTER

A Newsletter for Staff Members at Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical College

CALENDAR

1. Deadline for Master's Thesis and Essays August 1
2. Comprehensive Examination (M.Ed. Candidates) August 8
3. Dramatic Production - (Charles Gilpin Players) August 12-13
4. Commencement Rehearsals August 15&20
5. Baccalaureate Services August 16
6. Commencement Exercises August 20
7. Final Examinations August 20-21
8. Summer School Closes August 22

SPECIAL SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE

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| Faculty and Staff Conferences | September 8-11 |
| Welcome to New Students | September 12-13 |
| Parent's Convocation | September 13 |
| Orientation for New Students | September 14-16 |
| Registration for Freshmen | September 17-19 |
| Classes Begin for Freshmen | September 21 |
| Registration for Upperclasses | September 21-23 |
| Classes Begin for Upperclassmen | September 24 |
| Honor Week | Sept. 28-October 3 |
| All School Academic Convocation | October 1 |

BACCALAUREATE SERVICES FOR GRADUATES

Baccalaureate services will be held on August 16 at 11:00 a.m., with a special sermon for graduates. The speaker for the occasion will be The Reverend Emmanuel L. McCall, D.D. Associate Secretary in The Department of Work with National Baptists of the Baptist Home Mission Board.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Summer School Commencement Exercises will be held on Thursday evening, August 20 at 8:00 p.m. in the Health and Physical Edu-

cation Building. The Commencement speaker will be Dr. L. H. O. Spearman, Director, Division of Student Special Services U.S. Office of Higher Education, Washington, D.C.

DRAMATICS

The Charles Gilpin Players will present two one-act plays on the Memorial Center stage on August 12 and 13 at 8:00 p.m. One of the plays, "Contributions" was written by Ted Shine, a member of The English Department, who is presently on leave. The second play, "A Son, Come Home", is by Ed Bullins.

NCATE APPRAISAL

Three Prairie View administrators, (Drs. J. W. Echols, J. L. Brown, and J. E. Johnson), represented the College at a special meeting of The National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education held recently in Denver, Colorado. The visitation and Appraisal Committee of the NCATE raised questions of The Prairie View team relative to our graduate study program.

COOPERATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM

In addition to current Cooperative Programs now in operation at the College. The U.S. Civil Service Commission has offered to initiate a special program in governmental services. Representatives of The U.S. Civil Service Commission from Washington, D.C., the Dallas and Houston office and an officer of The Federal Aviation Agency were visitors on campus recently to discuss plans for the program.

NEW GRANTS APPROVED

1. The College has received a federal grant in the amount of \$38,811.00 for student loads and scholarships for the School of Nursing
2. School of Agriculture--\$21,999.00 (Reported earlier).
3. The College has been notified that a grant in the amount of \$32,000 has been approved by The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) for project entitled "Multidisciplinary Space Research", under the direction of Dr. I. V. Nelson.

4. The Fifth Cycle Teacher Corps Grant of \$55,145.00 covers the period June 8, 1970 through August 31, 1970.
5. A grant of \$1,000 was recently received by the College from The Shell Units program of The Shell Companies Foundation, Inc. The grant is to be divided between "Faculty incentive" and engineering student aid.

FACULTY-STAFF NOTES

Dr. Purvis Carter, Department of History, has published an Index Volume to the "Journal of Negro History". His Cumulative Index covers published volumes (1916-1968) of the Journal, covering subject and author, documents, and book reviews.

Dr. F. M. Byrd, Dean, School of Home Economics, has recently served as guest lecturer at The University of Oregon.

Dr. Curtis A. Wood, Director of Information & Publications was elected to The Executive Committee of The American College Public Relations Association during the group's annual convention in Denver, Colorado.

Mr. George L. Smith, Assistant to the President for Development, represented the College at a special meeting of Negro land grant college personnel attending The American College Public Relations Association Meeting in Denver. Mr. Smith described the college's activities in "Development", particularly relating to the work of the Centennial Council and the Prairie View Development Council and Development Foundation.

Mr. Charley E. Richard was selected for a National Urban League Summer Fellowship and is now located at the Los Alamos Laboratory of the University of California.

Mr. Frank Francis was named by The President of The College as College Librarian, effective August 1, 1970. As Librarian, Mr. Francis serves as Chief Executive Officer for The Library. He has complete administrative responsibility for the total library, including all personnel, faculties and program.

Mr. O. J. Baker is to be congratulated for the excellent service he has rendered to the institution as Librarian since 1931.

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Dr. A. T. Kynard, Teacher Trainer for Vocational Industrial Education, delivered a paper to local supervisor and directors of Vocational Education at a state-wide In-Service Education, Workshop in Fort Worth in July.

THE YEAR'S END

The 1969-70 School Year will soon come to a close. We have enjoyed a very successful year in many respects and the future looks promising. I would like to take this opportunity to express to all members of the staff my appreciation for your contributions (individually and collectively) to the success of our total program.

FACULTY-STAFF ORIENTATION PROGRAMS

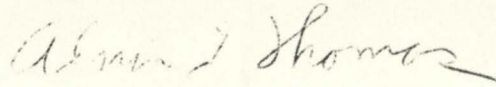
The following persons are serving as General Chairman of Orientation programs scheduled in September:

1. Dr. A. I. McNeil, General Chairman, Orientation Programs
2. Dr. S. R. Collins, Mid-Management
3. Dr. J. C. Williams, Support Staff
4. Dr. T. R. Solomon, Students
5. Dr. J. E. Johnson, Faculty

BEST WISHES

As we move toward the close of another Summer Term and the Fiscal Year, I hope that each of you will enjoy the balance of the summer period and the "short break" before we start the new year.

Very truly yours,



Alvin I. Thomas
President