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FACULTY REPORTER

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CALENDAR

1. All-College Staff Meeting.....December 1
2. NROTC Fall Review.....December 3
3. Youth Leadership Conference.....December 4-6
4. Home Economics Christmas Bazaar.....December 4
5. Charles Gilpin Players Dramatic Production.....December 8
6. Boy Scout Fund Drive Ends.....December 12
7. Faculty-Staff Christmas Ball.....December 12
8. Christmas Holidays begin at 12:30 p.m.December 17
9. Community Christmas Party.....December 25
10. Youth Conference (B'Nai Birth).....December 26-30
11. Basketball Games---

Here

- The Annual Boy Scout Financial Drive is now in
- Tip-Off Tournament.....December 1-2
 - Prairie View vs Stephen F. Austin.....December 7
 - PV Jr. Varsity vs Galveston Comm. College.....December 16

Away

- The David Crockett District Appreciation Dinner
- PV Jr. Varsity vs Galveston Comm. College.....December 5
 - Prairie View vs Stephen F. Austin.....December 9
 - Prairie View vs Univ. of Corpus Christi.....December 11
 - Chicago Invitational Tournament.....December 26-29

CHRISTMAS SEASON

BRIGHTEN UP-The Annual Christmas Brighten-Up promotion is an original promotion of The Prairie View Garder Club. A memorandum emphasizing this important activity has been released earlier. As a reminder all residents of the campus and community are urged to put up Christmas decorations and displays before December 17 in order that students and possibly others may see them before leaving for the holidays.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BALL

The Second Annual Faculty-Staff Christmas Ball is scheduled on

December 12. A great deal of preparation is now being made to make this event one of the finest ever. Planning committees include practically every member of the faculty and staff.

HOLIDAY PERIOD

Christmas Holidays will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 17. Class will resume on Monday, January 4, at 7:30 a.m.

The holiday period for 12-month employees includes eight days--December 23 through January 1, 1970.

BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES

1. Annual Financial Drive

The Annual Boy Scout Financial Drive is now in progress and is expected to be completed by December 12.

2. Local and Area Scouting Programs

The David Crockett District Appreciation Dinner was held recently in Brenham, Texas. President Thomas is a member of The Board of Directors of The Sam Houston Area Council. Doctors T. R. Solomon and C. A. Wood and Mr. Oliver Smith are members of the Council. District officers from Prairie View-Waller area include Dr. Wood, Vice Chairman; Mr. Oliver Smith, Commissioner; Dr. Jewell Berry, Mr. A. E. Charleston, Mr. Clyde Christopher, Sgt. John Guy, Mr. Joseph Battle, Mr. David Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Mary Kirkwood, and Dr. Richard Thomas.

BASKETBALL SEASON

Best wishes are extended to Coaches William Cofield and Charles Parnell and members of the basketball squad as they open the 1970-71 Season. Two home games are scheduled in December in addition to the interesting and colorful Tip-Off Tournament held on December 1-2.

GIFTS AND GRANTS

The National Science Foundation has awarded the following grants to Prairie View A&M.

1. \$40,151 for support of the 1971 NSF Summer Institute for Secondary School Teachers. The Institute will be under the direction of Dr. E. E. O'Banion, Department of Chemistry.
2. \$11,305 for administration of Institutional Grants for Science. This is an additional grant for this purpose, bringing the total to \$21,620.
3. \$21,320 for support of the 1971 Summer Institute in Mathematics for Secondary Teachers. The grant is under the direction of Dr. A. D. Stewart, Department of Mathematics.

Mobil Oil Corporation has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to the College to be used for a student who served in Mobil's Summer Engineering Experience Program.

AGRICULTURAL BUILDING

The Texas A&M Board of Directors recently approved plans for construction of a greenhouse complex and farm shop building, along with the purchase of necessary farm equipment. Contracts are to be negotiated beginning in February, 1971.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER

The Academic Achievement Center located in the basement of the College Library is gradually moving into full operation. The Center is an all-campus learning project designed to reduce the attrition rate and to cultivate independent study habits of students.

FACULTY-STAFF NOTES

Dr. George L. Smith, Assistant to the President for Development has received a Certificate of Recognition for outstanding service to the Agricultural profession. The award was made by The Resident Instruction Section, Division of Agriculture, National Association for State Universities and Land-Grant

Colleges during the annual meeting of the Association held recently in Washington, D.C.

Dr. George Ragland, Head of The Department of Sociology, served recently on two important state and regional programs in Austin, Texas.

Dr. George H. Stafford, Director of Admissions, was recently named President-Elect of the Texas Association of Counselor Educators and Supervisors. The annual convention of the Texas Personnel and Guidance Association was held at the Terrace Motor Hotel in Austin.

Dr. George R. Woolfolk, Head of the Department of History, served recently on the Southern Historical Association Program Committee to plan the program for 1971 which is to be held in Houston, Texas next year. The meeting was held in Louisville, Kentucky this year.

Dr. C. A. Wood, Director of College Information and Publications and Professor of Health Education, has been appointed to the Schools and Colleges Division of the American Cancer Society, Texas Division.

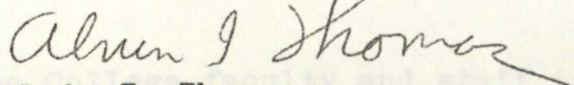
STAFF DEATH

Graveside services and burial of Mr. J. P. Brown, retired staff member, was held in the Prairie View Memorial Cemetery on November 24. Mr. Brown served several years as Veteran's Counselor before his retirement from the College.

IN CLOSING

Don't forget the various holiday activities planned for staff members. Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Very truly yours,



Alvin I. Thomas
President