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ECE DIRECTOR VISITS SECRETARY OF AG.



Dr. James E. Farrell, right, Director of Extension and Continuing Education, recently conferred in Washington, D.C., with Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland, left, and other U.S. Department of Agriculture officials about plans for the 1979 fiscal year that began October 1.

Urban Issues and Education in 1978

Tennessee State University Division of Extension and Continuing Education, Department of Government and Public Affairs is sponsoring a one-day workshop October 27, in the Women's Building Auditorium from 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

The workshop is entitled "Urban Issues and Education in 1978: Decisions and Actions. Focusing on three major areas: program/priorities, funding and accountability in public and higher education, the workshop is contrived to identify, examine and enlighten the community on some of the issues in education in Tennessee.

Robert Boone, Director of the Public

Service Center at TSU, said, "the workshop is designed for public school teachers, college and university personnel, students, public and private school administrators and all interested community persons directly and indirectly involved in education in Tennessee."

The morning session of the workshop will be highlighted with opinions from Democratic and Republican candidates, Jake Butcher and Lamar Alexander. The afternoon session will feature a panel made up of local college and university presidents discussing some of the main issues faced by public and private institutions of higher education.

Further information about this event can be obtained by calling the TSU Public Service office at 320-3398 or 320-3114.

Homecoming Calendar of Events Announced

Homecoming plans of students and alumni have been announced as a two-day offering, October 27-28, by the University's Homecoming Committee, chaired by Mrs. Barbara Murrell, assistant vice-president for Student Affairs.

Following the theme, "We've Got the Touch—Academics and Athletics," the entire Homecoming festivities are being dedicated to former University president, Dr. Walter S. Davis, who served TSU as its second president from 1943 to 1968 and the 1947-48 football team which was captained by Samuel R. Whitmon, now the University's Athletic Director.

On Friday, October 27, activities will include a 10:00 a.m. dedication of the School of Business Building, in the name of Lewis R. Holland, former head of the Department of Business Administration; a 12 noon Early Bird Luncheon with student leaders in the Student Union Centennial Room; a 1:00 p.m. Reunion of former Engineering faculty members, Room 210, Engineering Building and at 9 p.m., the Coronation of "Miss Tennessee State," Nashville's Miss Sharon Williams in the Centennial Room of the Student Union. At 8 p.m., a Class Reunion Dinner for the classes of '53, '48, '58 and '68 in the Troubadour Restaurant at the Hyatt Regency, 10 p.m.-2 a.m., a pre-victory Disco Dance sponsored by the Big Blue Club.

On Saturday, October 28, Homecoming Day starts with a Homecoming Brunch at 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Women's Building Auditorium. The Homecoming Parade is scheduled to start at 10 a.m. from 18th Avenue and Jefferson Street and will travel west on Jefferson and Centennial Blvd. and end at 35th Avenue, North and Centennial. Game time is 1:30 p.m. with the TSU Tigers vs Southern University's Jaguars in W. J. Hale Stadium. A homecoming Ball, sponsored by the TSU National Alumni Association is set for 10 p.m.-2 a.m. at the downtown Sheraton Hotel Ballroom.

Community Conference Slated

A one and a half day conference, "The Aging Community — A Realistic Assessment of Issues and Needs," will be held Monday and Tuesday, October 23 and 24 in the Tennessee State University Women's Building Auditorium, sponsored by the University's Public Service Center of Extension and Continuing Education. Robert Boone, Director.

Monday's session is slated for 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the hours for Tuesday are 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The Conference will identify, examine, and enlighten the entire community on some of the issues and needs faced by the elderly, and is designed to provide technical advice and direction to all persons directly and indirectly providing services to senior citizens.

Delivering the keynote address will be Godfrey Beckett of Hillcrest, Md. The Conference will touch on issues of Aging and Family Health, Housing, Crime and Victimization and Social Services. Further information may be obtained by phoning the Public Service Center at 320-3398 or 320-3114.

Research Symposium To be Conducted

Twenty scientists from TSU will conduct a Research Symposium for scientists, involving Se-Cooperative Research activities at Historically Black Land Grant Colleges and Universities on November 8-11 in St. Louis, Missouri.

The purpose of the symposium is to foster understanding of significant contribution in research by the black agricultural institutions and to enhance understanding of the important role played by the U.S. department of Agriculture in the development of Research, Resident instruction and Extension.

The goal or objective is to provide scientists with opportunities for meaningful exchange of information and ideas, regarding research, specially as they pertain to methodological issues, research needs and priorities and creative dissemination or research findings.

Dr. Handy Williamson, Director of Research at TSU, will serve as the chairman of the association of Research Directors Symposium Planning Committee. "We are expecting strong participation by the many SEA-CR principle investigators at TSU," said Williamson.

The Association of Research Director

has invited high ranking government officials such as, Dr. Joan Wallace, Asst. Secretary of Agriculture for Administration and highest ranking black within the U.S.G.A., to serve as keynote speaker at the banquet, Congressman E. del a Gerza, from Texas will serve as the keynote speaker in one of the general sessions. Also invited are the presidents of the Historically Black Land Grant Institutions, heads of Home Economics, and Extension Administrators.

M. G. Ferguson Award— Ed Temple Recipient

Edward (Ed) Temple has been selected as the recipient of the first Annual M. G. Ferguson Distinguished Community Service Award. The Black Cultural Heritage Exposition, Inc., (Black Expo—a non profit organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of contributions made by blacks to society), is presenting the award to Temple at a banquet on November 10, at 8:00 p.m. in the cafeteria (Centennial Room) at the University.

Wilma Rudolph, national chairperson of the M. G. Ferguson Award Committee said "Coach Temple was selected to receive this award because of his outstanding service in the sports community."

At present, he is an Associate Professor of Sociology, Coordinator of Track and Field and Head Women's Track Coach at Tennessee State University. He has coached two olympics, two Pan American Games, and has produced many great female track stars known throughout the world for their achievements. He has served on the United States Olympic Committee for the past five years and will serve on the 1980 committee. In 1975, Temple conducted Track Clinics throughout East Africa at the request of the State Department. He is a member of the Tennessee Sports Hall of Fame and serves as the first vice President of the Special Olympics Committee of Middle Tennessee.

The M. G. Ferguson Award, is so named because of the late Mr. Ferguson's outstanding service to the Nashville Community for many years. Mr. Ferguson received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Meharry Medical College. He was the President of Citizens Savings Bank (Nashville's only black bank), a board member of Meharry Medical College, the Matthew Walker Health Center and many others. Ferguson also served as honorary chairperson of Black Expo.

One of his most noted accomplishments was his support of the Civil Rights movement in the 60's, both financially and morally. Ferguson risked financial ruin by making unsecured loans to the black churches of the city to allow them to make bail for the civil rights workers who were placed in jail.

When you think of Ed Temple and the late M. G. Ferguson, you think of the word "Commitment," show your commitment and support this event on November 10, 1978—8:00 p.m., in the Tennessee State University Cafeteria. Donation: \$15.00 per person.

NOTE: All donations to Black Expo are tax deductible. We would appreciate 100% participation by the Nashville community and universities.

Ramps Being Constructed On Campus

In March of 1973, a census was conducted in the state of Tennessee, identifying 82,811 children between the ages of 5-18 as being handicapped. Because of the need of corrective educational services, many handicapped people have been denied the right to choose the school they would like to attend.

Under a new legislation of the Federal courts, provisions must be made to enable the disadvantaged a chance to select freely their own educational destiny.

Director of the Physical Plant, Wayne Reeves, and his assistant, George Morgan, are now undertaking plans to alleviate the problem on campus. "A federal requirement of all schools of higher learning is to make it possible for all students to travel from one area of the campus to another," said Reeves.

Handicapped ramps are being established at the West side of the Home Economics building, East side of the Lawson Hall, and the front entrance of Kean and Hankal Halls. "These ramps will enable a person in a wheelchair to gain entrance to a building. They will also have rails to help pull themselves up the buildings," commented Reeves.

Other buildings that will have these ramps are the Education, Student Union and Graduate Buildings and Wilson Hall. In addition, plans are also to change the steps in the Athletic Stadium to ramps.

"We are also planning to make parking zones or reserved areas for the handicapped," said Reeves.

The project which will cost an estimated \$20,000 is designed to satisfy the needs of the disadvantaged.

News Briefs

On October 9, senior students in Library Science 452, Administration of the School Library visited the Library Media Center at McGavock High School

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Dr. Evelyn Fancher and Mrs. Earline Hudson attended the Southeastern/Southwestern Library Association meeting in New Orleans, October 5-8. The chartered flight from Nashville included approximately 40 librarians representing all of the Nashville libraries.

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Dr. Franklin Jones, Acting Head of the Department of A.C.I. was guest speaker at an in-service meeting sponsored by the Metropolitan School System, in September. Dr. Jones talked with the teachers about the value of training ABE teachers in order to improve the quality of Adult Education. The conference was held at Rose Park School.

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Dr. Gretchen Payne attended the 1978 World Assembly of the International Council on Education for Teaching, held in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, in South America. Held in July, the general theme was, "Global Perspective on Teacher Education."

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Dr. Everette Witherspoon, Dean of the School of Education, participated in an Institute for Educational Management at Harvard University this summer.

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Mrs. Kathryn Cantrell has been invited to be a guest speaker at the Southwest Regional IRA Convention in Little Rock, Arkansas. Mrs. Cantrell will speak on "Taking Nonsense Out of Main Ideas with MRM Thought Units."

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Dr. Pearl Dansby was presenter on two panels at the American Psychological Association Convention in Toronto, Canada. She spoke on "Public Interest and Standards for Providers of Psychological Service" and the "Cohort Effect on Black Women."

Mrs. Juaqnita Jackson, Clinical Coordinator for the Speech Hearing and Language Development Center of the Department of Communication, attended a workshop sponsored by the Regional Access Project, State Training Office held October 4-6 at the Sheraton Hotel.

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Dr. Jamye C. Williams, who is president of the Nashville Chapter of American Women in Radio and Television, attended the Southern Area Conference October 6-8 in Orlando, Florida.

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Mrs. Karen Brown, instructor of Journalism, took her Elementary Journalism class on a field trip to the Nashville Banner on October 4.

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The T. E. Poag Players Guild, under the direction of W. Dury Cox, will present a play entitled *The Silver Cord*, by Sidney Howard, on October 30 and 31, at 8:00 p.m.

Health Care Calendar Set

Meharry Medical College is holding a Calendar of Events concerning Health Care Administration and Planning. The sessions are as follows:

- Oct. 9th—HCAP MISER
MMC Lower Lobby Kresge Center
- Oct. 25th—HCAP Rap Sessions
MMC Lecture Hall Kresge Center
- Nov. 15th—HCAP Rap Session
MMC Lecture Hall Kresge Center
- Dec. 9th—HCAP Rap Session
MMC Lecture Hall Kresge Center
- Jan. 24th—HCAP Rap Session
Kresge Center
MMC Lecture Hall Kresge Center
- Feb. 14th—Valentine Flowers
- Mar. 21st—HCAP Rap Session
MMC Lecture Hall Kresge Center
- April 7th—HCAP Awards & Fashion Show
MMC Student Center
- April 21st—HCAP Picnic

University Enrollment Increases

Tennessee State University has experienced a near 10% increase in students for the 1978 - 79 school term, school officials said this week.

According to Cass E. L. Teague, Director of Admissions and Records, TSU's total head count enrollment for the fall is 5,396 compared to 4,948 in the fall of 1977.

A number of factors account for the record increase in students, including a 452 increase in the number of foreign students. "Last fall our foreign student enrollment was 282 and this year it is over 413," he said.

Last spring's 900 students who were placed on academic probation caused a decrease in the fall enrollment and also marked the first time in several years TSU's enrollment was fewer than 5,000 students.

"I think another reason is that more students are staying in school after the freshmen year and we are getting a number of students transferring from other colleges and universities," Teague added.

The number of white students increased slightly over last year from by one percentage point to 142 of the total enrollment.

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GOODWILL MANOR is a colonial type residence located north of Harned Hall (Biology Building). It houses the Offices of Public Relations, Alumni Affairs and Special Programs.

Dr. Simmons Joins R.D. Staff

Dr. James Elwood Simmons recently joined the faculty at TSU as Associate Professor in the Department of Rural Development in the School of Agriculture and Home Economics.

A native of Randlett, Oklahoma, Dr. Simmons completed his secondary education at El Reno High School, followed by the B.S. and M.Ed. degrees, respectively, from Oklahoma State University. In 1976, he received his Ph.D. in Vocational Education from Nebraska University.

Having formerly served as Assistant Professor and Inservice Educator in the Adult and Occupational Department, Kansas State University, Dr. Simmons comes to TSU with over twenty years of experience in Agriculture Education, Agriculture Business and Natural Resources, Vocational Agriculture and research.

Dr. Simmons holds membership in Alpha Tau Alpha Honorary, and Collegiate FFA. Other activities have included Parolee Counselor (Juvenile), Softball Coach, member of Teacher Council Grant and U.S. Marine Corps.

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Freshman Students Major Test Dates

The University Testing Center will be administering to freshmen students the English Proficiency Examination on the following dates:

OCTOBER 9-10—8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 27-28 — 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

JANUARY 15-16—8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

APRIL 16-17—8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

Freshmen are asked to report to the 2nd floor of the old Library on these dates.

Wonderworks, III Exhibits TSU Art

The Wonderworks, III Sculptors Exhibit, now on display in Centennial Park, which extended invitations to 40 artists throughout the southeast to show their wares, has selected works by Art Department head, Ted Jones and Professor of Art, Greg Ridley for the showing. The art works will be on display at Centennial through October 29.

In the meantime, the entire Art Department has been invited to exhibit at the National Black Visual Arts Exhibition being held at Washington State University, Pullman, Washington, October 1 - through 31. Displaying art works at the exhibition are Ted Jones, Gregory Ridley, Nina Lovelace, and Viola Wood.