

FORMAL OPENING OF SHAW UNIVERSITY FRIDAY, SEPT. 21

RALEIGH — Formal opening exercises of the 80th school year of Shaw University will be held Friday, September 21, in the Greenleaf Memorial Chapel. It was announced this week.

W. R. Collins, principal of the Johnston County Training School of Smithfield, will give the principal address, and President Robert P. Daniel will introduce new staff members.

Collins is an alumnus of the institution and served several years as secretary of the Alumni Association.

Hampton Names New Department Heads

HAMPTON INSTITUTE, Va. — Dr. Frederick O. Inge, who formerly taught biology at Southern University, Florida, and E. C. Collier and Bennett College, has been appointed head of the biology department at Hampton Institute. Dr. Stephen J. Wright, dean of faculty, has announced. Dr. Inge succeeds Dr. T. W. Turner, former chairman of the department, who this month became professor emeritus of biology at Hampton.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota, Dr. Inge received the master's degree and the doctorate from Southern University. He was elected to membership in Sigma Xi, national honor society, and is also a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Botanical Society, and the American Society of Plant Physiologists.

Among the other new department heads at Hampton this year is James A. Cotton, previously on the staff of Virginia State College, who will be head of the tabling department. Mr. Cotton is a graduate of Virginia State College, where he received the Bachelor of Science degree in vocational education, and he has also pursued advanced study in technical education and vocational guidance at New York University.

Arthur E. Burke, associate professor of English, returns to Hampton this fall after a year of graduate study at the University of Wisconsin to be acting chairman of the Communications Center. Dr. Herbert F. Mells, recently appointed professor of music and director of the college choir, will be acting chairman of the music department in the absence of Miss F. Irene Sander, who is on sabbatical leave pursuing graduate studies at Columbia University.

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Assistant professor of clothing at the college will be Miss Edna Gleason, formerly of the staff of the Lincoln school at Teachers College, Columbia University, who has also taught at the Normal School in St. Cloud, Minn., the Horace Mann School, Virginia State College for Women, Cornell University, and the University of Iowa.

Washington High Conducts Counseling Service For Service Men

RALEIGH — The Washington High School has set up an Information and Counseling Service for Veterans under the direction of John H. Brown, Jr., Coordinator of Diversified Occupations at the school. The setting up of this service is an outgrowth of the State Conference on Vocational and Educational Problems of Returning Veterans, which was held in Raleigh last January, sponsored by the N. C. Occupational Information and Guidance Service of which Miss Ella Stephens Barrett is Acting State Supervisor. This Veterans Service is located in the office of the D. C. Coordinator at the local school.

The services of this office are being made available to all discharged personnel living in Raleigh and vicinity who may desire information and counsel on vocational and educational problems or problems relative to their making adjustment to civilian life. The school being an integral part of the community is desirous of rendering this service to the veteran in order to help him make the proper adjustments to civilian life.

For the benefit of those veterans returning to high school, all assistance possible, will be given toward evaluating their army and navy experience in terms of high school credit in accord with the recommendations of the American Council on Education.

Many veterans have already made use of the Veterans Service at the school and have been guided in the right channels for their best interest. At present there are four full time veteran students attending the Washington High School to continue their education with many expected to resume the high school studies when demobilization is stepped up.

Barnett And Patterson Asked To Remain On Staff Of Secy. Of Ag.

WASHINGTON — In response to a request from Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Barnett, both Claude A. Barnett, director of the Associated Negro Press, and Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee, will continue in their positions as special assistants and advisers to the Secretary.

In a letter addressed to Mr. Barnett, Nathan Koenig, executive assistant to the Secretary, said, "Secretary Anderson and I are aware of the important work you and Dr. Patterson have been doing, and the Secretary would like to have you both continue as his special assistants."

Following a conference last Tuesday with Mr. Koenig, in the absence of the Secretary who was away, Mr. Barnett and Dr. Patterson said they would serve as consultants and advisers to the Secretary on problems affecting Negro farmers. They said that one of their first problems would involve postwar agricultural adjustments.

The assistants pointed out that many white and colored farm families left the South during the war to take jobs in war industries. Further, they said that the mechanization of cotton production may cause them to migrate from the cotton lands. They expressed keen interest in the development of a program

in helping some of these farm families to get established on farms in other areas.

Mr. Barnett and Dr. Patterson were appointed special assistants to the former Secretary Claude R. Wickard in March, 1942, and continued on his staff until last May when they tendered their resignation shortly after he resigned as Secretary.

As special assistants to the Secretary during the war years, Mr. Barnett and Dr. Patterson played an important part in helping to mobilize colored farmers for all-out production of food and fiber. Partly through their efforts, 400 colored emergency workers were added to the Extension force to help show colored farmers how to increase their food production. Also during their tenure, scores of colored professional, sub-professional, and clerical workers were appointed both in the field and in the Washington office of the Department.

As formerly, Dr. Patterson and Mr. Barnett will have their headquarters at Tuskegee and Chicago respectively where also they will continue with their other work.

State Teachers College Alumni Plans Campaign For Athletics

FAYETTEVILLE — Members of the Alumni Association of Fayetteville State Teachers College received a call this week to aid in the athletic campaign that has just been initiated by Coach Gus Gaines. The Executive Committee through its chairman has agreed to bolster the athletic activities by supplying funds for uniforms and supplies. The crowning event of the campaign will be the Homecoming game when it is hoped 5,000 former graduates will be on hand.

The Association also began plans to have the reunion of graduating classes for every five years up to and including 1955 at the coming commencement. It is hoped, however, that classes in the five-year bracket over 25 will take part in the mammoth reunion program.

Genzenmuller To Attend Agriculture Meeting At A. And T. College

GREENSBORO — C. E. Genzenmuller, United War relief, community canning program, New York City, will attend the North Carolina Association of American, an affiliate of the National organization of Negro farm boys studying vocational agriculture in 23 schools in the state which will meet here Thursday and Friday, September 20 and 21, at Woodlawn farm, East of McConnell Road, S. B. Simmons, director, vocational agriculture, state Negro high schools, announced recently.

At the close of the meeting the association will turn over to Mr. Genzenmuller, representing, United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration 15,000 cans of foodstuff which has been prepared and collected in the communities from which the attendants come. The faithful farmers are cooperating with other youth organization in providing canned food for the starv-

EXPRESSES APPRECIATION TO WHITE MINISTER

RALEIGH — In the recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the NAACP, expressions of appreciation were put on record toward the White Raleigh Ministerial Association for steps taken by them recently published in regards to representation of colored speakers to white church groups, civic and other committees, as well as suggestions made by them that white ministers use their influence to promote better housing facilities and to obtain better accommodations for colored people on public conveyances and better treatment at stations.

In the report from the Executive Secretary, A. J. Turner, he says that the membership was increasing.

N. C. Scouters School Changed To J. C. Smith

The North North Carolina Scouters School will be held at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, September 27-30, instead of at A. T. College as previously announced.

In the report from the liberalized committee of Europe Simmons states that he anticipates a car load of canned food to be brought into the city for this purpose Friday.

Individuals and organizations desiring to assist in this program will contact Prof. Simmons at the A. T. College, Greensboro, N. C.

World War II Veteran Acquires Life's Ambition.

TUMPKA, Ala. — Willie Denson, Negro, World War II Veteran, Route 3, Wetumpka, at long last has realized his ambition to become a farm and home owner.

Denson was reared in Elmore County, Ala., and spent the greater part of his life working for wages and farming on shares. In 1942 he made application for a Farm Security Administration loan to start in farming. At that time he owned his household goods and was all the FSA approved a loan for \$223 with which to buy a mule, a cow and the bare necessities to enable him to farm. Subsequently, during the spring of that year he received a Food for Freedom loan from FSA in the amount of \$131 to purchase a cow, brood sow, chickens and additional equipment.

He held 3 1/2 worth of hogs and chickens that year and had an ample supply of meat for home consumption for 1942.

In November, 1942, Denson was drafted into the Army. His wife kept the hogs and livestock and gained part of her subsistence from the sale of pigs and chickens. He did not undertake to make any crops.

Denson was discharged from the Army on August 1, 1945. He worked at the cotton mill in Wetumpka for the remainder of the year, receiving 47 cent per hour. During that time he made payment on his account with the Farm Security Administration. In 1944 he resumed his farming operations, rearing a one-horse farm. He received an additional \$100 billiard loan of \$178 for seed, soil and fertilizer. He had a mule, mink and pig and part of his earnings from the cotton mill, he was able to purchase a cow and chickens.

At the end of the year he marketed four bales of cotton. He also had 150 bushels of corn, 18 bushels of wheat, 1 1/2 tons of oats and 30 bushels of syrup. His wife had a round garden from which she canned 200 quarts of fruits and vegetables. He met his payments to FSA.

It is expected that he will be able to purchase a home in the Farm Security program under terms of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act. His application was approved by the Country FSA Committee and he purchased a farm of 160 acres for \$2,135. He has purchased another mule and is operating his own two-horse farm this year. Denson plans to develop a good permanent pasture and temporary grazing unit and to make dairying his major enterprise in 1946.

C. B. Edwards, County FSA Supervisor, attributes Denson's success to his willingness to work and save, and to his eagerness to learn improved farming practice. Under terms of the Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act Denson has forty years to pay for his farm at an interest rate of 3 per cent. Like all desiring family type farm owners, however, he expects to pay it out at the earliest possible date according to Mr. Edwards.

Enterprising Business Man Opens Western Union Service

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (ANP) — The recent opening of a complete Western Union telegraph office in North Philadelphia is the result of tireless efforts on the part of a Negro business man, who in 1943 saw the need for adequate service in that part of the city.

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Milton J. Springs, former student of Delaware State and Storer College, began his business career in 1939 with the opening of an employment agency. Gradually he accumulated additional services and was one of the first Negroes to acquire an American Express agency franchise.

Ever since the inauguration of telegraph service, there has been little opportunity for colored persons to earn a livelihood in any phase of the system. Persistent effort on the part of civic groups and the pressure of public opinion has brought about a few changes. Only recently have colored messengers employed by Western Union.

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