

Students Study At National Laboratory

Dr. Sekender A. Khan, Chairman of the Biology Department, announced that three Elizabeth City State University students have been selected to study under the Brookhaven Semester Program, this semester. The sixteen-week program, Jan. 28 - May 17, is conducted at Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, Long Island, New York.

Leonard E. Holley successfully completed study and research at Brookhaven National Laboratory last year, the current selection brings to four, the number of ECSU students who will have studied at Brookhaven, over the past two years.

Among the group of three is Alma F. Jenkins, the top-ranking junior biology major in the department. A native of Selma, N. C., she has twice studied under Meharry Medical College's Summer Program. Jenkins is joined in studies in molecular biology and advanced chemistry courses, by junior biology major, Jerry Spruill. Spruill, a native of

Elizabeth City, N. C., participated, for the first time, in the Meharry Program, last summer. Rounding out the ECSU delegation is Alvin B. Gibson, senior biology-chemistry major, Elizabeth City, N. C. In 1971, he participated in the Health and Sciences Program, at UNC-Chapel Hill.

According to Dr. Khan, the Brookhaven Program is designed to encourage promising students from developing colleges and universities to seek careers in the fields of science and mathematics; and to expose students to the latest techniques, tools, and designs used in research. While at the National Laboratory, the ECSU students will be working with an experienced research team in biology or chemistry, attending classes conducted by members of the highly trained and professional Brookhaven staff, and attending formal and informal seminars. The Brookhaven Program is made possible through cooperative arrangements with the Regional Cooperative Association in Science and Mathematics, of which Dr. Khan is a member.



From left to right, Mr. Jerry Spruill, Ms. Alma Jenkins, and Mr. Alvin Gibson.

Youth Motivation Task Force

Elizabeth City State University held its second "Youth Motivation Program" February 6-8. The program was sponsored by the National Alliance of Businessmen, (NAB). The youth programs of the NAB are designed to encourage disadvantaged youth to remain in school and prepare themselves for a meaningful employment.

This is done by bringing disadvantaged youths into direct contact with successful businessmen and women from origins similar to their own. The programs are also designed to acquaint minority students with the real world of work in business and industry.

The youth Motivation Task Force consisted of seven successful businessmen and one woman. They were: Pernell S. Brice of Western Electric Co., Inc., Springfield, New Jersey; Miss Juanita Carter of

U. S. Steel Company, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mr. Ronald Young of Norton Company, Des Plaines, Ills.; Calvin Jones of Western Electric Company, Inc., Winston-Salem, N. C.; Lester Hale, of Hart Chassner Marx Clothes, Chicago, Ill.; Arthur Wyatt of American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Atlanta, Ga.; J. Douglas Conklin of First Union National Bank, Elizabeth City, N. C.; and an ECSU alumnus, Patrick Tyrance of Western Electric Co., Inc., Baltimore, Maryland.

The Youth Motivation Task Force was welcomed with a reception sponsored by Mr. William A. Pierce, Director of ECSU Office of Career Counseling and Placement. The agenda for the Task Force included a luncheon, visiting classrooms and dormitories to lecture, chatting with students and answering questions.

In Memory Of Dr. Sidney Williams

Dr. Sidney D. Williams died Monday, January 21, at his residence at Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y.

Dr. Williams was a native of Macon, Georgia and became president of what was then Elizabeth City State Teachers College in 1946.

Prior to that time he had served as vice principal and dean under the administrations of Presidents John H. Bias and Harold L. Trigg. His retirement in 1958 ended 29 years of service at Elizabeth City State, 12 as its president.

Under Dr. Williams' leadership at Elizabeth City State four-year institution received an "A" rating by the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

The curriculum was expanded to include a vocational technical program. Among new facilities constructed from 1945-1958 were a women's dormitory, a teacher's dormitory, an infirmary, a science building, several faculty and staff cottages, an athletic field

and a physical education and fine arts building which bears his name.

In 1969, by action of the board of trustees of Elizabeth City State University, the title of president-emeritus was bestowed upon Dr. Williams.

He is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Williams Holmes of Jamaica.



Dr. Sidney Williams

Retired Chief Warrant Officer, Robert J. Jones, noting the need for educational opportunities for personnel at the local U. S. Coast Guard base, suggested the possibility of Elizabeth City State University stepping in to fill the void. The suggestion by Jones, now an Internal Auditor for the University, led to a luncheon meeting between ECSU administrators and representatives from the three commands at the Coast Guard base.

During the luncheon, Assistant Academic Dean, Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins, joined Chancellor Marion D. Thorpe in explaining the kinds of programs now available and planned, at ECSU. Jones expressed the need, among the coast guardsmen, for "the kind of education that would prepare them for advancement, promotions and self improvement, as well as for the return to civilian life." It was felt that CESU, an accredited, degree-granting and constituent institution of the University of North Carolina, could best meet those needs.

The question and answer period found the Coast Guard officials very appreciative, interested and receptive of ECSU's planned efforts to make it possible for coast guardsmen, stationed here, to begin, continue and complete their college education. Heading the Coast Guard delegation were: Capt. L. M. Bracken, Commander of the Coast Guard Air Base; Captain W. S. Patterson, Commander of the

Coast Guard Air Station; and Capt. L. V. Donohoe, Commander of the Coast Guard Aircraft Repair and Supply Center. They were joined by Commanders G. F. Viveiros, C. W. Swickley, and A. H. Wagner, Executive Officers of the three commands; Ensign E. M. Tyler, Jr., Personnel Officer; Lt. (j.g.) R. C. Foley, Education Officer; and W. L. Smith, Civilian Training Officer.

Following the appointment of Dr. Jenkins as coordinator of the project, ECSU accepted an invitation from the U. S. Coast Guard base to visit the base and make presentations outlining current offerings, admissions policies, projected plans, and other areas involved in the full implementation of the joint venture. Joined by Dr. Benjamin F. Speller, Assistant Dean - Special Programs; Mrs. Catherine B. Gardner, Recruiter and Admissions Counselor; and Jones, Dr. Jenkins met with interested personnel of the three commands.

Dr. Jenkins explained that, "in addition to the regular day schedule of classes, ECSU now has an Extended Day Program that will enable you to enroll in one or two evening courses, during your off-duty hours."

"These courses, in nine of the ten academic areas, can be used as credit toward a degree in a field of your choosing," Dr. Jenkins indicated.

It was pointed out that, in addition to accepting transfer credits from other colleges, "the designation of ECSU as a

College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) testing center now makes it possible for the coast guardsmen to take the General or Subject Examinations, receiving college credit for a variety of experiences or college-level educational opportunities to which they have already been exposed."

Impressed with the cooperation of officials at the Coast Guard base, and with the high level of interest shown by the Coast Guard personnel, Dr. Jenkins later revealed that, "ECSU has applied for membership in the Servicemen's College Opportunity Program (SCOP). Upon approval of the application, coast guardsmen will then be able to enroll in degree-granting programs, making ECSU their base institution."

"This will mean that, should you be assigned to another duty station, ECSU will grant credit for courses taken at any accredited institution, while you are on assignment to another locality," Dr. Jenkins clarified.

The importance of taking college courses for cultural enrichment and self-improvement, as well as the availability of educational opportunities for the wives of these servicemen was also stressed. The ECSU delegation informed the Coast Guard personnel "We will be glad to assist any of you, on an individual basis, with the completion of forms, application for admissions, administration of tests, and the selection of courses or major fields of study."

Extended Day Schedule

Evening classes are in session at Elizabeth City State University under a program called the Extended Day Schedule.

The Extended Day Schedule will allow full-time employed persons who may wish to pursue a college education to do so in the evenings. The courses offered in this program may lead to a degree, and will

satisfy teacher certification or certificate renewal requirements.

Courses included in the Extended Day Schedule Program are: Biological Science Survey, Microbiology, Language Arts Workshop, Children's Literature, Basic Statistics, Mathematics Seminar, Computer Science, International Relations, Political and Social Philosophy, Introduction

to Marketing, Journalism, Business Law, Data Processing II, Adult Education, Problems in Library Science, Art Appreciation, Figure Drawing, Art Problems, Life Saving and Water Safety, Industrial Arts for Intermediate School Teacher, Leathercraft and Senior Seminar.

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