

DR. JONES RESIGNS



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Nationalist China Extends Invite To Liu

Fayetteville -- Dr. Shia-Ling Liu, Fayetteville State College professor of history - political science; has received a special invitation from the Nationalist China government, FSC President Rudolph Jones announced today.

Dr. Liu has been asked to attend three high-level political-educational conferences during the latter part of March and early April.

The meetings are scheduled for Taipei, Taiwan and include the International Sinological Conference, March 25-27, Chinese Overseas Affairs Conference, March 28-April 2, and a conference comprising Chinese students-scholars educated abroad, especially in the United States, Japan and Western Europe.

"Explosions of Sinological Studies in the 1950's and 1960's" will be the theme of the initial conference. According to Dr. Liu, it will deal with major developments of related programs during the stated periods.

The second meeting will deal primarily with Chinese residents in foreign countries.

Dr. Liu feels that the latter meeting will be concerned with strengthening Chinese efforts to reverse the so-called "brain drain". Specifi-

cally to encourage native Chinese intellectuals to return to their native land to teach and lecture for a few years.

"More than 1,000 students leave China each year to come to the United States to study," Dr. Liu said. Prior to coming to the United States, Dr. Liu was employed by his government in the Ministry of Education Office. He was the Executive Secretary, Guidance Committee for Students Educated Abroad.

Needless to say, Dr. Liu is excited about this opportunity to return home. "I will be teaching "History of the Far East" during the second nine-weeks of the academic 68-69 semester; and "Political History of Contemporary China" during the summer session. I plan to use the trip to gather additional materials for the courses and visit family and friends," he said.

Dr. Liu said that the Nationalist Chinese government has scheduled several workshops, briefings and guided tours for participants and he hopes to visit some of the offshore islands while there.

Dr. Liu is a political columnist for the China Daily News and the publisher on learning of Dr. Liu's invitation wired him and said "Happy to

learn of your inclusion of scholars and intellectuals invited to return home."

Dr. Liu is the author of two books "History of Western Political Thought" and "International Relations". He is a frequent contributor to scholarly publications. Presently, he is working on a book concerning United States Policy toward Mainland China.

He holds a graduate degree from the University of Cincinnati and the doctorate degree in political science from North Texas State University.

His affiliations include Phi Delta Kappa, American Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, and the Association for Asian Studies.

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Recently entertaining the GI's at Fort Bragg Womack Army Hospital were fifteen lovely and energetic Pyramids of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. of F.S.C. The evening was spent entertaining GI's that were physically able to leave the wards, while others visited patients that were refined to bed. Both Pyramids and GI's enjoyed a well-planned evening of stimulating activities and fun.



Health And Personal Reasons Main Factors

The Trustees of Fayetteville State College revealed March 18, that the resignation of President Rudolph Jones, submitted at a regular meeting on January 30th, had reluctantly been accepted.

A committee of three has been appointed to seek a successor to Dr. Jones. He is scheduled to leave the FSC post on July 31, 1969.

In stepping down from the \$22,000 post Dr. Jones said he considered this action appropriate because of his "health and for other personal reasons."

Now serving in his 13th year as head of the institution, Jones has seen significant improvements during his tenure of office. The curriculum has been expanded. The number of students and teachers has doubled. Faculty salaries have more than doubled. Many new staff members have been added. Expansion of the physical plant has been exceptional. Physical facilities that have been improved include the construction of seven new buildings, extensive roadways, walkways, parking areas, and campus lighting. They also include renovation of three buildings, the construction of four tennis courts and a track on the athletic field. The college has purchased over 60 acres of land across the

railroad from the present campus. On this tract ground will soon be broken for a new administration building and a new student center.

Under the Jones administration the college has succeeded in getting funds from the federal government and from foundations. With a part of such money seven regular teachers are doing further study at universities this year and about

twenty are expected to study during the summer of 1969.

The quality of the student body has improved as the college no longer has an "open door" policy and the standards for admission are being raised yearly.

A College Foundation has been initiated and a Development Office has been opened on a part time basis. After July 1, 1969 this will become a full time office and the college hopes to secure increasing contributions from business, industry, foundations, and friends.

In submitting his resignation President Jones thanked the Trustees for their encouragement and support. He said he had enjoyed the honor and respect accorded him as a college president. He reminded the Trustees however, that in recent years the stresses and tensions of the office have

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Dr. Jones' most recent project was the college endowment program. He is shown above, second from left, welcoming members to the F.S.C. Foundation Executive Club. With him are J.H. Cook, chairman of the F.S.C. Board of Trustees; J. R. Spiney, Burlington Mills; T. A. Hood, North Carolina National Bank and R. F. Yarborough, Fayetteville Observer.