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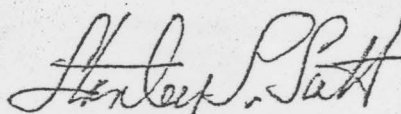
The White House
Washington

[Sept. 1974]

SEE ATTACHED LIST--IDENTICAL TELEGRAM)

ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT WE EXTEND TO YOU AN
INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST IN A SERIES OF
MEETINGS AT THE WHITE HOUSE TO FOCUS ON SOME OF THE
PROBLEMS FACING BLACKS NATIONWIDE. THE SEPTEMBER 13
MEETING WILL LAST FROM 9-11 AM. DETAILS WILL FOLLOW
BY MAIL.

RSVP TO MY OFFICE BY SEPT. 9, 202/456-2587.



STANLEY S. SCOTT
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT



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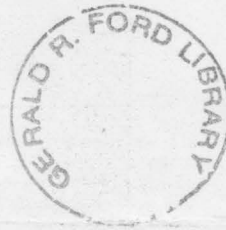


America's First College owned
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Wilberforce University
Wilberforce, Ohio 45384

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 4, 1974



The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

Wilberforce University cordially invites you to deliver the Founders' Day Convocation address on Tuesday, February 26, 1975 at 2:00 p.m.

Upon the recommendation of the faculty and with the approval of the Board of Trustees, Bishop H.I. Bearden, Chairman, Wilberforce University has voted to confer upon you the honorary degree, Doctor of Laws. This honor is proffered in the light of your distinguished public service and of your willingness to accept the challenge of the Presidency of this great nation, to which you have already brought new direction and great hope.

On this occasion we also plan to confer the honorary degree, Doctor of Humanities, on our mutual and outstanding friend, Mayor Lyman Parks, of Grand Rapids, an alumnus of Wilberforce University.

Wilberforce University, organized in 1856, represents the first effort of Negroes in America to offer themselves higher education. Today, we are bringing contemporary relevance to our ancient proud tradition through our unique and highly successful Cooperative Education Program.

We feel that in honoring you we are adding great stature to ourselves, and we hope that you will be present to receive this well-deserved accolade.

bcc: Congressman Clarence J. Brown
Bishop H.I. Bearden
Mayor Lyman Parks
Mr. LeRoy Jeffries ✓
Mr. Gillespie
Dean Taylor
Dean Jackson
Mr. Monks
Mr. Crauder

Very respectfully yours,

Rembert Stokes
Rembert Stokes
President



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Mr. Stanley S. Scott
Special Assist. to the President
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Grambling College
R. W. E. JONES, PRESIDENT
Grambling, Louisiana 71245

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 5, 1974

The President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W.
Washington, DC 20500



Dear Mr. President:

As a citizen of this great country, I want you to know that I, along with millions and millions of others, thank Almighty God for you and the Christian leadership that you are affording all of us. A Christian, a husband, a father, a leader with the outstanding principles of honesty, integrity, truthfulness, knowledge and understanding is priceless.

With God on your side and as a possessor of these noble traits, you will succeed.

On September 28, 1974 at 1:30 p.m., Grambling State University of Grambling, Louisiana and Morgan State University of Baltimore, Maryland will engage in a football game at John F. Kennedy Stadium in Washington, D. C. An immense crowd is expected.

Would you kindly accept this letter as an invitation to be present at this game. It would further be an act of brotherhood if our coaches and players could meet you at the White House and see you in person. To all of us, this would be an unforgettable experience.

We are extending an invitation to our most distinguished leader, the Honorable Edwin Edwards, Governor of Louisiana, to attend this classic. Having both of you in attendance would mark a highlight in the lives of many citizens.

May you and your wonderful family continue to enjoy health, happiness and success. This is the prayer of many.

Very respectfully yours,


R. W. E. Jones
President

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cc: Governor Edwin Edwards
Senator Russell B. Long
Senator Bennett Johnston
Congressman Otto E. Passman
✓ Mr. Stanley S. Scott
Coach Eddie Robinson
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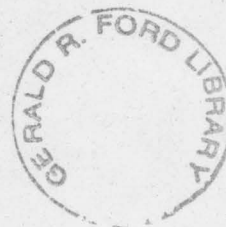


Grambling College
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Grambling, Louisiana 71245

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 5, 1974

The Honorable Edwin Edwards
Governor of Louisiana
State Capitol, P. O. Box 44004
Baton Rouge, LA 70804



My dear Friend:

There is a newly coined expression that bespeaks success and accomplishments which, at this time, I wish to apply to you as Governor of our great state:
"Keep on keeping on."

It is my good fortune to have served under eight governors and the citizens of Louisiana are more than proud of you and your most outstanding leadership. I am proud to be an American and I am equally as proud to work under your magnificent guidance and to be a citizen of Louisiana.

You are fair and just in your dealings with all mankind, regardless to race, color or creed. No one can deny this true fact.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter to our President, inviting him to the football classic which will be played in Washington, D. C. at the John F. Kennedy Stadium on September 28, 1974 at 1:30 p.m. This letter serves as an invitation to you to attend the game.

As I stated to President Ford, the presence of both of you will do inestimable good for many years to come. The people need you. This is the simplest manner that this great fact can be stated.

May God heap His many blessings upon you and yours.

Most sincerely yours,

R. W. E. Jones
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President

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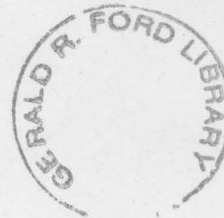
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HAMPTON INSTITUTE
HAMPTON, VIRGINIA 23668

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 5, 1974

President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500



Dear President Ford:

On Sunday morning, May 25, 1975, Hampton Institute will hold its annual Commencement Exercises completing its 107th year of continuous operation. We would be very much honored if you would accept our invitation to serve as the speaker for this occasion.

Hampton Institute is a predominantly Black (88%), coeducational, nonsectarian college located in Hampton, Virginia. Our institution was founded by Samuel Chapman Armstrong, a Union Brevet General. The college has enjoyed a long and productive history which has included much interaction with influential figures in Washington. Numbered among these are several Presidents including Presidents Taft, Garfield, Harding and Theodore Roosevelt.

History indicates that Hampton Institute was quite important in the mending of relations between the North and the South following the Civil War. Franklin Delano Roosevelt appointed the sixth president of Hampton Institute as the initial director of the Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC). My immediate predecessor, Dr. Jerome Holland, resigned as president of Hampton Institute to accept an appointment by President Richard Nixon to serve as Ambassador to Sweden. These are merely a few randomly selected bits of information to indicate the type of national service Hampton Institute has offered during the past century.

Serving on our Board of Trustees are many distinguished personalities who have served and are serving our great country wherever possible. Among these are the Honorable Ellsworth Bunker of the Department of State, the Honorable Linwood Holton, former Governor of Virginia, now of the Department of State, and the Honorable Samuel R. Pierce, Jr., who answered the call to serve in the Treasury Department of our nation. I

President Gerald Ford
September 5, 1974

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should mention here that Governor Holton will give our Founder's Day address on January 26, 1975.

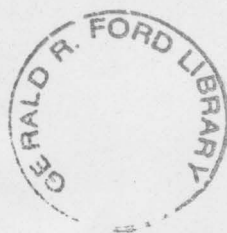
Hampton Institute services an enrollment of approximately 2,700 students. These students hail from 39 states and 19 foreign countries. Our college is composed of a graduate division and five undergraduate divisions with 28 departments. We offer degrees in such areas as architecture, nursing, engineering, mass media arts (radio, journalism and television), speech pathology and audiology, business and liberal arts.

Before coming to Hampton Institute, I had the privilege of serving five years on the faculty of the Medical School of the University of Michigan where I also completed my graduate work for the master's and doctorate degrees. During my stay in Ann Arbor, Michigan, I belonged to the church pastored by the Reverend Lyman S. Parks, who now serves as Mayor of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Our families became good friends during our 11 years in Michigan.

I have taken the liberty to enclose two brochures which will provide further information about our college as well as its relationship to the community. We are very proud of our "Town-Gown" relationship. As a result of the cooperative efforts of all the people and organizations of our community, Hampton was designated an All America City in April, 1973.

In past years I have been very pleased to have had the opportunity to work closely with Mr. Stanley Scott of your office. Mr. Scott has been most congenial and helpful. I consider him a credit to the office of the President and the nation.

I do hope you will find it possible to react favorably to our invitation. Our Commencement Exercises are held in the Hampton Roads Coliseum and usually attract more than 10,000 people. We would be most pleased to have you share this occasion with us.



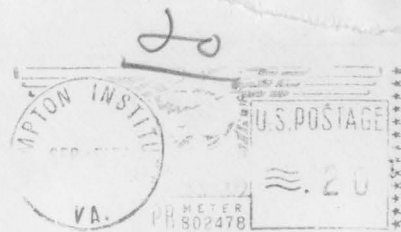
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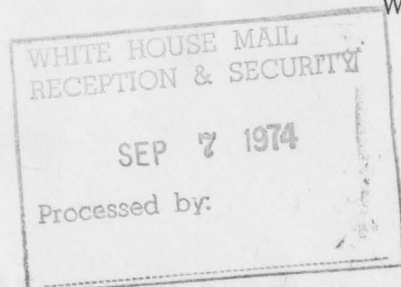
Roy D. Hudson
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President

cc: The Honorable Stanley Scott
Special Assistant to the President
The Honorable Linwood Holton
Assistant Secretary of State

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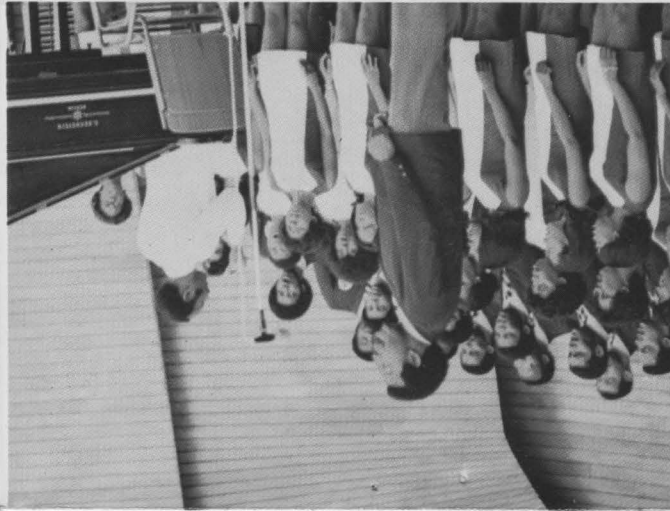
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The Journal of The American Institute of Architects cited **The Department of Architecture** for its program of teaching architecture by assisting near-by cities in community planning.



Ever since the 1890's the music of Hampton Institute has been known at the world level. Shown here is the **Hampton Institute Concert Choir** being televised in Stockholm, Sweden on its 1970 triumphal Scandinavian tour.



The **Division of Business** has a cooperative education program offering business majors the opportunity to gain valuable experience in many aspects of the business world.



EXPENSES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1974-75

On-Campus

Application fee (payable with application)	\$ 10.00
Matriculation fee (due within 15 days after acceptance)	50.00
*Advance deposit (new students: 15 days after acceptance; continuing students: on or before March 1)	50.00
Total for official acceptance	\$ 110.00

FIRST SEMESTER

Tuition & basic fees (see note below)	\$1,320.00
Course & laboratory fees (to be billed)	
Sub total	\$1,320.00
*Less advance deposit payment	50.00
Amount due August 1, 1974	\$1,270.00

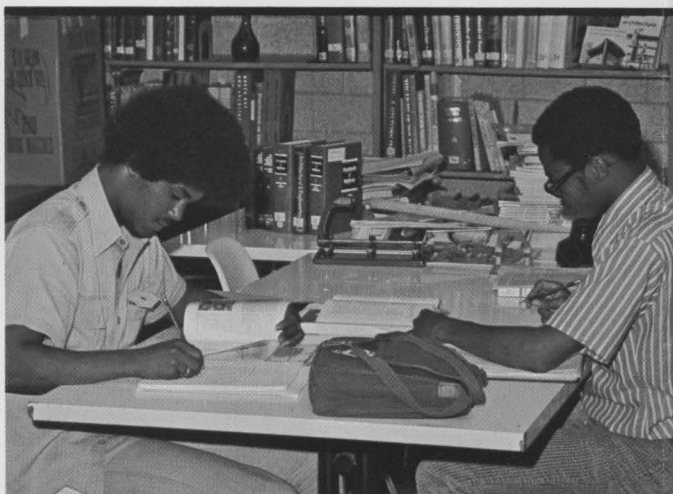
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NOTE: Basic fees include the registration, health, activity, and student center fees.

Off-Campus Residents Total is \$1,770.00

The **Division of Graduate Studies** offers the degree of Master of Arts in administration and supervision, elementary education, French, guidance, secondary education including the natural sciences and mathematics, physical education, and social sciences.



FINANCIAL AID

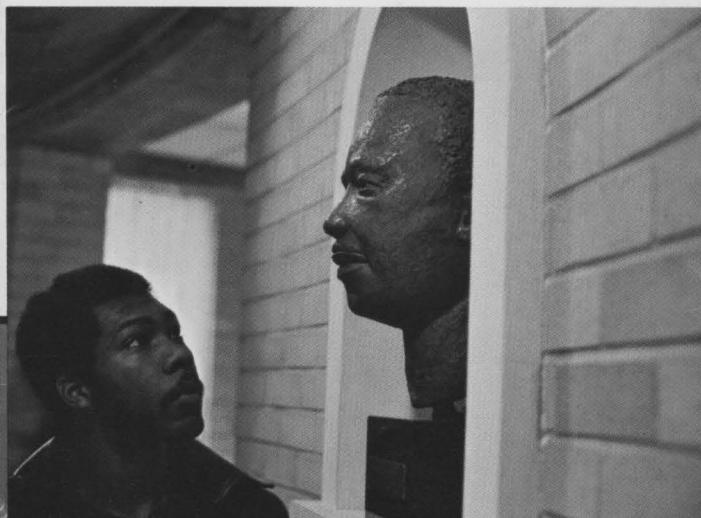
Students who are unable to meet the total cost of their college education may receive aid in the form of scholarships, grant-in-aid, loans, or part-time employment. Forty-three per cent of all Hampton students receive financial aid in amounts up to \$2,300 per school year.

EARN AS YOU LEARN

During the final two years at Hampton Institute and at The George Washington University, students who qualify may earn a large percentage of their expenses through the Cooperative Education Programs.

Hampton's enrollment, during the past three years, has averaged 2600 students. The student-teacher ratio is 14-1.

For further information write:
Dean of Admissions and Registrar
Hampton Institute
Hampton, Virginia 23668



HAMPTON INSTITUTE BELIEVES THAT MAN'S WORK SHOULD BE HIS OWN SELF-EXPRESSION IN WHICH HE ALWAYS ATTEMPTS TO KEEP THE SUPREME VALUES OF LIFE IN FOCUS.

HAMPTON INSTITUTE

CENTER FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
OF
EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

check it out!



The **Department of Nursing** attracts both men and women students, all of whom get clinical experience in local hospitals.



The **Division of Education** is limitless in its aspirations and rewarding in its results, one of which was H.E.W.'s naming of the Hampton Institute Nongraded Laboratory School, "a national model."



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A SPECIAL FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM IN ENGINEERING

Hampton Institute has joined forces with George Washington University's School of Engineering and Applied Science, Washington, D.C., in a new program in engineering and science begun in August 1973. This is a five-year program leading to degrees both from **Hampton Institute** and **The George Washington University**. Students enrolled in this program will spend their first three years at Hampton Institute, during which they will acquire the most advanced background in mathematics, physics, chemistry, the humanities and the social sciences.

During the final two years of the five, at The George Washington University, students may specialize in any of the accredited major areas of engineering: Civil Engineering or either of the following two options, a) Environmental Civil Engineering; b) Computer-oriented Civil Engineering. Electrical Engineering or the following option, Computer Science. Mechanical Engineering or the following option, Computer-oriented Mechanical Engineering.

After successful completion of course work at The George Washington University, School of Engineering and Applied Science, the student will receive: a degree of **Bachelor of Science** with major designation, e.g., Bachelor of Science (Electrical Engineering) from The George Washington University, and a degree of **Bachelor of Science** from Hampton Institute.



The **Hampton Institute Museum** is visited by hundreds of people each year from all over the world to view the oldest (started in 1911), and one of the finest, collections of African art objects found anywhere.

The **Annual Hampton Institute Jazz Festival**, presently recognized internationally, furnished the subject matter and the incentive to include "the roots of jazz" in the official music curriculum of this college.

FOREIGN STUDY OPPORTUNITY

During their junior year, Hampton students may qualify for foreign study in which they are privileged to enroll in a college in one of several foreign countries. In recent years, Hampton students have spent one semester of study in Egypt, England, France, Greece, Germany, Japan, Turkey and Spain. Other travel-lecture-study programs are conducted in European and African countries by Hampton Institute during the one month periods between the first and second semesters, both for undergraduate and graduate students. (The first semester begins during the third week of August and ends during the second week in December. The second semester begins during the third week in January and ends during the third week of May.)

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Every candidate must present satisfactory credentials as to his ability, character and health, including secondary school record; level of performance on the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board; recommendations of school principal and other persons qualified to file information about the applicant's personal qualities, background, and experience; health record; and an autobiographical statement describing the students' experiences and educational objectives. Application blanks are furnished by the Dean of Admissions and Registrar upon request.

Written and designed by
Mack M. Greene P/R Dept., Hampton Institute
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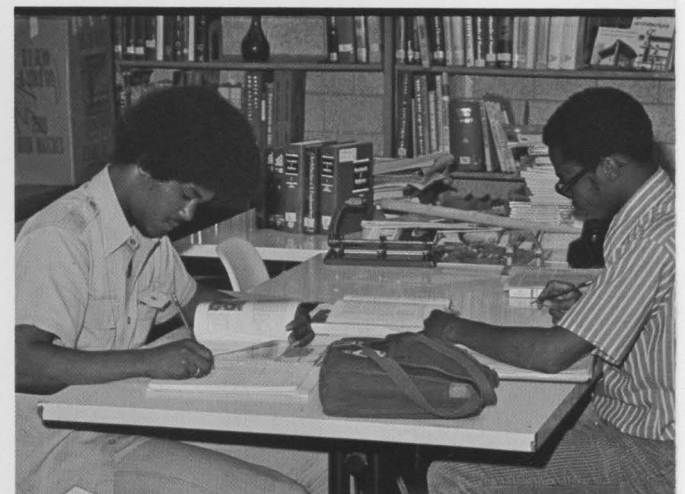
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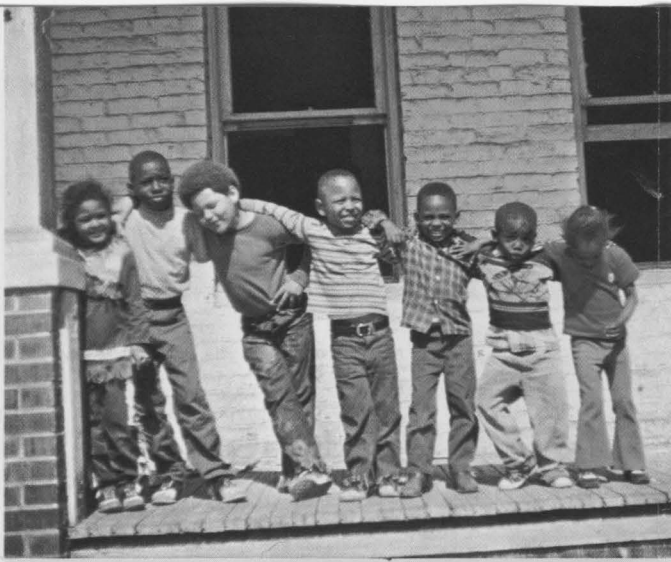
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Many of Hampton's programs are designed for and geared to keeping the sparkle of hope alive and shining in the eyes of children such as those shown above. Indeed, we believe that this group picture above may well include future Hampton graduates of great promise.



The students' skills are sharpened by learning to use modern tools. Shown here are participants in **undergraduate biomedical research** interpreting spectrophotometric data.



The **Director of the Communication Center** (right) with a consultant and students discussing the concept, that the free man is his own best teacher. The responsibility of the faculty is to discover how to assist the students in becoming their best selves.

THE COLLEGE

This bulletin has been prepared for the **thinking** high school graduate—and for those who might be advising students on the selection of a college—wherever they may be located in the world.

Hampton Institute is a century old, privately supported non-denominational, co-educational, liberal arts and technical college. Hampton's worldwide reputation as one of the nation's leading multi-purpose small colleges has been recognized for decades.

ITS PURPOSE...

A dual purpose lies behind the organization of Hampton Institute. First, the academic purpose has made the college a model teaching—learning—living CENTER, giving top priority to good teaching; placing the learner at the center of its planning; devoting study and research to the potential needs and learning experiences of students as well as to the disciplines to be studied.

Second, the administrative purpose is to improve the efficiency in all aspects of the institution by continually improving the quality of education it provides its students.

The curricular structure of Hampton Institute is organized under six divisions with their respective departments and offerings as follows:

THE DIVISION OF BUSINESS consists of the following departments: accounting and insurance; business education; and, management and marketing. **THE DIVISION OF EDUCATION** has the departments of: early childhood education; elementary education; physical education,

THE EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES CENTER

is composed of seven areas, namely: The Communication Center, Freshman Studies, Educational Testing, Financial Counseling, Student Affairs, Psychological Services, and Placement Services. They have been formed into one functional organization for the sole purpose of assisting the individual student with his or her personal needs from matriculation to post college placement.

AND ITS PROGRAMS

health and recreation; and, secondary education. **THE DIVISION OF FINE ARTS AND HUMANITIES** includes the departments of: art; English; history; mass media arts; modern foreign languages; music; and, speech and drama. This division also teaches studies in philosophy and religion. **THE DIVISION OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES** is composed of the departments of: biological sciences; mathematics; nursing; physical sciences; and, speech pathology and audiology; and a special five-year course in engineering. **THE DIVISION OF SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES** is made up of the departments of architecture; economics; human ecology; political science; psychology; sociology; and military science. This division also teaches and coordinates interdisciplinary African-American studies.



There is an aura of pleasantness throughout the campus where students can be alone together.

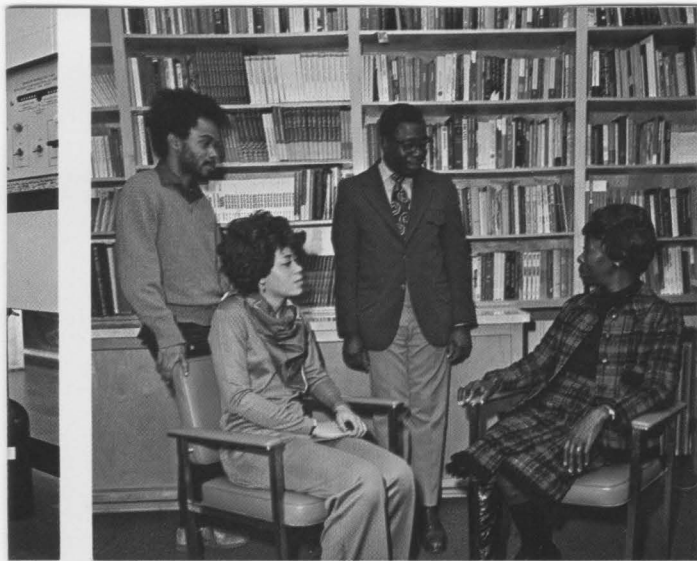
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THE COLLEGE CAMPUS



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The **Director of the Communication Center** (right) with a consultant and students discussing the concept, that the free man is his own best teacher. The responsibility of the faculty is to discover how to assist the students in becoming their best selves.



Students in **human ecology** join their teacher in studying the effects of a variety of environments on fabrics used in today's clothing. This instrument greatly reduces the time factor in securing valid findings related to normal usage of the fabric.



Shown here, student majors in **mass media arts** are learning the skills of television production. This department is providing large numbers of students with knowledge and experience in all aspects of the communications industries.

ROGRAMS

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Here, living is learning and learning is living where teachers and students live and learn together. By placing students on all policy making committees and electing students as voting members to the Board of Trustees, the Student Government joins the faculty, the administration and the trustees in formulating policies affecting the general welfare of the college.

The **B.S., B.A., and B. Arch degrees** are offered in the above departments.

For the **DIVISION OF GRADUATE STUDIES** and the **SPECIAL FIVE-YEAR PROGRAM IN ENGINEERING** with The George Washington University, Washington, D. C., see reverse side.

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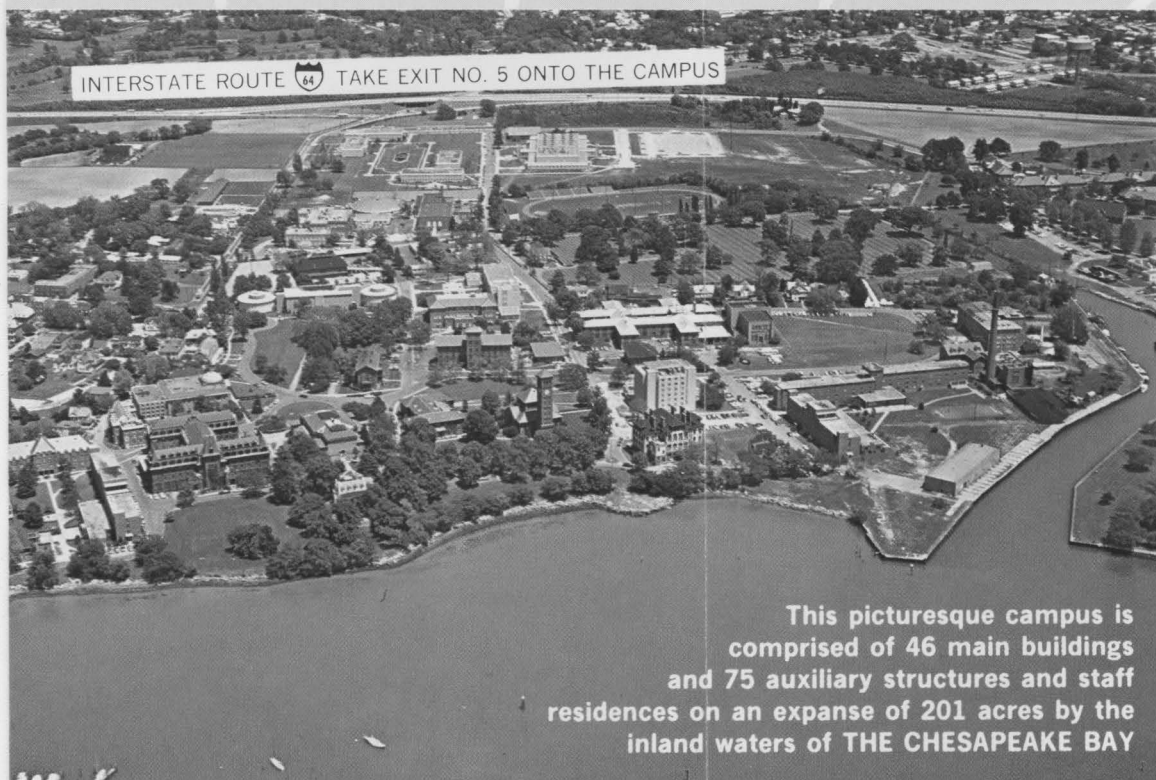
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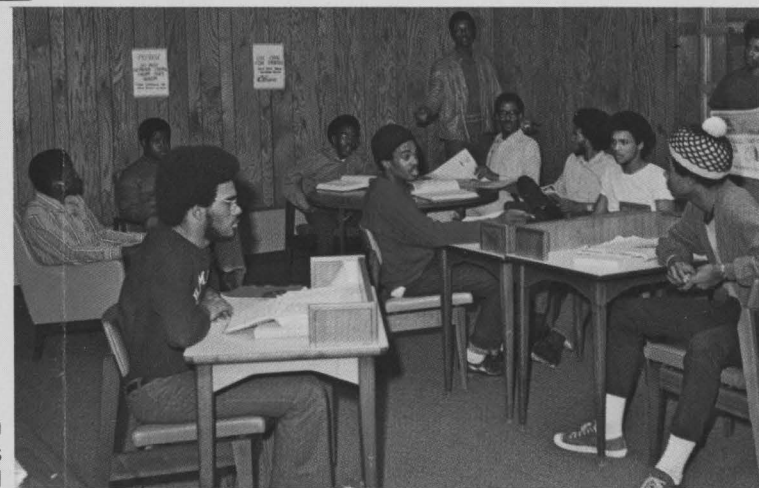
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THE COLLEGE CAMPUS

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This picturesque campus is comprised of 46 main buildings and 75 auxiliary structures and staff residences on an expanse of 201 acres by the inland waters of **THE CHESAPEAKE BAY**



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Men's
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In addition to a well-rounded intramural and intercollegiate sports program, Hampton provides its students and faculty a lecture series and a cultural and musical arts program of world figures. The visits of these people of great personal achievement afford the students and faculty fresh insights and a broadening exchange of views on many areas of human experience.

Merely staying even in the educational process means falling behind. A university needs to reach forward . . . to explore, or the meaning of education is lost . . . progress is halted.

Contributions to the HAMPTON INSTITUTE ANNUAL FUND will provide the aid we need to excel. Your gift, **no matter what its size**, is important. You help increase the number of participants. And **numbers are important, because the vitality of Hampton Institute is judged by the number of individuals and organizations who care enough to support its program.**

OUR GOAL FOR 1972-1973

Hampton Institute must raise \$350,000. Peninsula residents are being asked to give \$50,000 of that amount. You will be investing in scholarships; an educational resources center; faculty and staff development; general plant operations; expansion of the library holdings; athletic program development; and the foreign study program.

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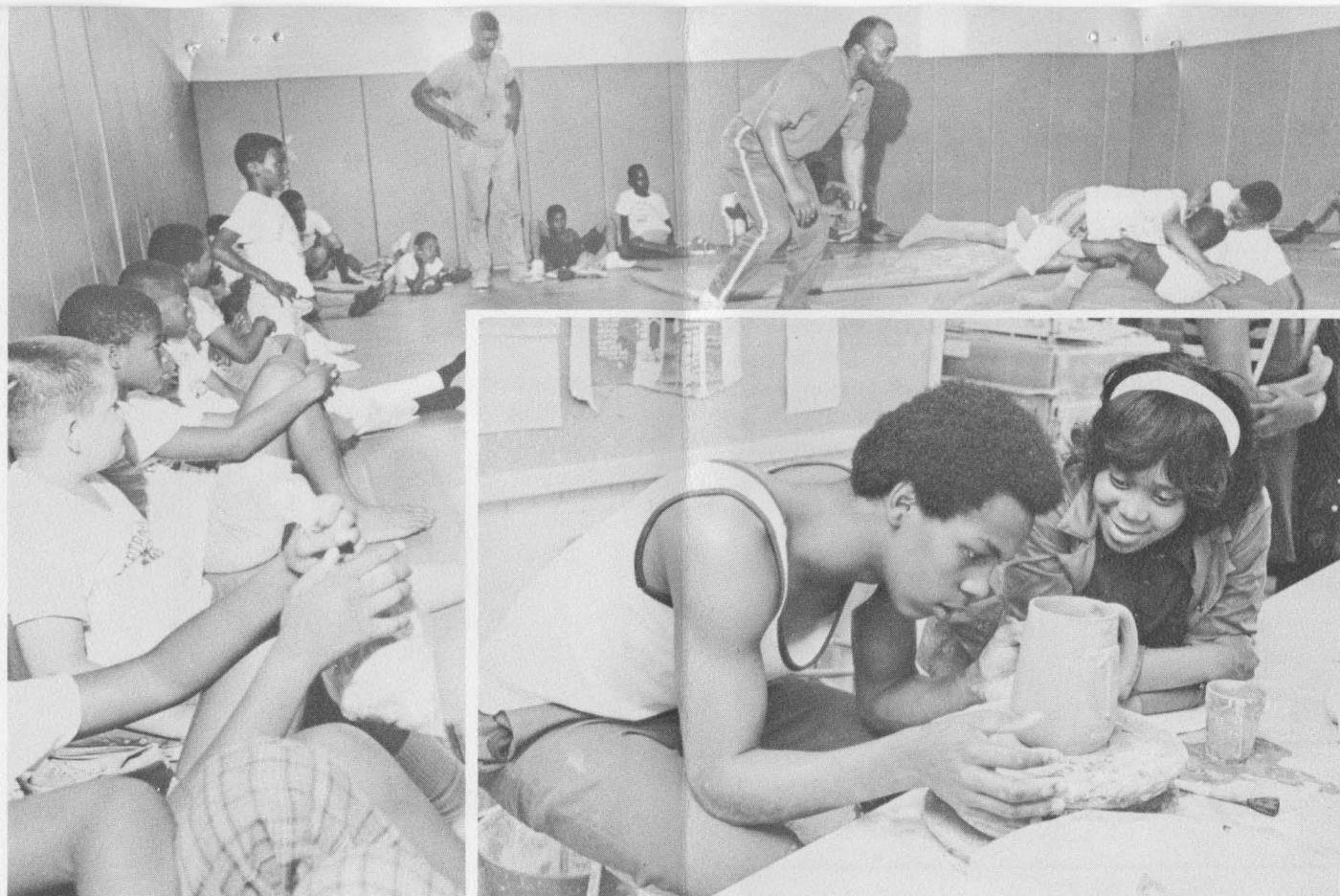
More than 100 years of heritage and tradition in Virginia

Since 1868 the people of Virginia and the campus have grown together, enjoying a worthy relationship. Virginia has provided a cordial home to Hampton Institute, and the college has returned a creative contribution to the growth of the larger community. This interaction has long since become a part of our heritage and tradition.

It is hard to put down on the printed page the full meaning of our heritage and tradition. Yet it is possible to point to some of the accomplishments from which our heritage, tradition, and progress spring:

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- **UPWARD BOUND:** Informing youth with the fact of college as a better way to success.
- **CLINICAL SERVICES:** Cost-free help for children who have serious problems with hearing and speech.
- **EMERGENCY SCHOOL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:** State-wide technical assistance to communities solving school desegregation problems.
- **PROJECT H.I.D.E.:** Dealing with drug abuse through counseling . . . on and off campus.
- **NATIONAL SUMMER YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM:** Building strong bodies through organized and supervised activities.
- **HUNTINGTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY:** Making more than 100,000 books and periodicals available for public use.
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- All of these and others are important fringe benefits from an institution of higher learning which has "educated for life" a predominantly Black student body since 1868.

Your support has helped in the past, but Hampton Institute has current needs which must be met if we are to attain the goals established for the institution and its students.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

DATE: September 5, 1974
FROM: Stanley S. Scott *SSS*
VIA: Warren Rustand

MEETING:

President Ford indicated an interest in meeting with key Black Republicans to let them personally know that he wants and needs their support in building an America for all Americans. My office has received numerous requests from a wide cross-section of Black Republicans to meet the Chief Executive and be assured by him that he will work to make the GOP truly the "Party of the Open Door."

DATE:

Friday, September 13.

PURPOSE:

To demonstrate his desire to broaden the base of the Republican Party with Blacks as a major part of this effort. To demonstrate the President's commitment to bring the Nation together.

FORMAT:

The Roosevelt Room

SPEECH MATERIAL:

Remarks will emphasize (1) the President's determination to heal the Nation's wounds and bring the Nation together; (2) open door policy; (3) broadening the GOP with Black support; (4) value of two-party system; (5) search for solutions to inflation, high unemployment and other social and economic problems affecting minorities and the Nation's largest cities. Remarks to be prepared with aid of Stan Scott and other White House staffers.

PARTICIPANTS:

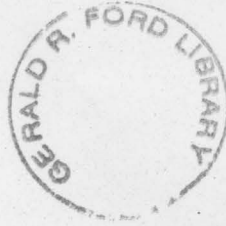
GOP Chairman, Mrs. Mary Louise Smith, will discuss party prospects and minority participation. Members of President's new White House team will be urged to drop-in and meet this group during their session.

PRESS COVERAGE:

Prior announcement, photo opportunity, excerpts of President's remarks to be distributed following the meeting. Stan Scott's office to coordinate with Jerald terHorst distribution of photographs to minority media.

STAFF:

Robert Hartmann, John Marsh, Stan Scott, John Calhoun, Mary Louise Smith.



September 6, 1974

Dear Ken:

We are looking forward to your joining us on September 13 for the first in a series of meetings designed to provide input from a cross-section of the Black community.

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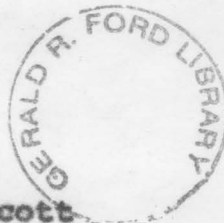
We hope that you will be able to participate in President Ford's open door policy and share with us your views and concerns.

You should arrive at the Northwest Gate from Pennsylvania Avenue by 9:00 a.m.

Thank you for planning to be with us.

Sincerely,

Stanley S. Scott
Special Assistant
to the President



Mr. Kenneth Drew
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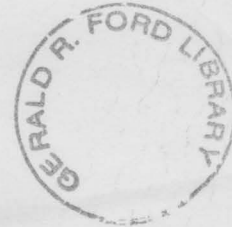
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Special Assistant
to the President



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 10, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. STANLEY S. SCOTT
FROM: WARREN RUSTAND *WSR*
SUBJECT: Approved Presidential Activity

Please take the necessary steps to implement the following and confirm with Mrs. Nell Yates, ext. 2699. The appropriate briefing paper should be submitted to Dr. David Hoopes.

Event: Meeting with key Black Republicans (Drop-By)

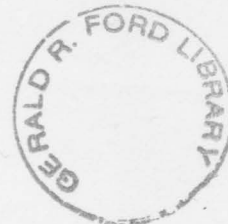
Date: Friday, September 13, 1974 Time: 10:30 a.m. Duration: 10 min.

Location: The Cabinet Room

Participants: As determined by you; Mary Louise Smith

Press Coverage: Press photo

cc: Mr. Hartmann
Mr. Marsh
Dr. Hoopes
Mr. Jones
Mr. O'Donnell
Mr. Hushen
Mr. Wardell
Mrs. Yates
Mr. Calhoun
Mr. Timmons



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 11, 1974

MEETING WITH KEY BLACK REPUBLICANS

Friday, September 13, 1974

10:30 a.m. (10 Minutes)

The Cabinet Room

From: Stan Scott



I. PURPOSE

To personally assure black Republicans that the President is a strong advocate of the two-party system and wants to broaden the base of the GOP with blacks as an integral part of this effort.

II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

- A. Background: As your liaison with the black community, my office has received numerous requests from a wide cross-section of black Republicans expressing their support of your Administration and a desire to meet their new Chief Executive.

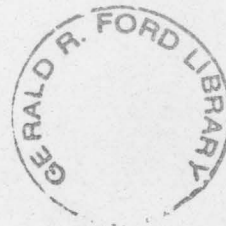
Today's meeting is the first in a series that Stan Scott will be conducting at the President's request to gain input from a cross-section of black Republicans. To provide these Republicans a sense of involvement at the highest level of government, each participant has been asked to leave with us a position paper and recommended solutions to problems facing blacks and the poor.

GOP Chairwoman Mary Louise Smith and Anne Armstrong will participate in the meeting and provide input from their respective areas of responsibility. Counsellors Robert Hartmann and John Marsh are expected to drop-in and meet our supporters.

- B. Participants: Robert Hartmann, John Marsh, Anne Armstrong, Stan Scott, John Calhoun, Mary Louise Smith.
- C. Press Plan: Press photo

III. TALKING POINTS

1. I want you to know that I welcome and appreciate your support and eagerly look forward to working with all of you as we move to strengthen and broaden the base of our party.
2. I have asked Stan Scott to solicit your comments and thoughts on the most serious concerns of black Americans to assist my Administration as we move ahead to find solutions to our domestic problems. The position papers you leave with us today will be carefully reviewed and considered by my staff as we work to find solutions.
3. While we are determined to broaden the base of the Republican party with black and other minority support, we are also determined in our commitment to beat inflation, high unemployment and other social and economic problems affecting our country. We need your help.
4. I also want and need your support as we move to build bridges to human dignity across that gulf which too frequently separates black from white America.
5. I understand that our new Republican Chairwoman Mary Louise Smith, Counsellor Anne Armstrong and other White House Staffers have been meeting with you this morning, but none of that is important unless we all work together in a partnership in progress to achieve common goals to strengthen our party and our nation.
6. Mayor Lyman Parks from my hometown in Grand Rapids is on Presidential assignment in Yugoslavia, but I see we are represented by Paul Phillips, my friend from the Grand Rapids Urban League.
7. I welcome and need your support--you have mine as we move ahead to unify and strengthen our great nation.



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Re
Invitation
Feb 26, 1975

City of Grand Rapids
Michigan

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
LYMAN S. PARKS

September 11, 1974

ORIGINAL TO: WARREN RUSTAND

COPY FYI TO: STANLEY SCOTT

The President
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President:

I have learned that Wilberforce University has invited you to deliver the Founder's Day Convocation address on February 26, 1975. If you are able to accept this invitation and the honorary degree that has been offered, it will truly be a very special honor for Wilberforce, my alma mater.

As you know, Wilberforce was the first black owned and operated college in America. The college has a long and proud tradition, but I am certain that an address from you on Founder's Day will be one of the most important events in the 118 year history of Wilberforce.

I would, therefore, encourage you to attend this ceremony if your busy schedule will allow it. I am sure that you will find the day's events both inspirational and enjoyable.

Thank you for your consideration in this and please feel free to contact me if I can be of service to you.

Sincerely,

Lyman S. Parks
MAYOR



THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE

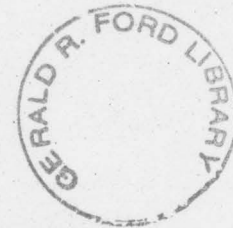
Thursday - September 12, 1974

8:00 General Alexander M. Haig, Jr. - The Oval Office.

8:30 Bipartisan Congressional Leadership Meeting.
(60 min.)
The Cabinet Room.

10:30 Mr. John W. Hushen - The Oval Office.

* 11:00 Meeting With His Excellency Yitzhak Rabin, Prime Minister
(90 min.) of Israel. (Secretary Henry A. Kissinger).
The Oval Office.



3:00 Film Clips for (1) Radio and Television News Directors
(5 min.) Association, and (2) Remarks of the President on Rosh Hashanah.
The Cabinet Room.

3:30 Congressman Leslie C. Arends.
(15 min.) (Mr. William E. Timmons).
The Oval Office.

4:00 Congressman Wayne L. Hays. (Mr. William E. Timmons).
(15 min.)
The Oval Office.

8:00 State Dinner (Black Tie) Honoring Prime Minister and
Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin of Israel.
The State Floor.

The First Lady will attend the State Dinner Honoring Prime Minister and Mrs. Yitzhak Rabin of Israel.

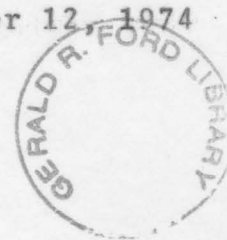
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BY THE 62ND AND 65TH UNITED STATES
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JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI 65101

OFFICE OF
THE PRESIDENT

September 12, 1974



President Gerald Ford
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

The purpose of this letter is to invite you to be the commencement speaker at Lincoln University on May 11, 1975.

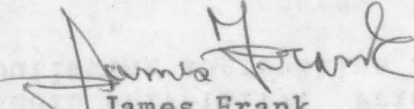
Lincoln University is located in Jefferson City, Missouri, the capital of the State of Missouri.

The University, a state supported liberal arts college, was founded in 1866 by the soldiers and officers of the 62nd and 65th regiments of the United States Colored Infantry. In 1862, with two students, Lincoln opened its doors as Lincoln Institute, then in 1921 changed its name to Lincoln University. Prior to the Supreme Court Decision of 1954 outlawing segregation in public supported educational institutions, Lincoln was nationally recognized as a quality university for Black Educators. In 1954, Lincoln became an integrated university and was one of the only two schools in the country where integration worked in reverse--the Whites attending Lincoln outnumbered the Blacks.

Today, Lincoln University has achieved a racial balance that should be emulated throughout the entire nation. Our cultural plurality is evidenced not only by those ethnic groups indigenous to this nation, but also by many ethnic groups internationally represented. Like our students, our faculty is comprised of both national and international professionals of highest caliber. Lincoln is a major force in Missouri's higher education system, serving all Missourians.

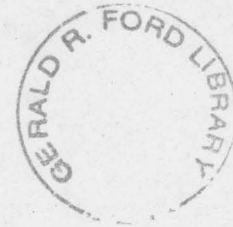
We would be deeply honored if you would accept our invitation to speak at our Spring Commencement. Your serious consideration of this matter will be deeply appreciated.

Very respectfully yours,


James Frank
President

JF:vdj

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON



September 12, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

COUNSELLOR ANNE ARMSTRONG

FROM:

STAN SCOTT *JS*

SUBJECT:

Meeting With Key Black Republicans
Cabinet Room, 9:50 a.m., Sept. 13, 1974

The purpose of President Ford's meeting with key black Republican leaders is to personally assure them that he wants and needs their support in building an America for all Americans. The President will also emphasize his desire to broaden the base of the GOP with blacks and other minorities as a part of this effort.

Republican National Committee Chairwoman Mary Louise Smith will discuss the party and its future, the value of a two-party system and answer questions regarding minority input in the party.

This is the first in a series of meetings that I will be conducting with blacks to gain their input on what they consider to be the major problems facing minorities. The participants will leave with us position papers and recommended solutions to domestic problems.

I do not recommend that your remarks be restricted in any manner in view of your wide-ranging responsibilities. Would recommend that you include in your comments what has been done in the appointment of top level black females, while assuring this group that the President intends to do more in this area.

As you know, some of our top black females include Jewell LaFontant, deputy solicitor general; Connie Newman, Consumer Product Safety Commission; Gloria Toote, Assistant Secretary at HUD; Ruth Holloway, Director of HEW's Right to Read Program; Sallyanne Payton, Chief Counsel at Urban Mass Transportation.

Anne, it would also be helpful if you let them know that we work together in trying to come up with qualified minority candidates for top level jobs.

Anne, thanks for your support in this matter.

MEETING WITH KEY BLACK REPUBLICANS

Friday, September 13, 1974

9:30-11:00 a.m.

The Cabinet Room

9:30 a.m. ----- Stanley S. Scott, Special Assistant
to the President
Purpose-Objectives

9:50 a.m. ----- Anne Armstrong, Counsellor to the President
Recruitment-Administration

10:05 a.m. ----- Mrs. Mary Louise Smith, Republican
National Chairwoman
Republican Party-Minority Involvement-
Present-Future

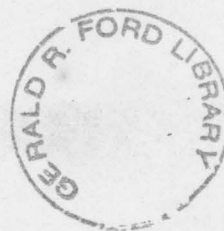
10:20 a.m. ----- Jack Marsh, Counsellor to the President
Transition Overview

10:30 a.m. ----- President Ford

10:45 a.m. ----- Robert Hartmann, Counsellor to the President
Greetings

10:50 a.m. ----- Discussion
Q and A

11:00 a.m. ----- Adjournment
EOB for additional discussions, if necessary



MEETING WITH KEY BLACK REPUBLICANS
CABINET ROOM, 9:30 a.m., September 13, 1974

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HAMPTON INSTITUTE
HAMPTON, VIRGINIA 23668

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 19, 1974

Mr. Stanley Scott
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am enclosing a copy of the letter from Mr. Terrence O'Donnell which we received on September 13, 1974. As suggested in Mr. O'Donnell's letter, we plan to resubmit our invitation to President Ford during the first week in March.

We certainly appreciate the support which you are providing for us in our effort to attract President Ford as our commencement speaker on May 25, 1975.

With my very best regards,

Sincerely yours,

Roy D. Hudson

Roy D. Hudson
President

RDH:z
Enclosure

Dictated by Dr. Hudson but signed in his absence.



HAMPTON INSTITUTE
HAMPTON, VIRGINIA 23668

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 19, 1974

Mr. Terrence O'Donnell
Deputy Special Assistant
to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

Please express our appreciation to President Ford for indicating his willingness to consider our invitation to speak at Hampton Institute, if we would submit that invitation again ten to twelve weeks in advance of our commencement date. We will be happy to do so and hope that we will be able to attract a favorable response from President Ford. We feel that the President will find our campus as well as the All America City of Hampton, Virginia, a very delightful place to visit.

As suggested, we will resubmit our invitation to President Ford during the first week of March, 1975. Hopefully, at that time President Ford will find it possible to respond in the affirmative.

Thank you very much for your kindness.

Sincerely yours,

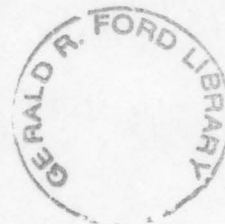


Roy D. Hudson
President

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cc: Mr. Stanley Scott, Special
Assistant to the President

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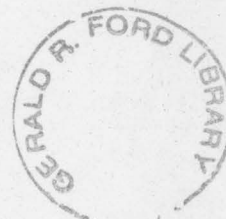
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His Excellency Gerald Ford
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20501



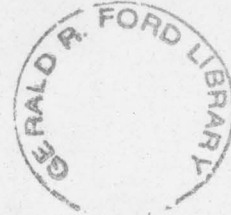
Dear Mr. President:

The Montford Point Marine Association extends congratulations to you on your recent confirmation as President of the United States. The Montford Point Marine Association is a veterans organization which was founded ten years ago in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The very name Montford Point symbolizes a black experience, for the first Black marines received their training there in 1942 when the announcement was made public that the Marine Corps was enlisting Negroes for general duty.

Since our inception, we've primarily concerned ourselves with helping marine veterans to return to their rightful place in society. Focusing upon the proposition that veterans neither should be in the victims of society's changing times and moods nor the forgotten man of America's previous wars, we've been instrumental in: (1) obtaining good papers for those who received bad discharges, (2) counselling veterans in employment and educational opportunities, (3) referring veterans to agencies to help with drug and alcohol problems.

As President of the Montford Point Marine Association, I am taking this opportunity to request an audience with you to discuss some matters which have been pressing heavily upon our organization.

First, we are sure you are aware and displeased that the Montford Point Marine Association was not contacted before your decision to grant amnesty to war evaders. The VFW and the Jewish War Veterans do not speak to the issues facing Black servicemen and veterans. In fact, the VFW has never had any Black man in any policy-making role in the history of their organization (nor has the American Legion). Many Black men fought and died during the Viet Nam conflict. These men did not evade; many of them were recruited out of the courts. Even though Blacks comprise 26% of the total armed forces, 70% of other than honorable discharges were given to Blacks. Further, one of every four servicemen who fought on the front line were Black. Aren't these figures disproportionate?



For what is considered as a misdemeanor in civilian life, many young veterans today are being deprived of veteran benefits and job opportunities. For example, if a young serviceman swore at an officer he was sentenced to the brig and later given the privilege of an Administrative Discharge. We feel that in many cases they were aroused due to some bigoted action. Not fully understanding the consequences of such a discharge, they accepted--anything to be relieved of a discriminatory environment. We agree that swearing at an officer does not show respect or responsibility. However, these were young, immature men who now are a burden on our society and in need of positive direction.

It is evident that many of these young, Black servicemen returned home unskilled and unable to receive proper training having no formal training other than to kill. Compare the national unemployment rate, 6%, to the unemployment rate of 32% in most Black communities. Our desire is to lower the level of unemployment in the Black communities and to curtail the drug problem, both of which contribute to crime. As violence in the streets become more prevalent, the out of work, out of school, disenchanted veteran, who has received on the job training in the bushes and hamlets of Viet Nam, applies that training in the streets of their Motherland. As the drug problem in our communities takes on catastrophic proportions, it must be realized that our basically uneducated, administratively or punitively discharged veterans who want of decent employment face economic starvation and have little or no choice except to become pushers or dealers for their means of support.

Second, we are acutely aware of the fact that Black marines have not been granted full promotion privileges in the Marine Corps. The Marine Corps existed 176 years before recruiting Blacks--the criteria for enlistment then was only to be 18 years of age, a United States citizen, and have a good, moral character. After 32 years of loyal, faithful, and courageous service, no Black man has been permitted to move through the ranks to make General. The highest rank, to date, held by a Black man is that of a full Colonel, held by Colonel Ken Berthoud. The plight of the Black marine is one of despair. Other military branches: the Army and Air Force have Black Generals, and the Navy has a Black Admiral. The Army even has a woman General. In our generation we want to see some Black Generals in the Marine Corps. And that only one Black man to date is a full colonel symbolizes tokenism. Many disenchanted and disgruntled marines, officers, and veterans are prepared to enlighten the national media regarding our problems and to make other moves toward alleviating them.

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Sir, I am requesting an audience with you as our organization believes that you stand for fair-play. Will you assist us in righting many of the wrongs with which we're concerned? I would kindly appreciate your reply.

Very respectfully yours,

William Hill

WILLIAM HILL, President
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