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ROGER WILLIAMS COLLEGE

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT TO MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION

April 12, 1967

TOP PRIORITY ANNOUNCEMENT....Roger Williams has become the only junior college in Rhode Island to receive an "A" rating from the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers....This means that a student transferring to a four-year college will receive full credit for the courses he took at Roger Williams in which he received a "C" or better....College rightfully proud of new rating and President points out that rating made possible only through efforts of faculty and students who transferred and proved that their training at Roger Williams College was on par with that given by other "A"-rated colleges.

Previous rating was a "B"....Meant that transcript given "partial" value by other colleges....Public junior colleges in Massachusetts tend to have "C" ratings and this includes Fall River Community....Two of three other junior colleges in Rhode Island rate "C", but public community has "B" rating.

RWJC-BROWN UNIVERSITY CO-SPONSOR LECTURE WORK-SHOP SERIES....First of series of three lecture-workshops on preparation and training of faculty for junior colleges held March 18 at Brown....Dr. Roger Garrison of AAJC staff spoke on "The Junior College Teacher--A New Breed"....News coverage by the Providence Journal....Dr. Clifford G. Erickson, President of Rock Valley College, Rockford, Illinois to speak at next seminar April 15; on May 13 speaker will be Dr. Sebastian V. Martorana, Executive Dean, Two-Year Colleges, State University of New York....Board and Corporation members invited to two remaining meetings.

TUITION IN MOST PRIVATE COLLEGES GOING UP THIS YEAR....Roger Williams is no exception....The administration has deemed it necessary to raise tuition to \$1100 for 1967-68, an increase of \$310....This move considered to be unavoidable to keep pace with our financial projections for next several years....To help returning students as well as incoming freshmen meet increased expenses, the College has established an Office of Financial Aid and anticipates that nearly \$200,000, mostly in federal funds, will be available for financial aid purposes....A brochure outlining the financial aid program will be forthcoming shortly....Bill White, new director of this office.

STUDENTS IN THE NEWS....Roger Williams students appeared on national television March 23 after Congressman-elect Robert Tiernan spoke at the College....College not named but word got around we were on Huntley-Brinkley....Picture of Robert Munro, President of RWJC Politics Club, appeared in March issue of Nation's Business in connection with article titled "Youth Gets the Truth"....Mr. Munro and Joseph Cardillo, Vice President of the Politics Club, attended sessions of State House of Representatives and were publicly welcomed to the House Chambers by Rep. Anthony M. Ferraro of Cranston....Frances Lovatt, a freshman from Providence interested in art, written up by Providence Journal.

MISCELLANY....Veteran faculty member, J. Harold G. Way, has resumed his classroom schedule on a limited basis following illness earlier this year....His many students and friends glad to see him back....Dr. Gauvey, Mr. Hallenbeck and Dean Salatino attended annual convention of American Association of Junior Colleges in San Francisco in March....Dr. Gauvey was a panelist in one of the general session programs entitled "Shattering Administrative Shiboleths"....Dr. Gauvey elected to the Board of Directors of New England Council for Economic Development.

REGISTRAR EV NELSON REPORTS....963 students registered for spring semester, 1967.... Ten less than fall....Lost more than ten students, of course, but many more new enrollees for spring than expected....Running ahead of projections.

HOCKEY TEAM ORGANIZED....Under direction of alumnus, John Davis, and with help of faculty member Lee Verstandig....One of team's stars is Roger Davis, brother of John....Team finished season winning three and one loss....Among those applauding the team's efforts at the final game was eminent sports enthusiast, Dr. Ralph Gauvey, who expressed the hope that hockey would be a recognized sport at Roger Williams for many years to come....Basketball team rejuvenated under Coach Tom Drennan, compiled best record of any Roger Williams basketball team to this point (won 11, lost 11)....Corporation members at Annual Meeting in January were shown pictures of Coach Drennan's lads in operation.

BRISTOL CAMPUS ACTIVITY INCLUDES....Bids on first phase of construction of Bristol Campus being received and will be opened April 26 at College....President now resides in town....P. B. Easterbrooks hired as Superintendent of Construction (Clerk of Works) will report to both Building Committee and Architect.

COLLEGE ONE OF 25 JUNIOR COLLEGES IN NATION....Participating in an invitational seminar on experimentation in the junior college....Seminar held in Palo Alto, California in February....Dr. Gauvey a panelist....Aim of seminar was to determine ways in which junior colleges have contributed to experimental education as well as to identify new areas of experimentation.

UNION FOR RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION....Invites President to attend fourth in a series of conferences sponsored by the Union for Research and Experimentation....Topic is "The Climate of Innovation"....You may recall that we presented at a previous conference a program design for our experimental college....In February, Dean Salatino and Mr. Robert Sherman, Chairman of Science Department, attended third Union-sponsored conference at Bard College on improvement of science instruction.