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PRAIRIE VIEW AGRICULTURAL AND  
MECHANICAL COLLEGE OF TEXAS

EIGHTY-FIRST YEAR

CONVOCATION EXERCISES

THE SEVENTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION



AUDITORIUM-GYMNASIUM  
PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS  
SUNDAY MORNING, MAY NINETEENTH  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVEN  
ELEVEN O'CLOCK

# ORDER OF EXERCISES

## THE CONVOCAION PROCESSION

PROCESSIONAL: "War March of the Priests" (*Athalia*).....*Mendelssohn*

Administrative Officers and Faculty  
Candidates for the Bachelor's Degree  
Candidates for the Master's Degree  
The President and the Convocation Speaker

## CALL TO WORSHIP

HYMN: "God of Our Fathers".....Congregation

God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand,  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band,  
Of shining worlds, in splendor thru' the skies.  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay  
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.  
A-MEN.

SCRIPTURE-INVOCATION.....THE REVEREND LEE C. PHILLIP

Dean of the Chapel  
Prairie View A. & M. College  
Prairie View, Texas

MUSIC: Anthem—"Gloria in Excelsis" (From *Messe Solennelle*) .....*Gounod*

Janie Davis, *Soprano*; Carl Anthony Smith, *Tenor*; and Levy Scott, *Bass*  
College Choir

INTRODUCTION OF THE SPEAKER.....DR. EDWARD BERTRAM EVANS

President, Prairie View A. & M. College  
Prairie View, Texas

CONVOCAION ADDRESS.....THE REVEREND ERNEST C. ESTELL, SR.

Pastor, St. John Baptist Church  
Dallas, Texas

MUSIC: (Spiritual) "Great Day".....*Raymond Rhee*

College Choir

## THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

## PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR COMMISSION IN

THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES.....LT. COL. THOMAS H. WRIGHT

Professor of Military Science and Tactics  
Prairie View A. & M. College  
Prairie View, Texas

## PRESENTATION OF

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION AWARDS.....MR. EMUEL EUGENE CLEAVER, '38

President, Prairie View Alumni and Ex-Students Association  
Lufkin, Texas

MUSIC: "Alma Mater" (See Back Cover)....."Dear Prairie View"

## BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL: "Pomp and Circumstance".....*Elgar*

(Audience Seated)

# CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES\*\*\*

## SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

#### *Presentation by the Dean*

Brown, Aaron	Hawley, Lendell*	Lockett, Vollie R.	Shepherd, Jim W.
Burks, James Edward	Hughes, Lake Z.	Mathis, Jesse Lee	White, Clarence W.
Elmore, Collins C.	Joiner, Charles H., Jr.	Pittman, Joe A.	Yates, Billy Roy
Fontenot, Hurley A.	Little, Robert J.	Polk, Clayborn Lee	

## SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

#### *Presentation by the Dean*

Anderson, Lillian Marie	Davis, Hulén Mack	Marshall, Alma Mary	Shaw, Emanuel A.
Bell, Imogene	Davis, Mary Lee	Mathews, Albert G.	Simmons, Vertie
Betts, Edweina	Henry, Martha Ann	Miller, Lloyd Ray	Smith, Clarence K.*
Boatner, Alton L.	Howard, Bobbie Jean	Odoms, Nelson T.**	Smith, Dorothy Jean
Booker, James E.*	Hyman, J. C.	Perkins, Elroy	Smith, Lester C.
Brackins, Mary Jay	Jackson, Ella Maye	Pickard, John L.*	Trimble, Egbert*
Brooks, Carl	Jackson, Roosevelt, Jr.	Pigford, Rosemary L.**	Wilkinson, Rudolph
Brown, Bertrand K.	Jones, Willene	Powers, Oma Lee	Williams, Dora Bettye
Canty, Marilyn	Kimble, Betty Lou	Powers, Rosa Lene*	Williams, Juretta
Carson, Gladys M.	King, Harvey Charles	Roy, Cleveland, Jr.	Williams, Ruby H. Long
Cole, Lorenzo D.	McDonald, David Lee	Sanders, Frankie L.	Williams, Thomas Earl
Daniels, Mae Dell			

#### IN MUSIC

Brown, Shirley Ann	Jameson, Ruby Fay	McDowell, Janis O.	Washington, Vernedia
Burleson, Norma Jean	Jordan, Yvonne T.	Shannon, Ollie Jewel	Williams, Johnell H.
Crenshaw, Effie Lee	Lewis, Patricia Ann	Simmons, Jeweleen E.	Windom, Arvalia M.
Davis, Barbara Jean	McCullough, Laverne*	Spencer, Algerita**	

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Ainsworth, Charles H.	Dial, Estella W.	Keener, Harold H.	Ross, Rosetta
Alton, James H.	Driver, Mary L.	Kennedy, Willie Earl	Scott, Zoia Lee
Barnes, Jessie Ruth	Dunn, Zelma L.	McCann, Joyce V.	Shelby, Helen Ruth
Beal, Golden Faye	Edwards, Dorothy Laura*	Marlin, Earline F.	Sherman, Brenett
Beasley, Mary C.	Felton, June M.	Marshall, Lewis M.	Smith, Claude W., Jr.
Bostic, Scott A.	Fluckus, Henry	Mayes, Oveta V.	Smith, Elizabeth A.*
Boyd, Raymond E., Jr.	Fry, Valeria J.	Melton, Claude Lee	Smith, Marjorie Nell
Brailsford, Glodean	Franklin, Moshall	Morton, Shirley J.	Smothers, Benjamin W.
Britt, Jeanie M.	Garcia, Charles L.	Nickerson, Lois Dell	Stewart, Frank R.
Burton, Margaret M.*	Garland, William B. Jr.	Nicholson, Bobbie A.**	Stewart, Myrna L.*
Burnett, Fred D.	Gibson, Shelly S.	Nolan, Ollie A.	Taylor, Charles Wilmer*
Bynam, Holland E.	Givens, LaVaughn M.	Orum, Dinah Johnson	Taylor, Charles Wilson
Carr, Charles E.	Grant, Ruby Jewel	Parker, William M.	Taylor, Thad, Jr.
Carter, John B.*	Hall, Queen E.*	Parnell, Dennystine R.	Thompson, Bettye Joyce
Carter, Thomas C.	Hamilton, Mollie F.	Pierre, Allan	Twine, Gracie Bell
Cavicl, Barbara J.	Harkless, Mildred	Pipkin, Lorenzo, Jr.*	Waits, Dolores A.
Chapman, George W., Jr.	Houston, Samuel	Protho, John, Jr.	Whitfield, Wyrine J.
Childress, Howard B.	Hunt, Franklin D.	Ray, Leon C.	Williams, Lee Vernon
Cobb, Clyde A., Jr.	Hurd, Johnnie Mae	Richardson, Thelma T.	Wilson, Willie S.
Cooper, Espanolia	Jackson, Eva June	Roberson, Magvina	Woods, Audrey D.
Davis, Gladys M. H.	Johns, Elizabeth A.	Roberson, Willie Mae	Wright, John O., Jr.
Davis, Leonard R.	Johnson, Bernard C.**	Robinson, Georgia Nell	Wynne, Willie B.

\*Graduated in January 1957

\*\*Alpha Kappa Mu

\*\*\*As final action cannot always be taken by the time this program is printed, the list of candidates given here is tentative only, the College reserving the right to withdraw or add names.

## IN EDUCATION

Alexander, Roosevelt	DeBose, Claudia	Jones, Annie Jean	Royal, Constance W.**
Baldrige, Arlene D.	Dennis, Betty Joe	Lovell, Doris H.	Scott, Johnnie Mae
Blackwell, Jessie M. T.	Forbes, Fred E.	Lydia, Sherry A.*	Shanks, Ikie Mae
Blackshear, Carolyn J.	Frank, Bobbie Jean	Lyons, Bernadine	Spikes, Jean Warren
Bluitt, Bessie A.	Fryer, Cloteal	McCauley, Jo Ella**	Steen, Ethel M.
Bradley, Mae Frances	Gibson, Zenobia	McDuffy, Jane Dixon	Tates, Arthur Lee
Brady, Alberta Buckner	Gilmore, Cleo J.	McGill, Ella Ruth	Thomas, Carrie Bell
Brooks, Donna Ann	Harden, Catherine O.	McKnight, Gloria E.	Tilley, Norma Jean
Brown, Beauregard III	Haynes, Faye H.	McNary, Ida Bell	Trotty, Lois M.
Brown, Patsy Franklin	Hill, Samuel	Miller, Martha Ann	Tucker, Rubye Jewel
Brown, Toma C.	Hobbs, Barbara H.	Moseley, Norma Jean	Vinson, Charles Etta
Chambers, Frances L.	Holland, Barbara J.	Noble, Hazel D.*	Waddleton, Alnetta*
Chatman, Geneva	Howell, Nancy M.	Parker, Elbert*	Washington, Maxine G.
Collins, Leola W.	Jackson, Coretha H. M.	Peacock, Darlene	Wedgeworth, Gloria Jean
Crosby, Erma Jean	Jefferson, Martha L.	Pierre, Vinia Mayse	Wilborn, Estherlene
Curtis, Deloris M.	Johnson, Hallouise	Roberson, Lucille	Williams, Annie V. T.
Daniel, Andrew T.	Johnson, Luther Allen	Roberts, Robbie L.	Willis, Helen D.

## SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING

#### *Presentation by the Dean*

Carrington, Doyle D.      Franklin, Benjamin      Metters, Samuel

#### IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

Walter B. Washington\*

#### IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

Devereaux, Fred      Lindsey, Lawrence C.      Nellum, Eddie C.      Wesley, Clemon H., Jr.

Hamilton, Hilton\*

#### IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Brown, Frank Z.\*      Dyes, Oree      Reeves, Raymond      Sargent, Travis E.

## SCHOOL OF HOME ECONOMICS

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOME ECONOMICS

#### *Presentation by the Dean*

Anderson, Coreace B.	Devereaux, Joy Lavaca	Johnson, Zelma L.*	Sexton, Wilma Faye
Ball, Bessie B.	Dial, Shirley Y.	Jones, Willia M.*	Taylor, Edna Marie
Bass, Sara Jo	Edwards, Frances V.*	Livingston, Eddie Ruth	Thomas, Ethelyn L.
Bell, Hazel A.*	Hurd, Allean M.*	Reece, Mercy D.	Washington, Vivian*
Chapple, Melba J.	Jackson, Margaret L.	Sanders, Ammie E.	

#### IN DIETETICS

Collins, Edna Belle      Diggs, Johnanna      Fulbright, Dorothy F.\*      Hunt, Zeta E.

#### IN CLOTHING AND TEXTILES

Powell, Oweta L.      Scott, Helen Ruth      Wynne, Dorothy Mae

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## DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

#### *Presentation by the Director*

Collins, Henry F.	Fort, Willie L.	King, Otris M.	Palmer, Milton M.
Daniels, Jimmy E.	George, Charlie Lee	Lewis, Margaret*	Swann, Marshall C.
Davis, Percy Ray	Hayes, Richard D.	Malone, Marlin A.	Thomas, Cleveland, Jr.
Duncan, Andrew Lee	Hill, Fred L.	Mitchell, Waylon R.	Williams, Herman E.*
Elston, Russell, Jr.	Hill, Prince A.*	Mosley, James C.	Wyche, George N.

## DIVISION OF NURSING EDUCATION

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING EDUCATION

#### *Presentation by the Director*

Houston, Mary Wyche*	Lawson, Edna Loper*	Pace, Emma Jeane*
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#### CANDIDATE FOR THE DIPLOMA IN NURSING

White, Mary V.\*

## SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDY

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

#### *Presentation by the Dean*

ALICE LEE GHOLSTON—A.B., Tillotson College, 1946
LEWIS J. HODGE—A.B., Prairie View A. & M. College, 1954
JULIUS BERTRAM JONES—A.B., Ithaca College, 1931
WELDON VERNELL KNOTTS—A.B., Prairie View A. & M. College, 1951
CHRISTINE McCANN MARTIN—A.B., Prairie View A. & M. College, 1949

### CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION

ALYENE MYERS BELL—A.B., Samuel Huston College, 1947
VIRGIE LEE BRIGGS—B.S., in Home Economics, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1949
LADY CLEVE BROOKS*—A.B., Texas College, 1947
CLAUDIA MAE CONNER—B.S., in Home Economics, Tillotson College, 1949
BETTY JO CRENSHAW—B.S., in Industrial Education, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1953
JESSE EDMOND—A.B., Texas College, 1938
EMMA MAE HERRON—B.S., in Home Economics, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1929
BUNYAN JOHNSON, SR.—B.S., Prairie View A. & M. College, 1923
HELEN FISHER JOSHUA—A.B., Langston University, 1942
BONNIE M. MITCHELL*—B.S., in Home Economics, Texas Southern University, 1947
ELSIE M. MOORE*—B.S., in Education, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1951
NELLA MAE PALMORE—B.S., in Home Economics, Tillotson College, 1942
ZEALOUS D. MARTIN*—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1948
BONNIE L. PAYNE*—B.S., Paul Quinn College, 1948
LATONIA KELLY ROSS—A.B., Samuel Huston College, 1939
VALERIE EFFIE ROSS—B.S., in Home Economics, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1930
EUDORA ANNIE L. SMITH—B.S., in Education, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1950
MADelyn STRONG—A.B., Tillotson College, 1948
ONIE MAE E. WILSON*—B.S., in Education, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1952

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## CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

AUBREY BRATCHER\*—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1948  
JOHN LANE FREEMAN—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1949  
WENDELL MOORE—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1941  
DAVIS L. RANSOM—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1948  
JAMES BERNARD SCOTT—B.S., in Agriculture, Prairie View A. & M. College, 1950

## CERTIFICATES OF PROFICIENCY

### SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

#### *Certificate in Secretarial Science*

Derry, Eva G.  
Henley, Grace L.\*  
Jackson, Helen Joyce

Jones, Rosie Marie\*  
Roberson, Gladys F.  
Scott, Imogene

Solomon, Edna B.\*  
Warren, Ethel E.

### SCHOOL OF HOME ECONOMICS

#### *Certificate in Dressmaking*

Robinson, Rose Nell\*

### DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

#### *Certificate in Automobile Mechanics*

Mark, Clyde E.  
Richardson, Joe P.  
Thompson, Earnest D.  
Townsel, Howard L.  
Williams, Cecil L.

#### *Certificate in Carpentry*

Fort, Willie L.

#### *Certificate in Cooking and Baking*

Anderson, Lillie Mae  
Baker, Roscoe C.  
Bennett, Glodene  
Blanton, Lola Mae  
Cooper, John W.  
Dix, Barbara J.  
Dupree, Lonnie B., Jr.  
Hall, Pearlle B.  
Jackson, Bonnie\*

#### *Certificate in Cooking and Baking (continued)*

Pittman, Deola  
Pace, Doris M.  
Pettus, Frank  
Simms, Ocie Mae  
Suell, Johnnie M.\*  
Trimble, Elward  
Waddleton, Lodean  
Wilkerson, Eddie, Jr.

#### *Certificate in Electricity*

Hubbard, Otis O.

#### *Certificate in Metalwork*

Duncan, Andrew Lee  
Perry, Henry Lee\*

#### *Certificate in Masonry*

Davis, Grover Alton  
Swann, Marshall C.

#### *Certificate in Printing*

Brown, Don Haywood  
Moseley, William

#### *Certificate in Shoemaking*

Driver, Harold G.

#### *Certificate in Tailoring*

Currington, Tommy L.  
Davis, J. V., Jr.  
Garcia, Herbert Lee

#### *Certificate in Radio and Television*

Tipps, Azil L.

#### *Certificates of Attendance in Dry Cleaning*

Dorsey, Sam Jr.  
Green, Herman

## HONOR STUDENTS

### *With Great Distinction*

Pigford, Rosemary L.

Royal, Constance E.  
Swann, Marshall C.

Willis, Helen D.

### *With Distinction*

Bostic, Scott  
Brown, Shirley  
Brown, Toma C.  
Crenshaw, Effie  
Fontenot, Hurley  
Fry, Valeria

Gilmore, Cleo  
Henry, Martha Ann  
Houston, Samuel D.  
McCauley, Joe Ella  
Nellum, Eddie C.  
Nicholson, Bobbie A.

Odoms, Nelson  
Robinson, Georgia Nell  
Smith, Elizabeth Ann  
Spencer, Algerita  
Tilley, Norma J.

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SECOND LIEUTENANTS  
UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE

TO BE COMMISSIONED 19 MAY, 1957

*Artillery*

Ainsworth, Charles H.  
Bostic, Scott A.  
Carrington, Doyle D.  
Chapman, George W., Jr.  
Hill, Fred L.  
Metters, Samuel  
Mosley, James C.  
Miller, Lloyd R.  
Odoms, Nelson  
Smith, Claude W.

*Infantry*

\*\*Bynam, Holland E.  
Davis, Hulen M.  
Fontenot, Hurley A.  
Houston, Samuel D.  
Johnson, Bernard C.  
Taylor, Thad

*Signal Corps*

\*\*Lindsey, Lawrence C.  
Nellum, Eddie C.  
Wesley, Clemon H.

*Transportation Corps*

\*\*Brown, Beauregard III  
Mitchell, Waylon R.  
\*Garland, William B. Jr.  
\*Lockett, Vollie R.  
\*Shepherd, Jim W.

ALUMNI AWARD RECIPIENTS

VICTORIA ALLEN BANKS, '38

*Community Services*

AURLOCOLUS CLYDE HERALD, '36

*Education (Sciences)*

IRA D. FRANKLYN WESLEY, '39

*Education (Industrial Education)*

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\*Will be commissioned on 19 May 1957, but Branch Assignment not received from Department of the Army to date.

\*\*Regular Army Commission



## ALMA MATER — “Dear Prairie View”

Dear Prairie View, our song to Thee we raise  
In gratitude we sing our hymn of praise.  
For memories dear, for friends and recollections,  
For lessons learned while here we've lived with Thee,  
For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion  
To serve Thee now, and through eternity.

As days go by our hearts will not grow cold,  
We'll love Thy purple royal and Thy gold,  
We'll through our lives exemplify Thy teaching,  
We'll always strive a blessing to be.  
Thy children we our love and pride confessing,  
We'll love Thee now, and through eternity.

*Words by O. Anderson Fuller  
Music from "Finlandia" by Sibelius*