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# Panthers Edged By T S U 13 - 12 In 25th PV Bowl

## 13,000 Jam Buffalo Stadium In Rain

Houston, Texas — Prairie View gambled on its great passing combination, but lost a 13-12 thriller to her arch rival, Texas Southern University in the 25th edition of the Prairie View Bowl here at Buffalo Stadium New Year's Day.

A sell out crowd of 13,000 watched breathlessly as the play which might even the score began to unfold in the waning minutes of the game. Quarterback Charles Brackins had just completed a quick touchdown pass to endman Charles Wright to notch the final score. It seemed likely that this great attack might also annex the sorely needed point, but it failed to connect and TSU went on to become the ninth team to drop the Panthers in the 25 year old record of the holiday classic.

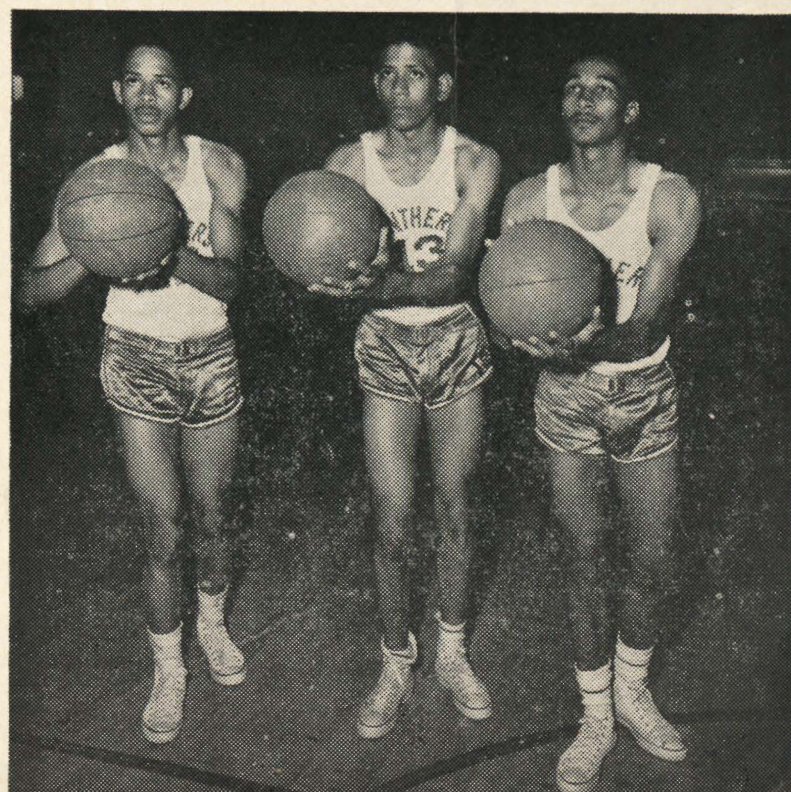
The Tigers of TSU lost no time in taking the initiative, despite a rain soaked field. Quarterback Audrey Ford sent Edward Smith and Charles Spigner through for successive rushing gains before unleashing his 45 yard aerial to L. C. Roach for the initial marker. Herbert Dean then kicked the extra and what later became the game winning point.

Before the first quarter gun had sounded, Ford had again taken things in hand with his second touchdown pass this time to Fred Jackson, quick and stiff over the center for the needed yard. His running mates, Smith and Spigner had likewise made their contribution in a sustained drive for 49 yards.

Apparently awakening from a bad dream, the Panthermen set their come back effort with the opening of the second period. Brackins spotted William Clark in a 12 yard pass and Curtis Barber, 17 yards; but TSU's Joseph Arceneaux intercepted one to even things up.

Barber and Arthur Brown picked up yardage by rushing, but Prairie View's break came when Captain John Freeman intercepted a TSU pass and lateraled off to Clark who placed the ball in scoring territory. Clark carried over tackle for the score. Brackins all important kick for the extra point was wide and the Panthers trailed the Tigers 13-6 at halftime.

An uneventful third period which was played under a steady down-pour of rain was a nip and tuck battle with the Panthers penetrating deep in TSU territory but always stopped by a strong Tiger defense. It was not until the closing minutes of the game following a punting gain by Johnny Price for the Panthers over Herbert Dean. A running drive led by Curtis Barber and Arthur Brown which started on the Tiger 42 ended up on the 4. Brackins passed to Wright over the line for the second Panther score.



PANTHER CAGERS, Oliver Harrison, Gerald Batiste and Sam Williams are setting their sights on plenty victories as the 1953 basketball schedule opens with Langston January 10.

# State High School Grid Winners Announced By League Office

Moore High School of Waco defeated Coles High of Corpus Christi for the state AAA league football championship. Carver of Amarillo dropped Lincoln of Palestine for the class A championship, and the Industrial High School of Arp nosed out Carver of Lockhart to be declared class A state champions.

The complete list of 1952 football champions released by O. J. Thomas, Director of the Interscholastic League at Prairie View included the following:

Class AAA District I, Moore High Waco; District II, Dunbar, Texarkana; District III, Lincoln, Port Arthur; District IV, Coles, Corpus Christi.

Class AA District I, Carver, Amarillo; District II, Carver, Midland; District III, Burnett, Terrell; District IV, Weldon, Gladewater; District V, Dunbar, Temple; District VI, Gross, Victoria; District VII, Lincoln, Palestine; District VIII, Carver, Baytown.

In bi-district games for Class AA the winners were, District I and II, Amarillo; District III and IV, Gladewater; District V and VI, Temple; District VII and VIII, Palestine.

Class A District Champions District I, Dunbar, West; District II, Doty, McKinney; District III, Industrial, Arp; District IV no participants.

An opportunity to tie the 13-12 score was now apparent and the momentous decision to try the aerial route might have proven successful had it not been for the alertness of Clyde Tillman, Tiger center who came in quick to knock the ball down and save the victory for Texas Southern.

# PV Cagers Break Even On Road Trip

Prairie View's freshman basketball coach Grant S. Gray and his predominately freshman basketball squad played .500 ball on a recent road trip which took them from Prairie View to Frankfort, Ky. and back with many stops in between.

The Golden Panthers defeated Butler College 97 to 79 at home before taking to the road. The Panthers dropped the first two encounters to Sam Houston, Tillotson College of Austin, Texas 74-68 and 98-85 (the last four minutes played with four men). The Panthers had better luck in Tyler, Texas where they won their first two games of the tour. The first against Butler College 77-67; the second against Texas College 57-54. In Omaha, Texas the Panthers got hot against the Bishop Tigers and defeated them 101-61. Then disaster struck again in Little Rock, Ar., against a good Philandea Smith College team and the Panthers were defeated in an over time game 80-69. Then the Panthers broke their 3-3 tour records by winning over Lane College 63-49. The powerful scrappy and never quit Kentucky State College thoroughbreds defeated the Golden Panthers twice 54-49 and 82-59.

Kentucky State being coach Gray's Alma Mater.

The tour ended in Texarkana with the Panthers defeating the Wildcats 92-84. Making the Panthers tour results 5 wins and 5 lost. The Panthers fared better in the Southwest. Season Record 6 won and 5 lost.

Outstanding for the Panthers were veterans David Harper, Oliver Harrison and freshman Clarence Ludd, Robert Nelson and Wimfred Cooper.

Coach Gray thinks that the Golden Panthers have gained a lot of experience as the result of this tour and prove successful to a point also that the Panthers will be strengthened with the addition of all-American Charles Wright, John Payton and Smith who will join the squad after the Prairie View Bowl game plus Freshman Ervin Justice 6' 6" forward coming off the injured list (Justice didn't make the tour).

The Panthers reported back on Dec. 27 preparing for the opening Southwest Conference games against Langston University 9 and 10 of January 1953 in Langston, Oklahoma.

### COLLEGE OBJECTIVES—

(Continued from page 1) of the faculty is participating in some way in the study, a special steering committee is directly responsible for the completed report. This group includes G. R. Woolfolk, E. M. Norris, Mrs. E. M. Galloway, T. R. Solomon, L. B. James, J. M. Drew, T. P. Dooley, H. E. Fuller, Mrs. Z. S. Coleman, G. L. Smith, C. F. Calloway, Col. H. Y. Chase, C. L. Wilson, C. A. Wood, L. E. Scott, Miss Reda L. Bland, Mrs. Annie C. Preson and A. I. Thomas.



WILBUR MASON

Wilbur Mason, athletic trainer for the Prairie View Panther teams is reported recovering from a lengthy illness and is scheduled to be released from Jefferson Davis Hospital in Houston, where he makes his home.

Mason, who is well liked by the men who represent Prairie View in athletics, is an old-timer in Prairie View athletics himself. He was considered an outstanding football player back in the haydays of 1932-35.

The likable trainer who came from Bryan was majoring in agriculture and late rin printing. His interest now is in the Prairie View Panthers.

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# Miss Prairie View Coronation Held

Miss Dora Upson, a senior student from Huntsville was officially crowned queen of Prairie View in elaborate ceremonies in the college auditorium on January 10.

The coronation scene was laid in wintery ice-blue fashion with snow peaked mountains. Ice blue served as the color scheme throughout with the young ladies of the court wearing ice-blue evening gowns with rhinestone accessories.

The impressive ceremonies included the presentation of an outer court followed by the inner court and the queen herself. O. J. Baker, acting President of the college, performed the crowning. A brief program in the queen's honor followed; then the queen's waltz and finally the grand march.

Miss Upson was chosen by the student body as their queen in a popular election last October. James Sullivan served as manager for Miss Upson in the contest also served as her attendant. She has represented the school on several occasions since that time and will reign as Miss Prairie View throughout the 1952-53 term. She is a major in Home Economics.

This highlight occasion on the student activity calendar was sponsored by the Student Life department and the divisions of Student Personnel.

Other students participating included Tommie Walton, Clyde Thomas, Claude Lollie, Mary Sabders, Harnold Taylor, Maureen Cohen, (Continued on page 2)

# Texas Student Associations Hold PV Meeting

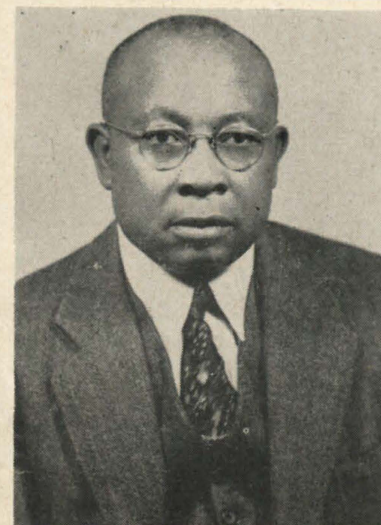
Representatives of the Texas Intercollegiate Student Associations of district eight will convene at Prairie View Monday for their January meeting as guest of the local Student Welfare Committee.

Texas Colleges comprising district eight (8) include, Rice Institute, University of Houston, Trinity College, Southwestern University, Sam Houston State College, University of Texas, Texas A and M, Lamar College, Texas College for Women, North Texas State College, Texas Southern University, Prairie View and other schools in the Eastern part of the state. Prairie View and TSU are the only Negro Colleges represented.

The T.I.S.A. meets monthly at a member institution to sit in on the local student council organization. The state organization has for its purpose improving student government among its member schools.



F. G. FRY



E. J. JOHNSON

# TWENTY-FIVE YEAR SERVICE PERSONNEL HONORED

Mrs. Henrietta Farrell, Francis G. Fry, and Edward J. Johnson, all who joined the college staff in 1927, also joined the great rank of those persons who have served Prairie View A and M College for twenty-five years.

Their names have been added to that distinguished list which includes President E. B. Evans (34 years service), and W. S. Kidd (34 years), Thomas L. Holley, who has an enviable record of 42 years at Prairie View, and many others still on the job; some retired; and some few who have passed on.

Each year the Prairie View employees pay Tribute to these outstanding colleagues because they seem so well to represent the college itself and its long years of struggle and effort to render a much needed service to the citizens of Texas.

The annual faculty dinner held in

the student dining hall on December 9 was the appropriate time for this tribute for it is the one time during the school year that Prairie View employees lay aside their classroom problems and step out for an evening of real enjoyment.

The three newcomers in the 25-year rank were presented certificates of merit by representatives of the faculty, while thirteen presently employed "old timers" were awarded late tokens of appreciation which were not available at the time they approached this Silver Anniversary mark.

Following Mr. Holley, Dr. Evans, and Mr. Kidd in the order of their appearance on the Prairie View scene were D. M. Martin—1919, H.R. Turner—1920, N. A. Jones—1920, Mrs. E. M. Galloway—1923, A. W. Randall—1923, C. L. Wilson—1925, and A. G. Cleaver—1926.

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# College Objectives Study Scheduled For Completion

A broad and comprehensive study of the future objectives of Prairie View A and M College, assigned by President E. B. Evans to a special faculty committee, is scheduled for completion this term.

Revolutionary changes in the pattern of educational institutions for Negroes in the South over the past few years, has greatly affected the committees considerations during the early part of this 5-year project. In winding up their study, the group proposes to re-adapt existing goals in line with recently attained minority group opportunity and the changing pattern of Negro education.

Headed by Dr. G. R. Woolfolk, director of the college research committee, the objectives study group aims to recommend future goals of the institutions in the light of positive scientific principles that can be defended before the professional and lay public.

A set of objectives for the college currently in operation were developed by a similar faculty committee in 1946. These were centered around the general philosophy that education at Prairie View must have as its objectives the making of a worth-while life and respectable living. Practical education as it relates to life has been the foundation of the college curriculum.

The faculty group is expected to give attention to the rapidly developing regional education idea which is gaining popularity in the South, and to the current trend in employment practices of Negro College graduates.

While practically every member (Continued on page 4)

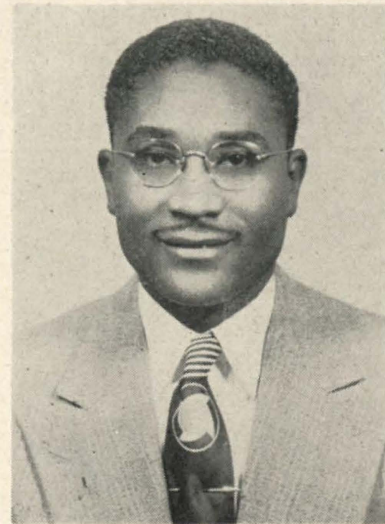


OVER \$1300 FOR FIGHT AGAINST POLIO was contributed during halftime ceremonies at the annual Prairie View Bowl game in Houston's Buffalo Stadium. The group above participated in these activities which also included performances of the PV band and drill squad and presentation of well known TV and sports personalities.

### Cooking, Baking Courses Offered In 2nd Semester

A special course in cooking and baking designed for prospective chefs in hotel establishments and large institutions will be offered during the second semester in the division of Industrial Education, the office of the Director, Alvin I. Thomas, announced.

The cooking and baking course will be offered in cooperation with the college dining hall department where facilities for large scale cooking are available. Jacob L. Boyer, dining hall manager, is working closely with the Industrial Education department in the promotion of this new course.



W. D. THOMPSON  
Alumni President seeks 200 new members for the Association.

### Prairie View Petitions To Keep S P Trains

The students of Prairie View, this week, signed petitions, along with the citizens of other communities that would be affected by the move, to prevent the Southern Pacific Railroad Company from taking off two of their trains that serve the entire faculty and student body of the school.

The trains, numbers 15 and 16, are the 8:55 a.m. going to Dallas and the 1:14 p.m. going to Houston respectively. The removal of the two trains would result in a gross inconvenience to the faculty and workers as well as the students of the college.

The reason for the company's action is that they claim to be losing money by maintaining the train through the small communities between Dallas and Houston.

Permission for removal of train must be obtained from the commissioner's Court and it is hoped that when application is filed for this permission by the company, it will be refused.

The attorney employed by the citizens of the different communities is Eurl C. Driskall of Ennis, Texas.



PRESIDENT E. B. EVANS  
OVERSEAS BOUND, Dr. E. B. Evans is seen boarding Eastern Airline plane for Washington for a brief stop before leaving for Italy, Ethiopia, Pakistan and Egypt where he is serving as a consultant with the Food and Agriculture Organization in the Point IV Program.

### PV News Highlights

The Prairie View A and M College choir presented the Christmas Oratorio by Camille Caint-Saens on Sunday, December 14 in the Auditorium. Rudolph Von Charlton, head of the department of Music directed the group. Accompanying were Ritchie McDonald, Pianist, Helen Pierson, Violist, and Hermione Goines, Organist.

A Christmas Pageant, "Let us Adore Him" was presented by the elementary department of the Prairie View Training School on December 15.

The annual Educational Conference scheduled for March 6, will consider the highly important topic, "Holding Power of Negro Public Schools in Texas." The research study on this topic is fully underway with contacts, both personal and by mail being made with all school systems in the state.

Final examinations for the first semester were held at the college on January 19 through 23. Registration for the Spring semester began January 15 and will continue through January 26. The Spring semester opens January 26.

The Panther club contest moved into full force on the College campus with some thirty-five organizations making entry with the Student Publications office. The student paper will carry a full account of pictures and stories on this popular campus activity.

The college concert and lectures committee presented an outstanding feature attraction in January and another scheduled for February 5. "Operetta Time", a musical concert featuring selections from opera and starring Elizabeth Humphrey and Bernard Izzo was well received by the Prairie View students and faculty. The February engagement will bring the famed "Tropicana" revue to the campus.

Prairie View's '52 graduates Earle Nathan of Brenham and Lt. Frederick Todd of Dallas, were married in December in an impressive church ceremony at Brenham.

The college program of cooperation with the Texas Principals Association brought to the campus several state principals in a subcommittee meeting on January 10. Dr. J. M. Drew and J. L. Brown served as consultant in a similar conference in Houston on January 14.

### Accomplishments Of PV Students Cited

The Panther newspaper, official publication of the students of Prairie View A and M College, has cited several outstanding accomplishments of Prairie View students which have made campus news highlights recently.

Outstanding among these was the election of Miss Lindsay M. Cickers as the first Negro student president of the Texas Social Welfare Association. Two other former sociology students received appointments in Fort Worth: Roosevelt Jones, Bethlehem Center and Imogene Ford, Teen Age secretary, YWCA.

Five members of the Student Welfare Committee attended a meeting of the Texas Intercollegiate Student Association at Rice Institute in Houston. Those were James O. Sullivan, Joyce Amy, Caesar Roy, Dudley DeRouen and Evelyn Banks.

Twenty-four Prairie View students were listed in "who's who among American College and University Students," a recent issue of the American College and University Leaders Publication Company. This large group included Joyce Amey, Junior from Rosenberg; Evelyn Banks, senior, Lufkin; Daislyn Bradford, senior, Alto; Emory Brooks, senior, Shreveport, La.; Dudley DeRouen, sophomore, Raywood; Edwardlene Fleeks, junior, Texarkana; Eddie Harrison, senior, Tyler; Elmer Harrison, senior, Houston; Vance Heard, senior, Bloomington; Effie Holloway, senior, Beaumont.

Clarence Jackson, senior, Beaumont; Jo Ann Jones, senior, Mt. Pleasant; Edna Joseph, senior, Beaumont; Billy Miller, senior, Dallas; Alvin Roberts, senior, San Antonio; Caesar Roy, junior, Jacksonville; Kittie Samuels, senior, San Antonio; Haywood Smith, senior, Glidden; James Sullivan, senior, Greenville; Harold Taylor, senior, Houston; Otis Tolvert, senior, Dallas; Lyndsay Vickers, junior, Fort Worth; Sam Williams, senior, Houston; and Barbara Hines, senior, Corsicana.

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E. B. EVANS, Editor-in-Chief  
C. A. WOODS, Managing Editor

### Automotive Devices Installed in I.E. Bldg. At Cost of Over \$7,000

The automotive science department has recently installed equipment at a cost of over \$7,000 in the I.E. building.

This equipment with other pieces to be added later is expected to make possible the most modern automotive program in the South. Students in the department are helping with the installation of the new equipment.

The equipment includes a wheel aligner rack, a wheel balancer, and other major items.

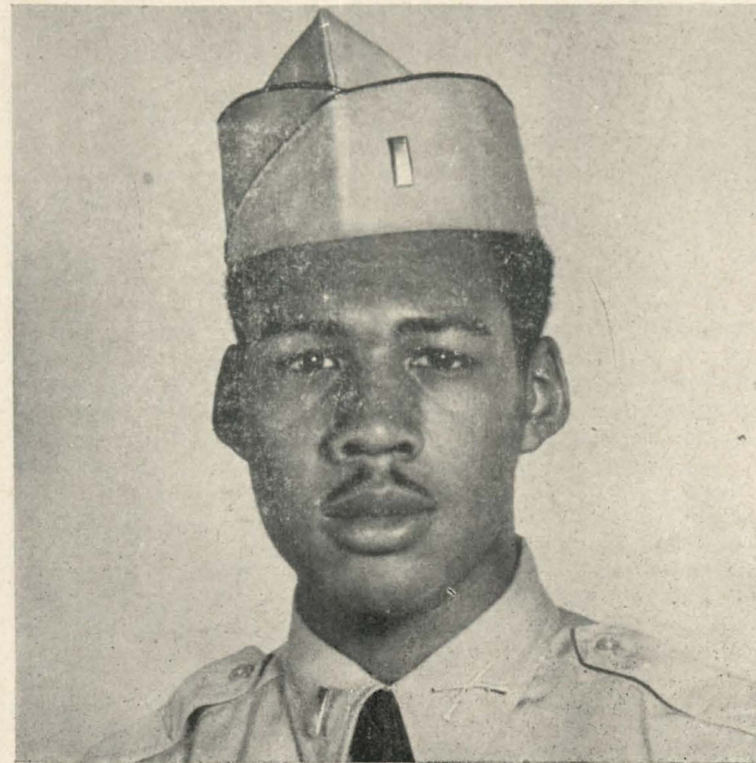
The department expects to begin operation under the new plan in September, according to Oscar Eason, instructor in auto mechanics and director of the new development.

### Health Education Services Continued

Field services in health education will be continued from Prairie View as a result of the continuation of a cooperative arrangement between the college and the Texas Division of the American Cancer Society.

A \$3200.00 grant has been made by the Cancer Society for the operation of a Cancer Information Center at Prairie View and for the promotion of health and Cancer Education in Texas Negro communities.

Jessie I. Thomas of the college staff serves as health education consultant and field representative of the cancer society in this joint program which has been in operation now for the past three years.



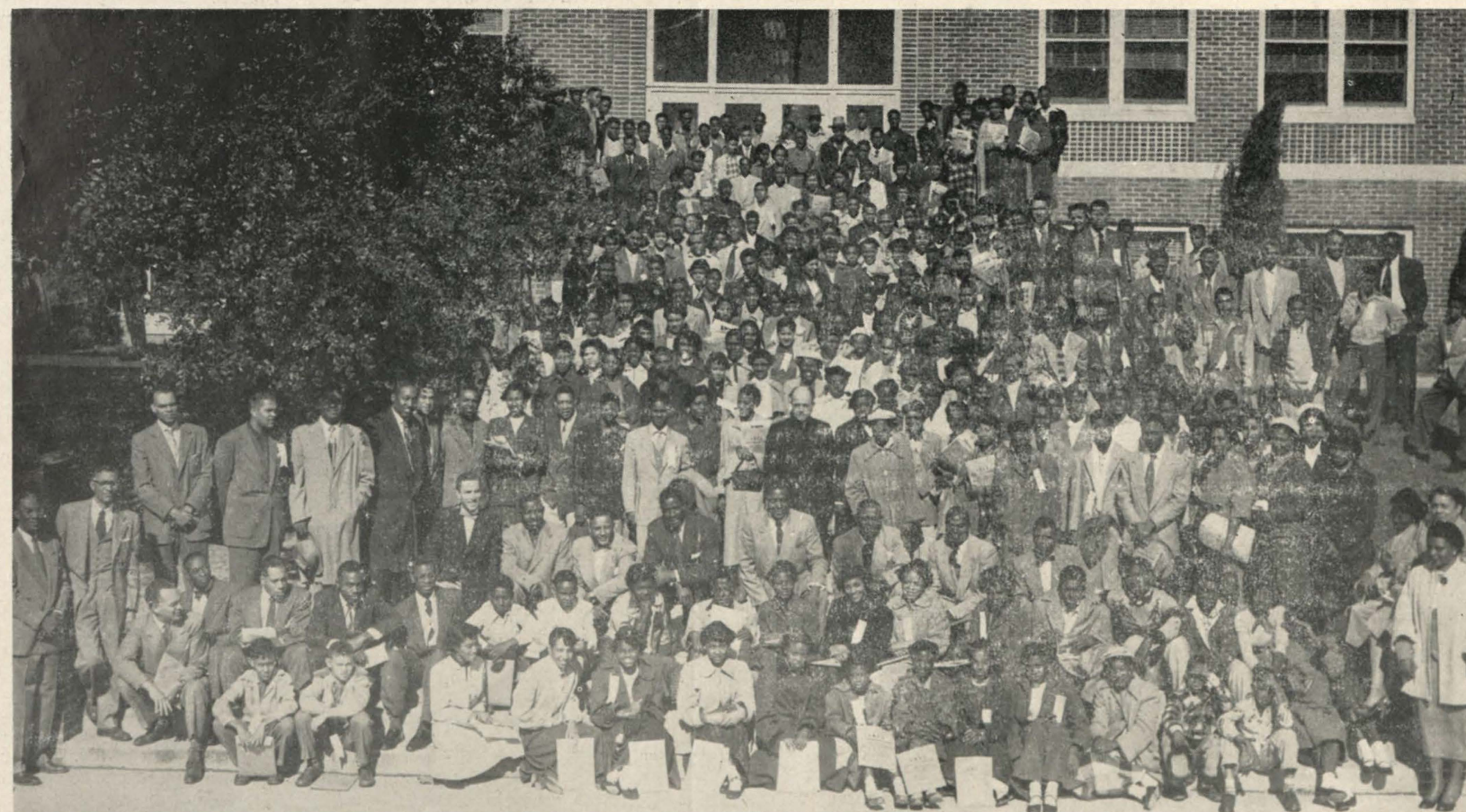
LT. THOMAS BURTON JR.

GAVE HIS LIFE, the entire Prairie View family throughout Texas mourned the loss of one of its young and most promising sons this month as the body of Lt. Thomas Burton Jr. (51) was laid to rest in a Brenham cemetery.

Tom Burton Jr. was killed a short time ago on the battlefields of Korea and his body shipped back to the Hawkins, Texas home for eulogy and finally buried at Brenham where he was born.

All members of the Prairie View family are special, but if there should be any cause for special affection to any, it would certainly go to young Tom Burton. An unusually friendly chap, Tom was well known and well liked throughout the campus. He put an extra friendly touch in everything he did—delivering special mail, playing on the tennis team, or working with the Science Clubs. He could have easily been voted the boy most likely to succeed.

The Standard expresses deep sympathy to the immediate family for and in behalf of all Prairie View everywhere in our mutual bereavement. Tom Burton Jr. gave his life in the high calling of service to his country. What greater service could he have given?



"Y" LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE held at Prairie View in December attracted more than 400 visitors to the campus from all parts of Texas and from other Southwestern states. Several outstanding consultants contributed to this three-day conference designed to develop Christian leaders.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS—

(Continued from page 1)  
"Chief" Fry, as he is generally called, is chief engineer for the college steam plant and general trouble shooter in all types of electrical, radio, telephone, fire department and many other services at the college. Fry's tenure at Prairie View dates back to 1914 when he entered the college as a student, but he actually joined the staff in 1918 after completing his school work. Two years later he enrolled at Kansas State College for a degree in Electrical Engineering before returning to work at Prairie View in 1927.

Mrs. Farrell serves the institution as superintendent of the laundry, known to be a tremendous task to all who live at Prairie View and are served by this large concern. She too is a graduate of Prairie View.

Mr. Johnson has served his 25 years in the automobile mechanics shop of the division of Industrial Education. A Prairie View graduate of 1919, he worked as a mechanic in his own shop before joining the staff in 1927. The genial "old timer" boasts of the hundreds of fine young men he has trained and who are now operating their own shops throughout the country.

### MUSIC INSTRUCTOR RETURNS

Mrs. Alverna Ackerson McNeal, who was formerly connected with the Department of Music before her marriage to F. E. McNeal of the maintenance department, has returned to the staff to replace Miss Hermoine Goins, who became ill during the holidays.

Besides taking charge of Miss Goins' classes, Mrs. McNeal will play the organ for chapel service.