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At the recent Nurses Capping ceremonies, President Evans Extended opening remarks (left photo) and J. C. Rawls, professor of Economics directed the Nurses Chorus and served as organist.

Home Demonstrators Will Hear Mrs. Jane Scott, Sewing Specialist

Home Demonstration club women will have an opportunity to attend a special discussion on home sewing by Mrs. Jane Scott from the Simplicity Pattern Company here on June 6, 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in the Animal Industries Building Auditorium.

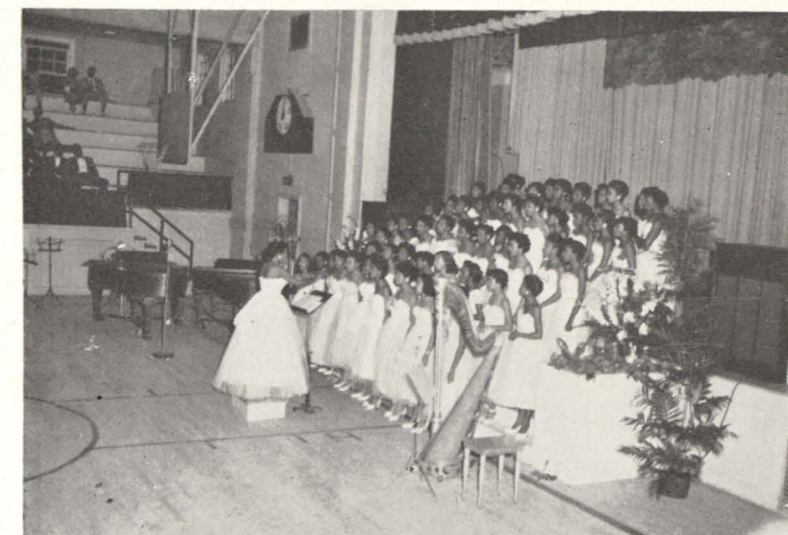
Her talk will include a demonstration of how to determine the correct pattern size for adult figures—the prime requirement for making a well-fitting garment. Incidentally, Mrs. Scott is herself an example of a perfect half-size figure.

Other subjects of interest to be included in her discussion will be styles becoming to various figure types and suitable fabrics and colors for each. Diagrams and charts will illustrate some of the features Mrs. Scott will point up. She will also show new types of fabrics and will give suggestions for accessorizing the wardrobe.

Mrs. Scott travels all over the United States introducing a new service program, originated by the Educational Division of Simplicity



MRS. JANE SCOTT



The Women's Choir under the direction of Ella W. Cullins of the Department of Music, initiated Fine Arts Week on the campus, recently. In photo at left, the Choir and director are shown. At right, male singers joined the women in the rendition of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic."

Agriculture Financing Seminar Announced for June 14-16

Prairie View's School of Agriculture has long been concerned with the problems faced by farmers, rural dwellers, extension leaders and others.

A big problem faced by these persons has been that of financing land, home purchases, farm machinery and equipment of various kinds. With the view of shedding some light on the financial assistance available for those who qualify for assistance, the School of Agriculture will hold a Financing Seminar June 14-16, here in the Auditorium of the Animal Industries Building.

Federal, state and local administrators, farm management specialists, bankers and members of the instructional staff will serve as discussion leaders during the three sessions to be held. Some of the persons scheduled to appear as consultants are: R. B. McLeaish, Administrator, Washington, D. C.; L. D. Smith, Farm Management Specialist, Federal Housing Au-

thority, Dallas; L. J. Washington, Agriculturist Real Estate Loan Branch, F. H. A., Washington, D. C.; V. S. Marett, President, Gonzales State Bank, Gonzales; C. H. Matthews, Member of Federal Farm Credit Board, Eagle Lake; Dr. Virgle P. Lee, President, Production Credit Corporation, Houston; A. H. Fuhr, Information Specialist, F. C. A., Washington, D. C., and Sterling Evans, President, Houston Federal Land Bank, and General Agent of F. C. A., Houston.

President of Prairie View, Dr. E. B. Evans; J. C. Williams, Acting Dean of the School of Agriculture, Dr. J. M. Coruthers and Dr. E. W. Owens, instructors in Agricultural Economics, are scheduled to appear on the program.

C. R. Robinson, Dr. J. L. Brown, and W. C. David will preside at the respective sessions of the seminar.

The general public is invited to attend and participate in the various discussions.

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SUMMER SCHOOL PLANS ARE READIED

Family Life Ed. Workshop to Be June 6-25, 1955

According to the Dean of the School of Home Economics, Mrs. E. M. Galloway, Mrs. Lydia Ann Lynde will be here the first term of the Summer Session (June 6-25), to conduct a Workshop in Family Life Education.

The visiting guest was for 18 years Federal Extension Specialist in Parent and Family Life Education, United States Department of Agriculture. She is now Lecturer, Director of Institutes and Workshops, and Consultant in Program Development for Schools, Colleges and Agencies.

Mrs. Lynde is a graduate of Purdue University, and has studied



MRS. LYDIA ANN LYNDE
Workshop Consultant

at the Universities of Minnesota, California, Indiana, and the U. S. Graduate School.

In addition to the experience in the United States Department of Agriculture, she has been a teacher in high schools, and a specialist in Child Care in Michigan. She is a homemaker and the mother of two sons.

The workshop will be of value to homemakers, teachers, nursery school teachers, home demonstration agents and any others interested in youth, adults and aged persons, and their relationships with each other.

Thousands Attend the 78th Commencement Exercises

Two hundred eighty-nine persons were graduated from Prairie View A. & M. College, May 15.

Bachelors degrees numbered 260; Master's degrees, 20. Fourteen persons received trade certificates, and 30 men were commissioned as second lieutenants of Infantry, U. S. Army Reserves.

Large Audience Hears Kentucky State Prexy

More than 4,000 persons listened to Commencement speaker, Dr. R. B. Atwood, president, Kentucky State College, Frankfort, advise the graduates of their responsibilities as leaders in a democratic society.

"You who are members of the atomic society must double your efforts to make worthwhile contributions to humanity," the speaker stated.

Degrees were awarded as follows: Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, 14; Bachelor of Arts, 51; Bachelors of Arts in Music, 12; Bachelor of Science, 59; Bachelor of Science in Education, 89; Bachelor of Science in Architectural Engineering, 2; in Electrical Engineering, 1; Bachelor of Science in Home Economics, 24; in Clothing and Textiles, 6; in Dietetics, 3; Bachelor of Science in Industrial Education, 9; Master of Education degrees, 15; and Master of Science degrees, 5.

Alumni Awards Presented

Five Prairie View Alumni were presented awards. They were Dr. J. Leslie Patton ('26), A. Tennyson Miller ('34) of Dallas and Port Arthur respectively, both of

Y.W.C.A. Gives to W. S. F. Fund

The Prairie View Y. W. C. A. contribution of \$400 to the World University Service Fund recently, was the third highest from the State of Texas.

"I was really thrilled to see Prairie View once again become one of the prominent contributors," wrote Peyton Short, Regional Secretary of the W. U. S. fund, to Miss A. L. Campbell, Head of the English Department, and Y. W. C. A. Sponsor.

The funds will be used to help meet the needs of students and faculty members in foreign lands.

45th Session to Open June 6, 1955

According to the Director of the Summer School, Dr. J. M. Drew, Prairie View's 45th summer session will hold many special features, excellent recreation, ample housing facilities and cultural entertainment for the studentbody.

Outstanding Faculty

Several outstanding persons will join the instructional staff for the summer session. Persons who have years of teaching experience and who hold degrees from the nation's leading universities will give instruction in special education, guidance and counseling, economics, supervision and administration, and curriculum development. The guest lecturers will include: Dr. F. A. Jackson of Morgan State College, Baltimore, Maryland, Economics; Mrs. F. M. Edmerson, San Antonio Public School, Public School Art; B. A. Mayberry, principal, Kansas City, Missouri, Elementary School Curriculum; Dr. Mark Hanna Boulware, Courses in Speech Correction; Dr. J. S. Lash, Maryland State College, Princess Anne, graduate courses in English; Dr. Israel Glover, Langston University, Oklahoma, Advanced mathematics; Dr. Clifton R. Jones, Morgan State College, and Dr. George Ragland, Texas college, sociology; Mrs. Hattie M. Flowers, Brenham Public Schools, Texas, Workshop in Elementary Education; and Mrs. Mary Hall, Detroit, Michigan, Cosmetology Institute.



DR. RUFUS B. ATWOOD
Commencement Speaker

N. F. A. State Meet To Convene June 1

The 24th Annual New Farmers of America State Convention will be held here, June 1-3.

Approximately 750 high school boys, 187 Vocational Agricultural Teachers, and nearly a score of guest speakers are expected to attend the meeting, stated J. R. Powell, Teacher Trainer.

A Leadership Training Institute for a dozen NFA boys and three area supervisors is scheduled for May 30-31, two days prior to the state convention.

The School of Agriculture has made elaborate plans for the boys' meeting, and several special features are being scheduled.

Dr. J. L. Brown, Director of Extra-Mural Services for the college, will serve as coordinator for the overall plans.

Recreation A'Plenty

During the summer session (from June 6 to August 27), recreation will take on special emphasis.

All sorts of activities — from golf to square dancing — will be provided for the studentbody and the community. Expert leadership will be available to give instruction and supervision to the many programs planned.

New housing accommodations are available for men and women and special dormitory facilities will be open to married persons.

P. V.'s Contribution to World Peace Is Seen at R.O.T.C. Field Day

Recently, when Prairie View's R. O. T. C. Regiment marched onto Blackshear Field, more than 500 cadets demonstrated the college's "contribution to world peace."

The summer uniforms of the cadets complemented by the officers and noncoms' of the military staff, and visiting "inspecting officers" from the college staff and graduate student body created an impressive sight.

The multicolored scarfs — blue, red, and yellow, symbols of the Infantry Field Artillery and Cavalry, respectively—added to the overall spectacle.

Add to this the white helmets of the Military Band, and the Drill Team's white helmets, "leggings," belts and M-1 rifle slings, and the beauty of the scene becomes more apparent.

Precision, expeditious maneuvers, order and discipline made the Field Day memorable from every viewpoint.

Competitions

At all levels, drilling competitions were keen. Particularly noticeable was the rivalry between companies, platoons and squads for first place(s).

"Abel" and "Dog" companies commanded by Cadet Captain Philip Thorn and George Fisher tied for coveted "first."

"Gog" and "Easy" platoons were put through their paces by Cadet Lieutenants Johnson and Mack Ogletree.

"Baker" and "Charlie" squads led by Cadet Holland Bynum and Cleveland Gilcrease "stepped out smartly" as commands reverberated across the drill field.

The Winnahs!!

This is the way the competitions ended:

Best Drilled Battalion—1st Battalion commanded by Lt. Col. Roy A. Atkins (Maxwell W. Vales Trophy);

Best Drilled Company — "Dog" Company commanded by Capt. George Fisher (Jesse H. Jones Cup);

Best Drilled Platoon — 3d Platoon, Company "E," commanded

by Lt. Col. Mack Ogletree (Hempstead Chamber of Commerce Trophy);

Best Drilled Squadron — 2d Squad, 1st Platoon, "B" Company, led by sophomore Cadet Holland Bynum (American Legion Plaque).

Distinguished Military Students Announced

A singular honor each year is that of being named an outstanding military student. "Distinguished" is the term used to denote the extra fine caliber of the cadet's performance.

Four cadets were named this year for their overall performance in the R. O. T. C.; their general academic standing; and their participation in the student activities of the college. They are: LOSTON HARRIS, ESSEX FOWLKS, JAMES WALLACE, and ELIJAH MILES.

Each of the cadets named has been an outstanding student during the four years of his academic and R. O. T. C. training.

As the result of their distinction, the cadets have opportunity to choose careers in the regular army.

Cadets Awarded

Single honors were bestowed on the following cadets for various performances as individual R. O. T. C. members:

Outstanding Graduating Cadet — Loston Harris (Sam W. Becker Award)

Advanced Corps With Highest Average—Essex Fowlks (I. Frenkel Cash Award)

Best Drilled Cadet — Holland Bynum (Houston Chamber of Commerce Medal)

Outstanding Freshman Cadet—Rowan M. Smith (American Legion Medal)

Outstanding Sophomore Cadet—Bernard Johnson (Houston C of C Award)

Outstanding Basic Course Cadet—Edward Clark (Houston C of C Award)

Outstanding Junior Cadet—Ervin S. Perry (Houston C of C Award)

Outstanding R. O. T. C. Non-Commissioned Officer — James Lauder (Becker Award)

Outstanding R. O. T. C. Officer — Carly Lee Alton (Becker Award)

Special letters of appreciation and commendation were presented the Bandmaster, Leonard Bowden; Miss R. O. T. C., Ernestine Craft;

Lady of the Year, Claudette Nickens.

The Battalion and Company Queens were cited for their contributions to the military program and morale during the year.

Special Unit Citations were made to the Military Band and the Drill Team as the "Honor Units of the Year."

Interesting Program Throughout

The entire afternoon's program was interesting, colorful and educational. Members of the military staff were presented—including a description of their military service to date—the Professor of Military Science and Tactics, Major Frank M. Christmas, was on hand to make awards; President E. B. Evans who presented the outstanding military student award, was among the guests; Mrs. W. R. Banks, wife of the president-emeritus; wives of the military professors and sweethearts of the cadets were among the spectators.

Captain Alonzo O. C. Sargent made the official announcements of all proceedings, assisted by Renaldo Yerwood, senior cadet.

Field Day is an annual observance, and thousands of spectators should always be on hand to witness the very fine activities and awards.

Cadet Wins Wall Street Journal Award

Loston Harris, a graduating senior of Prairie View won the Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award, the Department of Business Administration announced.

The Award consists of a specially designed silver medal and a year's subscription to the *Wall Street Journal*. The winner was selected on the basis of outstanding scholarship in the field of Business Administration. Harris received the Award on Honors Day at the College. The recipient is a native of Port Arthur, and was a distinguished honor graduate and outstanding Military student award winner, also.

Honors' Day Observed At Prairie View

Many members of the College student body were given recognition on "Honors Day," observed Thursday, May 12 at 11:00 A.M., in the Auditorium Gymnasium.

Scholarships, keys, certificates and other awards were presented to those students whose contribution—both academically and extracurricularly — has been outstanding during the year.

Presentations were made by Drs. J. M. Drew and T. R. Solomon, Dean of Instruction and Director of Student Life, respectively.

Twenty-third Coaching Clinic To Convene July 6-8, 1955

On July 6, when the opening session of Prairie View's 23rd Annual Coaching Clinic begins at 9:15 A.M., some of America's most outstanding mentors will be on hand to serve as consultants.

The impressive list of specialists includes coaches Charles ("Chuck") V. Mather, Kansas University gridiron boss; Ray Crowe, Basketball and Track specialist for Crispus Attucks High School, Indiana-

polis, Indiana; Dr. Richard ("Dick") V. Ganslen, world authority on pole vaulting; and Alexander Durley, Athletic Director and Head Football Coach, Texas Southern University, Houston.

The overall purpose of the Clinic is "to improve the quality of coaching in the high schools of Texas," stated members of Prairie View's coaching staff headed by W. J. ("Billy") Nicks.

Nursing Students Are 'Capped'

Impressive ceremonies marked the occasion of the Second Annual Capping Ceremonies sponsored by the Division of Nursing Education, recently in the Auditorium-Gymnasium.

Near half-a-hundred nursing students received caps and certificates symbolizing their progress in the college curriculum of nursing.

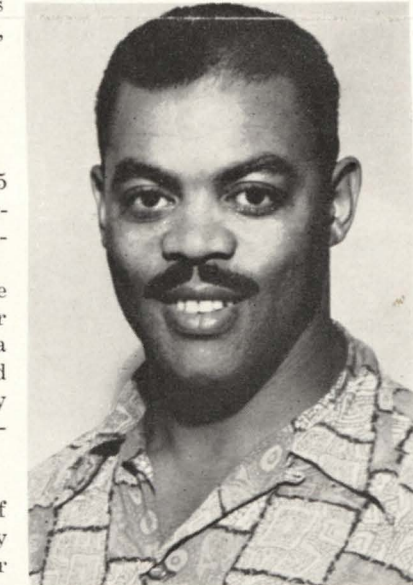
Miss Virginia Lane, instructor, obstetrical nursing, University of Texas School of Nursing at Galveston, delivered the main address.

The Dean of the Division of Nursing Education, Mrs. M. S. Brannon, assisted by Miss Freddie M. Burnett, nursing instructor, officiated in "capping" the students.

Music for the ceremonies was furnished by the Nurses' Chorus under the direction of J. C. Rawls, professor of Economics.



CHARLES V. MATHER
Coaching Clinic Consultant



RAY CROWE
Coaching Clinic Consultant



THE ROSCOE LEWISES — Both Ph.D.'s

P. V. Alumni to Receive Ph.D.

First Couple in the History of K. S.

A man and his wife will be awarded doctor of philosophy degrees at Kansas State College's spring commencement exercises May 29. It is the first time in the history of the institution that this has occurred.

The couple is Roscoe W. and Burnadine L. Lewis, who with their 10-year-old daughter reside in Hilltop Courts on the campus.

Roscoe and Burnadine first met as students at Prairie View A. & M. College, Prairie View, Texas, where they both received their bachelor of science degrees, he in 1939, and she in 1941. They were wed in 1942.

Lewis, who will get his Ph.D. in animal nutrition, did research on broilers, studying the influence of different feed ingredients on the flavor and chemical properties of the birds. Mrs. Lewis is earning her degree in foods and nutrition. She did research on the fat stability of turkeys.

When Mrs. Lewis joined her husband at Kansas State College in 1952, she had no intention of going on to school and planned to get a job. However, the only job available in her field was at the College in the foods and nutrition

department. As she explains it:

"I started work as research assistant and took a few courses. As time went on I became greatly interested in research and a year later, when my husband started work on his doctorate, I started serious work toward my doctorate."

Lewis agrees that getting this far in college is a happy event for any family. He attributes their accomplishment to having been fortunate in avoiding accidents and illness.

"Going to school together has been much better than doing it independently," Lewis commented. "We've always enjoyed doing things together, so naturally we enjoyed our school work more this way."

Before serving 14 months in the field artillery, Roscoe taught vocational agriculture, and he returned to the same occupation until he reentered school to work on an advanced degree.

Mrs. Lewis is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Langston, Route 2, Texarkana, Texas, and a graduate of Dunbar High School in 1937. Her husband is the son of John A. Lewis, 1379 Maple, Beaumont, Texas, and a 1935 graduate of Charlton-Pollard High School.

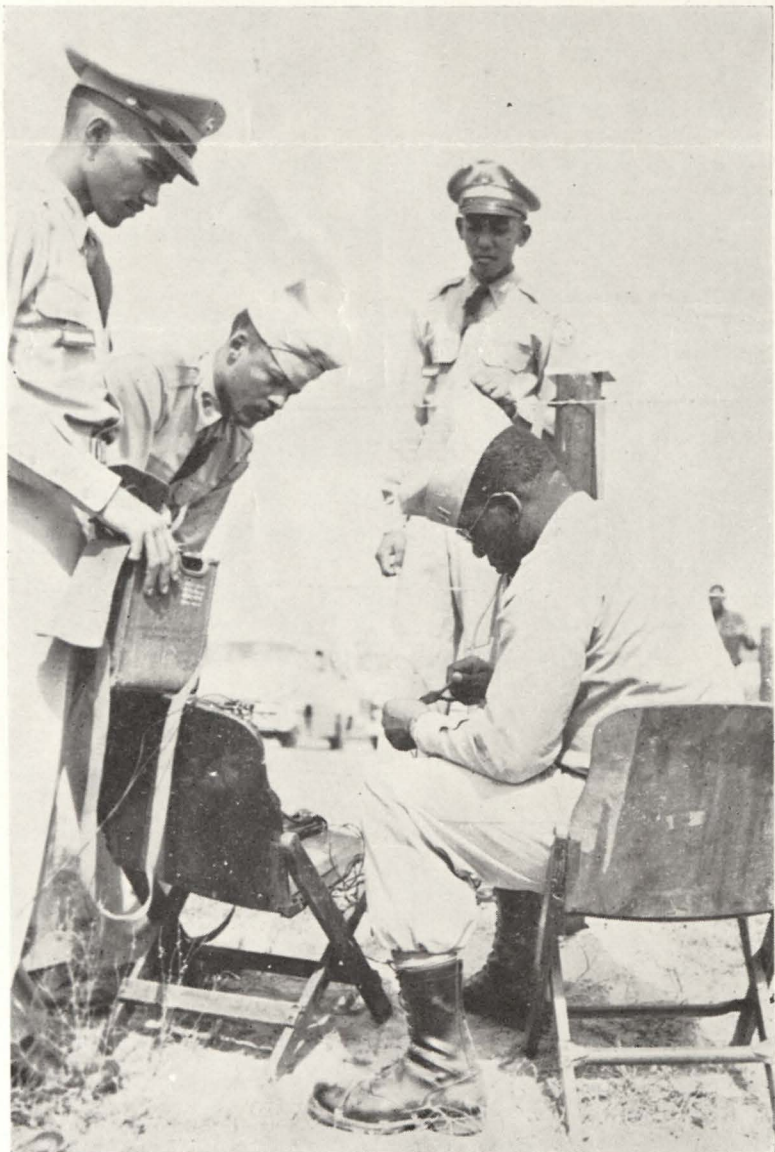
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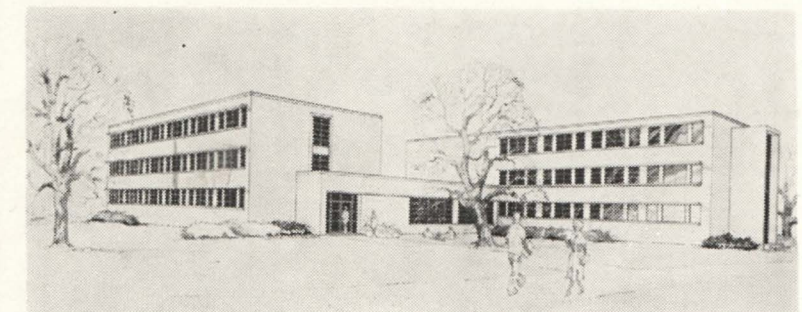
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Members of Prairie View's R. O. T. C. cadet corps are shown observing a communication's hook-up under the skilled hands of Captain Thomas I. Caines. Looking on are Cadets Ervin Perry (1), Phillip D. Thorne and Mark T. McDonald.



NEARING COMPLETION is the new dormitory which will house near a hundred women when occupied. Henry D. Mayfield, Jr., Bryan, Texas, designed the structure for Prairie View.