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Homecoming: Prairie View-Langstou Tie, 19-19

P.V. Garden Club Sponsors Third Annual Flower Show

The Prairie View Garden Club sponsored its Third Annual Fall Show recently in the Recreation Center. Displays of arrangements ranging from the use of wild flowers, ceramics, paintings and needle craft were included in the entries.

Cut flower arrangements included an assortment of Fall flowers: Marigolds, Zinnias, Chrysanthemums, Petunias, Tithonias, Dianthus, Dahlias and Roses.

Among the main features of the show were table centerpieces arranged from the themes of "Friendship," "Bon Voyage," "Patriotism" and "Thanksgiving."

Bon Voyage Winners

One of the prize-winning tables had a centerpiece of red carnations artistically arranged in a ship-shaped container complemented with miniature luggage and a genuine passport.

The second prize winner in the Bon Voyage theme displayed a ship made of flowers, with anchor and rope accessories which produced a realistic effect. The handmade table cover created an impression of water through the use of scalloped edges and blue "wavy" design.

Friendship Winners

A winner in the Friendship table arrangements was a centerpiece for a dinner table executed in yellow gladiolas accented with sprays of green foliage.

Second place honors went to an arrangement for an occasional table which utilized a cream colored, flair-shaped pottery vase filled with large red roses.

"Patriotic" Honors

First prize honors went to a table centerpiece — a flat oblong-shaped container filled with small, red, white and blue chrysanthemums arranged in a "stars and stripes" design (replica of the United States Flag.)

Second place table centerpiece was the traditional "Uncle Sam's" hat or red, white and blue inverted and filled with white carnations, flanked by two smaller Uncle Sam's hats on both sides which held tall white candles.

Thanksgiving Winners

One arrangement in the "Thanksgiving" theme was a complete dinner table set in a white and gold color scheme—linen, china, glassware, and an artistic centerpiece of golden colored chrysanthemums and Bird of Paradise flowers.

Awarded first prize was an arrangement entered by men (for the first time). Dr. G. R. Woolfolk and C. A. Wood's Thanksgiving table displaying vegetables and fruits characterizing people proceeding along a pathway leading

to a church (realistically augmented with a shingled steeple, varicolored window panes, and lawn and foundation plants).

Members of the second grade Elementary School class entered a "Horn of Plenty" filled and overflowing with flowers and clusters of grapes.

The NOVELTIES Section featured items such as corsages made of fiber; flower-designed cake decorations made of sugar; and flower designs of crochet and embroidery. Several ceramic articles were displayed by members of the Club, while the ANTIQUES Section caught the eye with its wood, gas or stone waffle irons, coffee mill, music box with metal records which dated before the turn of the century.

The largest number of entries was made in the DRIED FLOWER Section. Wild flowers, grasses, burs, pods, branches, berries and assortments of vegetables were displayed before neutral-colored discs.

The Program Committee, Mrs. J. M. Wilson, chairman, presented the closing features of the Show highlighted by ballet dancing, reading and music. Prize winners were announced by Mrs. A. W. Randall, chairman of the 1955 Show; and concluding remarks of congratulations were made by President of College, E. B. Evans.

President of the Garden Club is Dr. J. M. Coruthers, staff member, the School of Agriculture.



OFFICERS OF THE P.V.-LOS ANGELES CLUB . . . sent Homecoming greetings to the Panthers via photograph. The "Yea, Team" came from (left to right): Henry A. Warren '43, Business Manager (Medical Social Worker); Jerralyn Brittain '50, Assistant Recording Secretary (Elementary Teacher) Elzenobia Porter '39, Assistant Corresponding Secretary (Elementary Teacher); Revoydia Davis '41, Recording Secretary; M. A. Davis '41, Deputy Probation Officer; Second Row: Lucy Felton '41, Corresponding Secretary (Typist-Clerk); Hermine Dickey Kincherlow '41, Financial Secretary (Housewife); Third Row: George Chadwick, Jr., '25, Vice President (Tailor); Joe Pattaway '39, Parliamentarian (Staff Manager of Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co.) Other officers of the Club not pictured are: George E. Miller '40, Treasurer, (Serviceman No. 1 for Southern California Gas Co.); William Daily '34, Chaplain, (Deputy Probation Officer); Eula Herndon Pine '33, Historian, (Registered Nurse).

P.V. Quint Opens December 1-2

Prairie View opens its 1955-56 cage season December 1-2, at Waco, Texas, against the strong Paul Quinn Tigers.

Recent practice sessions and intra-squad games, give promise for this year's being one of the most interesting and productive basketball seasons in P. V. history.

The squad showed great improvement over last year's quintet which, under Coach Tom Williams' sharp direction and keen supervision, compiled a 19-7 won-loss record.

This year's team is bolstered by five new faces who have shown a lot of promise in helping to better last year's team record.

The 1955-56 Panther squad consists of 10 veterans: Co-Captains Emanuel Jones, Jr. and James Gamble; All-American Clarence Ludd; Edward Elliot; Lorenzo Dunlap; Earl Johnson; Irving Justice; Charles Whitmore; Calvin White; Carmen Stewart; and five first year men: Oscar Singleton, Paul Rutledge, Don Meekins, John Hightower and Bob Nelson.

The group offers speed, height, aggressive drive and most of all, depth that could be the qualities which send the Panthers all the way to the Southwest title for the first time since 1949.

Fight to Deadlock

Trailing Langston University 19-0 at halftime, the Prairie View Panthers fought their way back to deadlock a thrilling battle 19-19, Homecoming, November 20, on Blackshear Field. A record crowd of 12,000 homecoming fans were on hand to lend frenzied cheers in behalf of the "never-say-die" Panthers.

An off-side penalty after a rushing attempt for the go-ahead point in the final minutes spoiled an almost perfect day for the Panthers, who have decided that they are still definitely included in the close Southwestern conference race.

Langston opened with a vicious attack. A blocked Panther punt put them in scoring position where star halfback Curtis Clay scored from the 12-yard line in the first two minutes of the game. Theatrice Brown and Griffin Jones continued in the rushing drive to Prairie View's four-yard line where Clay again carried over for the score. Prairie View threatened only once during the first half, but this advance was shortlived when Jones intercepted a Panther pass for a third Lion score.

Panther quarterback, James Rickett, took to the air in producing a TD on an opening drive in the second period. He passed successfully to Eugene Lewis twice for 52 yards and to Harold Campbell for 22, and William Stell slipped through guard for the tally. This combination continued to move for the Panthers, and Rickett finally hit Stell on a 22-yard touchdown pass to narrow the margin.

An inspired Panther forward wall, which helped so much in the comeback trail, blocked a Lion attempt to punt to set the stage for the tying score. Rickett passed to Campbell for 11 yards, while Stell and Calvin Scott made successive drives in the line to produce the all-important marker.

Liberian Staff Continues to Grow

The sixth member of the Prairie View A. & M. College's overseas staff working with the Liberian Project departed from New York, October 20.

He was W. Bruce Watkins, formerly the Clerk-Manager of the College's Maintenance Department. His new position is that of Administrative Assistant to G. L. Smith, Sr., Chief Adviser. Watkins has been a member of the Prairie View staff since June, 1951.

Other persons serving with the Project are: G. L. Smith, r., who left in the early spring; Maxie Young, Brickmason; Mark L. Andrews, who formerly worked at Virginia State College, was the third staff member to depart; Donald F. White, Technician Draftsman, who departed in July; Waddell Burwell, of Suffolk, Virginia, who serves as Carpentry Specialist-instructor.

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PRAIRIE VIEW IS HOST TO MANY VISITORS

President Addresses College Representatives

President E. B. Evans recently returned from Washington, D. C. where he addressed the 6th Annual Conference for Agricultural Services In Foreign Areas.

From the general topic, "Some Administrative Aspects of the Foreign Training Program on College Campuses," Dr. Evans emphasized "The important responsibility of keeping college administrative boards, faculty, staff and other parts of the Institution acquainted with the program and the results."

Representatives from 20 Negro A. & M. Colleges attended the meeting along with those from other land-grant institutions.

Among other things taken up by the conferences were ways of continuing to improve the training program now being conducted cooperatively by the U. S. Department, the International Cooperation Administration and the land-grant colleges.

Veterans Day Observance Proves Impressive

"A calculable future which is underwritten by the American Eagle that stands guard over all, is one of our rights of citizenship," stated Lt. Col. Andrew L. Johnson in his Memorial address delivered here on Veterans Day as a part of the most impressive ceremonies observed at the College in many years.

Chaplain Johnson, Assistant Post Chaplain, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, spoke at 11:00 A.M. to the student body, staff and honored guests—gold star mothers, their husbands and friends—in the capacity filled Gymnasium.

The speaker cautioned that: "Responsibilities complement citizenship," and added, "Citizenship and religion must be incarnated in good personality—and they are incarnated best in the American soldier."

Sponsored by the ROTC under the leadership of Lt. Col. Thomas H. Wright, Professor of Military Science and Tactics, the program honored all "those who have made the supreme sacrifice."

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FEATURED HOMECOMING PERSONALITIES . . . (left to right), President E. B. Evans, Evelyn Alfred ("Miss Prairie View"), and the honored queen for the week-end, Jean LaNell Hines Caldwell '50.

The happiness captured during halftime presentations (in the picture above) represents the pleasant experiences shared by some 12,000 visitors throughout the day, November 19.

—Ward Photo

Library Observed National Book Week November 13-19, 1955

"For friends . . . do but look upon good books: they are true friends, that will neither flatter nor dissemble."—FRANCIS BACON

The W. R. Banks Library Staff recently led the campus celebration of National Book Week, November 13-19 by preparing a special exhibit.

O. J. Baker, Librarian, invited the entire faculty "To take an active and personal interest in making the occasion meaningful to our college students."

The theme for this year's celebration was "Let's Read More,"

and throughout the United States and Canada the central idea was emphasized.

History of Book Week

The germ of Book Week originated more than a decade ago, in the mind of Franklin K. Matthews, chief librarian of the Boy Scouts of America.

The first nationally recognized Book Week was in 1919, through the cooperative efforts of the American Booksellers Association and the American Library Association.

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THANKSGIVING SPIRIT . . . is typified in this vegetable arrangement which won first place for designers G. R. Woolfolk and C. A. Wood in the Prairie View Garden Club's Third Annual Fall Flower Show.—DeRouen Photo

Homecoming Crowd Is Biggest Yet

Since Prairie View's September 12, 1955 opening, an estimated 25,000 visitors have come to the campus for various occasions.

The November 19 (Homecoming) number of guests—approximately 12,000—was the largest crowd at any single event this year, and is reputed to be the biggest Homecoming visitation in the institution's history.

Alumni Association Active

An all-out attempt to bring P. V.-ites "home" was made by the Local Alumni Club and the General Alumni Association weeks before the actual date for the observance. Announcements, invitations, news-sheets, telephone calls and telegraph messages succeeded in reaching thousands of "family members" and attracting their desire to come home.

Several activities including the annual parade—more spectacular than ever—and football game added to the festive atmosphere about the campus.

Decorations of buildings and grounds added to the attractiveness of the occasion.

The Alumni Club, the college staff, the students — everyone!—was host in keeping alive the Prairie View tradition of friendliness and in preserving the "you-are-at-home" feeling.

Others Visit

Other visitors than the Homecoming guests have swelled the number of persons to whom the campus has been host during the school year.

Spectators at four previous football games, guest speakers, foreign leaders, national conference-delegations, and the usual number of "just plain curious" visitors have kept the campus personnel alert in their role as hosts.

Entertaining guests is one of Prairie View's most outstanding attributes; and November, 1955, has provided ample opportunity for thousands to witness the "hospitality of the Hill."

'Y' Institute Plans Completed

The Southwest Area Council of the Young Men's Christian Association cooperating with Prairie View will co-sponsor the 20th "Y" Leadership Institute at the College, December 2-4.

Around 500 Hi-Y and Tri-Hi-Y boys and girls with their adult leaders from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Southwest Louisiana, and Texas, will make up the delegates.

Dr. Geogre D. Kelsey, Associate Professor of Christian Ethics, Theological Faculty, Drew University, Madison, New Jersey, will be the keynote speaker for the Institute.

The speaker will address the delegation, student body and faculty of the College from the conference theme: "World Peace Through World Fellowship." The addresses will be delivered on Friday, December 2, 7:00 P.M. and Sunday, December 4, 11:00 A.M. in the Auditorium-Gymnasium.

Five workshops will be held during the Institute. They will focus on discussion topics which seek to accomplish the purpose of the Y's—"To create, maintain, and extend throughout the home, school and community, high standards of Christian character."

Four members of the Southwest Area Council of the YMCA, Dallas—D. Ned Linegar, Don Newton, W. S. Douglass and W. E. Hogan—will be present to give professional leadership.

Dr. E. B. Evans, President of Prairie View, and Dr. J. L. Brown, Director of Extramural Activities and the Conference Director, will host the group, officially.

I. E. Director Now On Leave

Alvin I. Thomas, Director of the Division of Industrial Education, has been granted a leave of absence from his duties to study for the doctorate degree at Ohio State University, Columbus.

Mr. Thomas is the recipient of a fellowship for 1955-56 school year, from the Southern Fellowship Fund. He has been employed at Prairie View since 1949, and has been Director of Industrial

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A. C. ALEXANDER, Managing Editor



PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING . . . Mrs. Sedalia Wilson, instructor in the Division of Nursing Education, gives final cues to student nurses prior to their visit to surrounding communities where they will serve in improving individual and family health.

Boy Scout Drive Is Successful

The Boy Scout Fund Drive at Prairie View A. & M. College was recently brought to "The most successful financial and moral conclusion the College community

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Education since 1952.

Mrs. Thomas and sons remain on campus, with Mrs. Thomas serving as instructor in the Modern Foreign Language Department.

Samuel R. Collins, a member of the I. E. staff since 1949, is Acting Director of the Division during Mr. Thomas' leave.



Members of the delegation of the National Negro Business League preserved their visit to Prairie View in photograph. The visitors spent a day-long sojourn during October.

—DeRouen Photo

Veterans' Day Observance Proves Impressive to Many

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Dr. T. R. Solomon, Director of Student Life, represented president of the College, Dr. E. B. Evans, in commending the Corps for its presentation.

Music was furnished by the Cadet Chorus under the direction of Cadet Kenneth Hunt, with Cadet Richard Mason at the organ.

The Military Band provided appropriate martial music under the baton of Julius B. Jones, Bandmaster, and instructor, Department of Music.

Cadet Colonel, Mar'on Johnson, presided.

Religious Emphasis Slated Nov. 27-30

Religious Emphasis Week, an annual observance here, will get under way November 27 and continue through the 30th.

This year's theme, "Majoring In Successful Living," will be emphasized in the special convocations, discussion groups and other programs to be held during the Week.

Able theologians will deliver special addresses and lead seminar groups. They are: The Reverend E. A. Smith, pastor of St. Paul Methodist Church, San Antonio, Texas; Mr. Theodore Freeman, Anti-Defamation League, Houston, Texas; The Reverend M. E. Pierson, Houston, Texas.

Four speeches in keeping with the Week's general themes will be delivered by the respective speakers: "The Christian Concept of Successful Living; Successful Courtship and Marriage; Living Together Successfully Inter-racially; and Prayer As a Factor In Successful Living."

Lee C. Phillip, Dean of the Chapel, assisted by campus student leaders will host the visitors. Dr. J. L. Brown, Director of Extramural Activities, is coordinator.

Campus Hosts Foreign Leader

A recent visitor on the Prairie View A. & M. College campus was Mr. Isaka Okwirry, District Officer, Kakamega, Kenya, East Africa.

Mr. Okwirry who spent a week-long visit as a guest of Prairie View, is a participant in the Foreign Leaders Program of the International Educational Exchange Service of the U. S. Department of State.

The foreign leader was hosted by President of the College Dr. E. B. Evans, the campus staff of the Liberian Contract, the staffs of the School of Agriculture, Experiment Station, and the Cooperative Extension Service.

As a visitor, Mr. Okwirry was a guest lecturer for several classes; visited the A. & M. College of Texas, College Station; Fort Bend County Small and Mechanized farms; consulted with personnel of the School of Home Economics at Prairie View, and toured small dairy farms in Grimes County.

His U. S. itinerary was arranged by the Committee on the Leaders Program, American Council on Education, Washington, D. C.

National Book Week

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Observance of Book Week has included widespread radio programs and special activities in book shops, schools, libraries, and elsewhere.

In the years that have passed, a Book Week during November has been observed so widely that it is now taken for granted.



"MISS HOMECOMING" . . . Jean LaNell Hines Caldwell '50 Home-making teacher, Wheatley Senior High School, Houston, Texas.



"MISS PRAIRIE VIEW" . . . Evelyn Alfred, senior, Business Administration major, Baytown, Texas

QUEENS DOMINATE HOMECOMING FESTIVITIES

Choir Directed By Alumna Scores Hit at Vespers

The 40-voice choir from Booker T. Washington High School, Wichita Falls, Texas, left the Prairie View student body and staff—especially the proud members of the Local Alumni Club, sponsoring organization — with a feeling that the 1955 Homecoming was the "best tever."

Performing at Vespers in the Auditorium-Gymnasium at 7:00 P.M., November 20, the high school students displayed not only talent and excellent training, but also a flair for projecting themselves to the extent that the audience responded with thunderous applause throughout the program.

The director, Gwendolyn McDonald Jackson '40, is the wife of C. E. Jackson, principal of Booker Washington school. She has received both the Bachelor of Music and the Master of Arts degrees at Prairie View.

"Gwen," as she is affectionately known to thousands of alumni, was recognized for her ability in music as an undergraduate. Since those years, she has grown in charm and professional status; and more impressive is the fact that she has given of her poise and abilities to hundreds of youth in schools where she has taught.

The Choir's renditions began with "Adoramus Te" (G. P. da

Palestrina) and ran a gamut of religious, operatic, and popular selections, and ended with Friedrich Janssen's arrangement of "Bless this House."

The entire program arranged by the Vesper Committee of Local Alumni Club, O. J. Thomas ('26) Chairman, was a fitting climax to the Homecoming activities.

Boy Scout Drive Is Successful

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has ever had," stated L. C. Mosley, General Chairman.

The Victory Dinner was held in the college cafeteria. Principal speaker for the occasion, Minor H. Huffman, Area Director of Boy Scouts, Houston, Texas, was introduced by Dr. E. B. Evans, President of Prairie View.

Earl Liles, Executive District Director, made remarks about scouting in the Sam Houston Area, of which the E. B. Evans Troop is a part.

Prizes and surprise were awarded to Division Leaders, Captains and Clerks responsible for the campaign. Presentations were made by C. A. Wood and Wendell J. Jones of the College staff.



GWENDOLYN M. JACKSON
Class of 1940

Y's Sponsor Membership Campaign

One of the most intensive membership campaigns ever undertaken by a student organization on the Prairie View A. & M. College campus was completed recently as the Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations closed an educational program for the College's near 3000 students.

Designated not only to secure members for the current school year, but also to acquaint the campus with the worthwhile program of the organizations, the YM and YWCA are utilizing some of the most outstanding student leaders in publicizing the work of the organization.

The annual "Y" Carnival and campus home solicitation were held November 16 as a benefit for the World University Service Fund.

Presidents of the respective organizations are: YMCA — Hope Hampton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Booker T. Hampton, Texarkana, Texas; YMCA — James Smith, son of Mr. James A. Smith, Port Arthur, Texas.

Staff advisers to the organizations are Anne L. Campbell and N. C. Harden.