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Tough Grid Schedule Ahead For 1957 Panther Aggregation

Prairie View A. & M. College's revised 1957 football schedule, released recently by athletic director W. J. Nicks, places the Panthers in the role of playing one of the toughest schedules in years.

In 1957 the Panthers will face last year's national Negro College champs from Tennessee State and national runners-up, Grambling College of Louisiana. They will travel to Atlanta, Georgia to meet the Southern Conference power, Morris Brown College, and they face two great teams in their own loop, Texas Southern and Wiley College, joint title holders in the 1956 Southwestern Conference race.

The Panthers will open the season at Prairie View playing Jackson College on September 28. The

featured home games will include the Annual State Fair of Texas Classic in the Cotton Bowl on October 14, Homecoming on November 23, and the annual Prairie View Bowl. The State Fair game will have an additional feature this year in that Prairie View's arch athletic rival, Texas Southern, will be the opponent for the first time in this classic. Their meeting in Dallas will be the regular scheduled conference tilt for the two leading SWC teams.

Homecoming will see the Panthers match with Langston University's Lions. The Bowl game opponent will be selected later in the season.

Other home games are Grambling College, October 26, Wiley College, December 7.

18 Lettermen Back 'Prospects Look Good' As the 1957 Practice Drills for Football Commence

The practice schedule for Prairie View A. & M. College's football squad began September 3, athletic director W. J. Nicks announced.

Nicks, who also serves as head football coach, said that he is expecting 18 lettermen to return. "We lost six lettermen from last year—four men we will really miss," the Prairie View head mentor said. The four included All-American End and Captain Heron Tibbs; Charles Garcia, end; Samuel Metters, guard; and fullback Harold Campbell.

Top men returning will be Rufus Granderson, tackle; Gentry Hornsby, guard; Ollie Nelson, center; Ruddle Hitchens, guard; Calvin

Scott, halfback; James Rickett, quarterback; and John Oliphant halfback. Hitchens and Oliphant are co-captains elect.

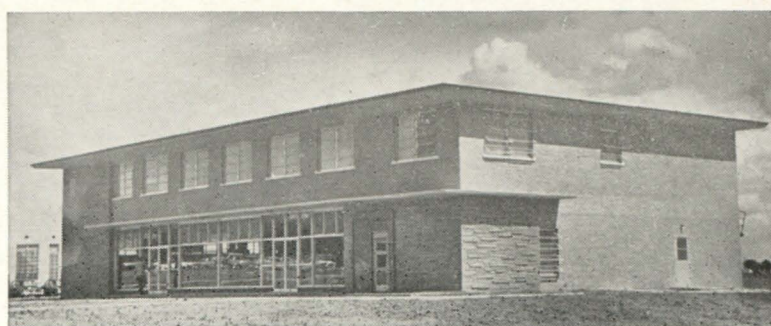
"Prospects are pretty good," the head coach admitted after reviewing the list of regulars expected to return. "There is a possibility of building a nucleus for a strong team around these men."

There was little comment about freshman prospects for the 1957 season. It is expected however, that the Panthers will add a half dozen or more of the leading high school players from the state.



THEY ATTENDED PRAIRIE VIEW THIS SUMMER —150 Cheerleaders and Majorettes. Kneeling are instructors and advisors of the Short Course.

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Student Union Building Set For this Year

Final realization of a long felt need will come to Prairie View A. & M. College with the construction of a student union building scheduled for the near future.

Plans for the new million dollar structure will soon leave the drawing boards and construction is expected to begin within the ensuing school year.

Present student activity facilities are scattered throughout the campus with a recreation center located in a temporary structure. The new facility will bring together all student personnel services and offer many advantages for student organizations, government and social and recreational activities.

Also on a tentatively approved list of new buildings for the College are a one and one-half million dollar science building and a health and physical education (field house) structure which will also meet a most pressing need for instructional facilities. Both of these projects are earmarked for early construction.

These new building plans follow on the heels of a large-scale physical plant expansion program which has netted the College ten major buildings in the same number of years. The most recent, a very attractive Home Economics Building, will be completed for the 1957-58 school term.

The College now has more than 1,000 modern dormitory rooms available for students. Four new dormitories and eight completely renovated structures are included in these housing facilities for students.

Strong, Capable Faculty for 1957-58 is College Goal

Prairie View A. & M. College will continue to strengthen its faculty as the opening of the 1957-58 school term nears.

The College now employs a total of 174 instructional personnel—all with appropriate degrees and credentials for teaching in specific areas. Twenty-seven of this number hold the doctorate degree and one hundred have masters degrees, while the balance are listed with bachelors degrees and certificates, many of these instructors excel in their teaching areas.

Additions and replacements on the staff are expected to be made with strong, capable persons. These have not been reported for



AGRICULTURE RESEARCH — A highlight of the Summer Session is the annual Watermelon Festival sponsored by the School of Agriculture and Experiment Sub-Station No. 18. Agronomist Oliver E. Smith is shown in foreground with several varieties of melons grown on the campus. Nearly all of the College employees participated in the sampling and eating experiments which followed presentations by the Agricultural staff.

Nearly Three Hundred Receive Degrees at Summer Session Convocation

Degrees and certificates were awarded to 257 graduates during the Summer Commencement Exercises at Prairie View A. & M. College.

President E. B. Evans made the awards in the outdoor arena erected on Blackshear Field. The Reverend M. M. Pierson, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church in Houston, delivered the commencement address.

Reverend Pierson spoke directly from the scriptures in addressing the large number of graduates. He told them to use their education and training in helping others find the way. Using a biblical quotation, he said, "Look around you, there is a well of water." He told the graduates that "you are a de-

finite part of the great work of God."

A total of 120 persons received master's degrees during the convocation, and 117 bachelor degrees were awarded. Fifteen diplomas in Nursing and five certificates—secretarial science, dressmaking, carpentry, printing, and tailoring—were included in the presentations.

Lee E. Odom, an industrial Education major from Berkeville, graduated with great distinction. The four persons graduating with distinction were Earline Clemons, James McClendon, Florence McIntosh and Billie J. Simmons.

Commissions in the U. S. Army Reserve were awarded to Second Lieutenants Daniel E. Baker, Claude W. Smith, Allan Pierre and Claude L. Melton.

Poultry Department Staff Attends Meeting

The Department of Poultry Husbandry at Prairie View A. & M. College was represented at the 46th Annual Meeting of the Poultry Science Association. The meeting was held August 5-9th, at the University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.

J. J. Woods, head of the Department participated in the Marketing Section discussion of the meeting. R. W. Lewis, nutritionist presented a paper entitled "Compatibility of Methyl Esters and Animal Fat with Nicarbozin in Broiler Diets" in the Nutrition section. The paper was authored by R. W. Lewis, J. J. Woods and J. R. Couch.

President Evans Receives Citation

Dr. E. B. Evans, president of Prairie View A. & M. College, received a citation plaque for leadership work with youth during the Regional 4-H Club Camp held recently at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

The awards were made to President Evans and other national leaders in Agricultural Extension Work at a dinner in Howard's Baldwin Hall on the evening of August 17. Dr. William J. L. Waller, president of West Virginia State College, Institute, West, Va., Miss Hatlye E. Roseman, a secretary in the Mississippi State 4-H club office, and J. E. Dixon, retired county agent of South Carolina were the others honored.

An awards committee selected the four from a list of nominees submitted by Extension Service workers in the Southern region. The citations were for outstanding service to 4-H club youth.

One hundred and twenty-eight rural youth from 17 southern states attended the 7-day encampment. They were accompanied by 34 Extension leaders and the delegates represented 350,000 fellow 4-H'ers.

President Evans addressed the delegation during an opening session. Other speakers included Jesse Owens, world famous track star and a member of the Illinois youth commission; True D. Morse, Under Secretary of Agriculture; Edward W. Aiton, National Director of 4-H and Young Men and Women's work of the Federal Extension Service; and Miss Roberta Church, U. S. Department of Labor.



THEY COME IN THREES—Summer visitors to the campus included the triplets pictured above, Terry, Jerry and Gerry Randolph. They are sons of P. V. graduate E. A. Randolph, Extension Agent in Fayette County and Mrs. Randolph.

Orientation Activities Planned for Students

The department of Student Personnel at Prairie View A. & M. College is completing an extensive schedule of activities for the orientation of freshmen students who will enroll in September.

Enrollment of first year students is expected to continue upward, and more emphasis is being placed on the early adjustment of these new students to college life.

Information kits are being prepared which describes all the college programs and services, and several orientation meetings are being scheduled. Several members of the 1956 freshman group, which numbered near 1,000 students, will return to the campus early to participate in the orientation activities.

Strengthening student government activities at the College is a major objective under consideration at the College, according to Dr. T. R. Solomon, Dean of Students. "We are making every effort to include students on all major policy committees and to strengthen our Student Council," Dr. Solomon said.

A committee on student life has recommended several changes and improvements based on the expressed needs and wishes of various student groups.

Tour of Eastern States Made

A total of 37 students at Prairie View A. & M. College made an educational tour of the Northeastern United States.

A small crowd of students gathered to watch the departure, which was the second such tour of the historic Eastern half of the country. Last year's educational tour included the far western states. Dr. J. L. Brown, director of Extramural Services at the College, was among the well-wishers who saw the group depart.

The entire group, representing the states of Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas, enrolled for this special tour only. They were accompanied by two staff members, Mrs. A. C. Preston, and Miss Dorothy Burdine, both associate professors of elementary education.

The "classroom on-wheels" included a 7,000 mile tour through twenty-two states and a portion of Canada.

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FIREMAN'S TRAINING SCHOOL — Real fire fighting action is displayed in this photograph taken during the Fireman's Training School held in July. Fifty firemen and volunteers from the College and nearby communities enrolled in the five-day course sponsored by the Engineering Extension Service in Cooperation with the Texas Education Agency's Division of Trade and Industrial Education.

Annual Fireman's Training School Featured In Summer Session

A training school for firemen was held at Prairie View A. & M. College beginning Monday, August 5 and continuing through Friday, August 9.

The five-day course was conducted by the Engineering Extension Service in cooperation with the Trade and Industrial Education Department of Texas Education Agency. More than fifty firemen from South and Central Texas Communities were enrolled.

Activities included pump operations, special fire hazards and inspection practices, fire attack, ladders and fire rescue and hose evolutions. The Engineering Extension Service erected temporary buildings on the Prairie View Campus which were used in experimental purposes.

Instructors for the course included: Henry D. Smith, chief of the Firemen's Training School and field instructors; James R. Dobson, A. J. Fogalay, A. L. Cart-

Reserve Officers Training Corps is Good Bet for College Men

If it wasn't for the fact that there are more women than men at Prairie View A. & M. College, a visitor during a normal day might think that the state institution is strictly military.

Thursdays are drill days, but every day something is going on for the 600 cadets enrolled in the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps Unit.

Fourteen Regular Army Officers make up the staff whose job it is to see that something is going on at all times.

Much like a full college program itself, ROTC has every feature normally designed for expert instruction and the best of student services. There are opportunities for the best guidance and counseling, numerous student organiza-

tions to belong to, and in case the boys are interested, girls are brought into the program through organizational queens, and the Saber girls marching outfit.

Technical advisers to the program were: Chief Q. D. Thomas, Prairie View A. & M. Fire Department, Chief Emeritus T. C. Pickett, Sunnyside; Chief Garrett C. Young, South Union; and Chief Joe Frazier, McNair. The local committee for arrangements included general chairman Claude L. Wilson, Coordinators J. L. Brown, A. I. Thomas, H. E. Fuller, Col. T. H. Wright, L. C. McMillan, H. D. Murdock, C. A. Wood, J. L. Boyer, A. E. LeBeaux, and H. A. Perkins.

and monthly pay and allowances of nearly \$350.

All This and Pay Too

This is one reason the ROTC program at Prairie View is so popular. There are many others. Perhaps the greatest benefit to the individual from ROTC training is its development of leadership qualities. Leadership—the ability to organize and direct the activities of others—is in high demand by business, industry, the social fields, the military service—almost all human enterprises.

Special Education Courses Offered

Forty-six registrants were enrolled for two courses in Special Education for Exceptional Children during the Second term Summer Session. These graduate students were representatives from many parts of Texas. The two courses offered were: "Introduction to Speech Correction" and "Adjustment Training for Exceptional Children." Both of these course offerings were on the graduate level.

Mr. J. King Chandler, III, served as visiting professor of Special Education and offered the two courses. He is a teacher in the Cincinnati, Ohio Public Schools, Cincinnati, Ohio. These registrants, under the instructions of Mr. Chandler, shared in many developmental experiences.

P. V. Grad. Selected For Government Post in Far East

Mr. Charles E. Tatum, an instructor in the Department of Economics and Social Science received notice from the Pentagon in Washington that he has been selected for a position as an Educationist with United Nations Forces in the Far East.

He looks upon Japan as a land of friendliness and politeness. Presently, he is deeply concerned about the teeming millions overcrowding the Japanese archipelagos. He will have trips in Okinawa, Korea, Hong Kong and other areas throughout the Far East as a part of his performance of duty. He says, "I have a love for living people and Japanese are living."

P. V. Grad. Completes Dietetic Internship

Mrs. Christine Hervey Houston, B.S. 1955, received a certificate for 12-months internship at Freedmen's Hospital in Washington, D. C. during the commencement exercises held at Howard University September 13.

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If you want to see a smooth military organization operating within the framework of a college program, be sure to visit Prairie View. Make it on a Thursday to see drill work or better still, visit during a football game or classic and see the colorful units in all of their glory.

New Scholarships Totaling \$4,000.00 Listed for Prairie View Students

A total of \$4,000 in new scholarships for Prairie View A. & M. College students have been awarded for September 1957, President E. B. Evans announced.

A two-year scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 has been established by H. G. Haynie, president and general manager of Western Compress and Storage Company, Abilene. The Haynie Scholarships will go to a male student from the areas around Abilene, Hemlin and Sweetwater.

The Lee C. O'Neil Scholarships, two amounting to \$500 each, have been awarded to Janie B. and Gwendolyn M. Davis of Yoakum. An announcement has been made by the Imperial Sugar Company, Sugarland, concerning the award of a four-year—\$600 per year—scholarship to Donnie G. Sampson, M. R. Wood High School honor student, to pursue engineering studies at Prairie View.

A total of \$3,000 represents the Mary Gibbs Jones scholarships in home economics. Twelve female students will receive \$250 each during the school year 1957-58.

Houston Endowment, Inc. is the donor of this \$25,000 scholarship program which was started in 1946 by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Jones, Houston philanthropist. A total of \$81,000 in scholarships to Prairie View students have been awarded by Houston Endowment, Inc. The Jesse Jones Scholarships in Agriculture and the A. Jeanette Jones Nursing Education Scholarships are included in this largest student assistance program at the College.

Mary Gibbs Jones Scholarship awards for the ensuing year have been announced by Dean J. M. Drew, chairman of the College Scholarship Committee. Recipients and their home towns are: Mary Ann Allen, Dallas; Ella L. Ardoin, Port Arthur; Clara N. Clack, Gonzales; Reva O. Dunkin, Waskom; Dorothy J. Edmond, Lodi; Bettie J. Epps, Linden; Jewel J. Joe, Palestine; Bessie M. Mize, Conroe; Shirley R. Peacock, Jasper; Bernice O. Williams, Point Blank; Eloise J. Wright, Angleton; Geneva D. Statin, Houston.



FARM DRAINAGE — A graduate class in farm drainage is shown calibrating a modified 3-inch Parshall flume which was built as a class project during the summer session. W. O. Mack Agricultural Engineer, was in charge of the experiment which provides a very accurate method of measuring water flowing in an open ditch and which has a very practical application in open channel supply for irrigation.

All vocational agriculture teachers pictured from left are: John Alexander, Groesbeck; Jim Henry Burns, Grapeland; Verbe Normo. Sguin; Mr. Mack; Lawrence Wallace, Huntsville; Charles Floyd. Lu'lock; and Eddie Harrison, Brenham.

Conference On Reading Held at Prairie View

The eighth annual Reading Conference was held at Prairie View A. & M. College on August 12-13.

Dr. Gertrude Whipple, author and supervisor, Language Education Department, Detroit Public Schools; and Professor Doris Gates, author of Children's books and reading textbooks, University of San Francisco, California were the principal speakers for the two-day sessions. Both were brought to the conference through the cooperation of the Texas Association for the Improvement of Reading.

The conference on Reading was an annual feature of the summer session at Prairie View. It was sponsored by the department of Education in an effort to provide current information and opportunities for the exchange of ideas and experiences among in-service teachers.

The theme of the conference was "The effects of reading on personal and social development."

Four More to Liberia

All Trade Areas Now Filled in the Prairie View Liberian Contract at Booker Washington Institute at Kakata, Liberia

Since September, 1956, a year ago, a nation-wide recruitment effort has been in progress to fill the positions of technicians in the cooperative program between Prairie View A. & M. College and the Republic of Liberia.

This objective has been reached, with the departure of four new technicians. There is now a total of 19 staff members in Liberia serving in the technical education program under contract with the International Cooperation Administration.

The general plan of work calls for Prairie View to recruit and select highly qualified technicians in the six stages of the contract. These areas and the number of personnel in each are as follows:

- 1. Building Construction 5
- 2. Metal Trades 4
- 3. Arts Handicrafts 2
- 4. Agricultural Education 3
- 5. Clerical and Secretarial Science 2
- 6. Special Services 1

The four new staffers who joined the program in August are James E. Stamps, Jr., administrative assistant to the chief adviser; Dr. Clyde W. Hall, teacher-trainer; Dr. George H. Stafford, animal industries technician; and Francis E. Griffin, technician draftsman.

Stamps, a native of Chicago, Illinois, has served as accountant in the College Fiscal Department since 1951. He received his training from Hampton Institute, Virginia and New York University. He was accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Beulah Stamps, former teacher in the Prairie View Elementary School, and son James III.

Hall comes to this new position from Tennessee A. & I. University in Nashville where he has served for four years as head of Industrial Education. He has also worked at Arkansas State College. His training was received at Savannah State, Iowa State College and Bradley University. His wife, Mrs. Maud Lee Hall and children, Woodrow and Lydia, are with him on this tour.

Stafford lists his home address

in Crockett, Texas. He has served as agriculture teacher at Brenham, Texas and at Prairie View College. His training was received at Prairie View and Cornell University. His family will accompany him later to Liberia.

Griffin's home is in Detroit, Michigan where he was associated with White and Griffin Architects and Engineers firm. He will replace his business partner, Donald White, who has completed a two-year tour in Africa. Griffin has taught at A. & T. College in Greensboro, N. C., and at Howard University at Washington, D. C. His training was received at the University of Michigan and at Howard University. His wife and two children are in Liberia with him.



STAMPS HALL STAFFORD GRIFFIN