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Higher Salaries For College Teachers in a New Proposal

AUSTIN, Texas, November 29—Higher salaries for college faculty members must be provided if Texas is to hold the gains recently made in educating its children, Dr. D. M. Wiggins, president of the Texas Council of College Presidents, asserted here today.

"Salaries of instructors and professors in our institutions of higher learning have lagged behind the rising cost of living more than one-third and the state is losing many of its best teachers," Dr. Wiggins said. "Many are, of necessity, being replaced by inadequately trained student-teachers."

"That is one of the reasons why the twenty-four state supported institutions of higher learning will be forced to request a large increase in their appropriations when the legislature meets in January."

The colleges and universities are asking for an average appropriation of \$49,342,117 for each of the next two years.

"The ranks of professors and associate professors have been especially hard hit," Dr. Wiggins declared. "Schools in other states, the federal government and industry are luring them away."

The council president cited figures gathered by the United States Department of Commerce and the Bureau of Labor Statistics to show how far salaries of faculty members have fallen behind the cost of living.

The consumer cost of living rose from 100 in 1939 to 170, or 70 percent, June 15, 1950. The national income increased 208 percent, the corporate profits after taxes 248 percent and all wages and salaries averaged a gain of 182 percent.

"Yet the salaries of college teachers have been increased only 47 percent," Dr. Wiggins said.

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'Holy Grail' Presented By Sunday School

The annual Christmas play was presented by the Prairie View A. & M. College Sunday School on December 10, 1950 in the Auditorium-Gymnasium. The title of the presentation is the "Holy Grail," compiled and conducted by Mrs. Mable F. Bradley.

The leading characters of the play were James Sullivan (King Arthur); David Turner Launcelet); James Samuel Love (Mordred); Cameron Wells (Galahad); Mittie Dow, Georgia Muse, Maxine Curvey and Dora Upson (the Wicked Damsels).

Miss Alverna Ackerson served as organist, Mr. F. G. Fry, assisted by Mr. Cleophus Miller, technical operator and electrical engineer, and Mr. William J. Jollie, Assisted by Mrs. J. J. Woods, stage managers.

Costumes were selected from Wolfgang Bruhn Max Fulke Des Kostumverk and made by the Houston Costume and Hat Company, and by Miss Ruthcelia Lane. Miss Fickling was the dance instructor.

The play was based on material from the following sources; *Celtic Myths and Authurian Romance* by Robert S. Soomis, Tennyson's *The Holy Grail*, *The Book of King Arthur and His Noble Knights* by MacLeod, *Romance and Legend of Chivalry* by A. R. Hope Moncrief, *Christmas* by Haagan, *Songs of Solomon*, *The Bible*, and *This is My Beloved* by Walter Benton.



DR. E. E. O'BANION . . . elected National President of the Beta Kappa Chi Scientific Society.

O'Banion Named National President Of Beta Kappa Chi

Dr. E. E. O'Banion, head of the Department of Natural Sciences here at Prairie View, was elected National President of the Beta Kappa Chi Honorary Scientific Society. Dr. O'Banion was elected at the National Meeting at Wilberforce November 16-18.

Elected to the Society Council from the Prairie View Alpha Gamma Chapter were Mr. H. T. Jones, instructor in the Department of Biology, and Mr. W. A. Samuels, instructor in the Department of Chemistry.

Cameron Wells and Eugene Alexander, student representatives of the Prairie View Chapter, were also both elected members of the student council of the Society.

Women Needed In Armed Services

Col. Hyman Chase made an interesting talk on the opportunities offered women in the armed services, Thursday evening at 6:30 in the auditorium-gymnasium of the campus. He encouraged all young ladies who plan to graduate from college in 1951 and who think that they would like such a career to leave their names with him so that he may receive more detailed information for them.

NEWS BRIEFS

REV. LEE C. PHILLIP . . . attended White House Conference for Children and Youth, during the week of December 4, at the request of President Harry Truman. Rev. Phillip went by Eastern Air Lines and reports a very successful conference.

GILES MITCHELL . . . student at Prairie View in 48 and 49, died December 10, 1950 in Houston, her hometown.

DR. J. M. DREW . . . attended the Conference for Southern Secondary Schools and Colleges in Richmond, Virginia, December 5-7.

Religious Emphasis Week is Observed Here at Prairie View

Prairie View observed Religious Emphasis Week, December 3-10. In keeping with the usual theme, Chapel was held on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons of that week.

Dr. Thomas N. Freeman, Professor of Philosophy at Texas State University, Houston, was speaker for both of these exercises. Dr. Freeman, a native of Richmond, Va., gave some very interesting and inspiring lectures. The subject for Tuesday's lecture was "Things that Last," and the subject for Thursday's lecture was "Strength for the Task Ahead."

Prairie View Students Attend Science Meet

Eleven students and four faculty members from Prairie View College attended the annual Texas Collegiate Academy of Science meeting which convened at Southern Methodist University in Dallas on December 1, 2.

The group left Thursday afternoon, November 30, and arrived the night of the same date by automobile. The meeting proper began the next day. The meetings were held in the lecture rooms of S.M.U.'s new two million Dollar Fondren Science Hall.

There were three sections: Biological, Physical Sciences, and Social Sciences. The delegates attended the sections according to their major fields. Papers were presented by students from the schools represented on Friday and Saturday morning. Mr. Clifford Pollard of Prairie View, a chemistry major, presented a paper entitled "The Preparation of Some Alkyl Quinols for Biochemical Study," in

Music Dep't Will Present Bach's Christmas Oratorio

GENERAL BRUCE INSPECTS ROTC

Major General A. D. Bruce, Deputy Army Commander, Fourth United States Army; visited the campus at Prairie View A. & M. College on December 11, 1950 at 3:30 P.M.

The General had a brief conference with Dr. E. B. Evans and inspected the ROTC offices, class rooms and warehouse.

the Friday morning session of the Physical Sciences section. In the Friday evening session of the Social Sciences section; Miss Imogene Ford of Prairie View, a junior majoring in Sociology, presented a paper on "Social Changes Among Negro Farmers in Texas." This marked the first time in the history of the academy that Negro scientists presented papers.

Members of the Prairie View delegation attended the Supper and Presidential address on Friday night.

Students attending the meeting were: Imogene Ford, Ruth Joy Edwards, Mary Helen Mickens, Vivian Brooks, Fannie Rhodes, Clifford Pollard, Joseph Raphael Lee, Andrew D. Perkins, Lonnie Bunkley, Rufus Venters, and Cameron Wells. Faculty members who were in attendance are: Miss Pratt, Mr. C. H. Nicholas, Mr. G. Riley, and Dr. E. E. O'Banion.

The Music Department presented its seventy voice choir in rendition of "The Christmas Oratorio" by Johann Sebastian Bach Sunday, December 17, at 7:00 P.M.

It was characteristic of Bach's work with piercing soprano and tenor being sung throughout, while the alto and bass was being sung within a relatively comfortable range. Soloists were: Ruth Dansby, Dorothy Martin, Carl Tigner, Billy White, Demosthenes Dansby, and Billy Blakely. The choir was conducted by Dr. R. von Charlton.

As always the Music Department's presentation was one of the most outstanding of the holiday activities.

Three Hundred Youth Here for 'Y'

The fifteenth annual "Y" Institute was held at Prairie View, December 8-19. Dr. J. L. Brown was Conference Director.

The first general assembly was held in the auditorium-gymnasium. Dr. Thomas N. Freeman, Professor of Philosophy, Texas State University, Houston was principal speaker.

The theme for discussion was, "Youth at the Portals of a New Era." Dr. E. B. Evans extended a welcome to the visitors. Mr. Matthew Carter, Associate Secretary of the Institute, stated the purpose of the 1950 Institute. Music was furnished by the Men's Glee Club. Mr. Billy White was soloist.

The Institute was well attended and most of the schools and cities of Texas were represented.

Bishop College Is Chosen Bowl Opponent

Record-Breaking Crowd is Expected

The Tigers of Bishop College have accepted our invitation to meet the Panthers in the 23rd Annual Prairie View Bowl Classic at Buffalo Stadium, Houston, on New Years Day.

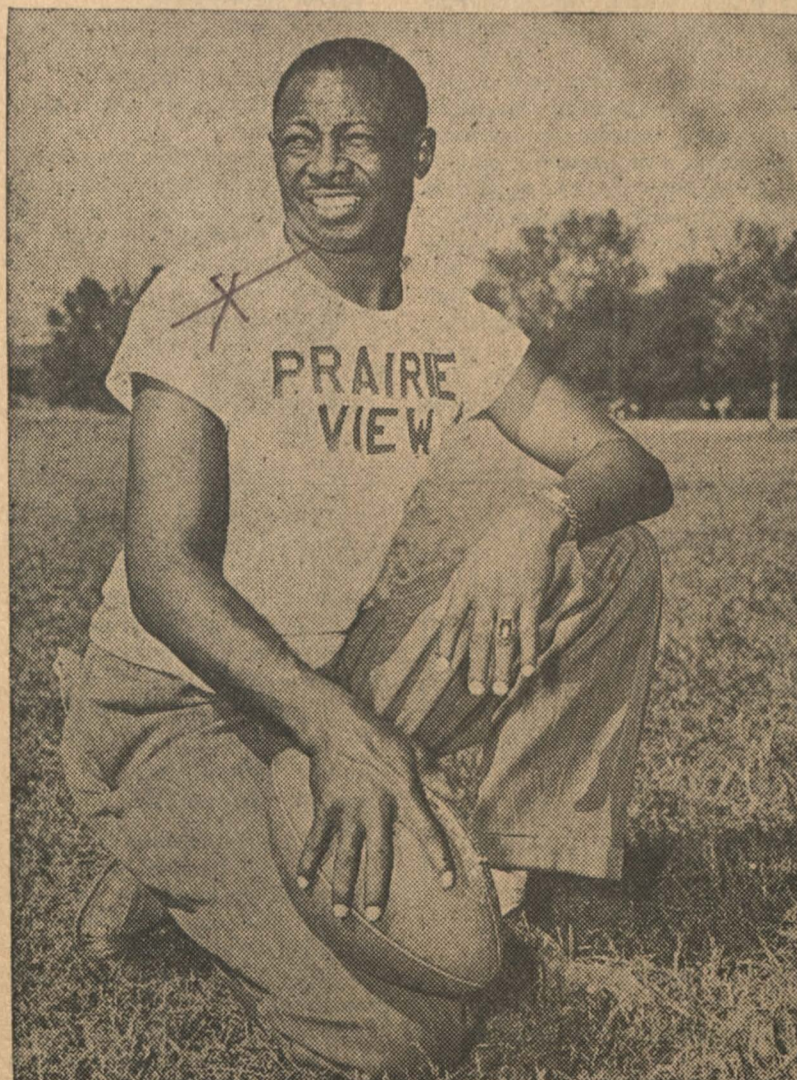
In making the announcement, J. A. Stevens, Athletic Director stated that although every effort was made to secure Tennessee State, Florida A. & M. Xavier or Wilberforce—all top teams in other conferences—Bishop College, of our own Southwestern Conference will perhaps draw greater interest in the area and at the same time present a real foe.

Bishop has an excellent record for the season which included a win over the Panthers in early season play and their 52-6 drubbing of TSU at Port Arthur should help present them as interesting prospects to Houston fans.

The Marshall, Texas school also has strong Baptist affiliation which is expected to contribute to the drawing potentialities.

This will not be the first occasion where a P. V. Bowl opponent was chosen from Texas Schools. The record shows that Wiley College, also in Marshall, opposed the Panthers both in 1944 and 1945. Texas State was the visitor in 1948 for the Buffalo Stadium Battle.

Tennessee and other inter-sectional prospects expressed a desire not to continue football through January 1.



COACH JAMES A. STEVENS . . . Athletic director and head coach has literally performed miracles in establishing the Panther's season record of six won and four lost. Coach Stevens has as his Motto "Take what you have and do the best you can," although he's been here only a short while to do just that.

Students Attend Methodist Conference

A number of students and adult leaders of Prairie View attended the Methodist Student Thanksgiving Conference at Mineral Wells, November 24-26. Emphasis of the Conference was on Christian vocation.

Dr. John O. Nelson, professor of Christian Vocation at Yale Divinity School, gave four lectures applying Christian faith to vocations, study, war, and lay ministry. Other speakers were Dr. Nels T. S. Terrel and Dr. John O. Gross.

The song leader and recreation

director was Olcott Sanders of Austin, Texas area director, American Friends Service Committee.

Prairie Viewites in attendance were: Mr. Samuel Collins, Miss Gretel Kirk, Dr. D. S. Yarbrough, Lela Davis, Marjorie Bibsby, Milbrey Davis, Rosalind Davis, Golia Hancock, Bettye R. Engram, J. C. Jones, Annie V. Pipkins and Lot-tie Scott.

The Texas Methodist Student Movement sponsored the Conference

Library Improved

When the library building was completed in the summer of 1945 only three of the five levels (floors) in the stack section were equipped with shelving. Last year, with the assistance of the General Education Board, steel shelving was purchased for the other two levels.

During the summer of 1950 a part of this new shelving was installed in the stack basement and recently the remaining portion of it was installed on the top level of the stack section.

Much shifting of books has taken place as a result of this improvement and much more will need to be accomplished. The library staff is deeply appreciative of the fine cooperation given it by some forty students who cheerfully donated their services in this connection.

The additional shelving will increase the book capacity of the W. R. Banks Library considerably.

NCO Assigned to Military Staff

Sergeant First Class James O. Hill, recently assigned to Military Staff, ROTC, Prairie View A. & M. College, reported for duty 9 November 1950. Sergeant Hill entered the army in 1941 and served in Engineers in the United States and England, France, Belgium and Germany. He wears the ETO Campaign ribbon with five battle stars. On return to the U. S. Sgt. Hill left the service in 1945. He reentered the service in 1947 and saw service at Fort Richardson, Alaska for 22 months. After a short tour of duty with the Chemical Corps at Tooele, Utah, he was assigned to the Army Detachment here.

Teacher's Salaries

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"Let me put it another way. The average salary of a teacher in a state-supported institution of higher learning in Texas in 1939 was \$2,468. Today it is \$3,630 in 1950 dollars, but compared with the purchasing power of the '39 dollar the present average salary is \$2,135.

"Hence, in purchasing power, college salaries are \$333 less than they were in '39. In comparison, the average earnings of employees in manufacturing industries, in 1939 dollars, is \$537 more.

"The result of this is: in 1939 professors and associate professors and instructors made up approximately 47.4 percent. There were practically no students teaching students."

"In 1949 the ranks of professors and associate professors had declined to 44.6 percent of the staffs. Many student-teachers have, of necessity, been hired."

"In fact, tens of thousands of college students have been taught by student-instructors since 1946, so short have been college funds."

The percentage of teachers with doctors degrees also declined from 27 to 24.6 percent. The ranks of teachers holding masters degrees have fallen off more than 2 percent."

"The result, quite naturally, is that on the average, the quality of instruction in our institutions has suffered greatly."

National Teacher Exams Scheduled

The National Teacher Examination, prepared and administered annually by Educational Testing Service, will be given at testing centers throughout the United States on Saturday, February 17, 1951.

At the Sunday testing session a candidate may take the Common Examinations, which include tests in General Culture, Mental Abilities and Basic Skills, and Professional Information; and one or two of nine Optional Examinations, designed to demonstrate mastery of subject matter to be taught. The college which a candidate is attending or the school system in which he is seeking employment will advise him whether he must offer the National Teacher Examinations and which of the tests he should take.

Application forms, and a Bulletin of Information describing registration procedure and containing sample test questions, may be obtained from college officials, school superintendents, or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, P. O. Box 592, Princeton, New Jersey. A completed application, accompanied by the proper examination fee, should reach the ETS office not later than January 19, 1951.



Jean Norris Cited For Work in Poetry

The PANTHER has received a letter from the National Poetry Association, with headquarters in Los Angeles, California, stating that "Little Memories," by Jean Kennedy Norris has been accepted for publication in the annual Anthology of College Poetry.

"The Anthology" is a compilation of the finest poetry written by college men and women of America representing every section of the country. Selections were made from thousands of poems submitted.

*little memories
like dust clinging in the
crevices
of the mind,
still there when all the winds
of mitigating time
have blown away
the surface . . .*

Sunday School Class Visits Circus

The senior class of the Prairie View Sunday School made a trip to the Shrine Circus in Houston, on November 12. The trip was made under the direction of Mrs. M. F. Bradley, the teacher of the class. The group also attended a flower show. Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Coruthers and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Wilson assisted Mrs. Bradley in chaperoning. This trip is one of the many activities provided by the Sunday School to fit the moral, ethical, religious and social needs of its students.

Agenda for Student Welfare Committee

- I. Call to order
 - A. Prayer
- II. Unfinished business
 - A. Committee Reports
 1. Coronation Ball Committee
 2. Stationery Committee
 3. Committee on Office and Meeting Place
 4. Graduate Scale of Privileges
- III. New Business
 - A. Discussion of Organization Objections and Trends
- VI. Remarks
 - V. Suggestions Period
 - VI. Adjournment

"All available means should be used to clear away the cobwebs of prejudice and open the eyes of the people to the fact that historic background is the determinant of social behavior and that behavior changes with social status."
—FRANK BOAZ

Sunday School Reports Effective Assemblies

The Sunday morning assemblies of the College Sunday School have been very successful for the past Sundays. The school has been re-assembled with programs given by each class of the Junior and Senior department of the school.

The executive department reports that school assemblies will be entertained by Hometown Clubs of the campus in the future.

Students of the college, attend Sunday School, so that our Sunday School will grow and glow.

SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY ATTEND COLLEGE PRAYER SERVICES

Interracial Group Hold Sessions

The annual meeting of the Texas Commission on Interracial Cooperation has been scheduled for December 8-9 at the University Baptist Church, 2130 Guadalupe Street, Austin, it was announced recently by Mrs. James S. Crate of Houston, President of the Commission.

A workshop session is scheduled to open the formal activities which will culminate in reports and discussion around the topics: The Church, Labor, Education, Health and Peace.

The business session on Saturday, December 9, will consist of reports of significant work of the past year given by the standing committees, officers and local commissions. Opportunity will be given for members to tell of organizations which have been approached to include a speaker on its program to strengthen Race Relations.

Interested persons who are not members are assured of a hearty welcome.

Library Project Is Underway

Several students under the direction of Mr. O. J. Baker, College Librarian, are making cards for all the bibliographies in the library. This is done in order that the library may give added service to the faculty, student body and all those who use it. The students who are working on this project are: Arthur Jean Milligan, Drucella Moore, James Payne, and Phillip Moore Jr.

Former Student Writes to S. S.

M/Sgt. Roscoe Gibson, a former student of Prairie View, wrote a letter commending the Sunday School and his former Sunday School teacher Mrs. Z. P. Coleman.

M/Sgt. Gibson, who was active in Sunday School and other extra-curricular activities while here, urged the students to become cognizant of world affairs and to take advantage of the things offered them in school.

Randall Will Serve Social Work Group

James A. Randall, Instructor in Prairie View's Department of Sociology has been asked to act as a member of a five-man interim committee to plan for a conference between social work executives and administrators in the Houston area, and representatives of colleges and universities in the area which offer courses in social work or preparatory for social work training. The specific function of the committee will be to evaluate the discussion of the first conference held by the combined groups on October 13th of this year, and to be held in February, 1951.

Other members of the committee, who were appointed by Mrs. Mildred G. Brandon, Chairman of the Committee on Professional Education of the Southwest Chapter of the American Association of Social Workers, and staff member of the M. D. Anderson Hospital Branch of the University of Texas, are as follows:

Representing the AAS, Mr. Walter Whitson, Director of Family Service Bureau, Houston; and Mr. Chester Bower, Executive Secretary of the Community Council

Members of the Prairie View student body met and organized prayer services October 31, 1950. The services are under the auspices of Rev. M. M. Pierson of Houston, Texas. Student officers and leaders are: President, Paul Alexander; Secretary, Vernell Jackson; Pianist, Doris Foster; Bible Drill Leader, Gretel Kirk.

Prayer meetings are held each Tuesday evening at 6:30. In connection with these services, Baptist Church services are held on the third Sunday of each month. There is also a Baptist Choir of thirty mixed voices under the direction of Miss Bessie Gooden and Doris Foster.

The attendance at these prayer services has sometimes reached seven hundred-fifty.

Suarez Hall Cabinet Gives Tea

Sunday night, November 12, 1950 the cabinet members of Suarez hall were host at an 8:00 P.M. tea given in honor of the administration staff of the campus.

Included in the attendance were Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Evans, Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Drew, Dr. and Mrs. T. R. Solomon, Miss R. L. Bland, and Mr. H. E. Fuller.

The group was given a program with Miss Drucilla Moore as Mistress of Ceremonies. Musical numbers were rendered by Misses Bessie Gooden, Maye Coleman and Mr. Joe Williams. Miss Mary DuPont addressed the body with words of appreciation. After which very elaborate decoration, tea, cookies, candies, and nuts were served.

Sophomore Class Sponsors Dance

In the past general meetings of the Sophomore class, plans have been made for the presentation of a dance to be sponsored by the class, Friday, December 1, 1950. Records have been selected to render the musical selections.

An intermission is planned to add to the enjoyment of the program. The dance will be given at the Recreational Hall of the College. Games will be played as one of the features of the affair. Additional plans will be made by the executive group of the class. Mr. Carroll, president, urges all sophomores to attend the meetings.

Houston: Representing the undergraduate colleges, Mr. James Giles of Rice Institute, and Dr. David Knepper of the University of Houston.

Attending the first meeting held October 13 at the Rusk Ave. Y. W. C. A. in Houston were representatives from private social agencies in Houston, state, county, and city public agencies, eight undergraduate colleges (white and Negro) and the graduate schools of social work of the University of Texas and Our Lady of the Lake College. At this meeting it was announced that both graduate schools of social work in Texas had admitted Negro students and the enrollment of other qualified Negro students was solicited by officials of the two schools. Representing Prairie View at this meeting were Dr. Dean S. Yarbrough and Mr. Randall.

After this meeting had terminated, the Prairie View delegates were advised that the entire agenda of the meeting and the questionnaire which had been used to gather information had been based upon suggestions submitted by Prairie View's Department of Sociology.

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'Y' HIGHLIGHTS

The "Y" organizations were honored by having as a guest speaker Miss Marie Jean De Haller, assistant secretary of the World Student Christian Federation. Miss De Haller was born in Switzerland and also received a liberal education there. She holds a masters degree.

She speaks fluently three languages: French, German and English. In addition to her other contributions to society she has written several biblical pamphlets.

Miss De Haller spoke entertainingly for 30 minutes on "Problems of the Student In Asiatic and European Countries." The essence of her speech dealt with the problems of the students of Asiatic countries and the help afforded them by the American students.

After her speech, cabinet members of the "Y," Miss De Haller and visiting members of the faculty chatted informally over hot chocolate and cookies in the Student Lounge. Mr. Minor, of the English Department, surprised everyone by conversing quite effectively for about 15 minutes with Miss De Haller. The evening was high lighted by Mr. Tolson, of the Foreign Language Department singing a catchy little song in French.

As a result of the visit from Miss De Haller, in the "Y" members are more aware of the problems of our friends in neighboring countries.

What Do You Want For Christmas

So it's time to start busying yourself with ideas for Christmas. We see as favorites the lucite evening bags, which we favor for those neat girls who carry only a compact, a hanky, and a key. Plastic doo dads are growing very popular, shoe bags and clothes bags to match. Those travel cases for lingerie . . . stockings, in plastic are neat too.

Perfume is always wonderful . . . Nostalgia is being particularly fascinating this year . . . Aphrodisia continues swooney . . . "London Mist" is adorable.

Nylon . . . the boon of it . . . and the ease with which it can be cared is tremendous . . . all of which can be swished out in hot suds in a very short time.

EXCERPTS FROM ESQUIRE

Attention! Collegiate friends, the newest in school styles are colorful and casual with special notice to the new authentic scottish tartan blozers, shirts and robes, also a sensation is the tweed-like printed corduroy sport pockets.

Whether you are dating or debating, a Prairie View gentleman isn't a man to be caught self-conscious in his clothes. He is aware that dress is a basic criteria for judging personalities, so, he is dressed correctly at all times never having a second stronger above wearing the right-slacks-with-the-right-jacket once he is on the move in campus affairs.

Leaving out the obvious, here is a quick rundown on the latest word in campus fashions:

Caps: They are back in style in patterned checks or plads with a strap in the rear.

Collar Pins: Safety pin and sporting motifs are favored for

Located in the lobby of the Panther Inn you will find the office of "Y" Organization. This office is there to help our entire community as well as the student body. Among the many services of the office can be found:

(1) Clinic hours for students who are slower in understanding subject matter than others.

(2) Typists are available for any material needed to be typed.

(3) As baby-sitters.

(4) To give any information concerning the "Y" Organization to any one desiring it.

This office is open each day and is willing to help you! So come over and visit it.

On December 7 our campus will once again hold its annual Y Institute. We are expecting one of the largest delegations ever to attend this meeting. This convention will extend throughout the weekend. We are hoping that you, as members of our great family, will be as courteous and helpful as possible to our guests. Remembering that a little friendship offered at the right moment may be just the stimulus needed to help someone know that they are welcome. So, remember to mind your manners!

Useful Sayings

"Severity is allowable where gentlemen has no effect."
—CORNEILLE

"To be happy at home is the ultimate result of all ambition."
—JOHNSON

"There are only two forces that can carry light to all quarters of the globe — the sun in the heaven and the associated press."
—MARK TWAIN

"A man is rich in proportion to the number of things which he can afford to let alone."
—THOREAU

"It is curious, but a fact, that in a country in which the adjustment of different national and racial groups form one of the major tasks of civic statesmanship, a direct discussion of that topic is usually avoided in the teaching of civics."
—BRUNO LASKER

SOUNDS THAT SOOTHE AND SEND

THE MASTERS:

Movies are quite educational as well as enjoyable. The movie "The Toast of New Orleans" gives a good cross-section of both Stalian and French operas and likewise does the record album of the same name featuring Maria Lanza. It is a RCA Victor album.

Popular Albums: Sure to bring many a chuckle while listening is the album *Abe Burrows Sings?*

(Yes the question mark is included) This famous radio and TV wit sings from college type to ballads. Columbia recordings. *Single Dic.*

Lavie enRose has been recorded by many artists. Edith Piaf's version is quite compelling. I'll take Louis Armstrong, as the great Teller said in Flair recently "Louis is my boy." He starts with a slow trumpet solo, then growls out the words in husky voice. After you hear this you'll know why Louis Armstrong is hailed as the king of jazz. On the reverse of this Decca single is *C'est Si Bon.*

Louis celebrated his fiftieth birthday this past July fourth. This great America jazz man is really a champion in his field.

HINTS TO MILADY

Be on guard for the most glamorous hair can loose its thrilling gleam.

Remember, lovely hands may be attained by the use of lotion, and attractive nails are assured with light nail polish.

Don't trust your glamor with dry skin . . . use cream . . . and don't forget your make-up.

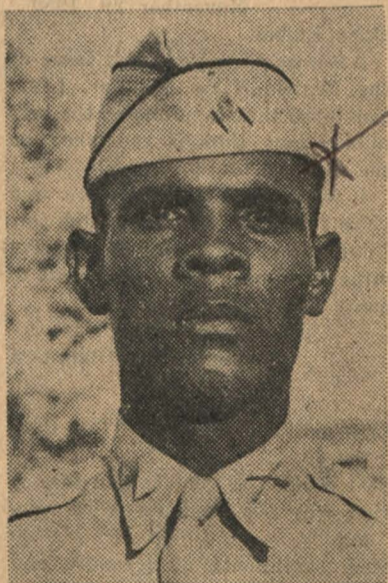
A scarf around the neck or in the pocket is beautiful beyond description, youthful and smart.

Loafers with socks, loafers with stockings and simply wearing skirts and sweaters are ideal for everyday wear, on the campus or at home.

The bare look is the beautiful look for fall. The stalk-slim and simple line that sets off this bare look is modified and varied according to figure type with gently floating panels with pleats or flares at the hemline, to make the same matter.

Soap and water daily affords cleanliness.

Manners along with glamour proves Milady.



ALFRED B. BRAILSFORD . . . Cadet Lt. Col. The highest ranking cadet officer in the Prairie View ROTC Battalion, under the direction of Lt. Col. H. Y. Chase, has attained noteworthy accomplishments in creditably representing the college and placing the Prairie View ROTC group along line with the best in the nation.

"Some men think they are God's gift to women."
* * *

"Life is one darn thing after another, love is two darn things after each other."
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NOLA JANE SIMON . . . Miss Pantherette

"Miss Pantherette" of this issue is Miss Nola Jane Simon, a product of Baytown, Texas and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Simon of that city. An older sister Georgie Mae Simon (as we know her) is now Mrs. Cartwright and will return to matriculate at Prairie View in February. At home are younger sister and brother, Frieda Mae, 12 years old and 7 year old Kenneth Carl.

The vital statistics of la Simon read (pardon—look, that is) like this; height, 5 feet 4 inches; weight 126 pounds; bust, 34 inches; waist 24½ inches; hips, 49 inches; thighs, 22 inches; calf, 14½ inches; ankle, 9 inches.

Nola Jane likes . . . music . . . observing football and basketball games . . . playing tennis and volley ball . . . the thrill of listening and marching to band music . . . banana pudding and potato pies . . . Elizabeth Taylor and Humphrey Bogart . . . reading novels.

She dislikes . . . seeing people attempting to do something they know they cannot do . . . the sound of incorrect notes played on the piano . . . selfish people . . . castor oil . . . the smell of hash in the dining hall . . . turnips.

Her Most Interesting Experience:

"When I competed in a Voice of America contest against college students (all caucasians) and won a place."

Her Most Enjoyable Experience:

"When I was crowned Miss Carver, queen of my high school in my senior year. In addition, I was chosen Miss Homecoming the following year."

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EDITORIALLY SPEAKING

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

The Significance of Rights

Rights in some form mean very much to most of us today, but do we really know just what we mean when we use the term rights? Many of us know the true meaning only vaguely and use it to construe other ideas.

Many people realize that there are inherent rights but they do not realize the significance of these rights. People have always been greatly concerned about their rights but do we really know what responsibilities there are impending upon us for possession of these rights?

Truly many kinds of rights are our most cherished possessions but we must realize that to keep these rights we must obey a series of laws. In this series may be found natural laws, national laws, civil and common laws.

When we are inclined to "stretch" our rights a little more than we should, let us remember the significance of rights and the price that we must pay for relying solely on these rights.

Rights are important; they have always been fought for and the fight must continue until everyone possesses all the inherent rights of mankind and realizes their significance. It is important that we note this and aid in the fight for our rights, our neighbor's rights and our nation's rights.

Knowledge comes by study; wisdom by experience.

The Students Dilemma

Today's student moves freely in a society where the horrors of slavery, the uncertainty, fear and many other evils endured by his race are over. That that day is past leaves no doubt in the minds of men. But, this situation that has arisen proposes two vital questions to the college student.

First, will you, as a Negro citizen of tomorrow lead in the field of race relations by putting your best foot forward, and actually making a courageous effort, or will you be content to bask in the achievements of Tubman, Washington, Douglass, Carver, Bethune, Bunche, Sweatt and others?

This challenge presents itself to the young Negro and especially to those who have had educational opportunities. Therefore, while within an institution of higher learning it is our sole responsibility to utilize every opportunity to make good. Prophets of old have well advised that "we learn to do by doing" and "man never gets to old to learn." For these reasons, we must start today with an immediate concern. We must cultivate within us a vital determination for a better Prairie View. We must be cognizant of and strive to benefit from the powers of our first Student Welfare Committee, that tomorrow we may bravely and efficiently accept our challenge.

But on our campus and likewise in any community that we might live, we are confronted with one tremendous task. If we are too radical within our environment we risk the danger of losing all of our hard won gains. If we meekly accept the injustice that is placed on our shoulders, we are less than an educated individual.

World Peace—From a Student's Point of View

As college students, what do we expect the world to offer us when we are ready to face life? Sometimes I wonder if there ever will be such a thing as world peace. Let us consider the possibilities.

It is generally accepted that the Korean situation will not be settled in the immediate future. This conflict has caused all nations of the world to be alarmed, either to one extreme or the other. One extreme being in favor of the stand the United States has taken, and, the other being against the United States' action.

Communism is definitely spreading faster than democracy. A powerful factor involved is that it seems that people who are "converted" to communism are willing and ready to fight for it, irregardless of consequences. Their first objective, after turning communistic, is to build up a powerful group of soldiers. Their mass propaganda is sponsored by persons who are experts.

Democracy is great, even as it is, but it does not live up to its name. For instance, there are many state and local laws which are completely in contrast with our United States Constitution, which is supposedly the supreme law of our land.

To a citizen of a foreign country, democracy is one of the greatest theories ever thought of, but will it work? We, as Americans, believe it can work. But can we prove that it will work? Honestly, at the present, we can't. If you believe this is a free country, read some of the newspapers about various injustices being committed; try exercising your freedom on public transportation vehicles in various and sundry places.

Maybe we should all stop and think, what is everyone fighting for? For instance, why should Stalin and his thugs be so intent upon spreading communism, or, for that matter, why was Hitler so intent upon spreading Fascism? The United Nations was conceived for the purpose of being an organ by which all international conflicts would be settled, by discussion rather than by "police action." This body made up of an equal number of delegates from each country, so why shouldn't they all take an equal (in proportion to their strength) part in the United Nations police action. Since North Korea definitely went against the United Nations, why shouldn't an order be issued by the governing body that all nations of the United Nations should assist in subduing the wayward Communists, and any country that assisted them be declared an international enemy and the proper action be taken against them? Then, if the preceding plan of action be executed, what would probably end up is a fierce war which would pit two opposite and almost equal forces against each other. Toward the end, the present population of the world would be "pushing up daisies," no doubt.

On the other hand, when the present course of action is completed, if it is completed, where will we be? Will the state of world affairs be any better than they are now? And, is the United States going too far in taking so much initiative and bearing the brunt of the burden of enforcing the orders of the United Nations while some other members do nothing and still others are supplying the opposite side?

And, so we end up just where we started, just thinking and wondering and hoping and praying and knowing nothing. The solution lies in the old faithful proverb: "Time tells all things."

I still wonder,

Doings of Recent Graduates

1. Allen Smith, Army Air Force, F. E. Warren, Wyoming (1950).
2. Victoria V. Phelps, Secretary, Strode Funeral Home, Galveston, Texas, (1950).
3. Jean Lanell Hines, Health Supervisor, Houston Public Schools, Houston, Texas, (1950).
4. Johnnie Mae Jones, Public School Teacher, El Campo, Texas, (1950).
5. Claudia Wilkerson, Public School Teacher, Cameron, Texas, (1950).
6. John Jewel Mitchell, Public School Teacher, Bryan, Texas, (1950).
7. James Harris, Public School Teacher, Edna, Texas (1950).
8. Omezelle Quarles, Public School Teacher, Nacogdoches, Texas, (1950).
9. Joseph Rex Walton, Band Director, Ennis Public School, Ennis, Texas (1950).
10. Ruth Sewell, "Y" Worker, Galveston, Texas, (1950).
11. Isaiah Heard, Jr., High School Coach, Bloomington, Texas (1950).
12. Joe Barnes, High School Coach, Orange, Texas, (1950).
13. Ervin Garnett, High School Coach, Calvert, Texas (1950)
14. Clifford C. Spates, Public School Teacher, Ft. Worth, Texas
15. Curtis A. Williams, Social Science Teacher, Brenham, Texas (1950).
16. Betty Brannon, Teacher Jamestown, Texas
17. Evelynne A. Randall, City Editor, Dallas Express, Dallas, Texas.

Letters to the Editor

GENTLEMEN:

I am exceedingly grateful to you for the copy of the November 1950 Panther I recently received. You certainly have done a magnificent job with the publication, and I sincerely believe it is most outstanding.

The variety of news and the high journalistic qualities are very commendable. The Panther is of especial interest to me because first it is the student publication of my Alma Mater, and secondly because the student publication had its beginning in the late twenties with the Class of '29 playing the leading role.

Keep up the good work.

Yours sincerely,

W. MARION DAVIS

President, P. V. Alumni and Ex-Students Association

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Prairie View College
Prairie View, Texas
November 29, 1950

DEAR EDITOR,

After reading your last issue of the Prairie View Panther, I am convinced that it is one of the best publications that is published on the campus.

I wish to compliment you and your staff for such splendid job. Your competent publications have already added dignity and zeal to many of our students.

Respectfully,

EDETHIA L. BRIGHAM

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Last month I heard of "The Panther,"

So I decided to read it and see, Just why the students were voicing,

Such sentiments of pleasure and glee.

So I read an issue of "The Panther,"

And did I receive a surprise!

I wondered right then and there, Who in P. V. had gotten so wise,

As to renovate "The Panther," Into a paper so well publicised.

So I sat me down to thinking, And "Zowie!" I thought of Andrew,

So here's my letter saying, "Thanks galore!"

An also "Orchids" to you.

Yours truly,

JO ANN JONES

PANTHER RAMBLER

The Rambler asked the following questions this month: "Do you think the United States should drop the atomic bomb in North Korea?"

The answers were as follows:

Phillip Brown, Freshman, Architectural Engineering—No, we should not drop the atom bomb to solve the Korean situation. It would probably cause a third world war. We should use diplomatic means, if possible.

Robzene Lavert, Senior, Sociology—No, it would only cause more trouble and would not end the war.

Thomas Griiffin, Sophomore, Physical Education—No, it would get too many innocent people killed and Russia would probably drop it on us and kill us all.

Clarence Barrens, Senior, Biology—No, definitely, because it will only destroy a number of lives and yet there would be no peaceful settlement. There must be another approach besides brute force.

Albert Lewis, Sophomore, Elementary Education—Yes, it will stop the Communist forces. Our forces are out numbered greatly and the atom bomb is our only hope.

Julius Spikes, Freshman, Physical Education—Yes, drop the atom bomb and get the war over with. There is no need for holding it as a threat.

Leon Gibbe, Sophomore, Political Science—No, it should not be

dropped until war has been declared.

Willie Christian, Senior, Physical Education—No, it would only lead to world destruction.

Elmo Bryant, Sophomore, Chemistry—Yes, because war with Russia is inevitable. We might as well precipitate it now.

Vonceil Ervin, Freshman, Music—Yes, I feel that the atom bomb would win the war.

Thurman Wright, Senior, Music—Yes, the atom bomb is the best means of stopping Communism now. We are now losing men and money.

Percy Perry, Wheatley High, Boynton, Oklahoma (visitor to Y Conference)—No, if we drop the atom bomb on Korea then Russia will probably bomb the whole United States.

Howard C. Robinson, Sophomore, Elementary Education—Undecided, If we drop it war will probably end but think of how many innocent lives will be wasted.

Elizabeth Twine, Senior, Sociology—Yes, because it might end war.

Clarence Harris, Freshman, Elementary Education—No, let them fight it out on the ground.

Results:

A. Six persons said yes.

B. Eight persons said no.

C. One person is undecided.

Watch for the next edition of the Panther in which the Rambler will present his newest findings.

WHY CHAPEL

Persons having difficulty going to meetings on time are always penalized by having their entrance noted by persons who go over them with eyes which note among other things (1) the crease, or lack of it, in their trousers, (2) the proper alignment, or lack of such perfection, in their hose, or (3) that small piece of lint from their undershirt which always gets caught on some hair right in the middle of their heads. These, to mention only a few, are some of the penalties of being late. However, there was some virtue in being late for the religious worship service at 11:00 o'clock Sunday morning. Coming through the latecomer might have overheard two seniors talking about chapel. "It sure is fine to be a senior" said the first, "It is a privilege of ours that we do not have to go to chapel." The second senior, remembering the three years he had been expected to attend, breathed a deep sigh of exultation and said, "Yes, indeed." Thinking deeply about this little snatch of conversation one latecomer thought and cared little about the human imperfections of dress.

In September 1950 these seniors

would be looking for a job, and, in all probability, find one in a school room with young boys and girls, men or women to do better those things they will do anyway. To become a teacher is to shoulder a tremendous responsibility to self, to student, and to God. It is important therefore that each teacher work out for himself a philosophy of life which will enable him to maintain some evidence of inward calm, and by so doing inspire his young charges. Whether this philosophy be agnostic or Christian is not too important but it is important that each teacher believe in something. Prairie View's chapel services are conducted with much dignity and persons are often inspired to make mental balance sheets on self. They give ample time for rigid introspection. Sunday's service was particularly effective, and Mr. Phillip's "Why Education" was food for thought.

The two seniors might well have spent an hour in chapel for they, in all their wisdom, would have come away with a clearer picture of why they are here. And they might have taken another step along the road that leads to understanding.

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A NON-CHRISTIAN CUSTOM

Condensed from "The Story of Christmas"

By R. J. CAMPBELL

There are few well known observances associated with the Christmas season which have nothing to do with the Christian religion and the birth of Jesus of Nazareth. The hanging of Mistletoe is one of these customs which is leftover from these early celebrations. It should be noticed that the mistletoe is rarely used in Church decoration, which is a hint that Christians regarded it as having been an emblem of unwholesome superstition. These non-Christians said it had magical properties which could render its possessor fortunate.

The custom of kissing under it is the only suggestion that remains of the happiness it was formerly supposed to confer upon one.

The ceremony of gathering mistletoe today bears little resemblance to that of yesterday. The parasitic plant was cut with a golden knife from the tree and it was held to work miracles of healing, to protect from witchcraft, and promote fertility in field and barnyard. The favorite plants for Church decoration are holly, hay,

rosemary, and laurel. The holly bush is the favorite Christmas decoration in this country. The green leaves contrasted with the red berries has its own beauty. The fire has a use of its own in Christmas festivities among the people of the North, that of a Christmas tree. But the ash has a special place, that of being consumed on Christmas hearth.

The origin of the Christmas tree is obscure. The Church discouraged the use of evergreens as decoration in Christian homes and assemblies because their use had long been associated with heathen festivals. In England the giftladen tree was not known before the early years of the nineteenth century. Even in 1950 Charles Dickens wrote of the Christmas tree as a "New German Toy."

There are very few parts of the world where the Christmas tree is unknown today. The Christmas tree is an impressive and never-to-be-forgotten scene. One need not ask why the mystical significance of the fir tree with its green needle-like foliage shining amid winter snow should have so impressed our forefathers of Northern lands.



AARON CUERINGTON . . . Student Council Vice-Chairman representing the Alpha Pi Mu Honorary Society.

Good Personal Appearance

That "clothes make the man" is only half the story—"the man makes the clothes" is nearer to it. No matter how exquisitely tailored or how expensive the fabric, you'll look like an old dusty burlap bag if your habitual posture is a slouch and you do not heed to the fundamentals of personal appearance. You probably have a friend who would be darned attractive if he only stood and sat properly, made friends with SOAP, or, consulted a dentist concerning his halitosis.

One immortal philosopher has said, "O would God the giftie give us, to see ourselves as others see us." What gift could be more badly needed? The following test is designed to personal habits those that might be causing others to label you an unattractive person. Score 3 for each "yes"; subtract 2 for each "no"; score 0 for each "sometimes" or "doubtful."

1. If a man, do you shave daily—if you're a woman, do you keep your hair properly arranged throughout the day? _____
2. Are you tidy about little items such as polished shoes, clean nails, etc? _____
3. Do you dress in keeping with your age and complexion? _____
4. Do you take good care of your teeth to insure a wholesome smile? _____
5. Are you posture-conscious? _____
6. Do you refrain from nervous gestures or always fixing yourself in public? _____
7. Do you get enough sleep and follow a sensible diet with enough vitamin contents? _____
8. Do you bathe regularly? _____

A score of 12 to 24 shows you know how to make the most of your appearance. If you score between 7 and 11, it rates you as one who needs a little friendly advice to straighten you out. You're tagged as being unnecessarily unattractive when you hit below 7.

BIT OF HUMOR

Prof: Before we begin this quiz, are there any questions?
Pupil: What is the name of this course?

* * *

He: I suppose you dance?
She: Oh, I love to.
He: Great. That's better than dancing

* * *

Prof.: (entering room): X! Who do you think you are?
The teacher?
X: No, sir
Prof.: Then sit down and stop acting like an idiot!

* * *

Robber: Don't be afraid, lady, all I want is your money.
Lady: Oh, go away! You're just like all other men.

THE HAPPENINGS

(Social Jive)

TIME SPENT; EARS BENT
THOUGHTS ARISING — FOLKS SURMISING
SHOULD BE NOTED—WE SAY
SO BRING IT IN TO US TODAY



Well folks, it is time again to bring you up to date with the modern campus.

It seems that new couples are added to the campus romancers. Dorothy Lampkins and Alfred Brailford, Vivian Jones and Alfred Bradford, Lois Sincere, and Cornelios Harris.

Can anyone tell me what Delois Cooper sees off the campus?

Mr. Albert "Pluckie" Lewis and Ida Mae Hollis, are you afraid of falling in love? Why not let us in on the happenings?

Mr. Jim Bradley, where is Miss Lajoy Stein after six o'clock?

So, Mr. Morris McDonald has found him a new girl in the "Little Shamrock"?

It seems as if the Freshmen are really on, even moving "Miss P. V." off the scene. Huh Buster?

What's happening Miss Bobbie Jean Roligan? Are you a member of the widows club now days?

Miss Betty White seems to be majoring in Recology. Classes are held daily from 10:30 A.M. to 12 noon.

What's happening, Miss Billie McClain and Miss Ella Lathan. You walked around all last year by yourselves, and the same holds true this year.

Mr. Ray Don Dillon asked one of his many admirers if she really liked him even though football season was over? Naturally she said yes, for she knew basketball was next.

What is this talk about "We're in love. We're going to get married." Miss Hodges and Mr. Roland Smith?

Mr. Roosevelt "Ruby Jones, and Miss Gloria Johnson, why, the break up? Did the free movie cause all of this?

Miss Dorothy Helen Bostic seems to show one of the supposed to be lovers of the campus, how very fond she is of "Greenshirt."

What is happening to Ira Massey, he takes plenty girls but he has none. I wonder if he is Tommie Walton's friend or his rival?

Temporary widows, because of Uncle Sam are Clara Marie Dawsey, Rosie Foley, Garvis Hayden and Laverne Morgan.

Couples observed frequenting the student cafeteria together are: Jane Myers and Allan Lewis, Bessie Gooden and Arthur Wright.

Couples beginning their third (3rd) year courtships are: Minnie Alfred and Floyd Stringfellow, Orevia Hunt and Arthur Culberson Jr., and Ruth Finley and Earnest Sargent.

Johnny Walker looks lost since Gloria Banks has gone to Practice Teach.

Ermodine Bigsby and George Parker must have synchronized alarm clocks, they meet for breakfast each morning.

Brenette Williams and Joel Williams are yet seen together.

Well guys and gals this is all for now but keep up your feuding and fighting so that the Happenings roll on.

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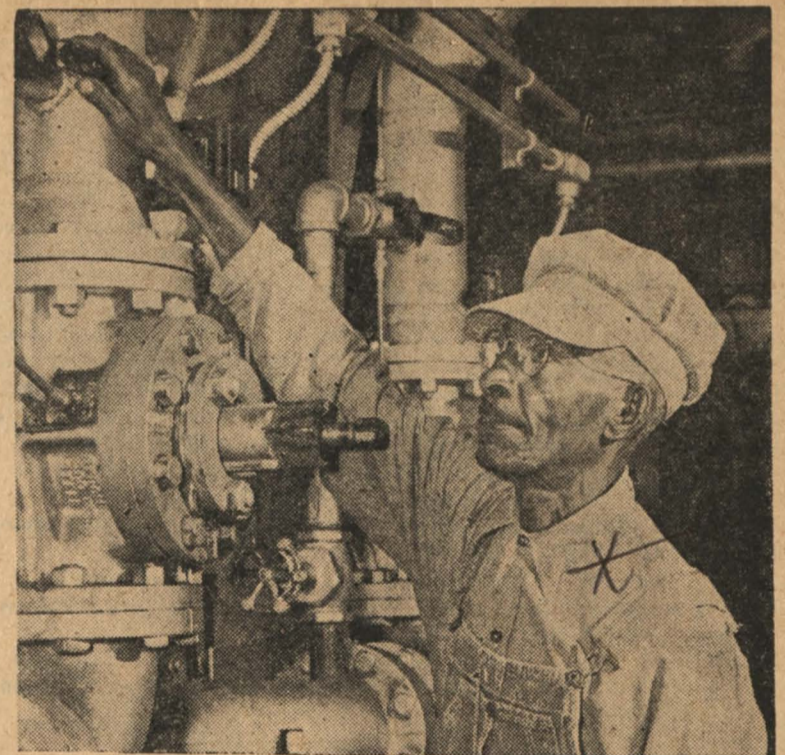
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WILLIE REESE . . . Still on the job after 50 years

SugarLand Industries Honor Employees

SUGARLAND—More than 400 veteran employees of Sugarland Industries and Imperial Sugar Company, including one with a half-century of service were honored Sunday, November 19, at the Fourth Annual Awards Day luncheon sponsored by the two companies.

A 60-year-old Negro who began work for a predecessor company of Imperial Sugar on January 1, 1900, Willie Reese, was given special recognition for his 50 years with the firm. In addition to the award of a solid gold pin set with four diamonds, he received a cash bonus of \$1000.

Employees with five years of service, but less than 10, were awarded a solid pin. Those with 10 years of service and more received ruby-studded pins together with a bonus equal to forty hours pay for hourly employees or one-fourth month's pay to monthly employees.

The ceremonies were followed by a barbecue luncheon at Kempner field and the awards were made by I. H. Kempner, chairman of the board, Imperial Sugar Co.

Reese, who still works every day, began with the firm at the age of nine-years as a yard and errand boy, and later was transferred to the refinery as a pipefitter's helper. He soon advanced to the position of fireman in the boiler room, then was made engineer of the boiler room.

In December of 1931, he was run over by an automobile after leaving church services. As a result of the accident, his right leg was amputated. He was later fitted with an artificial limb and returned to his work as a fireman in the boiler room, a position he still holds.

Panthers Announce All-Southwestern Conference Selection

OFFENSIVE TEAM

Position	Player	School
Right End	Thompson, Odell	Langston University
Right Tackle	Scott, J. D.	Texas College
Right Guard	Holder, R.	Southern University
Center	Freeman, John	Prairie View A. & M. College
Left Guard	Ross, Olgea	Wiley College
Left Tackle	Deo, Edward	Prairie View A. & M. College
Left End	Morris, Stanley	Southern University
Backs		
Halfback	Posey, Odie	Southern University
Halfback	Dillon, R. D.	Prairie View A. & M. College
Quarterback	Sanderson, J. D.	Southern University
Fullback	Johnson	Bishop

THE PANTHER'S SELECTION

The student newspaper makes it's first attempt at selecting All-Southwestern Conference Teams.

Our sports staff has arrived at the above listings after considerable study and examination of press releases, opinions of sports writers and every other conceivable factor.

We print it in the belief that this represents a favorable effort to give local conference recognition to the boys who deserve it—and which may in turn lead to better performances in the years ahead.

DEFENSIVE TEAM

Position	Player	School
Right End	Haywood, Harry	Prairie View A. & M. College
Right Tackle	Holmes	Langston University
Right Guard	Grace, Donald	Prairie View A. & M. College
Center	Brazers	Southern University
Left Guard	Owens, James	Texas College
Left Tackle	Bell	Bishop
Left End	Greathouse, Lesley	Southern University
Backs		
	Landers, Bennie	Prairie View A. & M. College
	Shouts	Langston University
	Meeks, Bobby	Texas College
	Wade, Eugene	Southern University



RAY DON "Tank" DILLON . . . Prairie View's All-American backfield candidate



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—Halfback

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SANDERSON—Quarterback, Southern



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COMMENDABLE PERFORMANCES

As the football season draws to a close we are more than ever cognizant of five men and some forty or more fellows who are worthy of our attention. They unite to form one of the most valuable assets of our campus—the PANTHER football team. So, to a team, to our team, thanks for a job well done. Endless hours of practice in cold November weather, dislocated joints, sprained ankles, broken bones, bloody noses, black eyes, gallons of mid-night oil burned in order to catch up with class assignments plus cancelled Friday night activities are but a few of the sacrifices that you must make. We, the Panther staff are desirous that you know our appreciation for your gallant efforts. You have played a rugged schedule with six wins (4 conference; 2 non-conference) and four losses. You have played diligently, devotedly, persistently and indefatigably throughout the season, but your game Saturday, November 23 was the prize of them all. To see a team fight for its Alma Mater with the vim and vitality that you used Saturday would put Bill Stern at a loss for words. Therefore, I am sure I voice the sentiment of every Prairie Viewite when I say to a team that was willing to play anytime, anyplace, anywhere, Prairie View salutes you. Appraisals for your commendable performance cannot be over-emphasized. You have climaxed the football season with a game that will long linger in the hearts of Prairie Viewites.

Seniors that will not be with the team next year are William Downey, Booker Morris, Harry Haywood, Arthur Eaton, Edward Deo, Bennie Landers. We will miss you fellows, but never forget you.

Once again honorable mention is due the Prairie View band, under the direction of Mr. B. G. Moore and the cheer leaders, under the direction of Miss Mary Fickling. Their efforts to elevate the school spirit of Pantherland are indeed commendable.

Also discerning of recognition is Lt. Col. Alfred Brailsford and his cadets. To watch these young men sincerely cheer for "Dear Prairie View" along the field sidelines was the acme of my delight.

Speaking of the cadets, under the wing of Col. Hyman H. Chase and the Military Staff, who have produced one of the finest Military Corps in the country, the Prairie View Special Drill Team appeared for the second time at the Southern game. They performed a repertoire of quick, drill movements involving a variety of sequences. The four winds formation was new to the observers.

THE UNSEEN FOOTBALL PLAYER

There has been much talk about football stars at the present and years gone by. The guy who crosses the double stripes a couple of times a season is claimed the hero. But the real hero, who makes it possible for the star to run or the lineman to tackle is the Trainer.

In this case its Wilbur T. Mason, head trainer at Prairie View. Yes, he is responsible to see that the stars are able to preform in each game. For when the stars are hurt, it is his duty to repair these bruises or injuries.

You can hear spectators saying "oh he's a real hero to play on a broken ankle," however they don't realize, it was the trainer who fixed that ankle in order that the star may get his weekly publicity.

This is written not only for Wilbur T. Mason, but for all trainers, high school, college, or professional. Keep up the good work, for some day you will be recognized.

Panthers Win First Cage Tilt of Season

The Panthers of Prairie View met and defeated the Southwest Business five of Dallas 56-51 in its initial basketball contest of the season. Some 800 Dallas fans watched the Panthers literally clown the sprinted Southwest five at Dal-Hi Stadium Field House—using every available member of the team.

Noble Walker and Woodie Culton of Southwest were outstanding the first quarter and sparked their quint to a 16-9 lead at the termination of the first quarter. The Panthers took immediate command of the game after the beginning of the second quarter and were on the long end of a 31-27 score at the half-time period. After once moving ahead the Panther's maintained their advantage throughout the entire contest.

Soon after the beginning of the second quarter it was evident that the Prairie View team was the superior group. Coach Jimmie Stevens sent in his reserves at will, thus keeping the score considerably lower than it would have been had the bulk of the P. V. offensive machine been utilized. Although

SENIOR PANTHERS SING SWAN SONG IN P. V. BOWL

Five grid stars from "the hill" will attempt to make good in their final performances on the gridiron in Houston on New Year's day. Each of the quintette has been considered as a stellar performer during the 1950 season. To prove they are in great spirits just read the following:

Capt. Harry Haywood, a graduate of Blackshear High in San Angelo:

My best season—1950
My best game—Wiley in '50
I enjoyed all four of my seasons at Prairie View. Life was great.

Capt. William Downey, a graduate of Booker T. Washington in Dallas:

My best season—1949
My best game—Wilberforce in '50
When I look back upon the beginning of my football seasons at Prairie View, it is with infinite satisfaction because of the significant role it has played during my stay here. Without it I would have been denied today the greatest inner joy of my life. The influence of my years spent here is indelibly stamped on my character.

Edward Deo, a graduate of Dunbar High in Lubbock, Texas:

My best season—1950
My best game—Langston in '50
I am glad to have been in Coach Steven's athletic system.

Arthur Eaton, a graduate of Lincoln High in College Station:

My best season—'48
My best game—T. S. U. in '48
I enjoyed being a member of the Panther team and after I leave I hope to be remembered as a Panther. I enjoyed being in Coach Steven's system very much.

Bennie Landers, a graduate of Booker T. Washington in Dallas. Bennie was unavailable for comment but by popular agreement:

His best season—1950
His best game—T. S. U. in '50

there were no shining stars for the Panthers, Arthur Matherson, Sam Williams, Herbert Hearndon and Euril Henson performed outstandingly. The 56-51 score fails to adequately indicate the superiority of the Panthers over Southwest. The team looks good and an exorting Southwest Conference race is anticipated with Prairie View right in the middle of the excitement fighting for its second Southwest Conference championship in three years.



SENIOR PANTHERS . . . (L to R) Seated: Eaton, and Landers; 2nd row: Haywood, Clemmons, and Pruitt. Standing: Deo, Clemmons and Pruitt, No's. 29 and 30, are no longer members of the Panther squad. William Downey, Co-Captain, is not shown.

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