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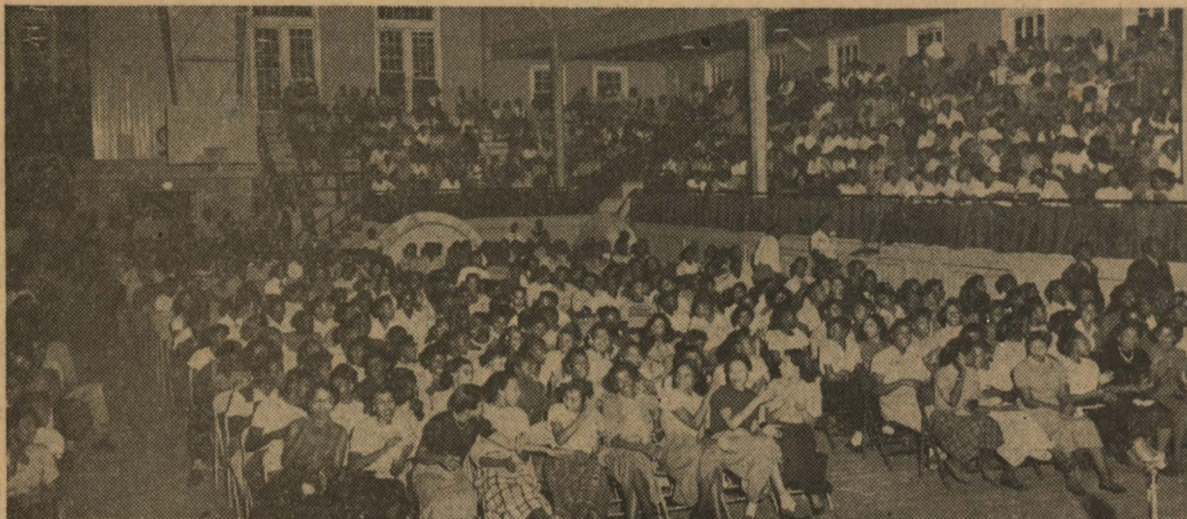
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"GIVE ME THAT GOOD OLD PRAIRIE VIEW SPIRIT . . ."



SCENE DURING A PEP RALLY . . . This picture exhibits a typical pep rally at the college during the past football season in which the team won the Southwestern Conference grid title. Moral support such as exhibited above has been referred to as the "twelfth man" on the field for the Panthers. The same spirit is expected to be exhibited at the Prairie View Bowl game in Houston on New Year's Day when the Panthers meet Arkansas.

LELA VENERABLE ELECTED SEC'TY OF COLLEGIATE CHAPTER T A S

Miss Lela Venerable, a junior class Biology major from Dallas, has been elected as secretary of Texas Academy of Science Collegiate Academy for the school year of 1951-52.

Miss Venerable was chosen by an electing committee composed of representatives of all schools who attended the meet. This is the first time that a Negro student has held an office in the organization. The local science department has posted a formal congratulation to Miss Venerable for her outstanding achievement.

The Academy met this year at the University of Texas on December 7, 8. The meet was attended by the following students: Misses Venerable, Alice Bedford, Dorothea Lampkin, Ruth Joy Edwards; Messrs. Cecil Harold, Haywood Smith, Frank Bryant. Instructors attending were: Dr. E. G. High, Dr. E. E. O'Banion, Mr. C. H. Nicholas, Mr. R. G. Thomas, and Mr. J. E. Ellison.

Each member attended meetings in the division of his interest — Biology, Chemistry, or Physics. Tours were conducted to the State Health Laboratories and Magnesium Plant. Opportunities were provided also to visit the various museums and other laboratories on

the University of Texas' campus. The closing feature of the meet was an elaborate banquet held at Driskell Hotel for all TASCAs members. At this time the President made his annual address.

COLLEGE WEEKLY PRAYER SERVICES REGULARLY ATTRACT 1100 STUDENTS

Under the guidance of Reverend M. M. Pierson, the students of Prairie View hold weekly prayer meetings each Tuesday night in the auditorium-gymnasium. From a small group, the number attending has grown to eleven hundred and the prayer service has become one of the most popular activities on the campus.

Reverend Pierson, whose interest in Christian activities is immeasurable, drives to Prairie View from Houston each week to give a friendly message to this group.

In addition to Reverend Pierson's inspirational messages, students participate in the prayer service program by leading songs and giving readings. A men's quartet and a number of girls' quartets are special features in the program of this group.

Student leaders of prayer meet-

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STUDENT WELFARE COMMITTEE IS GIVEN NEW BIRTH

In a meeting of club presidents on Monday, December 10, the campus leaders devised a plan to get the Student Welfare Committee into operation.

The meeting was conducted by Lonnie Bunkley, Y.M.C.A. president. It began with an address on the duties of campus leaders by Miss Blanche Johnson, which was a follow-up to an address a week before on the same subject by Dr. Harvey.

The reason for non-functioning of the S.W.C. was cited by members present as being a lack of interest shown by other members. Discussion was carried on by the group as to what could be done to bring functioning of the S. W. C. A conclusion was reached—that immediate action should be applied. In keeping with the previous conclusion it was voted that Frederick Todd, senior class president, should call a meeting. Roland Ford, a member of last year's S. W. C., made a motion that the meeting be called on Monday, December 17

with all campus leaders present in order that other difficulties be ironed out. The motion was carried.

The group also made the suggestion that since the general student body knew nothing of the constitution or functioning of the S. W. C., the constitution should be made available. A bottleneck as to the method of making it available was removed when the editor of the PANTHER, J. Randolph Lee, offered to print the constitution in the PANTHER.

Roland Ford then made the observation that "In all other schools, the student newspaper editor is a member of the student governing body. A representative of our student paper should be made a member by amendment to the constitution. In the event that any objections arise, the representative should at least sit in on the meeting in order that he can make the actions of the body available to the student body, as is done in all other schools."

TWENTY-FIVE CLUBS ENTER PANTHER POPULARITY CONTEST

Representatives of twenty-five campus organizations were present in a special meeting called by the Panther staff Monday night and more than 3000 "club of the year" contest votes were distributed among them.

An order for reprinting a large number of the contest votes has

been made to accommodate the large demand by entering clubs. All campus groups are expected to get into the project before the deadline which has been extended to December 18.

Classes Not Eligible

The large class groups, all four of which submitted entries were advised that the contest would limit itself to club groups only. This designation includes all types of clubs—religious, social departmental, home town and other classifications.

Clubs already signed to participate include the Dallas, Como Se Dice?, Veteran's club, Navasota, Sociology, Bryan-College Station, Woodruff Hall, Bi-stone, Fort Bend County, Port Arthur, and Doches-Lufkin Club, Houston, Catholic Youth Action, Business Administration, Jacksonville, NFA, Tem-Bell, Knights of the Exalted Order, and the Barons of Innovation.

Groups participating will be entitled to free pictures and all the usual publicity which will accompany the contest. The January 10 issue of the Panther will carry pictures of each club queen and they will also appear in the national newspapers.

Plans are being made for an unusually interesting and unique affair to climax the contest. Only open to students, the ticket purchased as a vote will be the only admittance requirement. A combination dance and program staged by club representatives is in the making now.

Occupational Outlook Cited as Good By Labor Department

More than 75,000 new elementary school teachers were needed for the current school year, but only 35,000 persons qualified for regular elementary teaching certificates, a U. S. Department of Labor announcement revealed.

The Labor Department release announcing the publication of its 1951 edition of the *Occupational Outlook Handbook* gives several highlights of employment opportunities which may assist college students in charting their course selections for the second semester.

The mobilization program has increased the demand for engineers so much that employers are now seeking additional personnel, even though engineering schools' 1950 graduating class reached a record of over 52,000.

There is a shortage of scientists (particularly of those with advanced degrees) for basic and background research, developmental and applied research, and teaching.

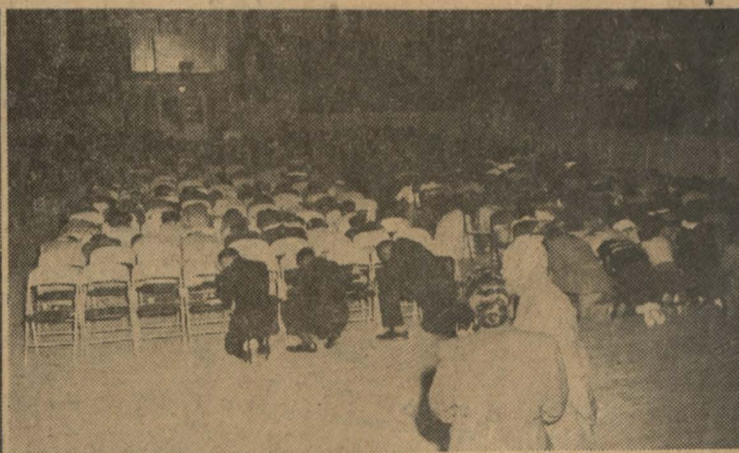
The legal profession was overcrowded in mid-1950, especially in very large cities, and the profession may remain overcrowded during the next few years, though the defense program will tend to ease competition among new entrants.

In television, the workers in greatest demand are the technicians, especially those who have a good knowledge of mathematics and electronic theory.

Employment opportunities for

radio operators (telephone and telegraph), radio announcers, news-reporters, and photographers are expected to be limited for the next several years.

The present shortage of pharmacists will probably continue during the early 1950's although the number of graduate pharmacists reached almost 6,000 in 1949—an all-time record.



HIGH INTEREST IN RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES . . . The friendly and likeable Reverend M. M. Pierson (left) leads the college weekly prayer services every Tuesday evening in the college gymnasium, which 1100 devout students (shown kneeling above) attend regularly. Students shown on the platform with Rev. Pierson are officers and leaders for the variety of lively activities which include such numbers as those presented by the male vocal group pictured at lower right.

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"Everything Happens to Me" and "April in Paris" by Charlie Parker.

"Rabbits Blues" and "Something to Pat Your Foot to" by Johnny Hodges.

"Workshop" by James Moody
"Blues up and Down" and "You Can Depend on Me" by Gene Ammonds and Johnny Stit.

"Nice Work if you Can Get it" by Sonny Stit

"Three o'Clock In the Morning" by Oscar Peterson

"Oscars Blues" by Oscar Peterson

"Confession" by Errol Garner

THE HAPPENINGS

Oh boy, Oh boy, Oh boy, things are really hap-pen-ing! Let's get in the know Jim so read on!

It is a rumor that Houston gave the key to the city to Prairie Viewites the week of the P. V.-T. S. U. game.

Congratulations to the Panthers for the superb performance, to the R. O. T. C. regiment band and especially the cheerleaders for going all the way with the Hard Hitting Panthers.

Now for some news! Who said Butch was slow? It came to us that he's doing much better than a lot of us. It's not every day that a man has two chicks by his side!

Wendell Venerable, how did you play basketball at Southwest when your heart was in Houston? Blandine, they tell us that you didn't do so bad.

Bill Hodges, what happened in Houston??? Hey Ted Freeman where were you over the weekend? Mable really knocked herself out. I wonder has Massey found his eyesight for Maxine again or was the weekend merely a rendezvous.

Otis Tolbert, how was your weekend. Was it the same as the Southern one? We wonder why there were so many tired and gloomy faces on the campus Monday morning after the 30th. What hit you Otis Morris, a door?

It seems that Audry Scott is cutting up with a certain gent on T. S. U's campus. Oh yes, he is a football player—No. 75, hey Audrey?

Oh yes, Otis Morris what is it that you have that keeps Miss Corneda Bowers so closely attached to you? Ar you sure you're just pals? Are you going to settle down?

ATTENTION: BUREAU OF LONELY HEARTS: Our prospects this month are Mable Smith, Delores Anderson, Debbie Stewart and Ocie Lene Evans.

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The Value of Criticism

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Everyone comes in contact with some type of criticism daily—either favorable or unfavorable. One must have a certain amount of maturity though to be able to distinguish between them and to weigh each and see which should be applicable to themselves in order to improve.

It must be remembered however that all criticism is not given with good intentions instead of malicious ones. They are bred from envy, jealousy and other evils of this nature. These are to be overlooked and one shouldn't shed a tear or worry over them as they do more harm than good.

True friends are hard find, but it is your true friend who will criticize you in order for you to improve. They will help you to overcome many fallacies of your personality and general behavior. A person who can't accept criticism is to be pitied for their is little chance for him to get out of the rut he is surely in. He in turn is a self conceited, arrogant person who all will seek to avoid. Sure, some criticism hurts but then the truth always hurts, but criticism will make you think and analyze yourself critically and in turn you will improve.

As it is with most everything, criticism has some values that should be known by all—values that one needs to increase his storehouse of things that will help to make him a success.

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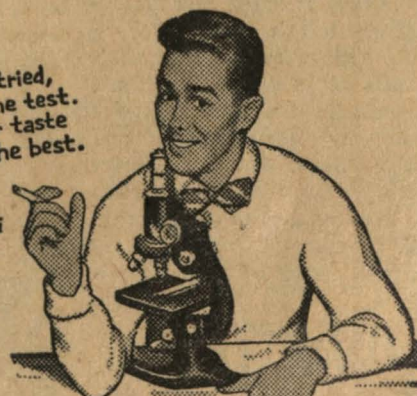
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HOME AND COMMUNITY LIFE EMPHASIZED IN 3-DAY "Y" INSTITUTE

"Stabilizing Home, School and Community Life" was the theme of the "Y" Leadership Institute held at Prairie View A. & M. College, December 7-9.

Chief consultant for the 3-day conference was the Reverend William Harvey II, pastor, Calvary Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla. Other speakers were R. A. Childers, president, Childers Manufacturing Co., Houston; Dr. John E. Eubanks, president, Jarvis Christian College; Dr. Ina Bolton, dean of students at TSU; and three local leaders: Reverend L. C. Phillip, Dr. D. S. Yarbrough and Miss Anne Campbell.

Dr. J. L. Brown, director of Extramural Services at Prairie View, was in charge of the meet. Student leaders were Billie Simpkins, YWCA president and Lonnie Bunkley, YMCA president.

The institute is held annually at Prairie View for the purpose of re-vitalizing the thinking and interest of group leaders who are concerned with the development of Christian character in youth throughout the cities and towns in the area. Some 400 or more such youth attended the conference.

Registration was held Friday, December 7, in the W. R. Banks Library. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Harvey at 7:00 P.M. in the college auditorium.

Seminar topics for Saturday's sessions included (1) Crisis in Morals; (2) Christian Standards in Love and Marriage; (3) Secrets of Mature Personality; and (4) Religion — an Integrating Force in Life. A panel discussion on "The Challenge of Interracial and Intercultural Living in These times" was also presented.

Wendell S. Douglass, assistant

YMCA secretary, representing the Southwest Area Council, assisted Dr. Brown in coordinating the activities of the conference.

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ALPHA KAPPA MU INITIATES NINE

The Alpha Pi Mu (Prairie View) Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu initiated nine new members into its organization during a beautiful candlelight ceremony November 27, 1951.

Those initiated were: Mittie Dow, Eleanor J. Fry, Evelyn P.

Banks, Jo Ann Jones, Willie Ann Crawford, Marian Garcia, Barbara Hines, Edna Joseph, and Thelma DeRouen.

The organization, under the sponsorship of Mr. W. A. Samuels, plans a very interesting program for the year.

Veterans' Club at P. V. Launches Membership Drive

At a regular meeting November 19, 1951, plans were initiated for a veterans membership drive in December. This effort precedes the organization of the veterans basketball team and is intended to marshal as many potential players as is possible this year. Practice has begun for players intending to make known their intentions to cop a berth on one of the teams. All veterans are eligible for membership in the club and a position on the team.

The membership committee, of which Mr. Arthur Williams is chairman, is composed of Mr. Curtis Warren, Mr. Richard Allen, Mr. Wm. Newson, Mr. Harvey Smith, Mr. Ceasar Leste, and Mr. James Rose.

An early participation in a veterans program is contemplated by the organization. For these and other reasons the membership committee, on behalf of the club, urges all veterans to align themselves in Prairie View's Veterans Club. Information concerning related group activities may be obtained from the officers or at the next regular meeting in December.

Sophomore Class

The graduating class of 1954-55 has come into the second phase of their collegiate career in attaining the goal they primarily came to Prairie View for.

The Sophomore class is going to have a real bang up year and started it off with the election of the class officers. All of these officers are leaders in their own respect and will do all in their power to make the Sophomore Class a success.

The officers are as follows:
President—Jimmie Jackson
Vice President — Donald Fullbright
Secretary—Doris Gale Williams
Treasurer—Burnett Coursey
Sergeant-at-arms — Solomon Hamilton
Student Representative — Joan Alona Williams
Reporter — Edwardlene Fleeks

EVANEERS HONOR REVEREND PIERSON WITH RECEPTION

On Tuesday evening November 22 at 8:30 P.M. the Evaneers, inspirational young ladies quintet, honored Rev. M. M. Pierson, Baptist minister of Houston and conductor of campus Baptist worship services with a reception.

The Evaneers is made up of Misses Alicia Wilson, Delores Jones, Mary Polk, Dorothy Wal-

lace and Thelma Wallace. Other special hostesses for the occasion were Misses Doris Douchette and Emogene Waller.

Among those present beside the honorees (Rev. and Mrs. Pierson) were Dr. E. B. Evans, Miss R. L. Bland and Drucilla Moore, Mr. Ray Don Dillon and the Men's Quartet.

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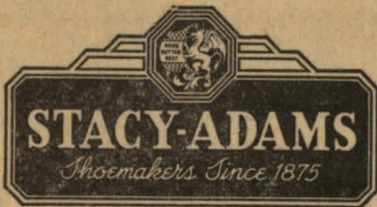
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By EMORY Y. BROOKS, JR.

Ten students have already received a grade of "F" and dropped from various courses, because of unexcused absences. Absences (excused or unexcused) are counted from the first meeting of the class in each session. An absence is "excused" only at the request of the Dean of the School in which the student is enrolled. Excused absence count neither for or against a student.

The total unexcused absences in a single course exceeds three times the number of semester hours of credit allowed, for example the total unexcused absences in a single two-semester hour course exceeds six, the total unexcused absences in a single three-semester hour course exceeds nine—for a four semester hour course exceeds twelve and for a single five-semester hour course exceeds fifteen.

Students are urged to attend classes regularly and when it is necessary that you miss class, please notify the instructor and secure a legal excuse from the Dean of your particular school.



R.O.T.C. ACCOMPLISHMENTS . . . Major General Hugh M. Milton, (left) Executive for Reserve and R. O. T. C. Affairs, Washington, D. C. during the recent informal visit to Prairie View A. & M. College is shown a trophy won by the Prairie View Cadet Corps under the direction of Lt. Col. Hyman Y. Chase (right) PMS&T. The trophy, held by President E. B. Evans was awarded for perfection in military drill by the Department of Military Science and Tactics at Texas A. & M. and Prairie View and also by the Prairie View executive cabinet.

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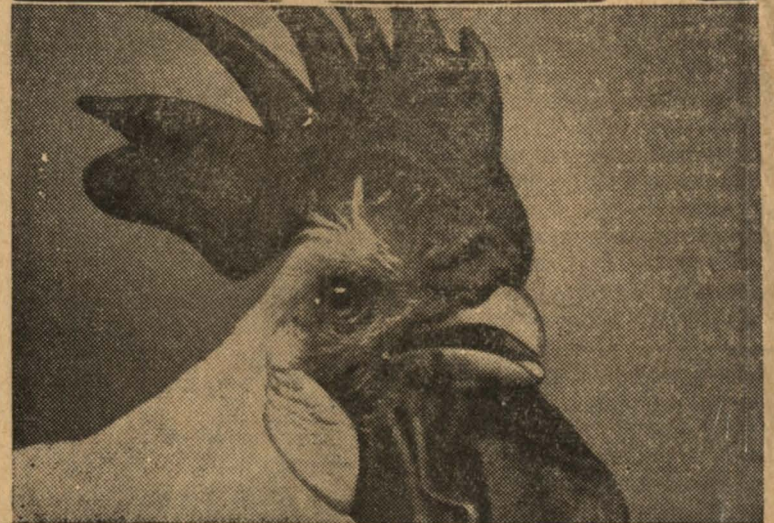
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P. E. M. CLUB NEWS

The P. E. M. club held their first meeting of the year November 26, and judging by the enthusiasm displayed by the members present we can expect a very successful year.

Club Officers are:

- President, Vance Heard
- Vice President, Peyton Womack
- Secretary, Doris Williams
- Assistant Secretary
- Mildred Hodges
- Treasurer, Alderen Solomon
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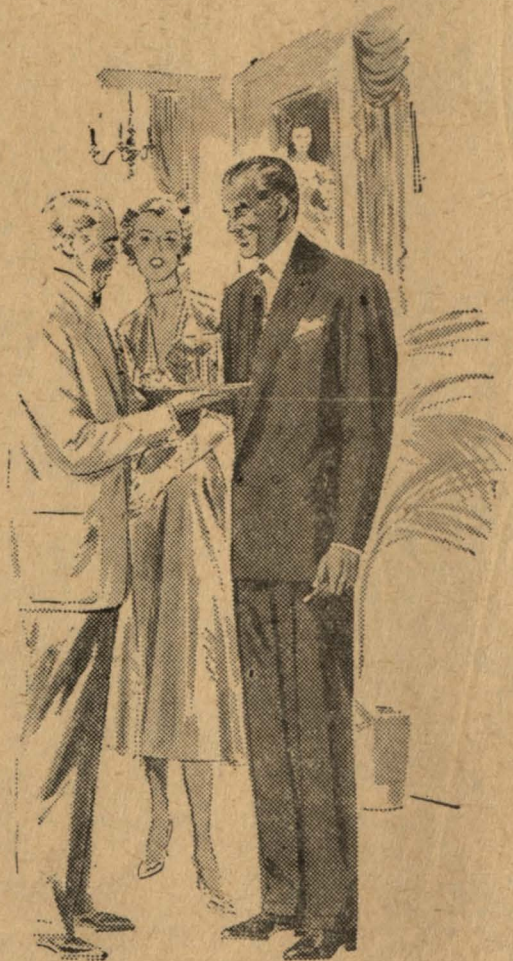
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ARKANSAS STATE SELECTED FOR ANNUAL PRAIRIE VIEW BOWL

Athletic officials at Prairie View A. & M. College announced recently that Arkansas State College has been selected as their opponent in the Prairie View Bowl on New Year's Day in Houston.

The decision in favor of Arkansas came after problems arose concerning arrangements with several other top ranking Negro college elevens in the nation. Prairie View found the Arkansas aggregation one of their toughest foes when they defeated them 20-6 in a regular season game at Pine Bluff. The host team, the Panthers of Prairie View, won eight of their nine season games, while Arkansas has a record of 4-2-1.

The Prairie View Bowl is the second oldest New Year's Day

Classic in the nation. It is second to the Rose Bowl in California. In its 24th year, this annual classic has brought to the Southwest many of the nation's leading football teams. Prairie View's record in these games has been 13 wins, 8 losses and 2 ties. Their game with Bishop College last year ended in a 6-6 deadlock.

Winning their first Southwestern Conference championship in eleven years, Coach James Stevens' Panthers are rated third among Negro college elevens in the nation. Their showing in this post-season classic may improve their national standing.

Buffalo stadium in Houston is traditionally the location for the annual Prairie View Bowl.



Cage Star — Arthur Matherson will lead the P. V. basketball team this year. This is his fourth year as a first string varsity player.

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In Dallas recently, the potential 1952 Panther Basketball team, barely nosed out the Southwest Business College Five of D-town 81-78 in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium. At the half time, Southwest was

leading the Panthers by a narrow margin, but the purple and gold which was being lead by Captain Arthur Matherson managed to outmanuver them by a three point victory 81-78.

downing an up-and-coming Texas Spoiled only by the weatherman, this annual classic had all the color and intense rivalry that two local state institutions could expect —and more. It was two great teams pitted together in this Houston arena; and Prairie View exhibited all the power which won for them the Southwestern Conference title. Southern University eleven 33-13 in Buffalo Stadium before a crowd of 6000 rain-soaked fans.

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