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P. V. Nurses Get Special Training at P. V. Hospital

P. V. ROTC ATTEND CAMP AT FT. HOOD

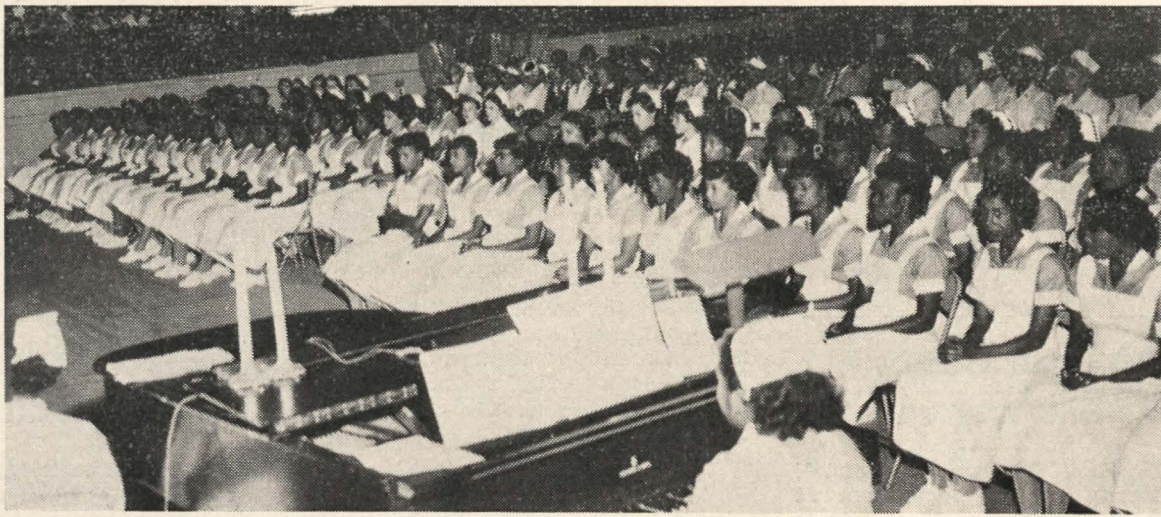
Seventy representatives of the Prairie View A & M College Reserved Officers Training Corps—both staff and cadets are participating in the 1955 General Military Science ROTC Camp at Fort Hood, Texas.

The following regular Army personnel, members of the College's Military Science & Tactics Dept., are performing duties with the Fort Hood Camp: Major Elliot M. Johnson, Captain Thomas I. Caines, Captain Isiah A. McCoy Jr., Captain Alphonso C. Montgomery, SFC Fred Cagle, SFC Emmett Reese, Sgt. A. Z. Hall and Sgt. Purvis D. Webster.

First Lieutenant William U. Corbett Jr., is attending ROTC Training Camp at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Virginia.

The following Prairie View Cadets, are attending the summer camp: Charles H. Ainsworth (Ft. Worth); Antonia Arnold (Amarillo); Arthur E. Alton Jr. (Texarkana); Samuel A. Anderson (Ennis); John E. Barber (New Boston); Bozie Barnes Jr. (Shepherd); Alton L. Boatner, (Victoria); James E. Booker (Ennie); Thomas N. Bowman, (Athens); Charles H. Bradford (Plano); Hollie N. Brashear (Dallas); Willard G. Brown Jr. (Cuero); Fred D. Burnett (Wichita Falls); John B. Carter Jr. (Palestine); Fred D. Choice Jr. (Henderson); Jake E. Davis (Yoakum); Lorenza Crosby Jr. (Harleton); Tenonia Cunningham (Ft. Worth); Herbert DeRouen, (Raywood); Andres I. Daniel (Bryan); Walter Epps Jr. (Marshall); Raymond C. Fontenot (Raywood); Johnnie Forte Jr. (New Boston); Sydney E. Freeman (Camden); Cleveland Gilcrease (Columbus); James W. Givens (Lubbock); Billy R. Gols-ton (Denison); Booker T. Hogan Jr. (Brenham); Henry L. Huckaby, (Houston); Kenneth D. Hunt (San Augustine); Howard W. Johnson (West) Malvin Johnson (Ballinger); Marion Johnson Jr. (Waco); Curtis F. Jones Jr. (Overton); Glyn R. King (Orange); James L. Lorder, (Marlin); K. H. Malone (Huntsville); Jesse J. Maxie (Dallas); Alexander M. Mason Jr. (San Antonio); Prince V. McCann (Egypt); Mark T. McDonald (San Angelo); Muriel McFadden (Houston); Wilford J. Mouton (El Campo); Ervin S. Perry (Coldsprings); Mervin E. Perry (Coldspring); David R. Robinson (Houston); Raymond L. Scott (Houston); Herman L. Selman (Jewett); Raymond W. Smith (Gidden); William J. Standifer (Texarkana); Wilbert C. Stevenson (Port Arthur); Charles E. Taylor (Houston); Aldon A. Thomas (Galena Park); Raymond Ward (El Campo); Roscoe W. Webber Jr. (Madisonville); Benny W. Whitehead Jr. (Hearne); Raymond W. Whiting Jr. (Washington); Augustus Williams (Bay City); Earnest S. Williams (Cost); James H. Williams Jr. (Atlanta); Osborne C. Williams (Longview); Tommy O. Williams (Dallas).

Col. T. H. Wright is Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Prairie View.



CAPPING CEREMONY PRAIRIE VIEW NURSES

The Board of Directors of the Texas A & M College system has granted Dr. E. B. Evans, President of P. V. A & M College authority to enter into agreement with the Veterans Administration Hospital of Houston for an eight weeks special training for advanced student nurses.

This agreement provides an opportunity for Prairie View Nurses to become specialists. Prairie View Student nurses with more than half their clinical work already done, will be eligible to receive special training through utilizing facilities and instruction at the Veterans Administration Hospital, Prairie View A & M College School of Nursing is also affiliated with Jefferson Davis School of Nursing, Houston, Texas and John Sealy Hospital School of Nursing, Galveston, Texas.

P. V. graduate nurses are accepted by armed services and the U. S. Public Health Service. The training of professional nurses at P. V. is accredited by the American College of Surgeons.

There is still a critical shortage of nurses and the number of Negro nurses is far below the number of white nurses in proportion to their share of the total population. This field provides a great opportunity for any young woman, who is interested in a career in nursing.

There is practically no limit to service in the field. It is almost certain that J.V. nurses, who take special training course at the Veterans' Administration Hospital, will have an opportunity of working in that institution.

Prairie View Visiting Staff

SUMMER PERSONNEL

THE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

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D. C. Players To Repeat Performance

A return performance by the Washington Repertory Players, Washington, D. C. will be given at Prairie View A and M College on Wednesday, July 12.

The famous dramatic group will present G. Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man," under the direction of Anne M. Cook, leader of the troupe which played in Europe by invitation of the Scandinavian government.

The presentation is one in the "Cultural series" offered during the school year.

Dr. E. B. Evans Welcomes Summer School Students

The first convocation of the summer session on June 8th, featured an address by Dr. E. B. Evans, President of the College.

Dr. Evans welcomed the students to the campus and outlined the progress of the college in recent years. He listed the progress made in the physical plant and the addition of the new and more qualified instructors.

P. V. Alumni Elect New Officers

The first official ballot of the Prairie View Alumni and Ex-student Association, May 14, 1955, indicated the following as officers for the 1955 and 1956 session.

Local officers are: President, O. E. Shith; Vice-president, J. B. Debose; Secretary, B. B. Brooks; Treasurer, L. C. Mosley.

National officers are: President, Lula White; first Vice-president, E. Clever; second Vice-president, O. E. Smith, Treasurer, Fletcher Morgan; Executive Secretary, L. C. Mosley; Secretary, Faye Brown; Editor, G. W. Stafford.

The Board of Directors consist of: Dr. E. M. Norris; Incumbent, place number one; M. E. Kilpatrick, Incumbent, place number two.

Government Official Addresses Students

The Hon. L. B. Toomer, Registrar of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., was the principal speaker at the General Assembly on June 21.

Mr. Toomer, whose enthusiasm was permeating, related the "Parable of the Talents," asking that we not be like the man who buried his gift but attempt to multiply our talents through use.

He requested more patronage of Negro businesses by Negroes and an awareness of opportunities.

Mr. Toomer's party included Mr. W. L. Davis, P. V. Graduate and retired Houston educator.

English Head Goes To N. Y. University

Miss Anne L. Campbell, Head of the English Department, Prairie View A. & M. College, Prairie View, Texas, left Sunday for New York University, where she expects to complete her study for the Doctoral Degree in English.

Because of the nature of her study and its value, Miss Campbell was the recipient of the Southern Foundation Fellowship. The subject of her dissertation is "A Written Language Study of a Group of College Freshmen to Show How the Nature of Language Usage Reflects the Socio-Economic Background," and it promises to be a valuable instrument in determining certain aspects reflected in the socio-economic background of freshmen.

Miss Campbell will return to the college in the Fall to resume her position as Head of the English Department. In the meantime, her duties will be in the hands of Mrs. F. B. Ledbetter, English Department, Prairie View College, and Dr. John S. Lash, a visiting English staff member from Maryland State College, Princess Anne, Maryland.

Summer Enrollment Reaches 1900 Mark

Dr. E. B. Evans stated that by the end of the third week of summer school, the enrollment was 1900. This, he believed, was slightly larger than last year.

The two six-week sessions have been specially designed with new workshops, and institutes to meet the needs of in-service teachers and workers in various fields of community service.

Music Department Presents Soloists

Dr. R. Von Charlton, Head of the Music Department presented the following soloists over station K. P. R. C. and K. C. O. H. Houston, Texas during the first six-weeks of the summer session: Miss K. Francis Jones, Miss Ethel Stanton, Mr. Roy E. Hicks, and Miss Gwendolyn McCoy.

Mr. T. Lloyd Hines, San Antonio, Texas is an added faculty to the Music Department.

CAMPUS CALENDAR

June 6: Registration 1st term summer school.

June 7: Classes begin.

June 24: Intra-Term examinations.

July 3, 4: Southwest Open Tennis Tournament.

July 6-8: Annual Coaching Clinic.

July 12: Washington Players.

July 14-15: Final Examinations.

July 18: Registration 2nd term, summer school.

July 19: Classes begin.

August 26: Commencement.

August: 25-26: Final Examinations.

August 27: Summer School Closes.

Sept. 6-10: Faculty Orientation.

September 12-14: Student Orientation and Registration.

September 15: Classes Begin.

Art Exhibit Scheduled

The Art Department has chosen the afternoon of July 12, to display its articles of arts and crafts. There will be a variety of all kinds of handworks such as knitting, leather crafts, weaving, doll making, water color paintings, paper mache, wall plaques, and drawings.

Members of the art class are planning this exhibition for your enjoyment. You may see their projects in the Art Room—third floor of the Education Building.

Mrs. F. M. Edmerson and Miss Pearl Sewell, sponsors.

Music Students To Enter Fair

Two Prairie View coeds, Elizabeth Morgan, senior, and Barbara Smith, sophomore—both are music majors—will enter the competitions at the State Fair in Dallas, Texas, on October 17.

Elizabeth, who performed brilliantly on a special convocation last year, is an excellent pianist. She is the daughter of Mr. Louis T. Morgan of Bremond, Texas.

Barbara, whom the campus will long remember as "Bess" in *PORGY AND BESS*, produced under the direction of Mr. Tallie Mozee, voice instructor, last Spring, is a soprano of no mean ability. She is the daughter of Mrs. Jerrie L. Smith, Queen City, Texas.

Winners in the competitions, in addition to receiving recognition and publicity, are given an opportunity to perform with a well known symphony orchestra at a later date.

THE PANTHER extends best wishes to both coeds.

FROSH CLASS—

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to The Panther, was invited to appear before the group and to lead the singing fest. Judging their singing of "Dear Prairie View", one would think the group was seniors, and upon realization would quickly conclude that the 1955-56 Freshman Class had found that "good old Prairie View spirit" only days after making this their new home. A quartet of students volunteer to lead the singing and the opening feature set the stage successfully for the activities which followed.

Class sponsors appeared before the group with suggested plans for organization, and discussed several proposed activities for the year. Plans for the Freshmen Talent Revue scheduled in October were discussed. Hopes were expressed of making this annual event one of the highlights of the school year. Panther Editor, Lois Platt, was introduced to the group, and she urged those interested in publication work to join The Panther staff.

Brailsford Named President

Thirteen students were nominated for the office of Class President. These nominees were asked to appear briefly before the class to describe their qualifications for the office. In the voting, Marvin Brailsford of Burkeville, Texas, received a large majority of the votes cast. Brailsford is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin D. Brailsford of Burkeville. The Freshman Class President was an outstanding student at Wiergate High School, Wiergate, Texas.

Barbara J. Newman won the election for Student Welfare Committee Representative over a field of five candidates. Miss Newman is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Newman of 530 W. 13th Street, Port Arthur.

Nominations for other class officers were made through a campus ballot system and other officers will be elected in a second class meeting to be held Thursday, September 29. Announcement of the full slate of officers will be made in the October issue of The Panther.

Talent Show

A large number of prospective "stars" for the Talent Revue had

**BRAINS TAKE SECOND PLACE TO LOOKS
WOMEN BUY MORE BRAS THAN BOOKS
(from CULBERSONS)**

PVites With the Military

First Lt. Edward C. Sedberry, son of Almo Sedberry, Lubbock, Texas, is a member of the 4th Infantry Division in Germany.

Training received by the "Ivy" division, part of the U. S. Seventh Army, includes intensive maneuvers and realistic field problems.

Sedberry, a platoon leader in Company B of the division's 12th Regiment, entered the Army in August, 1953, and has been overseas two years.

He is a 1953 graduate of Prairie View and a member of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity. Sedberry's wife, Jo Ann, is with him in Germany.

Second Lt. Tullie R. Evans, Jr., whose wife, Erma Jean, is a student here at P. V., recently was graduated from the Infantry School's basic infantry officers' course at Fort Benning, Ga.

Designed for officers who have not served with troops, the course gave him instruction in the task and problems of an infantry unit commander.

Lieutenant Evans was graduated from Prairie View in 1954 and entered the Army last May. His parents live in Brenham.

James Tatum, pianist, recently appeared on WGN-TV, in Chicago, with his Trio consisting of piano, bass and drums and featuring his own compositions. Pfc. Tatum is a graduate of P. V. and received his master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1953. He is now stationed at Ft. Riley, Kansas,

in Special Services.

Captain Ernest V. Martin of Prairie View was recently home on leave. Captain Martin is the Company Commander of E Company, 511th Airborne Infantry Regiment of the 11th Airborne Division.

Prior to entering the service, he graduated from Prairie View A & M College. He has served in Europe, the Far East and Korea.

Martin is married to the former Johnnie Ruth Brown of Mt. Pleasant, Tex. They have two children.

Recently graduated from The Infantry School's basic infantry course at Fort Benning, Ga., were **Second Lt. Howard E. Francis**, '54, Jacksonville, Texas; **Second Lt. Chester A. Hancock**, '54, Houston; **Second Lt. Richard Easley**, '54, Montgomery, Tex.; **Second Lt. Charles Johnson**, '54, Mexia; **Second Lt. Charlie Walker**, '54, Grapeland, Tex.; **Second Lt. Lawrence W. Fryer**, '54, Liberty; **Second Lt. Earnest L. Wilson**, '54, Ennis; **Second Lt. Freddie D. McLennan**, '54, Abilene; **Second Lt. Abb W. Mangram**, '54, El Paso.

Second Lt. Lawrence L. Pope, Henderson, Tex., recently graduated from The Infantry School's officer communications course at Fort Benning, Ga. Lt. Pope was trained in the techniques and maintenance of infantry communication systems.

VETS CLUB KICKS OFF

The Progressive Veterans Club got off to a "blasting start" (minus bomb-shells, however) at their first meeting held recently. For the past several years the organization has been one of the most active student groups on the campus. The Club has made a point of planning a constructive agenda for its year's program.

Spearheading the group's plans for '55-'56 are members of the executive cabinet:

Harold Taylor, President
George Hudspeth, Vice President

Emanuel Jones, Secretary
Hilton Hamilton, Treasurer
Robert Seals, Business Manager

Herbert Cross, Speaker of the House

Hulen Davis, Parliamentarian
Charlie Brown, Sergeant at Arms

Ocia L. McClellan, Reporter
Edward Elliott, Chaplain

With the large number of veterans enrolled at the college this semester it is expected that membership in the Club will reach an all-time high.

Sponsors of the organization are: Wendell P. Jones, instructor, Department of Mathematics, and James E. Stamps, Jr., Accountant, Fiscal Office, both of whom were army officers during World War I.

reported for tryouts and casting for key roles in singing, dancing, acting, and "specialities" near press time. Selection of the performers was almost final. The freshman group is using all available resources of the campus in order to make this annual event a memorable one for themselves—and for all the family at Prairie View.

ALUMNI CLUB PLANS WORK WITH CLASSES

Prairie View's local Alumni Club, in its first meeting early in September, adopted the plan to work with each class during the school year. The Sophomore and Junior classes will be given as much assistance as possible. A Workshop for the Senior Class is being planned, and the Freshmen class is to reap the benefit of the Club's special planning.

More than half-a-hundred alumni were on hand at the meeting which was addressed briefly by President E. B. Evans (who is probably the most loyal "alumnus" to be found anywhere).

President of the local Club is Oliver E. Smith, of The School of Agriculture's instructional and research staff.

A concerted effort is being made—spearheaded by the Alumni Club—to encourage the singing of the Alma Mater by the various classes. Rumor has it that the present student body can "make the rafters ring with 'Dear Prairie View' as was done in years past by old timers."

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CRESCENDOS HOLD FIRST MEETING

By Raymond Boyd

The Crescendo Club had its first meeting for the school year recently. The "Brothers" met in the Student Lounge, and all the new cabinet members immediately took their respective places—in their official capacities. The new officers, who were elected by popular vote the second semester of last regular session, are led very efficiently by Thomas Carter, Potentate.

The meeting was highlighted by a discussion of new club projects, which will be seen by the general public very soon, and a tentative plan-of-affairs for the year was formulated.

With the absence of Mr. M. B. Tolson, Jr., co-sponsor of the group for the past two years, the Club was faced with the selection of a new co-sponsor. The Brothers put their heads together and unanimously chose Mr. C. S. Garrett, instructor, the Department of Music. Mr. S. W. Davis, instructor, Department of Education, who is now identified with the group as its veteran co-sponsor, will be on hand to lend his very fine supervision.

After the meeting, as always, there was a great "gab fest."

Crawford Hall Coeds Claim A 'First'

Coeds who occupy Crawford Hall have—after having become less awe struck—begun to take great pride in the fact that one of the College's first of two female architectural engineering students is a member of their dormitory circle.

She is Nathelyne Archie of Conroe, Texas, and she carries her drawing board with all the poise and concentration befitting the true student of Engineering. Naturally, she has all the "backing" that the girls in the dorm can offer (and that isn't much in view of the mathematics facing her). Nathelyne will never suffer for want of moral support, however.

Otherwise, Crawford Hall began the new year with approximately ninety-nine young ladies eager to begin their Freshman programs. To help them get stationed properly and welcomed officially, Miss Mary A. Hawley, Matron, said: "We will make every attempt to make you feel comfortable, happy, and pleased that you are a member of our College and particularly our Dormitory Club."

The first week in Crawford was official "Chit-Chat" Week. Everyone was busy learning the names of room and dormitory mates. The second week was spent in more "chit-chat" (of course) and in helping the coeds over what came to be known as "registration hurdles."

With registration now out of the way, classes well underway, new faces which have grown into congenial friendships, and perspectives set on a shining future, the Freshmen women of Crawford Hall extend a hand of welcome and best wishes to other dormitories, the College faculty, the Prairie View family, and friends of the "dear ole" Hill ... in fact, to everybody. To tell the truth, Crawford Hall-ites are just "downright proud to be Prairie View-ites."

'New Look' And 'Functionalism' To Be Features

When the Dining Hall's renovation is completed (early in October), the Prairie View student body will be in for a real treat.

Already, Manager of the Dining Hall, J. L. Boyer; his assistant, Adolph Fulton, and all the personnel employed therein are wearing broad smiles. The reason for their happiness is that the Prairie View Dining Hall will soon have not only a "new look", but also more "functionalism" (whatever the term means in modern engineering circles).

Very shortly the "chow hall" will be equipped with its new commercial kitchen, renovated bakery, extension on the North wing to house a freight elevator, new stainless steel tables and new tile flooring, in addition to new equipment—everything from the butcher's saw to the dish-washing machine.

New gustatorial delights? Hm-m-m-m.

NEW FACULTY—

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son and Mrs. Ester J. Tyler; **Business Administration:** Melvin Humphrey, Gwendolyn McDuffy, Marlene Jackson and Jimmie Dykes Fields; **Education:** Leroy Weaver; **English:** Dr. Marcus Boulware, David Richardson, Victoria B. Dixon, Dorothy Bowman, Hilda Hardin, William Payne and Annie J. Simmons; **Foreign Languages:** Audrey G. Levy, Iris Thomas and Rosalyn Richardson; **Economics:** Frank Haughton and Arthur Johnson; **History:** George Sinkler; **Political Science:** Adolph Reid, Dr. David L. Stratton and Cleveland Williams; **Mathematics:** Dr. Israel Glover; **Sociology:** ris Facine, Lorenzo L. Tramble McKinnon; **Natural Science:** Charles Downs, James Prestage, Dallas Pierre, H. W. Taylor and Thornton Rhodes; **Music:** Donald L. White, Kathryn McClure; **Physical Education:** Barbara Hollis; **SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING,** Lawrence Collins; **SCHOOL OF HOME ECONOMICS,** Eloise Lee and Eula Patrick; **DIVISION OF NURSING EDUCATION—** Rose E. Hynes and Loretta Pierre; **DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION—** Eugene Jackson; **DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY SCIENCE AND TACTICS—**L. Col. Thomas H. Wright, Sgt. Andrew J. Bolden and Sgt. Frank J. Heard; **FISCAL OFFICE—**Jean Henderson Wright; **EXTRAMURAL SERVICES—**Mrs. Wilcox; **REGISTRAR'S OFFICE—**Dotson Burns Jr.; **MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT—**Earline Waddleton; **Norris Facine, Lorenzo L. Tramble and Raymond Holt; LIBRARY—**Phyllis Jean Dansby, Hattie B. Woods, Willard Enoch; **COUNSELOR'S OFFICE—**Bessie L. Williams; **DEPARTMENT OF MEN—**B. T. W. Bremby; **DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN—**Katie S. Easley; **COLLEGE EXCHANGE—**Roby L. Lenzy, Mammie Pledger and Nona L. Fisher; **PANTHER INN—**Joe Mucker.

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 FIFTH ROW
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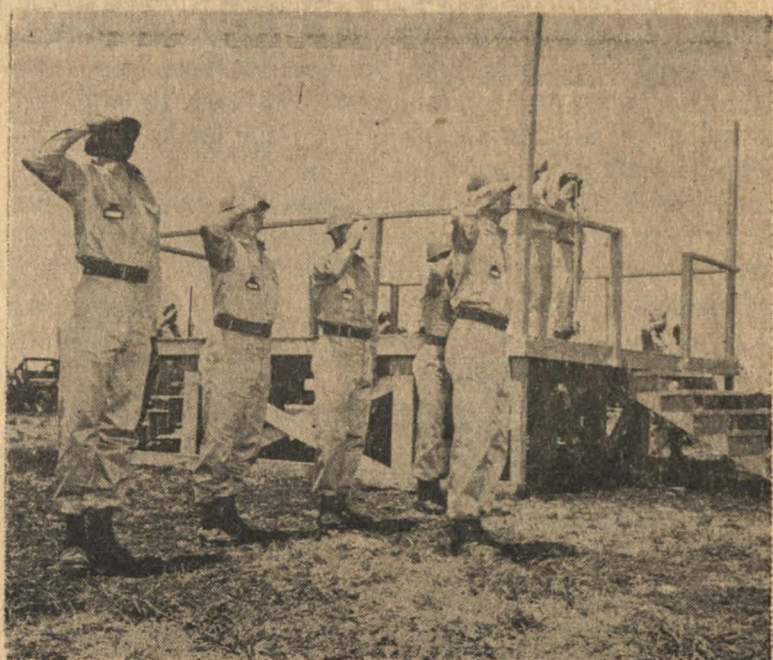


Summer Camp Highlights Of PV Cadets

The pictures on this page tell, in part, the story of "the happenings" that our Cadets experienced the past summer at Fort Hood, Texas.

Tanks, parades, artillery training and the perennial "ball" were only a part of the total activities in which the Cadets engaged.

For further information ask any PV Cadet who went to summer camp.



EDITORIAL

Panther Welcome

THE PANTHER takes the risk of using the trite and well-aged expression of "Welcome" to the Fondren, new students and "returnees" in the hope that it will express our delight in having you with us for the best year in Prairie View history.

This year at P.V. is slated to be one that will involve not only tradition, but also increased opportunity for constructive contributions to the general run of the College.

An early and determined start on your part may prove to be productive in many areas of college life—from study to student-life activities.

We urge you to take on the responsibility of making this year a successful one in terms of determination and know-how, and be among those to make this the best year yet. At any rate, you are welcome to try.

Hope For The Spiritless

*I envy no mortal, though ever so great,
Nor scorn I a wretch for his lowly estate;
But what I abhor and esteem as a curse
Is poorness of Spirit, not poorness of Purse.
... Henry Carney*

Maybe Henry Carney had no intention of his ideas being used to admonish a group of Prairie Viewites to examine their souls. Maybe Henry Carney had some specific matter in mind, far more important than the group here considered; but as we read his words, they seem to be written specifically for the spiritless people who read this column.

The first evidence of poorness of spirit in P.V.-ites was noticed at all our previous spectacular gridiron events. As a group of fans harmonized on "Gimme That Ole P-C Spirit," the bleachers sagged with heaviness of spirit rather than that "good ole spirit" that residents of "the Hill" are famous for.

Another evidence of poorness of spirit is noted in the wailing of the Alma Mater. In the first place, three-thirds of us (and I passed in Math, too, Rev. Phillip) don't even know the lyrics—not all, mind you, just about three-thirds of us. When we find a copy of it in our hands, the tune seems familiar but that "weighty spirit," again, overpowers all enthusiasm and sincerity. The same fraction doesn't know that after every game the school song is sung and should be observed with enthusiasm by those same fans who enjoyed the game rather than by the almost completely bare bleachers whose occupants are nearly home by then.

The most contagious form of poor spirit is that which we carry around with us everyday—the dull, drab countenances we wear, the slow, lifeless gaits we walk, the worn-out, senseless conversation we talk—all evidences of little or no spirit.

How does one get the spirit? Well, the spirit is just as contagious as the lack of spirit, so find some one person among the near 3,000 here who's "got it," and let some rub off on everyone. Cultivate it and let it blossom, and then show it off in those places where it's most needed.

Hope for the Spiritless? Sure there's hope, as long as there's a PANTHER around to send up a prayer.

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COUNSELORS COLUMN

By Dr. W. L. Cash, Jr.

TO: College Freshmen
SUBJECT: Satisfactory Adjustment in College

As college freshmen, you have many problems to solve. The term "problem" as used here refers to a situation to which one needs to make some sort of adjustment for maximum satisfaction. Most of you are "on your own" for the first time. This means personal responsibility; more freedom to make decisions and to set up plans.

As a freshman you should keep in mind that you are a member of a group of "college newcomers", all of whom have adjustments to make to living successfully in the Prairie View community. This thought should help relieve any feeling of strangeness or inadequacy you may have.

To graduate from high school it was necessary for you to meet certain scholastic requirements satisfactorily and to make adjustments to certain personal, social, and recreational customs. Coming to college will require further adjustments on your part. Patterns of behavior which you found successful in the past may need to be changed or entirely eliminated in your present environment.

The job of being a satisfactory college student calls for planning a program of work, learning how to study effectively, participating in and contributing to the social and recreational life on the campus, making a wise vocational choice, and planning for marriage. Everyone will not meet problems in all these areas, but each will have problems in some of them.

Social adjustment is the first step toward satisfactory life adjustment. Establish friendly relationship with other students and instructors. By forming the habit of making friends, you have started a program of effective social adjustment in college. This habit will benefit you immediately by giving you the feeling of "belongingness"; that you are a member of this "new community."

Secondly, the level of achievement you will reach as a student depends upon two things—your mental ability and the expertness with which you master the skills for college work. You can do little to improve mental ability, but you can do much to improve study skills.

The skills you will need in college are: reading, writing, locating information, note-taking, listening, preparing lesson assignments, recalling information and facts, taking examinations, using the library, preparing written reports, participating in discussions, performing experiments and many others. If you are sufficiently interested in making yourself more proficient in the skills needed for being a satisfactory college student, you can do so.

Finally, there are many factors that influence the manner in which you do your job as a student. However, the most important factor is a wise balance between studying and playing. Make every effort to arrive as a satisfactory balance between the two. True—all study and no play makes Jack socially dull, but all play and no study makes him a failure.

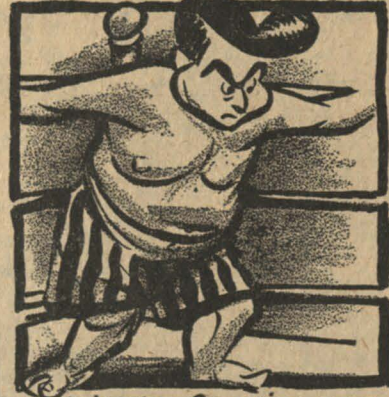


ONCE MORE UNTO THE BREACH

Today I begin my second year of writing this column for Philip Morris Cigarettes. Once every week during the coming school year I will take up, without fear or favor, issues that inflame the minds and quicken the hearts of college students everywhere. I will grapple with such knotty questions as: "Is compulsory attendance the reflection of an insecure faculty?" and "Is the unmarried student obsolete?" and "Are room-mates sanitary?"

While each week I make a bold assault upon these burning issues, I will also attempt to beguile you into smoking Philip Morris Cigarettes. Into each column I will craftily weave some words in praise of Philip Morris. I will extol, obliquely, the benign mildness of Philip Morris's well-born tobacco, its soothing fragrance, its tonic freshness, its docile temperateness, its oh-so-welcome gentleness in this spiky and abrasive world of ours.

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Perhaps it would be well in this first column of the year to tell you a little about myself. I am 36 years of age, but still remarkably active. I am squat, moon-faced, have all my teeth, and am fond of folk dancing and Lotto. My hobby is collecting mucilage.

I first took up writing because I was too short to steal. *Barefoot Boy With Cheek* was my maiden effort, and today, fourteen years later, I continue to write about college students. This is called "arrested development."

But I can't help it. Though I am now in the winter of my life, the problems of undergraduates still seem to me as pressing as ever. How to pursue a blazing romance with exams coming up next Friday in physics, history and French; how to convince your stingy father that life is a bitter mockery without a yellow convertible; how to subsist on dormitory food — these remain the topics that roll my sluggish blood.



are Room-mates Sanitary

And in this column from now until next June you will read of such things: of dating and pinning, of fraternities and sororities and independents, of cutting and cramming, of athletes and average-raisers, of extra- and intra-curriculum, of textbooks and those who write them and those who sell them and those who read them and those who don't.

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College Papers—Fall, 1955

NATIONAL POETRY CONTEST OPEN UNTIL NOVEMBER 5

For almost ten consecutive years, Prairie View has had at least one student as a "winner" in the National Poetry Association's annual contest.

During two of those years, two students were "winners." The following information is submitted for the current school year with the hope that all of P.V.'s "poets" will seek recognition by the Association before November 5th.

ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS are cordially invited to submit original verse to be considered for possible publication in the *Annual Anthology of College Poetry*.

This is the Thirteenth Annual College Competition. The recognition afforded by publication will reflect definite credit on the author, as well as Prairie View. Over a hundred thousand (Continued on Page 7)

Fall Hats Become "Hattier"

By Rose Marie Bennett
(Fashion Editor)

What we are about to say seems unnecessary to college coeds who seldom need to don a chapeaux. But with the special Fall activities now beginning to invade the campus, a word concerning the "top piece" seems to be in order.

Fashionwise, one expert has said, "Feature your face instead of your figure!" This is the advice of hat designers who are making the most of fashion's partiality toward narrow, unbroken clothes silhouettes.

Since emphasis is taken away from the figure, it is directed instead to the head and face, and this is the year for "hattier" hats.

Dior and other Paris couturiers endorsed the more-hat theme last month in their openings which abounded with deep-crowned, wide-brimmed chapeaux.

Not Accessories

This is the year you'll buy a dress to go with your hat instead of a hat to complete your dress.

There are dozens of variations of the new taller crowns. The toque has returned to the top ranks of fashion (generally a larger-than-hatsize crown with a narrow or non-existent brim). Other come-back stars are the swagger-brimmed casual and the dashing tilted profile hat.

Bigger Berets

Berets are bigger, blousy and soft. Cloches are hybrids, with a bonnet look, or softly draped crowns. Helmets are close-fitted with narrow brims nestling in stand-away neckline and larger coat collars.

The fur hat—and for casual wear, the hat of fake fur cloth or patterned felt—marks the return of elegance in hats. Feathers may make an entire hat, cover brims or crowns, and of course, add accents or curl or quill.

Panne velvet may be considered as the hatter's plush and gleaming satin star in evening styles, many of which are formalized with rhinestones and bugle beads.

The New Hue

A new accent hue to be featured this Fall is:

A rich, coral-tinted lacquer hue called "Coralac." It compliments the important beige-to-brown range, the new greens, blues, and greys. It's a color for tweeds, for luxury wools and silks.

Well, there they are . . . the new emphases in "top pieces." Coeds will do well to be fashion conscious when time comes to be really dressy either on the campus or when going to visit for a weekend.

ORCHIDS 'N ONIONS

ORCHIDS to the Freshman class for choosing Prairie View as their Alma Mater.

ONIONS to the fellows who search for a rail to perch on as dilligently as they grab for folks in the Dining Hall.

ORCHIDS to the students who have shown interest in their student publication by volunteering their services. (Please don't let us down).

ONIONS to the 'ever-present' critic who can always see how such things as a newspaper (for example) can be run differently, but can never find time to give his services.

ORCHIDS to the clubs that have begun constructive programs of activity.

ONIONS to the persons who take advantage of unsuspecting Freshmen.

CRAB CAPERS

Are you in the right class? One might say it's a bit late in the semester to be asking a question of that kind, but it seems that it should have been asked of one of our Freshmen.

The gentleman was guilty of following his Botany instructor, who also teaches other courses, and it resulted in his sitting in a Zoology class. After a week had passed, fate smiled on the little, gentle crab when an upper-classman noticed that the bewildered one was "out of place".

As was said before, it might be late, but are you in the right class?

Suarez Holds Initial Meet

The residents of Suarez Hall recently held an initial meeting devoted mainly to the organization of each floor. Officers elected were presidents: Myrtle Adams, Naomi Scruggs and Johnnie Coleman; secretaries, Martha Chopp, Rose Bennett and Rose Powers; vice presidents, Maxine Adams, Minnie Warren and Ruby Harvey; decoration committee chairmen, Yvonne Ransom, Theresa Nichols, Dorothy Singleton and Norma Coleman and pianist Maxine Wilhite.

The group also considered homecoming activities and a program for the year.

ORCHIDS to the Freshmen and new students who have affiliated themselves with the worthwhile organizations.

ONIONS to those persons who don't follow directions, read signs and who have not yet read their student Handbook.

ORCHIDS to the students who have taken interest in Student Welfare activities.

ONIONS to the persons who don't take advantage of every opportunity for active participation in college life.

GRADUATE RECORDS

GRADUATE RECORD EXAMINATIONS
WILL BE ADMINISTERED AT FOUR NATIONWIDE SESSIONS
DURING 1955-56

Princeton, N.J., September 16: The Graduate Record Examinations, required of applicants for admission to a number of graduate schools, will be administered at examination centers throughout the country four times in the coming year, Educational Testing Service has announced. During 1954-55 more than 9,000 students took the GRE in partial fulfillment of admission requirements of graduate schools which prescribed it.

This fall candidates may take the GRE on Saturday, November 19. In 1956, the dates are January 21, April 28, and July 7. ETS advises each applicant to inquire of the graduate school of his choice which of the examinations he should take and on which dates. Applicants for graduate school fellowships should ordinarily take the designated examinations in the fall administration.

The GRE tests offered in these nationwide programs include a test of general scholastic ability and advanced level tests of achievement in sixteen different subject matter fields. According to ETS, candidates are permitted to take the Aptitude Test and/or one of the Advanced Tests.

Application forms and a Bulletin of Information, which provides details of registration and administration as well as sample questions, may be obtained from college advisers or directly from Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, N.J., or P.O. Box 27896, Los Angeles 27, California. A completed application must reach the ETS office at least fifteen days before the date of the administration for which the candidate is applying.

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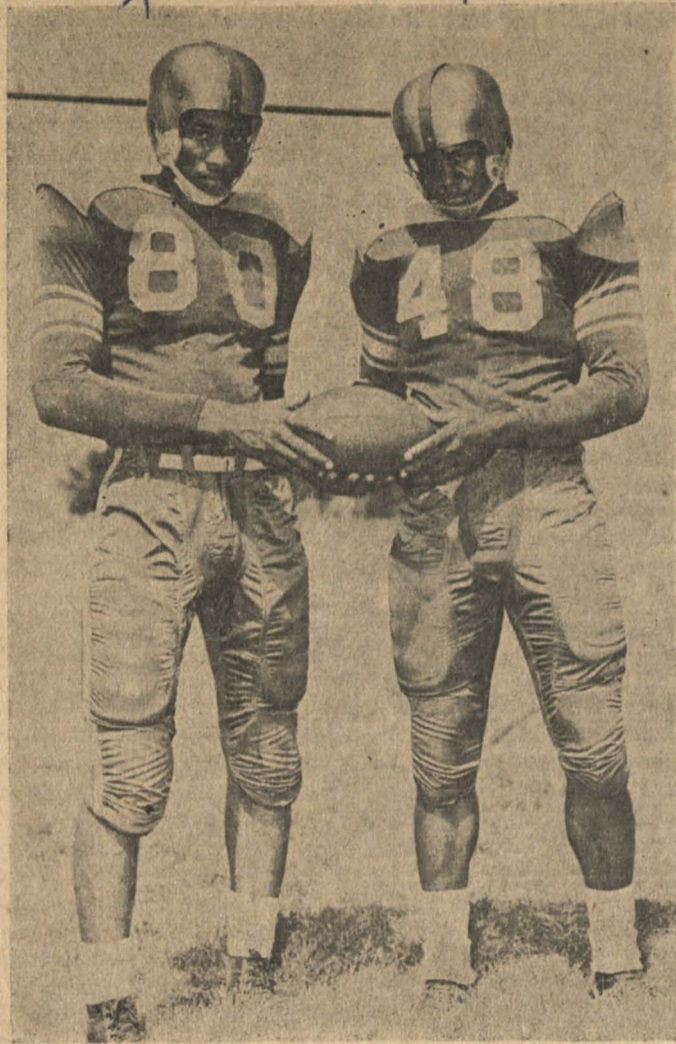
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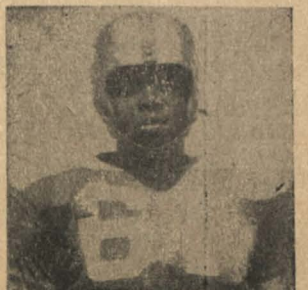
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HEMPSTEAD, TEXAS

PANTHERS WIN FIRST TWO

The question of Prairie View's 1955 football prospects got an explosive answer on September 17, as a great Panther team blanked the Morris Brown College Wolverines of Atlanta, Ga., by a score of 26-0 before 4000 fans in the season's opener.

Although fighting gallantly all the way, the Georgians never had a chance. Prairie View had complete mastery of the inter-sectional match all the way, even when the reserves held command throughout the uneventful half.

Panther Captain, John Payton, and fullback, William Stell, sparked the PV offense which exploded in the opening minutes of the game. Together they totalled 41 yards rushing for the initial tally and 48 yards for the second touchdown, with Stell carrying over each time for the scores. Payton's 94-yard TD gallop to open the second half was the high of the Panther's successful running attack.

The Wolverines lone threat came late in the first quarter when halfback, Arthur Williams and Harman Reid combined a 21-yard drive with penalties to put the Wolverines on the Panther 8. Algernon Jeffro, PV guard, intercepted Willie Cooper's pass to end the attack. Quarterback Leonard Chew, filling Charlie Brackin's shoes, chose the aerial route with Payton and Stell out, and he hit Mac Collier, Harold Campbell and finally, Heron Tibbs in successful passes to net a third Panther score. Stell carried over the two extra points.

Morris Brown's center John Thomas and fullback, Bobby Wilson were stellar in defensive play. Payton and Stell stood out defensively for PV along with Ferrell Randall, Eugene Lewis and Jeffro.

Prairie View's total rushing was 226 yards to Morris Brown's 70. The Panthers also completed four out of ten passes for 58 yards, while Morris Brown failed to connect in their 11 pass attempts.

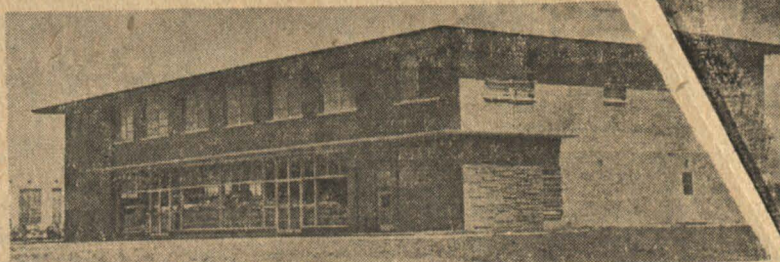
J. C. "Tigers" Defeated 31-6

The PV Panthers took advantage of the breaks to defeat the strong Jackson College Tigers 31-6, September 24, in their second straight inter-conference victory. Prairie View's swift and shifty halfback, John Payton, of Livingston, Texas, led the Panther drive with four touchdowns.

The Mississippi College fielded a powerful defensive team which

stifled the Panther running attack throughout the slow-moving first period. It was through the aerial route that finally there was netted a Panther score in the second stanza, as Payton took Leon Brooks' pass and ran 25 yards for the score. The Tigers retaliated quickly as quarterback Jack Witty passed successfully to George Johnson and John King—setting into motion a 66-yard TD march, with Thomas Stewart hitting the center of the line for the tally.

The Panthers recovered a Tiger fumble in the opening kickoff of the second half, and Edgar Johnson immediately drove through tackle for the second Panther score. The Tigers tried hard to get back into the game with Stewart highlighting the effort with an 88-yard kick-off return. A second Tiger miscue set up a scoring threat for the Panthers, and it was Payton who raced over 11 yards for the tally. Shortly afterwards, Payton intercepted a Tiger pass for a fourth marker, and added a fifth and final score with a sensational 57-yard touchdown run.



THE NEW BUSY SPOT on the campus is the recently opened College Exchange and Book Store. On the second floor of the building is located the Guest House.

Law School Admission Tests To Be Given Four Times This Year

Princeton, N. J., September 16: The Law School Admission Test required of applicants for admission to a number of leading American law schools will be given at more than 100 centers throughout the United States on the mornings of November 12, 1955, February 18, April 21, and August 11, 1956. During 1954-55 nearly 10,000 applicants took this test, and their scores were sent to over 100 law schools.

A candidate must make separate application for admission to each law school of his choice and should inquire of each whether it wishes him to take the Law School Admission Test and

when. Since many law schools select their freshman classes in the spring preceding their entrance, candidates for admission to next year's classes are advised ordinarily to take either the November or the February test, if possible.

The Law School Admission Test, prepared and administered by Educational Testing Service, features objective questions measuring verbal aptitudes and reasoning ability rather than acquired information. It cannot be "crammed" for. Sample questions and information regarding registration for and administration of the test are given in a Bulletin of Information.

Bulletins and applications for the test should be obtained four to six weeks in advance of the desired testing date from Law School Admission Test, Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, N. J. Completed applications must be received at least ten days before the desired testing date in order to allow ETS time to complete the necessary testing arrangements for each candidate.

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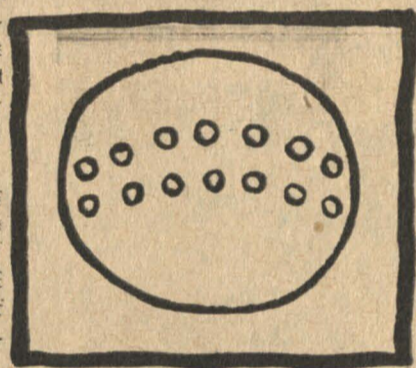
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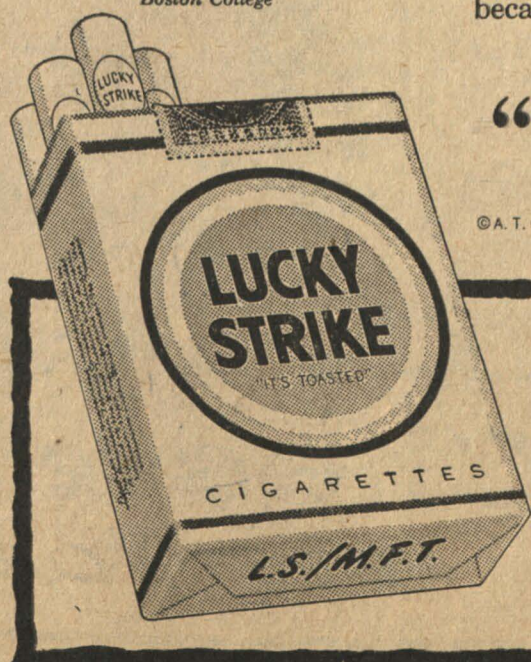
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NATIONAL POETRY—

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missives have been submitted to the National Association in the past 10 years. Of these, about 4,500 have been accepted for publication.

Rules are simple—as follows:

Mss. must be typed or written in ink on one side of a sheet. Student's home address, name of College and College address must appear on each mss.

As many mss. may be submitted as desired. Theme and form may be in accordance with the wish of the student contributor. In order to give as many students as possible an opportunity for recognition, and because of space limitations—shorter efforts are preferred.

Send manuscripts to:

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Los Angeles 34, California

From Liberia Comes Word:

ABOUT PRAIRIE VIEW ABROAD

MONROVIA, Liberia — The American system of developing highly skilled workers in the field of the mechanical arts through vocational colleges is being transplanted to Liberia, the Negro republic on the west coast of Africa which was formed more than 100 years ago by "transplanted" freedmen from the United States.

In cooperation with the International Cooperation Administration, PRAIRIE VIEW AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE OF PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS, IS ASSISTING BOOKER WASHINGTON INSTITUTE OF LIBERIA TO ESTABLISH A MODEL VOCATIONAL COLLEGE WHICH WILL BE OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE NOT ONLY TO LIBERIA BUT TO ALL OF WEST AFRICA.

Prairie View has a three-year contract with ICA to maintain a staff of professional and technical personnel in Liberia to help Booker Washington Institute, chartered in 1928, to improve its teaching methods, projects and programs.

Objectives of the three-year program are:

1. To train a larger group of skilled workers in vocations consistent with the present long-term occupational requirements of Liberia.
2. To develop prospective vocational teachers.
3. To discover and develop talents and creative abilities in arts and handicrafts.
4. By the skills developed, to improve the income earning capacity of the lower-paid groups.
5. To stimulate a broader basis for commercial training.

The Prairie View - Booker Washington cooperative project in Liberia is based upon the United States' own successful experience in U. S. growth and development which can be associated with its many successful land grant colleges, of which Prairie View is one as part of the Texas A. and M. College system.

To tie in with specific needs of Liberia, a careful search was made for an American institution with a successful background in this field. After carefully reviewing the backgrounds of a number of qualified institutions, Prairie View was chosen and a U. S. contract was signed with the school on December 30, 1954.

Early in 1955, the Chief Adviser of the Prairie View mission to Booker Washington arrived in Liberia, and soon other members of the visiting staff began to arrive in order to be fully prepared to begin instructions on the American plan when the second semester opened in August.

Thus, with this auspicious start it is entirely possible that Liberia may transplant to Africa a system of education which in the U. S. has been instrumental in developing this country. Basically—it is a simple concept—to train the mind to utilize to the fullest the hands.

The avowed purpose of the Liberian program is to provide the mechanism for training a nucleus of Liberians which would constitute a pool of trained labor for local and foreign capital investors.

It was felt essential that Liberians, who live in a country of approximately 43,000 square miles and located six degrees north of the Equator, be trained as tradesmen, as commercial workers for independent and

small industries and businesses, as craftsmen, and as skilled workers for the building trades. The success of the Liberian Government in attracting foreign investors to go to Liberia to participate in the economic development of the country has brought increasing pressures for a skilled class of workers.

The success of but two American firms in Liberia—the Firestone Rubber Company and the Liberian Mining Company—a subsidiary of Republic Steel—which have offered their cooperation to see that the new vocational training project succeeds—had had a profound effect on the finances of the country. Revenues from such sources now constitute over 90 percent of Liberia's income.

There are a number of other concessions, both American and European—at present are in the development stage—which in the near future will reach the production stage and require sizeable numbers of skilled personnel.

The Government of Liberia, which is aware of this need, has

shown special interest in the progressive development of the Booker Washington Institute.

The Institute grew out of the desire of Miss Olivia Phelps Stokes to found an industrial and educational college in Liberia which would bear the name of the great American Negro leader so that "his name may not be forgotten in the land which gave his ancestors birth." It is located 45 miles north of Monrovia, Liberia's capital.

It is for boys and girls in grades 8 to 12 inclusive. Most students reside on the campus and are enrolled from all parts of Liberia. Their ages range from 13 to 35 years. Tuition is \$32.50 a year and more than 200 are enrolled annually.

The Institute has a 1,000-acre campus provided by the Liberian Government. There are two buildings with classrooms, a two story shop building for vocational training and another structure for machine shop practice work.

Besides a two story brick dormitory there are three student cottages completed and several

others under construction. There are a number of faculty residences of which five are particularly attractive and substantial. The Institute was chartered by the Republic of Liberia on November 20, 1928, and incorporated under the laws of the State of New York in 1931.

Other than providing the land, the Liberian Government also initially provided \$5,000 toward starting the Institute. Until 1953, the Board of Trustees was made up of individuals representing the American Colonization Society of which Miss Stokes was a prominent member; the Methodist Board of Foreign Missions; the Episcopal Board of Foreign Missions; the New York State Colonization Society; the Board of Missions of the Lutheran Church, and Harvey Firestone, Jr.

On June 3, 1953, the Liberian Secretary of Public Instruction and the President of Booker Washington Institute signed an agreement transferring the school to the Liberian Government.

By this action the Government took possession of all lands, buildings and physical properties and assumed responsibility for all obligations of the Institute.

In line with American desires to assist in providing technical assistance to such projects in less developed countries, the U. S. Government in 1951 made a grant of \$40,000 to the Institute, later provided another \$36,300 and last year signed the contract with Prairie View calling for a U. S. contribution of \$1,654,000 over a three-year period to further assist in development of the school.

Thus, Liberia, first settled in 1820 by free Negroes who migrated from the United States, is on the way toward developing a modern vocational school patterned along American lines.

Public education in Liberia, which proclaimed its independence in 1874, has long been recognized as an important adjunct of Government functions.

Liberia first organized a Bureau of Education in 1900 and 12 years later the Bureau became a Department of Public Instruction with cabinet status.

Although educational activities on the part of Mission and private interests have continued to expand, these efforts in the past few years have for the first time been out-paced by government activities and expenditures in this field.

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