

PRESIDENT W. S. DAVIS ADDRESSES RECORD ENROLLMENT AT 35th CONVOCATION EXERCISES

In welcoming 2112 students, including 1030 freshmen, the largest enrollment on record for the College, President W. S. Davis called attention to the unusual anxiety on the part of youth throughout the country to continue in the pursuit of education.

"Institutions are being taxed to their capacity in an attempt to fulfil the educational thirst of young men and women who are aware of the need of furthering learning in order to cope with modern invention and world progress," stated President Davis.

It was further impressed upon the students that this desire must be strengthened by continued effort, perseverance and constant application in the tasks begun.

"Tennessee has a great heritage and it is for those of us now on the scene to see to it that that heritage is perpetuated and thus do our share in developing civilization for the total good of the nation," declared President Davis.

Dean G. W. Gore, Jr., presented the Directors of the nine Divisions of the College, who in turn presented the members of their faculties.

President Davis and Dean Gore pointed to the program of instruction, and to the improvement in various other areas and progress in general being made at the College in an effort to develop an A class American university.

Special musical numbers were under the direction of Mrs. Marie Brooks Strange.

GRADUATE DIVISION TO CONDUCT RESEARCH SEMINARS

The first of a series of quarterly research seminars and conferences in the Graduate Division is scheduled for November 22-23. Resident and non-resident students will be invited to participate in a series of discussions dealing with various phases of research. Deans of local graduate schools will be asked to conduct the seminar, and all graduate students who have completed more than 15 quarter hours of work will be required to make a presentation of their thesis problem. Among the out of town guest consultants will be Dr. Charles Rochelle, Lincoln High School, Evansville, Indiana and Dr. Charles Parrish, Louisville Municipal College, Louisville, Kentucky.

TENNESSEE "TIGERS" MEET NORTH CAROLINA "EAGLES" IN CAPITAL CLASSIC

Football fans of the South and East will see their gridiron dreams come true on November 1, when Coach Henry Arthur Kean's Tennessee "Tigers", Champions of the Midwestern Conference, clash with the valiant North Carolina "Eagles" in the Capital Classic, Griffith Stadium, in Washington, D. C.

With one of the best teams in its history, North Carolina State has run roughshod over all opposition this year, taking in tow the Norfolk "Brown Bombers", Delaware State, Bluefield, and the Winston-Salem Teachers in the four games played to date. A Kean-coached team is always a well coached team. This year's "Tiger" aggregation is no exception, for the highly touted Texas College, Langston, and Clark have already bowed to their might.

In addition to the game, which, without doubt, will be one of the best of the current season, the Capital Classic will feature the presentation of three of the most beautiful young women in the nation: "Miss Tennessee State," "Miss Capital Classic," and "Miss North Carolina State." A dazzling display of fireworks will be set off during half time, sharing the spot light with the great marching band of Tennessee State College, under the directorship of Professor Jordan D. Chavis.

The usual social attractions of Washington will be enhanced this year by other features especially planned for the occasion.

A. & I. STUDENTS PRIME FOR '46 CHEST CAMPAIGN

The 1946 Community Chest Campaign opened at the Tennessee A. & I. State College with a special convocation in the college auditorium on October 8. It is expected that the teachers and students of the institution will exceed their quota by October 15, the date of the end of the drive.

Mr. Alphonsus Booker, Director of the South Street Community Center and member of the Community Chest Committee, was the principal speaker of the occasion. The A. & I. plan for collecting student contributions was explained by Dr. Myron B. Towns, Professor of Chemistry at the college.

This year's Community Chest Committee at the institution is headed by Dr. Carl M. Hill, Professor of Chemistry and Head of the Department of Chemistry.

PRESIDENT DAVIS IN FIRESIDE CHAT

The Orientation Period at Tennessee A. & I. State College this year was brought to a close by the "Fireside Chat" of Dr. W. S. Davis, President of the institution, in the college auditorium on Sunday evening, September 29.

In his talk, which has become an institution at the college, President Davis admonished his audience to practice those Christian virtues so necessary for the good life and for success, while developing their mental and physical powers for the service that lies ahead.

He called attention to the human and material resources that are now at the disposal of the college and invited the students to use these resources with energy and with skill, so that the record that each will write during his college career will be one of which he need not be ashamed.

Mrs. Marie Brooks Strange of the Department of Music gave several beautiful selections on the organ. Her interpretations of excerpts from Scheherazade, by Rinsky-Korsakoff, Balerias by Longas, and the Ritual Dance by De Falla were especially well received.

The evening was brought to a pleasant close by an "At Home" at Goodwill Manor, at which time President and Mrs. Davis received members of the Freshman Class and faculty members.

DR. NYABONGO RETURNS FROM EUROPE

Dr. Virginia S. Nyabongo, Director of Student Personnel and Part-time Professor of French, Division of the Humanities, Tennessee A. & I. State College, recently returned on the S. S. John Ericsson from a two-and-a-half months' visit in France, as a guest, with some 100 American teachers of French from colleges and universities and secondary schools in more than thirty states of the United States, of the French Government.

While in France, Dr. Nyabongo had occasion to attend lectures at the Sorbonne that covered political, social, educational, literary and artistic developments in France during the war, occupation, and liberation periods, 1945-1946; to attend sessions of the Paris Peace Conference and the French Constitutional Assembly; to visit the Goodrich Rubber Plant at Bolombo; to attend sessions of the Protestant Youth Ecumenical Con-

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ference, Aug. 30-Sept. 8, at Versailles; to enjoy cultural offerings of the revived Opera and Comedie Francaise; to tour the now devastated military school of Saint Cyr, started in the 17th Century by Madam de Maintenon as a school for girls; to accept social courtesies extended by the North American Section of the Paris Radio and the Cultural Relations Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; and to interview some of the outstanding socialist women leaders of France, among them Madam Brossollete, Member of Parliament, and Madam Eboué, Member of the Constitutional Assembly, both wives of Resistance heroes.

In addition to traveling throughout Southwestern France-Bordeaux, Toulouse, Lourdes, Nimes, Marseilles-Grenoble, where she studied as a Franco-American Fellow in 1938-1939, and seeing the ruins of war, the effects of the black market, and yet convincing signs of recovery, Dr. Nyabongo visited Belgium and met the sister of Dr. Max Horn, representative of the Belgium Economic Mission in the United States and Canada and actually in the Congo, where he is the Acting Director of the Belgian Colonial Office. Through the courtesy of the owner, she saw the Beuklaer Chocolate Plant and the Rubens House of Antwerp, and through the courtesy of the Director of the Ministry of Education, was shown typical schools of all levels, from the kindergarten through the university in Brussels.

In England, Dr. Nyabongo visited the West African Students Union and learned more of the Union's program and activities, particularly of the recent British and French Colonial Conference.

AVIATION CLUB ORGANIZES

Students of A. & I. State College are making plans for the organization of an Aviation Club which will serve the students of the College. The organization will serve to make available to the general student community an opportunity to gain information and experience in aviation.

The group is now engaged in seeking the necessary approval of the College authorities for their organization. Such an organization will be new from the standpoint of general education among our colleges.

Proposals for the development of a program in Aviation at Tennessee A. & I. State College will fall primarily into three areas of emphasis:

I. Aero-Mechanics as Vocational Training

- A. To train aircraft and engine mechanics
- B. To train other vocational specialists in Aviation

II. Flight Skill as Vocational Training

A. To train:

1. Commercial pilots
2. Flight Instructors
3. Pilots with special skills
 - a. Crop dusting
 - b. Mapping
 - c. Forest patrol
 - d. Land survey, etc.

III. Air Age Education

- A. Teacher Training
- B. General Education

1. Regular Students
2. G. I. Students
3. Faculty orientation

In cooperation with the classes in Aviation and Mr. Taylor's Aeroservice, the Aviation Club desires to sponsor Aviation Orientation Day for the students, faculty and staff on Saturday afternoon, October 19, 1946 from 1:00 to 4:00 o'clock p. m., at the airport. There will be free airplane rides, an exhibit of aircraft and equipment and other activities of interest.

Drs. G. W. Gore, Jr., T. E. Poag, E. L. Sasser, H. B. Crouch; Messrs. Clinton D. Crooks, W. V. Harper; and Mesdames A. G. Sasser and Mattye Flowers represented A. and I. State College, at the Middle Tennessee Colored Teachers' Association at Pearl High School, October 17-19. The theme of the meeting was "Brotherhood, Our National Heritage."

The East Tennessee Association of Teachers in Colored Schools will meet in Knoxville at Knoxville College and Austin High School, October 31-November 2.

The West Tennessee Educational Congress will convene at Lane College, Jackson, November 7-9.

At the 1945 annual session of the Negro Land-Grant College Presidents' Association, a special Agricultural Committee was appointed to make a study of findings in technical agriculture in Negro Land-Grant Colleges. Persons on the committee were Dr. W. S. Davis, Chairman; Dr. William H. Gray; and Dr. Law-

rence Davis. The appointment of this committee grew out of a study which had been conducted by Mr. W. M. Elam, U. S. Office of Education, and several of the Land-Grant College presidents who had assisted him for several months.

In order that this report would be more complete, Mr. Elam and members of the committee have explained the possibility of securing financial assistance for improving this situation, and in that connection, have met with a great deal of encouragement. On the basis of this, they have included a tentative improvement plan in this report.

On Monday, November 11, the Tigrettes of Tennessee State College will begin their basketball practice under the direction of Coach Lua S. Bartley. Most of the members of the old team are back and are looking forward to having some of the freshmen join them.

The dates for the games have not been set as yet, but the games are scheduled as follows:

- West Virginia State—Nashville
- Florida—Nashville
- Tuskegee—Tuskegee
- Kentucky—Nashville-Kentucky
- Knoxville—Nashville, Knoxville

Members of the old team are as follows: Peonia Williamson, Emma Reid, Odessa Groves, Louise Gibson, Mable Williams, Juanita Douglass, Sara Holinsworth, Naomi Epps, Mary E. Wilson and Evelyn Primm.

FRESHMAN WEEK OFFERED VARIED PROGRAM

On September 23, 1946, one thousand Freshmen entered the portals of Tennessee A. & I. State College. They participated in a varied program which had as its purpose:

To familiarize them with the aims and goals of the University.

To give them physical and mental examinations.

To offer them friendly guidance.

To provide them with relaxation.

In order to accomplish this purpose, they attended group meetings at which they heard addresses given by President W. S. Davis, Dean G. W. Gore and other administrative officers. They spent hours taking placement tests and being examined by doctors at Meharry Medical College. Further, they interviewed and were interviewed by faculty members. The tired Freshmen, at the close of day, found relaxation through such recreation as a banquet, a dance, a concert, and a reception.

Undoubtedly, they will always remember the highlights of the week: the appearance of the noted screen stars: Hattie McDaniel and Clarence Muse, the initial performance of the new Tennessee A. & I. State Band and the night football game at Sulphur Dell.

May the Class of 1950 accept the challenge given: "Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve."

NOTES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ART EDUCATION

F. E. Thompson

In Room 205 of the Women's Building Miss Thompson and Mr. Adams are kept busy with about one hundred twenty-nine freshmen and ninety-eight upper classmen pursuing courses in Art Education, introductory courses in Fine Arts, and Related Art, i. e., art as it is related to work in Home Economics and Dramatics.

Because there is greater need and opportunity for Art expression in the elementary schools of the State and because practically everyone has reached maturity without having experienced the advantages of organized art information, we have chosen to emphasize art principles and their application to the everyday functions of living. Classes in Fine Arts are at present restricted to the Art History of Ancient Egypt, Mesopotamia, Greece and Rome, and a second course, the Art of Western Europe and America. Students who like to draw, paint or model in clay and who are willing to appreciate the discipline of professional criticism are welcome in the laboratory at almost any time during the day. We take great pride now as always in keeping the art room open daily from eight till four "except Saturday" when we close all noon.

Art 101, Introduction to Public School Art, is an orientation course offered to all Freshmen. The course carries three class periods and three laboratory periods per week so as to give students opportunity not only to learn about art but to participate in it by the use of materials and media used in Art Education.

Students have opportunity to work creatively with such materials as laboratory facilities will allow and to get some experience in improvising such tools as successful work with leather, plastics, wood, clay, etc., will require. In this way we aim to awaken in the student the spirit of perseverance in doing well even in situations offering limitations.

At the close of the school year we plan to revive our custom of exhibiting students' work. For those who enjoy such exhibits there is a treat in store as a feature of the Commencement Season.

Art Education 201 is continuously under modernization through the introduction of new ideas and practices so as to provide students with a basic understanding of the place of art in modern life and the development of a philosophy concerning its presentation to students of all age levels. We believe the course, together with the second course, Art Education 202, is of special benefit to prospective teachers and in-service teachers. Here they learn to realize Art Education as a motivating power useful in the integration of the child into his environment.

The Related Art courses for Home Economics students offer training in the art principles directly applicable in the solution of problems of taste in color and design. In order to know what to consider in good grooming and guidance in making selections students study facial

types, figure types and personality types with emphasis upon their own personal type. Study of the several types in the classes gives opportunity to learn about and experience working with many types. Experimental charts are made which aid in the choice of clothing for the many occasions for which one must costume himself.

Emphasis is placed upon the recognition of harmony, balance, proportion, rhythm, and accent by making a collection of examples with explanatory notes embodying these principles. And finally the Department is looking forward to the acquisition of a kiln so that the very beautiful pottery and costume jewelry made from clay can be made permanent. We also have in our plans a departmental library as a reserve branch of the main library, a lecture room and an equipped laboratory. In the development of the school the Art Department is making a high bid in the interest of the hundreds of young people who are exposed to its curriculum each year and go forth better equipped to aid in the total education of the people.

PLAYERS GUILD PRESENTS "PERSONAL APPEARANCE"

"Personal Appearance," a comedy in three acts by Lawrence Riley, will be presented by the Tennessee State Players Guild, Dr. Thomas E. Poag, Director, in the Ryman Auditorium on Monday evening, November 18, at eight-thirty. The production is sponsored by the local chapter of Phi Delta Kappa. This is the first time that the Guild, which presented the same play to a capacity audience in the college auditorium in July 12, has appeared on the Ryman stage.

The cast of the popular comedy will be as follows: Inez Crutchfield as Carole Arden; Hattie Bryant as Aunt Kate Barnaby; Odessa Perry as Gladys Kelsey; Edna Dozier as Joyce Struthers; Granville M. Sawyer as Chester Norton; Etta Mae Griffin as Mrs. Struthers; James O. Mann as Clyde Pelton; Robert Whyte as Gene Tuttle; William L. Scott as Johnson; and Edith Swett as Jessie.

General admission is one dollar and twenty cents, including tax; and reserved seats are one dollar and sixty-five cents.

FACULTY CLUB NOTES

The Tennessee State College Faculty Club held its first regular meeting, Tuesday evening, October 15, in the Recreation Hall, with its president, Dr. Carl M. Hill, presiding.

The agenda included the discussion of plans for the Inter-Faculty Reception, which will be held in the Little Theatre on November 11, and the election of officers for the ensuing year.

The following officers were chosen for 1946-1947: Dr. Carl M. Hill, President; Dr. Myron B. Towns, Vice-President; Miss H. L. Glover, Secretary; Miss Julia V. Henderson, Assistant Secretary; and Mrs. M. K. Gaines, Treasurer.

TENNESSEE STATE CLASHES WITH KNOXVILLE COLLEGE ON THANKSGIVING

By O. J. Chapman

The State College Tigers will play host to the Knoxville College Bulldogs in the traditional Thanksgiving Home-Coming celebration on November 28.

Both teams are undefeated in three grid games that have been played so far this season. Knoxville, always a strong foe, will be stronger this year than it has been for several years, due to the return of fifteen lettermen who have given up fighting for Uncle Sam for fighting for Knoxville on the hottest battle field in the world—the football grid-iron.

The rivalry between the two schools dates back several years and is equaled in interest and competition only by the Lincoln-Howard grid classic in the East. The Thanksgiving celebration will begin at 8:00 p. m., Wednesday with a "pep" session in the auditorium and will end Saturday evening with two student dances in the Recreation Hall and the Dining Room. A parade, exhibiting the lovely Miss Tennessee State, will get underway at 10:00 o'clock Thursday morning on the campus and will proceed down Jefferson Street to the down-town business section.

The big Alumni Dance will be held Thursday night.

TIGERS WIN FIRST GAME OF SEASON

The Tennessee State College defeated Texas College 20-13 in Sulphur Dell Friday night, September 28, before a crowd of more than 7,000.

State scored early in the first quarter on a 65-yard drive. Left-end William Washington snagged a 12-yard pass from Quarterback Nathaniel Taylor to make the marker. Right-end Warren Cyrus converted.

Full-back Ralph Pulley scored for Tennessee in the second frame on an off-tackle play after his teammates staged a sustained drive of 55 yards. Cyrus again converted.

Texas' star half-back, Raymond Von Lewis, hit paydirt late in the second quarter on a spectacular 75-yard run. John Williams added the extra point.

Near the end of the third quarter, while the Tennesseans were making a game effort to stop the fleet-footed Lewis, the equally fast John Williams raced around his own left-end on a 20-yard sprint for the visitor's second tally. Try for extra point failed.

The Tigers tallied again in the waning minutes of the final period after Half-back Henry Holbert intercepted a Texas pass. Ralph Pulley scored from the 1-yard line.

Tennessee scored fourteen first downs to Texas' six.

NOTICE TO ALUMNI—

In keeping with the ruling made by the organization at the last Association meeting in November, 1945, the Alumni Reunion and Annual Meeting will be held at A. and I. State College during the Commencement week in June, 1947 instead of during the Thanksgiving season, 1946.

Because of the acute housing situation and the full program of activities during the homecoming season, it was thought inadvisable to attempt a large meeting at this time. However, we do hope to meet with the Alumni who are present along with the Executive Committee, to lay plans for the 1947 Reunion as well as to include the Alumni in all of the activities which are being planned for the season. Any suggestions you may have to offer the Association to stimulate its growth will be greatly appreciated.

Remember June, 1947,—to keep it wholly—wholly for our Reunion. Address all communications to the:

Office of the Alumni Secretary,
A. and I. State College.

"FAY" YOUNG ADDRESSES A. & I. STUDENTS

"The need of a man for a good job is not as great as is the need of a job for a good man," declared Frank Young, sports editor of *The Chicago Defender*, in an address before the students and faculty of Tennessee A. & I. State College at a special convocation, Friday, October 4.

Pointing out that the day is past when a man may reach the heights of a profession without formal training, Mr. Young, who stated that he is not a college man himself, admonished his hearers to prepare themselves as thoroughly as possible for the competition for jobs that lies ahead. "Only the man who has been specifically trained for the job may expect to be given an opportunity," the veteran scribe declared.

A well known member of the staff of *The Chicago Defender* for thirty-six years, Mr. Young has for many years selected ALL American teams from stellar Negro players and is known and respected wherever Negro sport is known.

He was present in Nashville on October 4, to attend the football game between Tennessee A. & I. State College and Langston University as a guest of the A. & I. State College.

TENNESSEE STATE KICKS CLARK COLLEGE 26-0

Keanmen Score in Each Quarter for Their Third Victory

By O. J. Chapman

The Tennessee State Tigers, remembering their 7-6 defeat by the Clark College Panthers in 1944, turned on the heat here today and licked the Atlanta aggregation, 26-0 before a crowd of 5000 spectators.

The Panthers, known for their ability to run fast, did just that today. However, their running was confined to chasing the Tennessee backs, who had a field day with the pigskin, rather than carrying the ball themselves.

Tennessee struck early in the first period, marching 57 yards in six plays with Raymond Whitman, halfback, scoring on a shovel pass from Nathaniel Taylor, quarterback. Warren Cyrus, end, failed to add extra point from placement.

The second tally came mid-way second quarter on a 55-yard sustained drive, which was culminated by a ten-yard pass from Taylor to William Smith, end, who ran 15 yards to pay dirt. Cyrus' placement was good. Half ended 13-0.

Smith scored his second touchdown when he intercepted a Clark pass and raced 60 yards to score standing up. Cyrus added extra point.

The final score came early in the fourth quarter when, after having held Clark for downs on the twelve, the Keanmen drove 88 yards in eight plays for a touchdown, with Ralph Cummings, half-back, scoring from the 6 yard stripe. Cyrus' placement was low.

The closest Clark came to scoring was in third period, when they advanced to Tennessee's one-foot line on a forward pass. However, the Tigers held for downs and kicked out of danger.

Tennessee made 15 first downs, Clark made 1. Tennessee gained 278 yards from scrimmage, Clark gained 34. Tennessee completed 3 out of 7 passes. Clark completed 2 out of 9 passes.

COLLEGE ORCHESTRA TO ACCOMPANY TEAMS

The A. & I. State Orchestra and the sixty-piece Marching Band with its fifteen lovely majorettes are making preparation for the coming home football games and for two out-of-town engagements. The band will accompany the football team to Washington, D. C., where the "Tigers" will meet North Carolina at Griffith Stadium, and also to Wilberforce University.

Each Sunday the seventeen piece orchestra can be heard at Club Zanzibar for matinee and night performances featuring such entertainers as lovely Caroline (Dot) Blanton, vocalist, and Eugene Corruthers, Master of Ceremonies.

At half time of the home-coming football game between Knoxville and Tennessee, Thanksgiving day, the band is expected to give the spectators one of the greatest performances ever staged on a football field.

Other important appearances have been planned for the two aggregations for the future.

The band and orchestra are under the direction of Prof. J. D. Chavis, noted conductor and orchestra leader.

The Southern Negro Youth Congress, convening in Columbia, South Carolina, October 18, 19 and 20, will hold its Seventh Conference in the form of a Southern Youth Legislature. Youth from the far corners of the world will be on hand to witness the proceedings.

Adam Clayton Powell will deliver the principal speech at the Township Auditorium on October 18. Sharing the platform with Mr. Powell will be the outstanding Southern white progressive lead-

er, Dr. Clark Forman, native Georgian and president of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare.

Howard Fast, brilliant young author of "Freedom Road," "The American" and "Citizen Tom Paine" will share the platform with Paul Robeson on the second day of the convention in Township Auditorium.

Following its custom of honoring outstanding Americans whose lives provide inspiration for Negro Youth, the Southern Youth Legislature will close at a mass meeting on Sunday, October 20, by awarding a special gift to Dr. W. E. B. DuBois. Past recipients of the award have been Joe Louis; Mrs. Conery Miller, mother of Dorie Miller; Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune; and Capt. Charles Hall.

STATE THEATRE GROUP GUESTS OF COMMUNITY PLAYHOUSE

The Tennessee State College Theatre group and their friends have been invited by the director and personnel of the Nashville Community Playhouse to be their guests at dress rehearsal, the night before the formal opening of each play this season. Six plays by some of the best contemporary British and American dramatists comprise the repertoire for this year's productions.

The plays and the dates on which Tennessee Staters will be guests are as follows: Patrick Hamilton's *Angel Street*, Tuesday, October 8; Noel Coward's *Tonight at 8:30*, Tuesday, November 19; John Cotton and Clarence Randolph's *Rain*, Tuesday, January 14; Jerome Chadrov and Joseph Fields' *Junior Miss*, Tuesday, February 18; a theatre classic, to be selected, Tuesday, April 8; and Robert Sherwood's *Reunion in Vienna*, Tuesday, May 27.

It was through the efforts of Dr. Thomas E. Poag, Director of the Division of the Humanities and of the Tennessee State College Theatre, that this invitation was extended to the students of drama at the college.

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