

## SOCIAL WHIRL

# Big Fun Weekend For Grambling, Prairie View Alumni Folks

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If you're an alumnus of either Grambling College in Grambling, La., or Prairie View College in Prairie View, Texas, this should be an exciting weekend for you. On Saturday night at 8 o'clock the football teams from the two colleges will meet in a gridiron classic at Comiskey Park. Grambling, as you well know, has produced more pro football players — 40, to be exact — than any other black institution of higher learning in these United States.



While the game activity is being dealt with on the sports pages, let's get into the social happenings for the big weekend.

**"TEESEB" HOOKS** First, Grambling. On Friday evening in the alumni hospitality suite in the Ascot House (that's where the team will be housed) Demetrius Armstrong, president of Grambling's Windy City Alumni Association, and work-study teacher at McLaren Occupational Center, and his fellow members will host a coffee sip for Robert Ennis, national director of alumni affairs for the college. Ennis will show films and pass out brochures and literature extolling the educational virtues and merits of Grambling.

Then at 10 p.m., a dance will be held in the Royal Court Room for alumni and friends. The \$5-per-couple, \$3-per-person dance featuring live entertainment will cease around 2 a.m. The next night, Saturday, it'll be an identical happening, only this time the time is from midnight to 4 a.m.

Saturday morning at 10 a.m., a parade, featuring the college bands, local high school bands, various drum and bugle corps is on tap. Grand parade marshall will be handsome Fred Williamson, former Kansas City Chiefs football player and now a regular on the "Julia" television show. The parade will travel north on King dr. from 55th st. to 35th st.

Following the parade (around noon) alumni and friends of Prairie View will be "hanging out" informally in Lake Meadows Restaurant and Lounge until game time. The afternoon's hosts and hostesses will be Randolph Lee, a teacher at Englewood High School and president of the alumni group, Alderman A. A. "Sammy" Rayner Jr., Merele Ferguson and Mary Castile. Rev. Claude Christopher is also serving on the committee to welcome Prairie View to Chicago.

That night after the game they will entertain at the Essex House (PV headquarters). Admittance to their bash will be the wearing of a PV button that will sell for only \$1.

Sunday is a day of rest!

**BRUNCH GATHERING** ... Mr. and Mrs. David Kellum (Kathelynea) hosted a delightful brunch in their S. Michigan ave. home for Le Loc of Saigon, chairman of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is in Vietnam. Loc is on a nationwide tour; in each city he unveils the Baha'i Peace Plan to End the War in Vietnam. Guests present to meet the distinguished visitor were Mrs. Marjorie Robinson, a member of the board of directors at Seaway National Bank, Mrs. Ann Arp of Glen Ellyn and Mrs. Arlene Jenrich of Wilmette.

**"ALOHA"** ... was expressed in a gay and warming way in Batts Restaurant during lunchtime a few days back when a group of co-workers from the Crittenton Comprehensive Care Center, a social work agency that provides comprehensive service for unwed adolescents, said farewell to their research director, Miss Jean Badger. She leaves to assume the identical position for the Welfare Council of Metropolitan Chicago.

Dining and chatting as they bid her "aloha" and showering her with "the best of good wishes for another successful undertaking" were Mrs. Rosemary Adams, administrative assistant; Mrs. Eddie Guff, who obligingly served as scribe; Ruth Hankins and Geneva Varner, receptionists; Marian Baeder, staff nurse; Virginia McNorton, social worker; Dr. Isis Isitiphan, research director; Patricia Gibson, statistical analyst; Lee Ryan, assistant director; Geraldine Williams, office manager; Maricia Bourland and Barbara Bollmann, social workers; Mattie Wright, director of the CCCC; Maxine Cohen, Joseph Rossman, comptroller and Horace Johnson, arts and crafts instructor.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO** ... good buddy Leahmon L. Reid, who is now assistant director of public relations for the National Association of Blue Shield Plans. A newsman at heart, the former Daily Defender and Jet Magazine reporter left the Chicago Department of Environmental Control for his new position.

**WOMAN'S DAY TREAT** ... Her excellency Angie Brooks, president of the United Nations, will be the guest speaker on Sunday morning, 11 o'clock, when New Testament Missionary Baptist Church, holds its annual Woman's Day Observance. Miss Brooks will speak to the day's theme, "Godly Women, the Universal Remedy."

Later in the afternoon, at 3:30 p.m., Miss Maxine McIntosh, a graduate of the University of London in London, England, will speak. Heading the special day are Mrs. Mary Phillips, chairman; Mrs. Hermia Delaney, her co-chairman; Mrs. Marie Avery, publicity chairman; and Dr. Trudie Trimm, minister of the church which is located at 3978 S. Drexel blvd.

**SUNDAY UNVEILING** ... The Methodist Men of Christ United Methodist Church are inviting family and friends to the unveiling of a painted mural on the sanctuary walls of the church this Sunday. The artist is Louis Boyd. The event will begin at 3 p.m. with a ceremony and special program, which will carry as its theme "Black Expressions in Cultural Revolution — Art, Drama, Music and Literature."

Artists, musicians, actors, poets and writers are expected to be on hand, says Joe C. Brown, program chairman, to pay tribute to the works of Boyd and the mission of Christ Church in a black-worship celebration. Some of the special guests who have promised to be present are Margaret Burroughs, Doug Williams, Phil Cochran, Zack Gilbert, Alfred Diggs, Ronda Davis, Herman Gilbert, Ellis Cose, Leroy Whitfield, Sadie Farnace, and Charles Taylor.

Artists and black book dealers have been invited to bring samples of their works for display. The Rev. John R. Porter is pastor of Christ United Methodist Church; William C. Henderson is chairman of the Methodist Men.

**SUNDAY SURPRISE** ... Mrs. Carrie Tate, membership chairman of the Southside Chicago Branch NAACP, talks about the surprises she's planned for the Membership Drive Kickoff Party this Sunday, 4 p.m., in the Upper and Lower Summit in the Conrad Hilton. She's not giving out any info on her surprise, so you'd better make it on down to the Hilton and check them out. Co-chairman Albert Brooks says "We're meeting at the Summit and we're determined to stay up there by again bringing in the largest number of memberships of any NAACP branch across the nation." Others on Mrs. Tate's committee include Mrs. Cleopatra Laurent and the Club 100. Members (and Mrs. Laurent is one) are branch members who have brought in at least 100 members, and that's quite an achievement!

And, while on the subject, branch president Rev. Robert Thomas Jr., and urban program director Ed McClellan are announcing that Theodore A. Jones has accepted the chairmanship of the 1971 Freedom Fund Dinner. Never content to bask in the sun of success — and the 1970 FF Dinner in June was indeed a triumph — these two "leaders" are moving right on!

**"FASHIONS UNLIMITED"** ... is the theme chosen by the Excelsior Club of Coppin AME Church for its annual fashion show set for Sunday, Oct. 11, 5 p.m., at the Coppin Youth Center, 5627 S. Michigan ave. Guest models will be Jacqueline Moore, woman's editor of Tuesday Magazine, and Mrs. Herbert (Mildred) Harris, one of our town's "best dressed" by far.

Serving as general chairman this year for the annual fashion showcase is Mary M. Harrison; Nancy L. Carlson is the club's president. The Rev. S. S. Morris is pastor of the church.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES** ... to Elhuae Foote, Daily Defender pressman, who is still raving over his fabulous summer vacation in Las Vegas.

**LULLABYE LANE** ... Proudest parents hereabouts, we'd bet, are Operation Breadbasket's Rev. and Mrs. Jessie L. Jackson Jr. (Jackie) over the birth of a new son, Yusef DuBois, born last weekend at Chicago's Lying-In Hospital. Their fourth child weighed in at six pounds, six ounces.

**ROMANCE LAND** ... Mr. and Mrs. Lenox Mayes Sr. of S. La Salle st. are announcing the September 12 marriage of their daughter, Betty Jane, to Joseph Whittington, Jr., son of the senior Whittingtons. Following a honeymoon in the Virgin Islands, the newlyweds are now at home here in Chicago.

**VACATION CRUISE** ... Dr. and Mrs. Paul V. Campbell (he's the dentist) have returned home following an exciting but restful vacation aboard the deluxe Norwegian cruise ship, Skyward, to Haiti, San Juan, Puerto Rico; and St. Thomas, Virgin Islands.

**GRADUATION SUNDAY** ... The elegant Cotillion Room of the Continental Plaza will be the setting Sunday evening, 6 p.m., when Ernie's School of Beauty and Charm (in LaGrange) presents its first Annual Graduation Exercise. The evening will be highlighted by an exotic fashion extravaganza by the graduates and guest professional models, according to Ernest Collins, the school's founder and director.

**BRIDGE TRIUMPH** ... Duplicate bridge players here in Chicago are still elated over having enjoyed their finest hour this year. Of the more than 160 members of the American Bridge Association residing in Chicago, more than half of them journeyed to Atlanta during the summer to participate in the 37th annual championship games.

No city in the country had a larger attendance, Chicago folks are still bragging to interested listeners. They made their presence felt by bringing home championships and awards too numerous to mention. William Sides, distinguished himself by winning more than 200 master points, the very first time this feat has ever been achieved.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rone, their three sons, Arthur Jr., David and Christopher, together with Mr. and Mrs. Irving B. Henderson, concluded their Atlanta stay by motoring to Miami and taking a Caribbean cruise aboard the Bahama Star to Nassau and Freeport.

Other bridge enthusiasts, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Marshall, Mrs. Veronica Jackson, Mrs. Esther Ritter and Mrs. Frankie Robinson, were together on a fabulous 15-day tour of five European countries. Mrs. Helen H. Holland, another bridge great, embarked, on a European holiday that included Russia. These and other bridge players make the Fiftieth Street Bridge Clubhouse, 525 E. 79th st., their second home. Visitors are always welcome.

**"REST IN PEACE"** ... Saturday evening will mark the death of the Afro-Arts Theatre and Cultural Center. But rest assured the doors will close in grand style — a swinging concert and recording session at 8 o'clock. The theatre opened its doors to the black community four years ago, Dec. 1, 1967. Many times since it has opened and closed its doors — either by a city ordinance or because of lack of funds. The theatre eventually met all of the regulating codes of the city, but because of insufficient funds and no community support on a regular basis, its demise was evident. The theatre was noted for its highly praised cultural shows produced by Phil Cochran and the Pharoahs and its educational classes in African art, dance, language and history.

**SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT** ... The Ferrara Manor will be the site this Sunday evening for the Funeral Directors Wives' Club's 13th Annual Scholarship Benefit. The \$15-per-person evening includes cocktails at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:30 and a show at 9 p.m. FDWC members are Margo Banks, Clara Johnson, Celestine Taylor, Eartheil Barker, Leyeuna Taylor, Ruth Williams, Gladys Wallace, Vivien Little, Dorothy Hambricht, Courtney Couch, Mattie Banks, Marilee Crook, Dorothy Branch, Florence Harris, Charlie Bell Legette, Mildred Powell, Sylvia Smith, Theresa Smith and Thelma Tyler.

**CONVENTION TIME** ... Busy pharmacist LaHARRY Norman just attended both the 90th annual convention of the Illinois Pharmaceutical Association in Springfield and the 30th annual convention of the American College of Apothecaries in Milwaukee. They almost ran concurrently. Whew!!!

**"TEESEB'S TICKLER"** ... What is the longest word in the English language? Smiles, because there is a mile between the first and last letter.