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EDITORIALS

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The Pigskin Huddle

BY ANP

NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

West Virginia State at Virginia Union (Sept. 23).

Alabama State at Bethune-Cookman.

Texas State at Southern.

Grambling at Texas College.

Bishop at Langston.

Shaw at Hampton (Fish Bowl).

Campbell at Alcorn.

St. Paul's at Lincoln (Pa.)

Bluefield at Howard.

Winston-Salem at Delaware.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SEASON BEGINS THIS WEEK END

The 1949 football season will get off to a bang this week at least half the nation's major teams going into action.

The big game of the week will be the Fish Bowl between Hampton and Shaw in Norfolk, Va., Saturday night. Both teams rank high in the pre-season ratings for the CIAA championship this season.

Coach Brutus Wilson's Shaw Bears will field a strong veteran eleven including men who are on the squad for their third straight year. Captain James Joyner will be at end, Charles Lee at center, Leroy Way at guard, and Bill Cannon at tackle will bolster a strong Shaw line. Other Shaw mainstays will be Twillie (Zebra) Bellamy, J. L. Jackson, and "Hawk" Wallace.

For Hampton's Pirates halfback James Bryson, a native of Columbus, Ga., the man who led Hampton to a 20-19 upset over Wilberforce in last year's Fish bowl, has starred in practice drills. Recently, he was slightly injured, but he is still considered to be in good condition.

Hampton's other rabbit back, Khaki Carroll, however, is causing Coach Harry Jefferson some worry because he has been limping in practice. Lloyd Wilson has been moved from quarterback to fullback, and so has Jim Dillard, the first string quarterback. Alphonso King is expected to be blocking back in Hampton's single wing offense.

Line stalwarts include Bill Corbin, team captain; Luther Goodall, Deway Wilson, Eugene Curry, Dave Williams, Scap Lewis, and Malachi Allen.

SOUTHERN TO DEFEND NATIONAL CROWN

Another highlight of opening day will be the appearance of Southern in defense of its national championship. Southern opens at home against Texas State.

Head Coach A. W. Mumford and a capable crew of assistants expect to have the squad in good condition for this game. The Cats will be seeking their 15th straight victory. Coach Mumford will begin his 14th year at Southern.

ALABAMA STATE TO MEET BETHUNE-COOKMAN

In another big game Alabama State will meet Bethune-Cookman in Daytona Beach, Fla. Some 25 lettermen are returning to the Alabama State Hornets squad this year.

Heading the group will be quarterback Henry Bell and his rifle arm. An army veteran, Henry Bell, is pushing him for his post, however, with his passing, running, and punting in scrimmages. All conference guard Howard Green, 216 pounds of brawn and muscle, is also returning. And so is durable Horace Ragland, 154 pound halfback.

About 60 men are vying for berths on the Wildcats squad. Coach Bunky Matthews is grieving the loss of so many men like Capt. Joseph (Sport) Anderson, brainy quarterback; tackle, Tom Collins, end Curtis Latimore, and Big Bob Acosta.

In the backfield, he will rely on Robert Harris, Norman Townsel, and Bill Adams, holdovers from last season. On the line he will have returnees John Stephens, Archie Allen, team captain; Willie McCoy, and Raymond Thornton.

GRAMBLING EXPECTS CHRISTOPHE TO CARRY MAIL

"Jarring" John Christophe, 185 pound "indestructible" back, is expected to carry the burden for the Grambling college eleven in its opener at Texas college. Last year in 99 passing and running plays he racked up 1,001 yards, and scored 13 touchdowns. He will be the jey man in the Grambling backfield.

To help him in his backfield duties Grambling will also feature the Ensley twins, Luther and Frank, each weighing around 150 pounds. They are tops on pass snaring and punt returns.

INTERESTED . . .

This space is available to any good citizen of the community who has a suggestion for the good of the community or has any real constructive criticism for "The Voice's" benefit.

Articles must be short and to the point and must be signed, although your name will be withheld, if requested. We reserve the right to reject any copy which we feel is not suitable for publication.

Dear Editor: I noticed that a space has been left open in the Voice for constructive criticism. This I think is a fine thought, on the part of the paper.

I think we should have the right to suggest what we think would make our city a better place to live.

I see so often in the Voice, a little reminder, asking us as purchasers to ask our merchants to advertise in the Voice. That is right the Voice is our news organ and I feel it is doing a grand job, and we should ask our merchants to help maintain



by JAMES C. OLSON, Superintendent STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

One of the outstanding figures in old Nebraska was Robert W. Furnas of Brownville, the state's third governor. (Actually, he was the second man elected to the governorship, inasmuch as William H. James, the second governor, merely served out the unexpired term of David Butler, who was impeached by the legislature at the beginning of his third term.)

Furnas was one of the early territorial pioneers, coming to Brownville from Ohio on April 6, 1856. Very shortly after his arrival he began the publication of the Nebraska Advertiser, one of the most influential of the early newspapers, continuing as editor and publisher until 1867.

Back in Ohio Furnas had been a Whig, and like so many of that political persuasion aligned himself with the newly formed republican party. He was particularly active in political affairs, and served four terms in the territorial legislature.

During the Civil war he was a colonel in the army, commanding three regiments of Indian troops in Indian territory. He resigned his command and returned to Nebraska to organize the Second Nebraska cavalry which saw service against the Sioux on the western frontier. After his regiment was mustered out of service, Furnas was appointed agent of the Omaha Indians and held that position from 1864 to 1868.

Furnas' one term as governor, 1873-75, was not particularly happy, and feeling that he didn't have a chance at re-nomination, he withdrew from active participation in politics at the end of his term, spending the rest of his life in the nursery business and as a proponent of better agricultural methods in Nebraska.

He worked untiringly to build up Nebraska's basic industry, and more than any other man perhaps, deserves recognition as the father of Nebraska agriculture.

Furnas served as president of both the state horticultural society and the state board of agriculture. He was appointed secretary of the state board of agriculture in 1894 and served in that capacity until his death in 1905. He was an ardent promoter of the state fair and prepared many

it. We spend hundreds of dollars with them annually. Many of these merchants are right in our neighborhood where 90 percent of their trade is of our race. Yet we never see their ads in The Voice. So I think we should ask him since it is our money spent with him to help him keep his doors open. I hope this little letter will start a crusade.

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Obituaries

Richard G. "Dick" Huston, 60, of 2420 Holdrege, died Sunday, Sept. 4, after a brief illness. He was employed at the Lincoln Country club for the past year.

For ten years Mr. Huston, who was a native of Atchison, Kas., operated the Peacock Inn here. He has served as a member of the Lincoln-Lancaster health department and was a former member of the chamber of commerce.



Mr. Huston.

Mr. Huston was the first Negro man to run the electric light plant in Frankfort, Kas.

While at Atchison, he married Miss Kathryn Harris. The couple moved here in 1915. In Lincoln he also was a member of Quinn chapel, African Methodist Episcopal church, where he was a trustee, and Lebanon lodge No. 3, A. F. and A. M.

He was recently elected grand patron of Amathus grand chapter No. 3, A. F. and A. M. He was a past patron of Amarantha chapter No. 3, O. E. S.

Surviving are his wife, Kathryn; daughter, Betty Rose of Lincoln; sisters, Mrs. Hattie Kelley of Atchison and Mrs. Della Vaughn of Omaha; brother, Ebbie at Atchison, and an aunt, Mrs. Hattie Alexander of Atchison. Funeral was at 2 p. m. Saturday at Quinn chapel, Revs. J. B. Brooks and Eugene Edwards officiating. Burial was at Wyuka.

volumes of valuable reports on Nebraska's agriculture.

Another of Governor Furnas' great interests was the Nebraska State Historical Society. He took an active part in the society's reorganization in 1878, and served as its president from that year until 1891. His papers are now in the collections of the society, and during the past year served as the basis for a doctoral dissertation by Robert C. Farb at the University of Nebraska.

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By Kathryn Favors.

The white planters on the plantation began to become alarmed because of all the Negroes as undesirables, but they provided the best source of cheap labor.

Then the two races were called together to listen to information which was supposed to be for the common good. One meeting of this kind was held at Vicksburg, Mississippi, on May 6, 1879, and very frank expressions were made on both sides and they tried to make adjustments to each other. Still some of the white planters did not believe that the migrations would be stopped in this way and resorted to force. Soon they were denied transportation and imprisoned on false charges if they tried to leave the town.

Two years ago, a friend told me that she was in a small southern town and when she got ready to go, her friends told her that if she didn't have a round trip ticket, she could not leave this small town because they would not allow the Negroes to leave during cotton picking time. Can you imagine that in this modern day?

Regional Director Visits

Charles Goolsby returned Monday from an official visit to Iowa City, Des Moines, Ia., and Omaha, Neb. Mr. Goolsby is regional director for Alpha Phi Alpha. He is making preparations for the South Western Regional convention which convenes in Oklahoma City, September 30 to October 2.

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