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# Legislature Approves PV Investigation

The Texas House has voted for an investigation of all aspects of the "problems" of Prairie View A&M College. Pushed by the eight-member Black Caucus in the House, the resolution won approval, 105 to 20, with 11 members abstaining.

Rep. Craig Washington of Houston, a Prairie View graduate, was the chief advocate of the investigation during the relatively short debate Thursday, although Rep. Paul Ragsdale of Dallas was the lead sponsor on the resolution.

Rep. Washington, joined by Rep. Anthony Hall of Houston, pleaded that an inquiry by a special House committee is needed to determine why complaints still arise about conditions

at Prairie View two years after a Senate committee investigation.

Both he and Hall said their only interest is to get at the root of the problems and clear the air so the legislature can help make Prairie View a better institution.

The House adopted an amendment disclaiming any opinion on the merit of Ragsdale's claim at a February 12 committee hearing that a witness would testify that the school president, Dr. A. I. Thomas, required salary kickbacks from seven former or present faculty members.

Dr. Thomas has categorically denied that charge and has asked Waller County Dist. Atty. Oliver

#### Kitzman of Brookshire to initiate a grand jury invesitgation.

Reps. Latham Boone of Navasota and Bill Presnal of Bryan, in whose districts Prairie View and and Texas A&M University, respectively, are situated, fought the resolution. They said it will be interpreted as an indictment of Dr. Thomas and will hurt the school particularly in the solicitation of private funds to supplement state appropriations, as well as in securing appropriations from the State Legislature.

They said that since a criminal allegation has been raised against Dr. Thomas, the matter properly should be investigated by the district attorney and grand jury, not a

legislative committee.

Rep. Presnal tried to amend the wording of the resolution to call for a study instead of an investigation. He admitted he would have voted against the resolution even if his amendment had been adopted. He argued that inadequate state appropriations are the cause of Prairie View's woes. "This is where the problem is - 90 years of neglect by the legislature," Presnal told the House, joining Boone in pledging to seek increased funding for the school.

President Thomas, who had pleaded for adequate funds for the college before the House Appropriations Committee earlier Thursday, said he and his administration will gladly answer any questions the 12-member special House committee may ask. "We feel this is very harmful to the institution and to our students," Thomas said. "This is politically inspired. This will come out in due time."

President Thomas sat in the House gallery with several students and faculty members as they watched members of the black caucus go individually to each member of the House to encourage them to vote for the resolution.

Dr. Jack Williams, president of the Texas A&M University system, of which Prairie View is a part, said the system's officers stand ready to answer any questions and

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provide any information desired.

The Texas A&M University System Board of Directors announced its backing of Thomas as earlier in the week.

Rep. Washington denied any political motivation. He charged that there has been a failure to implement recommendations made by the 1971 Senate committee. That investigation was authorized at the request of then Sen. Barbara Jordan of Houston.

In addition to urging increased appropriations to help Prairie View "catch up." the Senate committee said the administration should promote better communications with stu-See INVESTIGAT'N, Page 7

#### STUDENT TRAINEES —



James Ginns, a major in Geography from Houston, Texas was selected as a student trainee with National Aeronautical **Space** Administration in Houston, Texas.

Wardell Donald Starling, a major in Geo-graphy from Jacksonville, Texas, was selected as a student traince with Central Intelligence Agency in Washington, D. C.

# **Student Senate Moves Forward**

Dean Vernon R. Black, Dean of Students, has announced that plans are basically completed to initiate the new Student Senate form of student gov-ernment at Prairie View A&M College. This form of student government is widely used throughout the Country and has had a great deal of success.

Dean Black indicated that the improved form of student government will provide a broader base and involve more students actively in the activities of the Student Government Association.

The Student Senate will be made up initially of elected representatives from the following categories:

- two representatives from each resident hall the president of the

freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior classes - the president of the

Women's Council - the president of the Men's Congress

- the president of the Panhellenic Council - the president of the

Junior Fellow Association - NROTC and AROTC representatives

- one day-student representative - one representative of the veterans

- one representative of the graduate students one representative from the Memorial Student Board

representative - one from the College Exchange — one representative from Alumni Hall Food Service Council.

Each representative will be called a senator, and the See STUD'T SENATE, P. 2

The College's Annual cation Building. Honors Week is to be observed, March 25-31, A highlight of the week is the Honors Convocation scheduled for Thursday, March 29 at 10:00 a.m. in the auditorium for the Health and Physical Edu-

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**Honors Week Set** 

# **Episcopal Bishop Visits PV Church**

The Right Reverend, the Bishop of Texas, James Milton Richardson, D. D., will visit St. Francis' Episcopal Church, Prairie View, on Thursday, March 15.

He will administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at 7:30 p.m. The service will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall.

For March 25-31 The speaker for the Honors Convocation is Dr. Broadus Butler, President, Dillard University, New Orleans, Louisiana.

In order that students and faculty may participate in and attend the Honors Convocation, classes on Thursday, March 29, are scheduled as follows: All 7:30 a.m. Classes

will be held between 7:30 a.m. to 8:05 a.m. All 8:30 a.m. Classes

will be held between 8:15 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. All 9:30 a.m. Classes will

be suspended. The normal class schedule will resume at 12:30 p.m.

The President's Annual Banquet for Honor Students is scheduled for the same evening.



KEY — Calvin Harris, alias "Kat Breeze" keeps the music hot during campus dance in the Women's Gym.

# **Student Loan Fund in Operation**

Under the auspices of the Religious Council of Prairie View A&M College, a Benevolent Loan Fund has been set up to help students in emergency situations. Father Joseph Doyle, Mr. Frank Hawkins and Miss Secceter Phillips have been appointed to handle the funds, with the final approval of a loan coming from Rev. Van Johnson, Lean of Chapel. Guidelines for borrowing money from the Fund are as follows:

1.) Loans will be made in emergency situations only — such as when there is a death in the immediate family and the student needs money to get home. 2.) No interest will be charged on the loans, but

they must be repaid within a one month period.

3.) The maximum amount of money which can be borrowed is \$25.00. See LOAN FUND, Page 8

**ROTC Building** Named Burleson-Ware Hall

MARCH 15, 1973

A special study committee has recommended that the new ROTC Building and Rifle Range be named Burleson-Ware Hall in honor of the late Major Melvin G. Burleson and First Lieutenant William D. Ware. Both men were graduates of the ROTC Program at Prairie View A. and M. College.

At the November meeting of the Board of Directors of the College, the following action was taken;

"The new ROTC Building Rifle Range at Prairie View A. and M. College is hereby named Burleson-Ware Hall in honor of the late Major Melvin B. Burleson and the late First Lieutenant William D. Ware, graduates of the ROTC Program of Prairie View A. and M. College."

First Lieutenant William D. Ware, deceased, received the Distinguished Service Cross for valorous action in the Korean War. The Distinguished Service Cross is the second highest award the nation can stow on a soldier for extraordinary heroism in action without regard for his own life. It is the highest award given a Black officer during the Korean War. First Lieutenant Ware, who was killed in Korea, was a 1949 graduate of Prairie View A. and M. College. He was commissioned through the Army ROTC Program at this College.

Major Melvin G. Burleson was killed in 1966 during a Reserve Flight Training Mission at Prairie See ROTC BLDG., Page 3

TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS STUDY DURING BREAK - Performance-Based Education was the central topic for the two-day conference held while students were away for the Spring holidays.

#### **Student Senate** CONTINUED from Page 1



# **Cappella Choir Schedules Annual Tour**

#### Beaumont, Texas March 22, 1973 -----Lincoln Junior High School ----- Houston, Texas April 3, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Galena Park High School April 4, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Palestine High School April 5, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Jacksonville High School April 6, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Texarkana High School April 7 & 8, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Memphis, Tennessee April 9 & 10, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Kansas City, Kansas April 11 & 12, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Chicago, Ill. April 13, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Tulsa, Oklahoma April 14 & 15, 1973 ..... Dallas, Texas April 16, 1973 \_\_\_\_\_ Home Sweet Home

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- 4. Sheppard, Barbara 5. Walton, Sharon

#### SECOND SOPRANOS

- 1. Bolden, Drucilla
- 2. Brown, Karen
- 3. Clopton, Constance
- Johnson, Linda

#### 5. Wordlaw, Marilyn 1, 2, 5

- FIRST TENORS
- 1. Board, Frank 1, 3, 4 2 Smith, Donald
  - Williams, Wendell 3

## SECOND TENORS

- 1. Conner, Glenn 1, 3 2. Davis, Carl
- 3. Williams, Douglas
- 4. White, Charles
- 5. Barrons, Nathaniel

#### FIRST ALTOS

- 1. Fitzgerald, Bonnie 1, 2, 5
- 2. Jackson, Joyce 3
- 3. Smith, Elyane Tate, Althea
- 5. Yarbourough, Deloris 4
- SECOND ALTOS Bennett, Alma 1. Bradly, Deborah 2.
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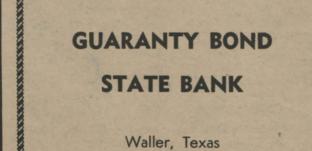
#### Ag School Announces Seminar Schedule

The School of Agriculture has organized a series of seminars for its faculty, students and interested persons from the college

and the general public. The topics for discussion are diverse but most relate to small low-income farm operations in Texas and in-

- The complete schedule is as follows: Place: Room 110 of A. I. Building Day and Time: Thursday's 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m. MARCH 15 Dr. Edmondson, V., Prof. Agric Econ: and Rural Soc.
- Peculiar problems of cooperative efforts among small,
- low income farms. MARCH 29 Prof Weatherspoon, L., Asst. Prof. Animal Science
- Science The economics of swine production for small farmers. APRIL 12 Mr. Johnson, E. J., Inst. Agri. Eng. The impact of the machinery revolution on agricul-ture and effect on small scale farm operations. APRIL 19 Prof. Williams, J. C., Dean and Prof. Ani-mal Science

MANDALAN MANDA



4. Metcalf, Michael 5. Wright, Foster 1 SECOND BASS 1. Burroughs, Glen

FIRST BASS

1. Bartie, Thurman

3. Gibson, Michael

2. Burrough, La Rue 3

- 2. Hawkins, Michael 4 3. Johnson, Alfred
- 4. Thomas, Edward 1, 3
- 5. Collins, Charles
  - Linda Campbell, Accompanist
- Note: -
  - 1. Section Leader 2. NATS Participants
  - 3. Officers
  - 4. Honors Student 5. Soloist

ternationally, a problem of utmost concern to the school. Also an awareness that agricultural problems cannot be effectively solved without an interdisciplinary approach, a reappraisal of the early years of agricultural studies in the college, the type of student currently enrolled in agriculture, and how funds are allocated to meet research needs, all have led to the choice of topics to be discussed.

This is a beginning of a continuous self-evaluation for the School of Agriculture. In future years, the nature of the topics will definitely change from essentially generalized discussions to reports on research efforts of the school. Graduate and undergraduate student participation as speakers in these seminars is anticipated during the next academic year.

All interested persons are invited.

lege." the Student Senate, then, will be to promote a Prairie View A&M College-Student Affairs Program that is integrated with active participation and support by students, faculty, administrators, and anyone who can assist in building the type of student life department and student activities which will make Prairie View students happy and will allow them to reach their full potential as mature young men and women.

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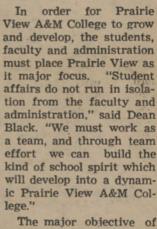
positions will be authorized to receive complaints from students and to make impartial investigations regarding these complaints and to make recommendations to the Dean of Students, or to other appropriate administrative officials at the College. A Student Senate will

Consideration is also be-

men position. These two

give broad participation in student activities and involve many students in a meaningful manner.

Dean Black also stressed that the emphasis of the Student Senate will be on the total program of Prairie View A&M College. While it will basically involve students, the em-phasis of the Senate will not strictly be on student interest and student welfare.



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OPEN — Prof. Engram, L. W. Asst. Prof. Dairy Sci. The dairy situation in Texas in relation to the nation; Where does the low-income farmer stand?
 OPEN — Dr. Poindexter, A. N. Inst. Vet. Med.

APRIL 19 — Prof. Williams, J. C., Dean and Prof. Animal Science
Growth, development and maturity characteristics of two genetically divergent types of Beef Cattle.
APRIL 26 — Dr. Kirkwod, J. I. Research Coordinator & Prof. Soil Science
Allocations of Resources for Research Programs.
MAY 3 — Dr. Knotts, C. D., Assoc. Prof. Agric. Ed. Background profile of an Agricultural student of Prairie View A&M College 1971-1973.
SEPT. 20 — Dr. Mangaroo, A. S., Prof. Soil Science Chemistry of micronutrients
SEPT. 27 — Prof. Smith, O. E., Asst. Prof. Agron. Interdisciplinary approaches to agricultural problems.
OCT. 11 — Prof. Woods, J. J., Assoc. Prof. Poultry Science The pre-boiler as a source of supplemental income for the low-income family; production aspect.
OCT. 25 — Dr. Norris, E. W., Prof. Agric. Ed. (Emeritus) Agriculture in the early years of Prairie View A&M College.
NOV. 1 — Dr. Ezumah, H. C., Res. Assoc.
Community architecture in relation to terrestial crop productivity
NOV. 15 — Dr. Collins, J. B. Assoc. Prof. Soil Sci. Soil of acid savanna in the Dominican Republic
NOV. 22 — Dr. Brams, E. Assoc. Prof. Soil Sci. Food and Population Trends in developing Countries
NOV. 29 — Mr. Chang, Y. P. Research Assoc.
Report on the impact and prospects of the Symposium on Savanna Soils held in the Dominican Republic (1973)
OPEN — Prof. Engram, L. W. Asst. Prof. Dairy Sci.
The dairy situation in Texas in relation to the

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# Wants To Get Record Straight **Allegations Denied By President Thomas**

President Alvin I. Thomas has emphatically and categorically denied allegations that he has been requiring faculty members to pay him kick-backs from their salaries.

The charge was made during a House Education Committee Hearing by Representative Paul B. Ragsdale, a member of an eight-person House of Representatives Black Caucus. Representative Ragsdale alleged that the President had required seven former or present staff members to make payments to him as a condition for keeping faculty positions. The Dallas Legislator also said that the faculty lacks freedom to express ideas and opinions; that some who had disagreed in this respect had been terminated, and that there are people on the payroll at Prairie View A&M College who do not appear to be performing duties which warrant any compensation.

President Thomas, in a prepared statement at a press conference in Austin, said, "to set the record straight and to explore the possibilities for making the individuals responsible for their statements. I have asked appropriate criminal justice agencies to investigate these allegations and to initiate whatever legal action is deemed appropriate." The President has subsequently asked the district attorneys in both Waller and Travis Counties to investigate the mat-

President Thomas said, "It is unbelievable that these false and scandalous statements have been made. Witnesses cannot be produced to testify under oath to these allegations because such acts did not take place."

It has been the contention of many individuals throughout the state that the proposed House Resolution to investigate Prairie View A&M College was a deliberate effort to discredit and harm the image of the College. The facts now indicate that there is an effort not only to discredit Prairie View, but also to engage in character

assassination of selected persons of the College. President Thomas said, "Slanderous and inflammatory atackts on the College and on me, personally, cannot go unchallenged. No investigation, however, can rectify the damage which I have sustained professionally, or make up for the suffering of my family as a result of these untrue and irresponsible charges."

Representative Ragsdale made the allegation at a committee hearing on the resolution to investigate Prairie View. When it appeared the committee was going to send the resolution to a sub-committee because of a lack of concrete cause for an investigation, Ragsdale told committee members he had witnesses ready to testify under oath on the charges.

At a subsequent press conference of the black caucus, Ragsdale said that he had not intended to make the allegations against President Thomas and was sorry he had done so. Representative Craig Washington indicated that the black caucus had been "tricked" by the House Education Committee and that they did not expect to be asked a number of inquiring questions raised by the committee members. Washing-Representative ton said he felt that the resolution should have been approved on the word of the black legislators.

Although the claim was specifically made by Representative Ragsdale and Representative Bernice Johnson of Dallas, the black caucus stated that the newspapers were responsible for inflammatory charges.

Asked if he thought Dr. Thomas had been done an "injustice" by the airing of the allegations from unnamed persons before the Education Committee, "We Washington said, have not taken sworn testimony from the people who make these allegations, so I don't think we would be in a position to pass on the validity of them."

# Nat'l Teachers Exams Set

ine Wichware, Publicity Committee Chairman.

The Department of Business Education and Ad-

Sponsors are Mrs. E. Tyler, Miss L. Parson and

Pictured left to right: Frances Brown, President; Patricia Jones, Vice President; Mildred Smith, Secretary; Ray Antoine, Treasurer; Cather-

ministration has organized a social and service club

for Business and Secretarial Science majors to de-

velop a closer rapport among these majors and

Less than two weeks remain for prospective teachers who plan to take the National Teacher Examinations at Prairie View A&M College on April 7, 1973, to submit their registrations for these tests of Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jer-Dr. George H. Stafsey, ford, Director, Counseling Center announced today. Registrations for the examinations must be forwarded so as to reach the Princeton Office not later than March 15, Dr. Stafford advised.

faculty.

Miss J. Pollard.

**Bulletins of Information** describing registration procedures and containing **Registration Forms may** be obtained from The Counseling Center or directly from the National Teacher Examinations, Educational Testing Service, Box 911, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.

At the one-day test session a candidate may take the Common Examinations, which include tests in Professional Education and General Education, and one of the twenty-seven Teaching Area Examinations which are designed to evaluate his understanding of the subject matter and methods applicable to the area he may be assigned to teach.

ceive an Admission Ticket advising him of the exact location of the center to which he should report, Dr. Stafford advised. Candidates for the Common Examinations will report at 8:30 a.m. on April 7, and should finish at approximately 12:30 p.m. Dr. Stafford said. The Teach-Area Examinations ing will begin at 1:30 p.m. and should finish at approximately 4:15 p.m., according to the time schedule these examinations for which has been set up by Educational Testing Service.

Each candidate will re-

# **ROTC Building**

CONTINUED from Page 1 gram, became one of the first Black Army aviators. He left Active Duty in 1955 and immediately joined a Reserve Unit in Houston, Texas. Over the next eleven years, Major Burleson was active in the Houston Independent School District Junior ROTC Program, he motivated many well qualified high school students to earn a degree and a commission at Prairie View A. and M. College. He was an ardent supporter of higher education and the Army ROTC Program.

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#### ing practically every organization on the campus, to discuss the proposed investigation by the House of Representatives of the Texas Legislature. The President indicated that he welcomed a study

of conditions at Prairie View A&M College with the view to improvement and to finding adequate finance to make such improvements. He did, however, emphatically oppose an investigation because it implied wrong-doings on the part of students, faculty, or administration.

"Black people have been investigated, studied, researched. reinvestigated, re-studied, and re-researched," said the President. "It is time that black legislators and white legislators understand that Prairie View A&M College simply needs to be adequately financed in order for our problems to be corrected. From the beginning of this college until now Prairie View has never received adequate appropriations. From the simplest problems on the campus to the most complex one, each one can be inevitably traced back to the lack of money.'

The President told the student leaders he was particularly shocked that a group of black legislators would be taking the lead to discredit a black institution and attempting to tear down black leadership.

"We invited all of the black legislators to the campus on December 20," the President told the students. "Only three of the black legislatures had the interest to come and see first hand what was going on so that they would be in their praise of the work the College was doing on December 20. In less than 30 days after they were in

they had been Austin, "tricked" by a white legislator into asking for an investigation Prairie of View.

Student

"It is no accident," said the President, "that the resolution came before the House Education Committee on exactly the same day that the College was

making its request for a biennial budget of some \$20 million dollars, an increase of nearly \$10 million dollars over the past two years. We were asking for the money simply because it's needed here at the College." The President told the students that See DISCUSSION, Page 7

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#### President A. I. Thomas intelligent about the probrecently met with over 200 student leaders, representlems at Prairie View." The three who did come, Representatives Craig Washington, Anthony Hall, and Bernice Johnson, were loud

**President Discusses Investigation With** 

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"He came closer to the city and when he saw it he wept over it." Luke 19:41

# Depression on The College Campus

One of the most common emotional problems in our country today is severe depression. I say "severe" because all of us have experienced mild depression at times - we call it "experiencing the blues" or feeling sad or "down". Even Jesus got depressed at times, such as the day He wept over Jerusalem. The people in that holy city had rejected Him in spite of all His preaching and miracles. And He cried. Jesus got depressed, but He did not despair. That's the real problem despair. The person who experiences despair has nothing left to live for, no purpose in life, and consequently is led to drugs, alcohol and ultimately to suicide. That doesn't sound like Jesus - that sounds more like Judas.

Among the chief causes of this depression-despair syndrome are: lack of selfworth, lack of direction, lack of deep communication, and loss of something or someone dear.

Lack of self-worth involves not knowing who you are, and not bothering to find out. It means not realizing that you are unique, that there is no other person like you in the whole world, that you are lovable and beautiful in your own way. A proud little boy once said, "God made me, and God don't make no junk."

Lack of direction implies that some people just don't know where they are going. They simply take life as it comes. They become objects instead of subjects, spectators instead of players. They end up as doormats for others to walk on. This doesn't happen to a person who knows who he is and where he is going, and who doesn't turn back once he has put his hand to the plow.

Lack of deep communication is a problem for all of us. So often our conversations are superficial -

**Father Doyle** even between husband and wife, parent and child, teacher and student. We

never actually get down to the "gut level", to what is really on our mind or in our heart. Because we have no one to share our inmost thoughts with, we keep them inside until they build up and finally explode - in one way or another.

Probably the main cause of depression is the loss of something or someone dear. It is most obvious to us that people get depressed when they lose a loved one by death or when they must be separated from their loved ones for a long time (this is sometimes known as homesickness, but it is really depression). It may not be so obvious that a person becomes depressed when he loses a ball game or when she loses a boy friend. One of the classic cases of depression takes place when a woman has a hysterectomy, or when she goes through menopause - she feels that she has lost her womanhood. How many husbands and children know how to deal with this situation at home or elsewhere?

Depression can be dealt with, it can be cured, and the following four ways can be very helpful in the process. 1.) Develop a sense of pride - pride in one's self, in one's family, and in one's school. It's no wonder that people who talk trash, dress like trash and live in trash often get depressed and turn to drugs and other forms of escape. Depressed mental patients take little interest in their personal appearance and dress. The way we dress often effects the way we feel and act. One way to fight against depression is to encourage neatness and cleanliness in dress and atmosphere.

2.) Mutual support one type of therapy given

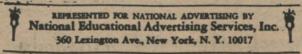
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**BUDGET NEEDS** — President A. I. Thomas pictured during one of several occasions where he has recently presented college financial needs for the next biennial through charts. Legislative and private assistance is sought in improving all programs and services of the institution,

# **Benevolence Loan Fund Committee Expresses Thanks For Aid**

The citizens of Prairie View A&M College are to be thanked for their financial assistance in the developmental stages of a worthwhile benevolence loan fund.

The fund has some \$400 plus in operating monies. This isn't nearly enough, but it will aid many dire need students. We are now in the business of assisting students. When a dire need arises, students may contact Father Doyle, Miss C. Phillips or Frank Hawkins. These persons will attempt to give assistance and a friend to the needy students.

So many donors are to be thanked for their donations. We wish to numerate some of the benefactors of this loan fund and ask for the continued support of everyone. You may

to depressed people is called supportive therapy. We must learn to support one another in our endeavors, whether it be the football player or the bookworm. Be glad when someone gets ahead and always encourage others to do better.

3.) Commitment - to the groups you are in and to the people you are responsible for. If you are a Baptist or a Catholic or whatever, be totally committed to your Faith and your Church. If you are a Sigma or an A.K.A., be a good, loyal member. If you are a KIKKER, put your bumper sticker where everyone can read, "I'm proud to be a KIKKER". Contrary to popular belief. commitment expands our freedom, it does not lessen it.

4.) Hope - the opposite of despair - tells us that we have everything to live for in this life and in the next. Christian Hope is based on the Resurrection of Jesus, whereby life itself takes on new meaning because sin has been destroyed and death has been overcome

Finally, if ever you should have any questions about the problem of depression, please feel free to contact the Mental Health Outreach Clinic in Hempstead at 826-2382.

donate by calling the loan committee members of Rev. Van Johnson, the Dean of the Chapel.

The donors are: Georgia M. Owens, Zetta Gibson, Willia Marion, Darlene Clark, Evelyn Jones, Irene Davis, C. A. Thomas. Gladys Ragston, Reatha J. Cole, C. Branch, Mary L. Curtis, Sandra Davis, Sudi Lee Williams, Patsy Marburger, Walter Redd, Glodine Bledsoe, Chet L. Read, Annie L. Muse, Geneva E. Glass, Iredene B. Lewis, Barbara Jefferson, Lyalice Robinson, Mabel Gaines, Jimizine Taylor, Barbara Queen, William Coefield, Frank Hawkins, Freddie Frazier, Rosie L. Faye Matlock, Calhoun, Taylor, Willie Samuel Good, Wendell Neal, Jothi Kasiraj, Lewis Johnson, Hulen Davis, Purvis Carter, Clinnon Harvey, Vance

By Francis White On all college and university campuses, most all young ladies want to look their best all times. But with fashions changing as fast as they do its a little hard on the purse strings. In this issue our spotlight student, Cynthia Gipson and myself will try and give you some hints on how to always be fashionable and save too!

First to introduce Cynthia. She is a Junior, majoring in Business Administration, from Dallas. Cynthia is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and of course she's crazy about beautiful clothes.

In talking with Cynthia and discussing todays fashions we came up with, the best idea on how to look your best and be eco-

# **Rev. Johnson Serves Religious Program** At Huston-Tillotson

Rev. W. Van Johnson will be attending Religious Emphasis Week at Huston-Tillotson, Austin, Texas on March 26, 27 and 28, 1973 as follows:

The schedule includes: Open Convocation, March 26. Evening Session, Rap Session for Student and Faculty; Faculty Session, March 27, Evening Session and Closing March 28.

The Rev. Hector Grant is the College Minister, at Huston-Tillotson.

Edmondson, J. C. Williams, E. L. Outly, Alecia Muldrow, F. M. Byrd, Ralph Hamith, Thomas Davis, L. B. Veasey, W. W. Clem, J. Olmedo.



**Cynthia Gipson** 

nomical too is to pull out that trusty old sewing machine and patronize your nearest fabric center. For example, try purchasing a few yards of beautiful plaid fabric, then select a pattern for a pair of the latest pants, most of them today are simple and may take only an hour or so to construct. To your new pants add a solid blouse or sweater or even a blazer if you like, a chain here and bracelet there, a pair of those clonky shoes or clogs and you are ready for class, or a movie or any casual event on campus. Would you say that this is quick, easy and economical? Why not give it a try?



# Be someone special in the New Navy

When Dr. Louis A. Ivey graduated with his Naval ROTC at Penn State, he was someone special. As a commissioned officer, he served with distinction aboard the U.S.S. New Jersey in the Korean action. Then, for two years, he was Commanding Officer of the Schierstein unit of the Rhine River Patrol.

Dr. Ivey now specializes in cardiovascular and thoracic surgery at Howard University Hospital. He's someone special—in the Navy or out of it because he's found, as so many others have, that you can be black and Navy too.

The New Navy puts its money where its mouth is because they need new leadership—Black leadership. To do it, the Navy offers two NROTC Programs to qualified applicants. They have a Scholarship Program that pays for tuition, books, fees, uniforms and adds a handsome \$100 subsistence allowance. The Contract Program is similar except that you give a little less time and get a little less in return. If you're Class of '73, the Navy offers Officer Candidate School for both men and women. After graduation, you complete a 19-week training course and are commissioned an Ensign or Second Lieutenant. After three years service, you'll be earning about \$1,000 a month. If you want to continue your education, you may qualify for a complete graduation degree program on a full-time basis at the Navy's expensę. The Navy thinks you're someone special. They're next interpret in they're doing it. Find out shout

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MIDSHIPMEN ON TRIP - Pictured above are NROTC midshipmen on the annual Marine Orientation trip. This year the group visited the Marine Corps Base at Quantico, Va.

# NROTC Has Command Inspection

Navy Captain R. HIL-SON and an inspection team, from the University of Texas, were guests of Commander R. R. TAY-LOR, recently, as the Unit underwent an Administrative Inspection.

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The Inspection itinerary included All Staff "Welcome Aboard" Command Presentation in the Senior classroom, followed by a luncheon in the Memorial Center Ballroom. Guests at the luncheon included the Military Committee and other distinguished collea-

gues. The entire Midshipman Battalion was inspected by Captain HILSON in the Women's Gym. A critique of the Inspection was held in the Senior classroom following the inspection of Midshipmen and again, **NROTC Unit, Prairie View** came through with flying Congratulations, colors. Commander TAYLOR, Midshipmen and Staff.

# **Black Generals Get Field Posts**

WASHINGTON - The Army is placing highranking black officers in top jobs where they are visible to the troops, an Army Times analysis reveals.

Major General Frederic E. Davison, Commanding General (CG) of the 8th Infantry Division is the senior black officer in the Army and the Defense Department.

The Army's second black division commander is Major General James F. Hamlet, CG of the 4th Infantry Division (Mech) at Fort Carson, Colorado.

Blacks serving as division assistant commanders Brigadier General (BG) Harry W. Brooks, assistant 2nd Infantry Division CG for support in Korea, and Brigadier General Roscoe Cartwright, assistant CG of the 3rd Infantry Division in Germany.

B. G. JULIUS W. BEC-TON JR. A PRAIRIE VIEW GRADUATE IS DEPUTY CG OF THE IN-FANTRY TRAINING CENTER AT FORT DIX. N. J. while B. G. Edward Greer is deputy CG for Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Another black general in Europe, where leaders have tried to place more blacks in leadership posts, is B. G. George M. Shuffer Jr., Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff of Personnel of U. S. Army Europe. B. G. Oliver W. Dillard is

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assigned to the Military Assistance Command in Vietnam where he is Depu-Assistant Chief for ty Civil Operations.

The black general at the Pentagon is B. G. Arthur P. J. Gregg, deputy supply and maintenance director for the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics. Gregg is the first black general in the Quartermaster Corps. Two black colonels who

are holding top jobs are Col. Ernest R. Frazier Army director of equal opportunity programs and Col. John E. McDaniels. SR commanding officer of Washington, D. C's Fort McNair, the oldest active post in the Army.

McDaniels is believed to be the first black to command a major post in the states.

On the distaff side, Dr. (Col) Clotilde M. Bowen is the first black woman physician in the Army and the first woman of her race to make colonel in the Medical Corps. She is chief of the psychiatry department Fitzsimons General Hospital in Denver.

LTC Pola L. Garrett soon will become the first colonel in the Women's Army Cops (WAC). She is deputy CO of the WAC Training Center at Fort McClellan, Ala. and one of 17 blacks on the 938 man colonel's list released by the Army in December 1971.

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# **ROTC NEW PV** Grad Commands **Battalion at Fort Carson**

LTC Johnnie Forte, Jr. assumed command of the 4th Battalion, 61st Artillery on February 2, 1973. The battalion, assigned to the Fourth Infantry Division, (Mechanized), at Fort Carson, Colorado, consists of over 500 men and millions of dollars worth of equipment. Its mission is to provide indirect fire support to the division. LTC Forte was commis-

Army through sioned at Prairie View ROTC A&M College in May, 1956. He has served in varied

# Williams First to Solo at PV

Merit.

On 20 February 1973, Wil-Cadet Major Eddie liams became the first Army ROTC Flight Student at Prairie View A&M College to fly "solo" this school year. "Solo Flights" or flights in which the student is alone in the air craft are normally made after an average of ten hours in-flight instruction. Williams, who has had only 8 hours in the sky with an instructor pilot is well above the average. Major Willie A. Tempton, AROTC Flight Program Advisor credits this feat to Cadet Williams' attention to detail, hard work, co-

Figures released recent-

ly by the NROTC unit sta-

tistician indicate that the

Midshipmen made out-

standing readjustments as

they returned to the "Hill"

Unit enrollment for the

fall semester was set at an

impressive 88 students

with 28% of the unit being

listed on the First Semes-

ter Honor Roll. 38% of the

Regular students, those

presently in a two-year

program, and 25% of the

Naval Science Students.

those students satisfying

for the fall semester.

ordination and natural feel Cadet Major for flying. Williams has been meeting for challenges several years. He was in the top 20 of Emmett Scott High School's graduating class. The Tyler native plans to put his college education as an Electrical Engineer to good use on active duty. has selected the He US Army Signal Corps as his branch. Williams, currently Operations Officer of the second ROTC Battalion, will be commissioned a second lieutenant, US Army on completion of his undergraduate and ROTC studies.

command and staff posi-

tions in the United States,

Korea, Europe and the Re-

public of Vietnam. LTC

Forte's most recent assign-

ment was Personnel Ac-

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Artillery Branch, Officer Personnel Directorate, Of-

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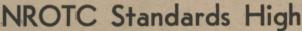
partment of the Army.

This officer's awards in-

clude the Army's highest

decoration for meritorious

service, the Legion of



the college two-year requirement were noted as being among the 483 students at Prairie View seeking academic excellence.

Congratulations to all Midshipmen listed on the Honor Roll for the first semester 1972-73 and a Special Congratulations is reserved for Miss Gene Etta DALCOUR, the NROTC Queen. Other Special Congratulations go to Midshipmen James A. DAVIS and Kennard LUCKEY who 4.00 semester achieved averages.

# Scuttleb

Mardi Gras Scuttlebutt . The Drill Team and Color Guard spent the week-end in New Orleans, representing the College and the NROTC Unit . . . While there, Midshipman Johnson became famous for his collection of Go Go costumes . . . LT. (jg) BLACK somehow, developed a history of getting lost and losing things . . . Ask him about the key ... Seems like the girls followed the guys to the festivities . . . . Well, at least some girls . . . The Officers and Gunny were thrown out of a night club in dear ole New Orleans, seems the management don't cater to coloreds . Midshipman Elder might remember why the bus driver asked him to leave the bus . . . Guess the driver didn't know how far it was back to the ship . . .

or was it the hotel? . . Well anyway, everybody returned safely, but shoe salesmen will probably make a fortune in the next few days . . . . ATKINS' CORNER . . . . Ask Midshipman Atkins to tell you the story about the blind girl. His wife apparently likes to hear the story because she keeps asking him to tell it over and over and . . . When Midshipman Camacho said that he played drums, he wasn't kidding . . . . you should have seen him perform during the recent Freshman talent show . . . Midshipman Stewart can be found evenings at the local pizza place . . . The Battalion Commander Midshipman Captain Jones has a new ride . . . The Battalion Executive Officer received his last free trip to

week . . .



LTC DANIELS PRESENTS BRIGHT STAR SCHOLARSHIP - C/LT Lester (left) smilingly receives \$100 check from the PMS, LTC Daniels. Lester has the highest GPA in the AROTC Junior CLASS, 3.87.

## Letter From PV ROTC Grad

Second Lieutenant Jerry E. Weatherspoon, a 1972 graduate of Prairie View A&M College's Army ROTC Program was Deputy Brigade Commander in his Senior year. The letter below is his way of "Saying Out Loud" what the Advanced Course at Prairie View did for him.

AGOBC No. 12-73 COA Sch Bn Fort Harrison, Indiana 46216

LTC W. Andrews Military Science Dept. Prairie View, Texas Dear Sir:

According to the distribution list on my orders, now you know that I am attending Officer Basic School at Fort Harrison. The temperature here says between -5 and +20 degrees, it rains once or twice every week, and there is always about three or four inches of snow on the ground. Other than that, this is a nice place to be! I share an apartment off-post with one of my classmates.

Tell the junior and senior ROTC officers that the pay on TDY at branch school is fairly decent. I receive about \$1250.00 per month and that does not include my clothing allowance and travel pay

There are fifty nine officers in my class and I have one advantage over all of them, "I am the only black officer." A couple of weeks ago, we had to give a seven minute briefing on a subject select-ed by one of our instructors. I received the highest score in class (97.5%) because no one else had ex-perienced it before. I knew exactly how to do it since I gave a briefing to a visiting General at Prairie View when I was Deputy Brigade Commander there.

Friday, I received 100% on the orienteering course, thanks to you and Captain Osborne with his "Let's Have a Cheer For An Orienteer" course at summer camp.

I am glad that I learned as much as I did while in ROTC at Prairie View because it really helps now that I am on the job demonstrating my leadership abilities. Please express my thanks to everyone in the Military Science Department.

Sincerely yours, Jerry Weatherspoon 2LT AGC

Austin, or anywhere else You Guessed it . MCQUADE'S CORNER for that matter . . . . Miss Glass has threatened to sue . . . This time, McQuade this reporter if her name signed up to go to both appears again in this sec-Corpus Christi and Quantico, Virginia during the tion of the newspaper .... The Unit had an adminisbreak . . . the problem being, both trips are schedultrative inspection on last . I have never ed the same time . . . . In seen the Third Deck so case you haven't heard, his quiet, so clean or so em- tonsils are coming out, pty . . . and FINALLY sooner or later . . .



# Auto Tech Grad Employed At GM's Delco Remy Division

Mr. D. Fontenot, head of the Automotive Technology Department at Prairie View A. and M. College reports that Mr. Sterling Rogers, an automotive technology major and a December, 1972 graduate, has accepted employment with General Motors Corporation's Delco Remy Di-vision in Anderson, Indiana. He is serving in a management position and reported for his first day of service on February 1, 1973. Sterling is the first automotive technology graduate from Prairie View employed by Delco Remy.

Sterling is from Houston, Texas and a graduate of George W. Carver High

# Sterling Rogers

School. He is not married.

of budget of the College,

indicating specifically

Budget Board and the

Governor's Office had eli-

minated nearly \$10 million

dollars of the request made

by the College. He indicat-

ed to the students that

major cuts had been made

in practically every cate-

gory in which the College

had requested funds. Al-

most \$7 million dollars had

been eliminated from the

budget for repair and im-

provement of the buildings

and the campus in general.

Over one million dollars

had been eliminated in

special items designed to

assist students. Funds for

scholarships, counseling

services, library catch-up,

additional personnel, for

assistance in the Financial

Aids Office had been total-

ly eliminated or drastical-

The President indicated

to the student leaders that

they should take an active

and meaningful role in

communicating the serious

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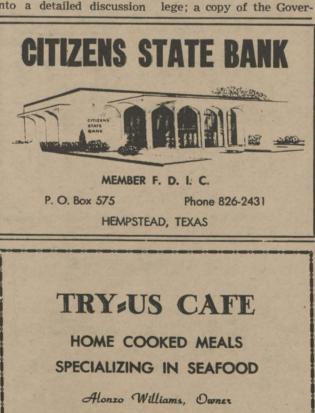
#### President Discusses Investigat'n

**CONTINUED** from Page 3 not one of the black legislators appeared at the budget hearing to support the fiscal request of the College. "I feel it was their duty and responsibility to attend the hearing and support our request." "We did not send the black legislators to Austin to be running around in big cars and alligator shoes, fur coats and shiny suits, when black students are here at the College on Hinson-Hazelwood loans, without personal money, with limited income, and they are financially impoverished.'

To the enthusiastic response of student leaders, the President indicated that the black legislators should be wearing blue denim overalls and sneaker shoes, as did Martin Luther King, in an effort to symbolize the poverty of black people in the state of Texas. Their primary role should be to make as many laws supportive of the black cause and black people and to secure as much money in every area to assist black people in every walk of life.

Dr. Thomas then went into a detailed discussion

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**Retired PV Employee** Funeral services were held in Waller last week for W. S. Kidd, former

head plumber and longtime employee at the College. The retired PV employee died on March 7. Mr. Kidd's family resid-

Services Held for

ed at Route 1, Box 374, Hempstead, Texas.

# Investigation

CONTINUED from Page 1 dents and faculty.

Dr. Thomas claims the Legislature has failed to provide the funds indicated by the Jordan report. In fact, he stated, "Our funds have been cut. Why have another investigation when they failed to provide funds recommended as a result of the last investigation. Will an investigation mean more cuts in funds?"

Rep Hall, the only member of the Black Caucus who did not sign the resolution when it was introduced February 7, made a passionate plea for House support of the investigation to erase "a great cloud cast over Prairie View College." "To me, that ( colution) does not indicate a witch-hunt on anyone's part," Hall said.

The committee is directed specifically to study the school's financial affairs and general operating procedures, employment policies and practices, student activities and related matters and academic curriculum.

The panel, which House See INVESTIGATION, P. 8

nor's Recommendations; and a copy of the Legislative Budget Board Recommendations. The President also indicated that it would probably be necessary for many student leaders to go with him to Austin at the appropriate time to encourage legislators to provide adequate finance for the College. The student leaders enthusiastically responded to the challenge and indicated their willingness to accompany the President to Austin in an effort to get full appropriations for Prairie View.

A number of the student leaders immediately began contacting their representatives and expressing a deep concern for what seems to be a repeat of the same old story as far as folk goes. Give them investigations, give them studies, give them runarounds, and even give comes to giving them them love, but be sure they money."



Farm Planning Conference Held at PV

The Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program and the School of Agriculture were recent hosts for Mr. Louis A. Murray, Rural Development Specialist of Florida Cooperative Extension Program in Tallahassee, Florida. Mr. Murray's visit was in the interest of studying the Intensified Farm Planning Program in Texas with possibilities of establishing a similar program in Florida.

ning Program-IFPP Specialist; Mr. J.

C. Williams — Dean, School of Agri-culture; Mr. Hoover Carden — Assist-

ant Director-Prairie View Cooperative

The Intensified Farm Planning Program is a small farm assistance program designed to increase the income of farmers who gross less than \$10,000 from their farm operation. The unique aspect of this program is the employment of non-professional Agricultural Program Aides who work on a 1:1 basis with farmers in their respective county under the supervision of County Extension Agents. Intensified Farm Planning Program Specialist at Prairie View A&M College, Garland McIlveen, Jr., and Eddie Harrison, provides direct support to each county program. Currently twelve counties are participating in the program extending from Red River to Starr County.

Texas Intensified Farm Planning Program is the first of its kind to be initiated in the United States and its success over the past 31/2 years has attracted seven states including Canada to study its operation.

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Participants in the three day conference were: Hoover Carden, Assistant Director<sub>1</sub> of Prairie View Extension Cooperative Program; Mr. J. C. William, Dean School of Agriculture; Dr. Vance Agricul-Edmonson, tural Economics; Mr. E. J. Johnson, Agricultural Graland Mc-Engineer; Ilveen and Eddie Harrison, Intensified Farm Planning

ialist.

Program Specialist; Dr. D. H. Seastrunk, Assistant Director of Special Program; Mr. Tom Prater, Economist - Management Specialist; Dr. William B. Thomas, Swine Specialist; Dr. Neal Pratt, Agronomist (TVA-Pastures); County Extension Agents and Agricultural Program Aides from Washington, Lee and Freestone Counties.

Mr. Garland McIlveen - Intensified

Farm Planning Program-IFPP Spec-

# **Drag Racing Scheduled at UTA**

The Intramural Department at the University of Texas at Arlington is sponsoring the second annual Texas College Drag Racing Championship for men and women college students. All cars, from old Volkswagen panels to fuel jobs, may enter.

It will be held at Dallas International Motor Speedway on Saturday, April 14. The winner of the ten E.T. (elapsed time) brackets will be crowned as the state of Texas Drag Racing Champion. Information may be picked up at the Intramural or P.E. Department soon. UTA sponsored the first college drag racing in the nation last year and was an

# **Green Grain Makes Sports Office Gift**

astounding success.

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# **Baseball Outlook Dim**

After a disappointing 1972 baseball season, Prairie View head baseball coach Gentris Hornsby feels like a man standing in a hole. The only place he can go is up.

"We have a very young club," said Hornsby, a former All-

American football player and All SWAC ba se ball player for the Panth-"We ers. have the

voun gest Hornsby team in the Southwestern Athletic Conference. The thing that really hurt us was that we lost several players because of academics." Hornsby continued.

After playing on three Southwestern Athletic Conference and two national championship teams in football for PV and one contending baseball club, Hornsby now has learned how the other half live.

"Just because we are young and inexperienced, we aren't going to lay down and die," said Hornsby. "We will be in there until the last out," he continued.

Steve Henderson, an All Southwestern Athletic Conference shortstop is the only returning letterman in the infield or outfield. But the presence of Henderson is a consolation for any coach to have. Last season the former Houston Yates hotshot led the Panthers in seven different categories and tied team honors in two other departments. He led the team in: at bats (119), hits (36), assists (114), triples (7), stolen bases (8), runs bat-

ted in (23) and sacrifice hits (7). He tied for the club lead in homeruns (1) and doubles (6). His .303 batting average was second best on the team and one of the tops in the conference.

While Steve played superman on the baseball diamond, several fans swear that he sold more popcorn at the games than anyone else.

Already, oldtimers who are considered experts in baseball talent are convinced that Steve is only a few steps to the major leagues. He is considered as the brightest shortstop to play on "the hill" in some ten years. Willie Gilbert, who played for the Panthers in the early 60's is the last shortstop to draw such praise as Steve.

Hornsby feels things wouldn't be so dim if he hadn't lost All-American candidate Richard Lane, because of grades. Lane, a 6-4, 195 pound catcherfirst baseman, led the team in hitting (.308). He led SWAC in hitting in 1971 with a zizzling .525.

While the Lane legend is only wishful thinking, Hornsby is content on building his club around Steve Henderson and four returning veteran pitchers. They are Tommy Sullivan (4-2, last year), Ira Newsome (2-5), Albert Davis (1-6) and Leroy Clark (1-3).

Another bright prospect is junior Felix Carter, who is expected to man one of the outfield spots, after spending most of his career as a catcher. With Lane out of pocket this season Carter could return behind the plate if other prospects don't work to



FINALE - Panther basketball seniors pictured during final home game.

# Pantherettes Running At World Pace

After setting records in each of the three track meets they have participated in, the Prairie View Pantherettes could learn about the hard facts of life, but don't bet on it.

The Pantherettes set two new relay records at the recent Madison relays. However, both records, the 440-relay and the mile relay record were held by the Pantherettes. They ran a

### Investigation

CONTINUED from Page 7 Speaker Price Daniel, Jr. will appoint is authorized to make inquiries of students, former students, former and present faculty members, former and present administrators and others as deemed necessary at the campus.

Dr. Thomas, president of Prairie View since 1966, denounced some of the black legislators, without calling their names, at a February 20 meeting of faculty and staff members. He called them "a disgrace."

"We didn't send black legislators to Austin to run around in big cars, wear silk suits, allegator shoes and eat with the white lobbists at the Westgate. Neither should their first effort in the legislature be to tear down black leadership and black institutions. Can you imagine the black legislators getting the

#### Hornsby's liking.

Hornsby will start his conference schedule off with one of the top teams in the league when his Panthers travel to Jackson, Miss., where they play the tough Jackson State Tigers April 16-17.

The Panthers first home game will be against the Alcorn Braves March 30at 1:30 p.m.

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46.7 in the 440-relay, the 9th best in the world for women. The record setting 3:52.9 in the mile relay is the 6th best in the world. Prior to the Madison Re-

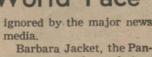
lays the Pantherettes tied their own Astrodome sprint medley relay record with a 1:43.4 clocking. In the Fort Worth Coaches meet, they set a new rec-ord in the 4 Lap relay with a 1:19.0 timing.

Pantherettes' junior quartermiler, who qualified for the olympic trials last year, but couldn't compete because of a foot injury, beat olympian Debra Edwards in the 440-yard dash with a 54.6 Madison Relay record setting time.

erettes have been totally

House to vote to investigate The University of Texas or its president? No!", emphasized Thomas. tors are schools, the black legislablack college."

It is the sentiment of many students and staff members that if the black legislators want to criticize, they should come on down to Prairie View and criticize to their hearts' content. In Austin, however, they should be using all of their energies to get every dollar they can for Prairie View. When will the black legislators be able to understand the name of the game in Austin is "Money!" Their primary job is to see that Prairie View gets more than the crumbs. Unless we can get the message across, the black legislators are about to fix it so Prairie View and its stu-31. All home games start dents won't even get the crumbs.



therettes' track coach is a former olympic star has run on a relay team with former olympian Wilma Rudolph.

The Pantherettes, who were named the outstanding team in every relay and meet they competed in last year, are now warming up f leans' Rela

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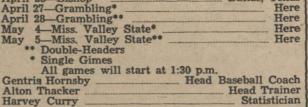
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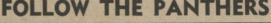
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You have a lot going for you in the Air Force! Think it over. For information contact SSGT Carter Williams at the student Placement Center or call 857-2120.

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# Loan Fund

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Every year, at the time of the Ministers' Confertnce, students and faculty will be asked to contribute to this Loan Fund, which this year yielded over \$300.00. Contributions are still being accepted by members of the Religious Council.



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