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Black History Week Observance Set

"Black Culture Week" is Prairie View's answer to Black History Week scheduled throughout the nation on February 10-16.

Joining in the celebration will be the Prairie View Extension program which is sponsoring Community Activity Week on the same dates. The University History Department

is conducting activities of Black Culture Week. It is hoped that Community Activity Week will provide an opportunity for fostering recognition of and appreciation for multi-ethnic and multi-culture heritage.

"Helping America Understand" is the theme for Black Culture Week. Col-

ors are red, green and black. Sunday's opening activities will begin with regular worship service at 11:00 o'clock and will include sessions on black history in the Southwest, careers, and black contemporary issues. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will observe its Founders Day also on Sunday. Their program is

scheduled at 2:30 p.m. in the Administration Auditorium.

Contemporary issues, careers and black history will be topics of discussion each day of the week. Gospel singing and folk singing and dancing will also be featured daily.

High schools throughout

the area have been invited to participate in activities all week and particularly on Friday, February 15. Programs planned include an essay contest, sports

tournaments, a carnival and style show.

Saturday's schedule will include Mardi Gras activities and presentation of topics and awards.

Schedule of Activities

FEBRUARY 10-16, 1974

Home Crafts	Home Economics Building
Portraits of Famous Blacks	History Department - Military Science Building
Animal Display	Animal Industries Building
Arts and Crafts	Art Department - Education Building, Library and Memorial Student Center
Woodwork	Industrial Education Building



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A&M Denies Strangling PV

Austin (UPI) — Texas A&M University has gone beyond the spending requirements for Prairie View College and is not out to financially "strangle" the predominantly black school, A&M president Jack Williams said Friday.

Williams and Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, president of Prairie View, appeared before the Education Committee of the Constitutional Convention to defend their schools. The committee is considering a proposal to place Prairie View under a separate board of directors.

Reps. Senfronia Thompson, D-Houston, and Paul Ragsdale, D-Dallas, earlier in the week charged A&M system directors have subjected Prairie View to "fiscal strangulation."

Williams said since 1958 "the A&M Board of Directors has funded Prairie View beyond those requirements and continues to do so. Prairie View has not been fiscally strangled."

Williams said he did not appear to argue for or against retaining Prairie View in the A&M system. But he said A&M "would like to be removed from the atmosphere of persist-

ent harassment over the school."

Rep. Craig Washington, D-Houston, a Prairie View graduate, proposed that the legislature decide if the school should remain part of the A&M system. He said Prairie View risks losing its federal land grant college status if it is separated from Texas A&M.

Ownership of Class Textbook Is Required

The academic program at the University has as one of the basic premises, **A Student's Academic Achievement and the Student's Possession of a Textbook have a High Positive Correlation.** For this reason the University requires that for a course in which a textbook is used, the enrolled student is to present either evidence of 'ownership' of a textbook or evidence that he has ordered a textbook.

Black History Week Themes Announced

The General theme for the 1974 African-American History Week is **Helping America Understand.**

The sub-themes for each day of the Week's celebration are: Sunday, February 10-**Helping America Understand: African Heritage**; Monday, February 11-**Helping America Understand: Afro-America Contribution to Socio Political Life**; Tuesday, February 12-**Helping America Understand: Afro-America Contribution through Inventions and Discovery**; Wednesday, February 13-**Helping America Understand: Afro-America Contribution through Education and Human Values**; Friday, February 15-**Helping America Understand: People and the Critical Issues of the Seventies**; Saturday, February 16-**Helping America Understand: Brotherhood and the Better Way.**

The purpose of the Afro-American Association, pioneer in the historical field for the past fifty-eight years, is to promote an appreciation of the life and history of the Negro to encourage an understanding of his present status, and to enrich the promise of the future.

The Association is a See *THEMES*, Page 2

Engineering Recognition Week Planned

Engineering — our greatest energy resource — will be highlighted during a week long celebration at Prairie View and throughout the nation.

The College of Engineering is planning several activities which will involve all its departments in various programs. Exhibits will be on display throughout the university campus.



AFRICAN MUSIC — Dr. Charles Tatum dons native costume to welcome African drummer Turiti Vidal during Music Festival sponsored by The Department of Geography and Economics.

University Gifts and Grants On Increase

An increase in both Federal and foundation grants to the university has been evident over the past few weeks.

The largest single amount received has been the over \$2 million made by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Washington, D. C. These funds have been earmarked for instructional improvements.

The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation has announced a grant for \$100,000 to

Prairie View in support of a program of recruitment and retention aimed at increasing the enrollment of minorities in the School of Engineering. The grant covers the period from January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1975.

E. I. DuPont de Nemours and Co. of Wilmington, Delaware has included a \$15,000 Engineering grant to Prairie View in its 1974 educational aid program.

For other grants please see page two.

Former NROTC Professor Promoted To Rear Admiral

The President has approved and forwarded to the Senate for confirmation the selection of the second Black officer in Navy history to hold the rank of Rear Admiral.

Gerald Eustis Thomas, a 44 year old native of Natick, Mass., was one of 31 officers named for the two-star flag rank on January 30, 1974. Rear Admiral Selectee Thomas is currently assigned as Commander Destroyer Squadron Nine, a major fleet command off the

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Rear Admiral Gerald Thomas

PV Hearings Will Resume

Austin — The House Study Committee on Prairie View A&M University will hold public hearings in Prairie View after adjournment of the constitutional convention, says its chairman.

Houston Rep. Craig Washington said Monday he had hoped to hold some hearings of the committee on weekends during the

convention during which legislators are doubling as constitutional convention delegates.

The Texas House voted March 1, 1973, to create the Prairie View committee.

The committee met in April and on Dec. 4, but has taken no testimony as yet.



JOIN THE N. A. A. C. P. — Two PV. Charmers were busy selling the NAACP in the Memorial Center this

week. They are Vanessa Galloway and Jackie Washington. Both are Sociology majors and from Texarkana.

1974 Agriculture College Banquet Set For February 21

Once again it's time for the College of Agriculture's Annual Banquet and it's safe to state that this banquet which will be a memorable occasion to all will be better than any of the recent ones. Several highlights and reasons forms a basis for what can be a very challenging statement. The highlights includes the following:

1. Dr. John E. Hutchinson, Director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will be the guest speaker.
2. Former students (Vo. Ag. teachers; farmers, businessmen, etc.) will be honored for their services rendered in helping to advance Agriculture at Prairie View and through out Texas.
3. Recognition of Staff Members who help to advance and promote student organizations in the College of Agriculture.
4. Recognition of student achievements in Leadership and Scholarship.

Reasons for having our best banquet ever are as follows:

1. Attendance is expected to be larger than ever since organizational heads from all over the campus are being invited as our special guest.
2. Also, we are relying on you the readers of this article, the ex-students, the alumni of the College of Agriculture to honor us

Stripling Runs For House Seat

Randolph B. Stripling has announced he will run in the May 4 Democratic Primary for the District 29 seat in the Texas House of Representatives.

Stripling, 25, is a former student body president at Prairie View University. A resident of Prairie View, he is a salesman for a Houston department store.

with your presence at our Banquet.

3. And last but not least there is an urge on the entire faculty, staff, and students of the College of Agriculture to attend thir Annual Banquet.

The banquet will be held in the Ballroom of the Memorial Student Center on Thursday, February 21, at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are now being sold for \$3.75 in the Agricultural Education Office, Animal Industries Building. Persons desiring to attend should purchase tickets on or before February 15, 1974. Tickets can be ordered by mail, send cash, check or money orders to: Department of Agricultural Education, Prairie View A&M University, Prairie View, Texas 77445. Check or money orders should be endorsed to Prairie View Collegiate FFA Chapter.

Research Journal Committee Named

President A. I. Thomas has appointed twelve persons to serve on a committee to publish a Research Journal for faculty publication at Prairie View A&M.

The Committee includes: Dr. I. Nelson, Chairman, Dr. A. Mangaroo, Mr. M. S. Sohel, Dr. M. Mills, Dr. C. Carney, Dr. E. Thornton, Dr. S. Lindsay, Dr. H. Bonner, Dr. M. Soliman, Dr. W. Webster, Mrs. L. McGee, and Dr. C. A. Wood.

Themes

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major provider of scholarly materials about Black Americans. The organization has branches in the major cities in America and members in all the fifty states and many countries.

Grants To PV A&M Highlighted In Photos



ALCOA — A \$5,000 check from Alcoa Foundation is presented to Dr. A. I. Thomas to support enrichment of teaching programs. C. L. Green (center), administrative and technical manager of Alcoa's Point Comfort, Texas Operations, is shown making the presentation. Brutus Jackson, PV Placement director is at left.



DUPONT — College of Engineering grant is presented to Dr. Thomas and Prairie View officers by Hollis Ehlig of E. DuPont de Nemours Corp. Pictured from left are W. R. Spriggs, DuPont representative Brutus Jackson, PV Placement Director; Jim Zoller of DuPont; Mr. Ehlig; Dr. Thomas; and Dean A. E. Greaux, College of Engineering.



EXXON USA — J. E. Tenny (2nd from left) represented Exxon Foundation in presenting grant to Prairie View. Also pictured are A. E. Greaux, Dean, College of Engineering, President Thomas, and Dr. Bernice Rollins, Chairman, Department of Business.



STAUFFER CHEMICAL — A \$500 scholarship grant has been made to PV A&M students by Stauffer Chemical Corp. Pictured at the presentation ceremony are, from left: Prof. Earl K. Jones, Head, Chemistry Dept.; Alonzo Sadberry, a student; F. M. Haddon, representing Stauffer; Renita Harvey, student; Dr. Thomas; and student Donald Thomas.

Delta Sigma Theta Founders Day Sunday

Prairie View Alumnae and Eta Beta Chapters of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., will observe their Founders' Day on Sunday, February 10, at 2:30 p.m. in the Administration Auditorium, Prairie View University campus.

Our guest speaker is Delta's National First Vice President and Chairman of Scholarship and Standards, Mrs. Thelma T. Daley, a resident of Baltimore, Maryland. In the occupational world, Soror Daley is a professional counselor and

personnel administrator and currently serves as a Career Education Specialist for the Baltimore County (Maryland) Board of Education — a position which encompasses program coordination for 161 schools. She has served as a Counselor and Department Chairman in North Carolina and the State of Maryland, and she has served on the instructional staff at North Carolina Central University, Coppin State College, and Western Maryland College.

Vocational Teacher Trainer Serves As Consultant

Dr. A. T. Kynard, Professor and Teacher Trainer for Vocational Industrial Education at Prairie View A&M University, served as a consultant at a vocational planning conference in Washington, D. C. January 25. The conference was held at Washington Technical Institute for the purpose of formulating an agenda for a two-day workshop to be conducted at Washington Technical Institute April 22-23, 1974.

The workshop was conducted by Washington Technical Institute in collaboration with the District of Columbia Public Schools and held on the campus of Washington Technical Institute. Person receiving invitations to participate included State Directors and personnel development coordinators for vocational education in states with predominantly black colleges. A major goal of the workshop was to make participants aware of the role and contributory posture offered by black institutions. It is believed that this effort will be especially significant in terms of the development of vocational education personnel at the state and federal levels.

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Bahamas-PV Student Assoc. Organized

A meeting of the Bahamian students on 27th January, 1974, witnessed the birth of a new organization on the University's campus. The organization takes the name of the Bahamas-Prairie View Students Association.

The objectives of the association is to implement a program whereby students would raise their academics to the maximum and at the same time develop and promote a cultural and social relationship between the Bahamas and Prairie View.

Officers elected to serve on the executive committee

were Roger C. Smith, President; Bryan P. Hall, Vice-President; Frederick V. Roberts, Secretary; Janet Hutchenson, Assistant Secretary; Glen Roberts, Treasurer; and Collis Sherman, Assistant Treasurer. Appointed as Advisor was Thaddeus McDonald, and Dr. Robert A. Henry, Honorary Director for Bahamian Students Affairs. Public Relations Officers are Miss Erna Masiah and Alexander Beckles, with Derick W. King serving in the capacity as reporter.

Appointees as head of other committees are Vel-

ma Wilsin, Janet Hutchenson, Crossley Walkine, Thaddeus McDonald, Roger Smith and Bryan Hall.

The date for official inauguration will be announced at a later date.

Biology Graduate Receives Ph.D. Noted Biographer Speaks at Prairie View

Kowetha A. Davidson, a 1967 graduate of Prairie View A&M University received the Ph.D. degree in Zoology from the University of Tennessee. Dr. Davidson is a native of Hooks, Texas.

Upon receiving her B. S. degree in Biology, she enrolled in the Institute for Developmental Biology at the University of Colorado, Boulder, where she was awarded a National Institutes of Health Trainee and University fellowship.

Dr. Davidson enrolled at the University of Tennessee in 1971 and served as a teaching assistant in the Department of Zoology. She was awarded a fellowship and Grant-in-Aid from the Tennessee Heart Association in 1972 to complete her thesis research, "Studies on Nervous Tissues and Heart

Dr. Clarissa Kimber, presently serving as Professor of Geography at Texas A&M University, was guest lecturer in the School of Agriculture on January 22 with Dr. Eugene Brams and his students in "Soils and The Quality of Environment."

She further shared her enriched background of research in geography with the "Research in Geography" class of the Department of Geography and Economics.

Dr. Kimber received her Antigenes During Development of the Rabbit Embryo."

Dr. Davidson is currently holding a Post-Doctoral Research position in the Biology Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

B. A. in geography from the University of California at Berkeley and the M. A. and the Ph.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin. She is a specialist in the Geography of American Tropics and is presently involved in research on the "Biogeography of Four South Louisiana Islands."



Dr. Clarissa Kimber

Home Economics Specialist To Present Seminar Here

Dr. Gwendolyn A. Newkirk, Chairman of the Department of Education and Family Resources, University of Nebraska and Vice President for Program Development, American Home Economics Association will present a special seminar in the May Home Economics Building on February 13, 1974 at 1:30 p.m. The title of the seminar is "Perspectives for the Family on the World Scene."

In keeping with the concept of maintaining relevancy in programs to meet the needs of students, this seminar is merely one of a series of seminars sponsored by the College of Agriculture and the College of Home Economics.

Dr. Newkirk received

her training at Tillotson College, and pursued advanced studies at Teacher's College, Columbia University and Cornell University in New York. She is a member of many and varied professional organizations and has received outstanding awards.

She served as the Fullbright-UNICEF Senior Lecturer and Home Science Consultant with the Cornell Project at the University of Ghana and Winneba Specialist Training College. She has written numerous articles for many professional publications. Currently, she is a member of the Board of Directors, Lincoln, Nebraska Better Business Bureau; the Advisory Committee on Vocational Education, Lincoln Nebraska Technical College and Lincoln Public Schools; and the Homestead Girl Scout Advisory Council, Lincoln. Her travels have taken her to West Africa; Middle and Near East; Northern, Central, and Southern Europe; Mexico; Canada; India; and Paris (to attend the 10th International Congress on Home Economics.)

The public is cordially invited to attend this event. A reception will follow the seminar at 4:00 p.m.



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Already, our office has received several calls and written correspondences requesting the placement folder material on a person that is being considered for employment. One such request came from the Houston Independent School District, which would have hired the student had he been registered in the Placement Center. However, he was not; and due to the time involved in completing the folder, he missed the opportunity to begin work in January and will have to wait for September. This was such an unnecessary delay for the student; and often, most professional organizations will not wait for such matters to be corrected. Consequently, many students have missed out on job offers because of a little effort that wasn't made on their part.

Please — don't be one of those students. Complete your folder today. Mrs. Margaret Sherrod and Mr. Thomas Wright are available for counseling students.

W. R. Banks Library News

HOW TO GET MORE FOR YOUR DOLLARS IS THEME OF NEW YEARBOOK

Handbook for the Home, "the new Yearbook of Agriculture, suggests ways that families can live fuller, more secure and more satisfying lives, and helps them

Miss Black Texas Pageant Plans Announced

The fourth annual Miss Black America of Texas Pageant will be held in San Antonio on June 23, 1974. A successor to Trudy Ann Fields, reigning Miss Black Texas, will be named to represent Texas in the national Miss Black America Beauty Pageant of 1974.

"We are in the process of conducting a state wide search for the one young woman who could become the next Miss Black America," said Nelson Sanders who serves as Executive Director of the Miss Black Texas Pageant.

Contestants must be eighteen years of age, single, never married, annulled or divorced, must never have conceived a child, must be a high school graduate by June 1974, and must not be older than twenty-four.

Contestants will be judged on poise, personality, charm, and intelligence in formal gown competition, one-piece swimsuit, and on a performing talent

presentation. The Miss Black Texas Pageant Committee wishes to conduct a local pageant in each Texas city. Girls interested in competing in the Miss Black Texas Pageant are urged to send their vital biographical resume to: The Miss Black Texas Pageant, 2430 North Piedras, El Paso, Texas 79930.

Omega News

This weeks Omega Spotlight is on Lafayette Randle. He is called (waffle) by his brothers. He is a senior Drafting Tech major from Bryan, Texas. He is a member of Epsilon Pi Tau Industrial honor society and member of the Presidents Honor Roll. He is presently serving as the Dean of Pledges. He was a member of the Elite Eleven Fall line of 72, which will be spotlighted in the next Panther paper.

Bro. Donald McClure (Sweet Don)

Names in Black History

Courtesy: Pathfinders Press



Bessie Smith, Frederick Douglass, Martin Luther King, Jr., John Coltrane, W. E. B. DuBois, Harriet Tubman, Langston Hughes, Sojourner Truth, Marcus Garvey.

avoid costly pitfalls of all kinds," the secretary of Agriculture says in a Foreword to the volume.

"It gathers a great wealth of consumer material into some 400 compact pages. This is a book for families. It centers around the home — whether home is a suburban house, a country place, or a city apartment."

"The more knowledgeable consumers this nation has," Secretary Butz notes, "the better will be our way of life."

"Handbook for the Home" is a hardback, contains 78 chapters, more than 190 photographs, and is based mainly on federal or state research. It is on sale for \$5.70 from the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

Major sections are:

Families—which includes among its subjects living costs, records, money management plans, nutrition, general consumer tips, indoor gardening, camping and recreational vehicles.

Dwellings—determining what housing you can afford, site selection, insurance, legal angles, etc.

Furnishings—including floor covering, appliances, clothing decisions, etc.

Communities—including how communities work together to stretch resources, cultural opportunities, health, environmental planning, etc.

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Frank Francis, Jr., Librarian

Kollar Korner

Christian Joy

(Tertullian)

The early Christian writer Tertullian said: "The Christian saint is hilarious." That's a surprise, isn't it? We think of some joke as being hilarious, but not a saint. Or some drunk being hilariously funny. Or a group of children laughing and having a hilarious time. But Christians are usually thought of as a pretty somber bunch as evidenced by the story of the taxi driver who declared that when a group of people came to a church convention in his city, they came with the Ten Commandments in one hand and a ten-dollar bill in the other and never broke either one. We are considered by the world as a black-clothed, long-faced crowd that has lost most of the joy out of life.

We have caused much of it by our preaching and teaching and by our attitudes. Our sermons and attitudes, instead of being exciting, happy, good news, have affected many as they did the little girl who heard the preacher describe a Christian as a long-faced, somber kind of person. She said to her grandmother, as on the way home they saw a mule, "He must be a good Christian." Nothing is farther from the facts of our faith. "The Christian saint is hilarious." At Pentecost the Christians were so hilarious that the people said they must be drunk. The early followers of Francis of Assisi had this gaiety. They had to be reproved for laughing in church: they were so happy. The early Methodists "stormed the unbelieving world with songs, and set some of them to dance tunes." The Salvation Army had this also, and when one of their band members was asked not to beat the drum so loud, he replied: "Lord bless you, sir, since

I've been converted I'm so happy, I could burst the blooming drum." Seventy times in the New Testament the Christian is called upon to rejoice and be full of joy, and we are assured that when God's Spirit is in us we will be filled with joy, for "the fruit of the Spirit is joy." In our attempt to live Christian lives we need to discover the real Jesus, to erase all the embellishments added by poet and painter, and to see him as the people in his day saw him, as he was. Leonardo da Vinci's glorious painting, "The Last Supper," was covered over and lost for ages. Only in this century was it rediscovered and the whitewash, paint, and dirt which had covered it removed, so that now we can see Christ and his followers clearly. We need to do this in our understanding of Jesus — clean off the dirt of prejudice, the whitewash of fallacious theology, and the false colors of poor interpretation and see Jesus. Christians of all kinds cling to him: all branches of Protestantism — and they are many; all the different groups and interpretations in Catholicism — and there are many of them. All of us look to Jesus. But we have clothed him in our theologies and colored him with our prejudices so that we now worship different Jesuses. If we, all of us, would clean off the accumulation of the ages and with sincerity come like the Greeks to Philip saying, "We would see Jesus," then we would destroy most of that which separates us and we, seeing him as he is, would above all else to be like him.

"These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be full." John 15:11 R.S.V.

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Who Are They?

The Mind Grabbers (M.G.s)

Focusing On Entertainment

Among the many things on Prairie View's campus that puzzles the student, there is an organization that puzzles the students, but has good intentions: The Mind Grabbers (M.G.'s) You may say they're just a bunch of dumb freshmen with an objective that won't last. But take heed to the following paragraphs.

The Mind Grabbers originated October 1, 1973. It is sponsored by Mr. A. Manning. The purpose of this group is to bring unity to the students on campus, and to reach out into neighboring cities and do likewise. But unlike other non-Greek fellowships, the M.G.'s main focus is on the entertainment spectrum; as far as uniting is concerned. Bringing about a soulful atmosphere in an otherwise sullen one is the objective of this group.

What has this organization done up to this point? At the moment, staying alive on campus an entire year is what they're striving for. Along with this, they have sponsored dances, brought entertainment to Ellis' Inn, provided publicity and advertising for

other concert sponsors, and just rapped, in general with the youth in the surrounding area. Currently, there is no excitement, no involvements for them. The president, Timmy Brown, and a group of other freshmen, banded together to initiate the new organization with a motive in mind, which was to eliminate undisciplined measures of accepting one into the club. During the functioning period, they decided to activate the mind instead of the body.

The M. G.'s are striving for togetherness through involvement. If you would like to join a concerned group of young people; concerned with Prairie View, and the surrounding area, check us out. Our line starts in the near future.

Inside the Mind Grabbers: President: Timothy Brown, V. President: Bruce Gray, Secretary: Ruby Blackmon, business manager, Ronald Jackson, Treasurer: Karen, Dean of Trainees: Colors: Black and Gold.

Larry Randolph
Use Mind Power to Deal
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Project Transition Staff Attends ACT Workshop

Members of Project Transition/Student Special Services staff attended a one day workshop at the

The PVAMU Class Ring Available

The 1973-74 Graduating Class will be the first to wear the **Prairie View A&M University Ring**. Orders for the "excitingly superb" ring can be placed in the office of the University Exchange. We urge you to stop by and inquire.

Sheraton Lincoln Hotel in Houston January 23, 1974.

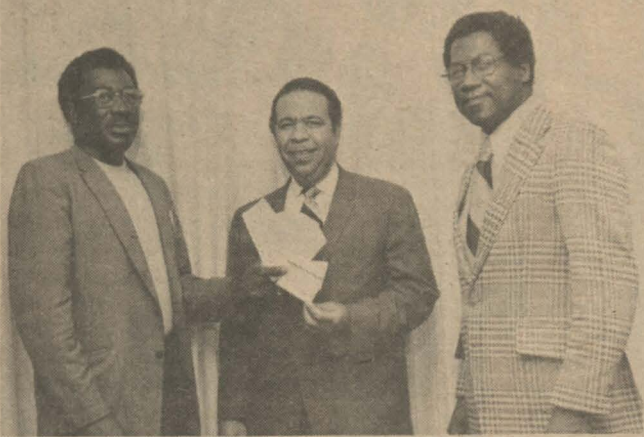
The workshop concerned itself with current changes in the information gained from and the various uses which may be made of ACT. With emphasis on academic advisement and counseling.

Staff members attending the workshop were R. E. Carreathers Director, Marie Cromwell Women Counselor and Carl Moore Men's Counselor.

Directory of Undergraduates

December, 1973

Abercrombie, Juanita
Allen, Michael DePaul
Allen, Johnny L.
Anderson, Charles L.
Anderson, Edna B.
Anderson, Linda Gail
Ashton, Horace
Austin, Leona R.
Baker, Carl B.
Barker, Erna J. Muse
Barnes, Brenda J.
Beard, Linda L.
Bessard, Kathy L. Swindell
Blakemore, William H.
Blanks, Deborah L.
Bluford, Jewel M.
Bolden, Freddy Lee
Boyd, Hazel Cardelia
Branford, Linda Dorraine
Briggs, Byron Dwight
Brooks, Donald R.
Brown, Frances W.
Brown, Gloria Dean
Brown, Robert E.
Brown, Travis J.
Bryant, Shirley F.
Burke, Terry J.
Bush, Ray M. Antoine
Buster, Michael L.
Calhoun, Bessie M.
Carter, Sharon J.
Castillo, Florentino
Castle, Mary B.
Cerf, Eddie L.
Chambers, Roosevelt
Clark, Melva
Cluff, Henry E.
Cook, Alfred A.
Cornelius, James E.
Cornish, Marilyn J.
Cox, Carroll B.
Curvey, Jacquelyn
Davis, Alice M.
Davis, Eugene D.
Dean, Jimmie B.
Dearmon, Beverly Jr.
Dixon, Birdell D.
Donahoe, Melvin, Jr.
Durham, Basom B.
Earl, James B.
Ellis, Alonzo C.
Ellis, Wiley B.
Elmore, Deborah
Frederick, Alvin D.
Francis Gladys M.
Funches, Joseph H.
Gaderson, Gayle A.
Garrett, Dorothy J.
Garrett, Linda D.
Granger, Mary E.
Gray, Naomi L.
Hanchett, Anderson
Harper, Shelia G.
Hearne, Arthur C.
Henry, Rudolph E.
Hickman, Mamie L.
Hodge, Erma J.
Hooper, Michael L.
Hopes, Lee A.
Hopkins, Paula J.
Horton, Del Verna
Howard, Louis H., Jr.
Jefferson, Gerald A.
Johnson, Gerald W.
Johnson, Hosea C.
Jones, Patricia Ann
Jones, Verna J.
Kemp, Teresa R.
Lampley, Allen
Lampkin, Cynthia A.
Laster, Michael G.
Lawson, Teola A.
Lee, Sammy E.
Lewis, Alvinlon G.
Locke, Joyce M.
Loud, Jane Elizabeth
Loville, Edmon
Marshall, Mose L.
Martin, Mack C.
Mathis, Johnnie W.
Moore, Rosemary
Morris, Barbara J.
Morton, Everett E.
Murphy, Walter N.
Murray, Brenda F.
Nelson, Tommy Ray
Newsome, Ira
Nichols, Driselda A.
O'Gilvie, Patricia A.
Perry, Edward O.
Phillips, Ernest L.
Pickens, MacArthur D.
Polk, Earlie
Ratcliff, Carolyn K.
Rawls, Arthur J.
Ray, Welton C.
Reed, Earnest
Rich, Gus E.
Richardson, Eddie L.
Richards, Ernest L.
Roberson, Joyce E.
Rogers, Willie L.
Ross, Diana
Rudd, Beverly A.
Runnels, Troy R.
Sanford, Carolyn A.



BAND FUND CHECKS — R. E. Carreathers, Class of 1943 representative, presents hand-full of checks for '43 class members to President Thomas and Dean Black. The money will help pay for band uniforms.

Scypion, Shirley A.
Shelby, Robert H.
Shephard, Robert E.
Shorten, Michael L.
Shotwell, George F.
Singletary, Kenneth
Smith, Mildred J.
Smith, Viola F.
Spikes, Welton
Spiller, Patricia A.
Stanley, William D.
Strong, Eric E.
Thomas, Burrell, Jr.
Tillmon, Alice Faye
Truesdale, Melvin B.
Wallace, Jerry L.
Ward, Inez M.
Warren, Jean E.
Washington, Joyce E.
Watkins, Josephine
Whittington, Columbus
Wilborn, Thomas E.
Wilcox, Van W.
Wilder, Beatrice L.
Williams, Alven L.
Williams, Brenda E.
Williams, Eddie C.
Williams, Jewell M.
Willie, Murdice Morehead

Berry, Isaac H.
Block, Frankie Sue
Block, Wilfred H.
Carroll, Marie O.
Cole, Billie M.
Corbett, Marie
Crow, Raymond G.
Davis, Terry R.
DeShay, T. C.
Dillard, Melvin R.
Dumont, George W.
Edwards, Joel T.
Eustace, Tommy E.
Fox, William E.
Futch, Helen N.
Garrett, Felix E.
Garrette, Juanita T.
Giles, Bonnie M.
Goffney, Willie J.
Goodloe, Willie
Hadnot, Versie M.
Hillard, David W.
Hooker, Betty Jones
Houston, Dorothy M.
Johnson, Wilbert E.
Jones, Betty J.
Kincheon, Bobbie J. Conner
Lewis, Rebbie A.
Lopez, Cesar Ernesto
Marshall, Alfred
Mays, Ora L.
Miller, George H.
Moody, Bessie Slider
Moore, Raymond Milton
Morgan, Dorothy Linkhart
Neeley, Norma F.
Newsome, Grace P.
Newsome, Hortynse
Nichols, Carl O.

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Adams, Cornelio
Atkinson, Gerald Wayne
Auguillard, Carrie M.
Baca, Thomas W.
Balcar, Audrey S.

Zeta of The Month

Soror Sherrial Reeves is a junior from Palestine, Texas, majoring in Architecture. She is a member of Pi Mu Epsilon honor society. Soror Reeves was selected Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. During her freshman year she was voted best adjusted female freshman of 1971. Soror Reeves has participated on an Advisory Committee to the Dean of Engineering. She is also the secretary of Prairie View Student Chapter A. I. A. Soror Reeves has been on the President's Honor Roll for three semesters.

While in high school Soror Reeves graduated salutatorian of her class. She was also selected Who's Who at Westwood High. Soror Reeves was awarded several English, Spanish and math awards. Soror Reeves was also a member of Beta Club.

During Soror Reeves leisure time she enjoys writing poetry, sewing, cooking and collecting feathers.

Soror Vera L. Thomas

Nowlin, Terry W.
Owens, Edna Cora
Owens, Mae Pearl
Pierce, John R.
Pierce, Thomas J.
Polanco, Julio P.
Portis, Sherry A.
Respondek, James
Smith, Floyd W.
Stech, Patricia M.
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Tejeda, Luis E.
Tepera, Ray
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Engineering Groups Sponsor Luncheon

Alpha Lambda Chapter of Sigma Tau Engineering Honor Fraternity of Prairie View A&M University organized their second annual Christmas luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 11, 1973 in cooperation with the Zeta Lambda Chapter of Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society and the Civil Engineers Honors Club.

After invocation by Mr. David Scurry, recording Secretary of the Alpha Lambda Chapter and a hearty lunch served by the Memorial Student Center Staff, Mr. Colton Isadore, the Vice-President of the Chapter explained the history and the objec-

tives of Sigma Tau Fraternity, and Alpha Lambda Chapter. Mr. Eddie Williams, the President of Zeta Lambda Chapter of Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society and a member of the Sigma Tau Fraternity gave a brief history of Eta Kappa Nu Honor Society and its objectives. Afterwards Mr. Johnny Crawford, President of the Civil Engineers Honors Club explained the purpose and the aims of their Club.

Mr. Jelili Williams, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Civil Engineers Honors Club, then introduced Mr. Isreal W. Santry Jr., Professional Engineers, the President of I. W. Santry Inc., of Dallas and counselor for Chi Epsilon Civil Engineers Honor Society, who was the main guest speaker for the occasion.

Mr. Santry in his address emphasized the importance of the scholarship among students and the role the academic Honor Societies play on Univer-

sity Campuses.

The occasion was graced by the presence of Mr. C. L. Wilson, the Senior Vice-President of Prairie View A&M University, Dr. G. R. Ragland, the Dean of the University, several senior high school students from the neighboring high schools, who are contemplating to become engineers, and quite a representative cross-section of the Faculty of the University.

Many honored Freshman and Sophomore students who are eagerly looking forward to become members of the Honor Societies were also guests of Honor at this occasion.

Mr. A. E. Greaux, the Dean of the College of Engineering, congratulated the members of all the Engineering Honor Societies and Clubs for their achievements and activities. He said that he is looking forward for higher levels of attainment by each member of this honored group.



Santry Crawford

Student Teachers Assigned For Spring Semester

Student Teachers in the Department of Agricultural Education have been assigned to the Major Agricultural teaching centers cooperating with Prairie View. The assignments were made by Dr. Don Knotts, Teacher Educator, and Head of the Department of Agricultural Education. The Student Teachers will leave on March 4, for their teaching assignments and return on May 1, 1974.

The following are the Student Teacher Center Assignments:

Student	Center	Supervising Teacher
Alex Alexander	Brookshire	Mr. J. C. Jackson Mr. Leon Bienski
Willie Brown	Houston-Carver	Mr. Voyde Caraway
Kenneth Singletary	Tyler-Chapel Hill	Mr. Newt Cross
David Davis	Tyler-Chapel Hill	Mr. W. L. Kissam Mr. David Irwin
Joe Evans	Edna	Mr. James Harris
James Brown	Edna	Mr. Clarence Schomburg
Gene Glover	Sealy	Mr. F. O. Tyler Mr. Joe Walters
Clovus Pruitt	Montgomery	Mr. Ira Franklin Mr. Donald Denn
Grady Dillard	Rice-Eagle Lake	Mr. W. L. Fitzgerald
Carl Hines	Rice-Eagle Lake	Mr. Troy Krenek Mr. Lewis Rosprim

Winner of A-Tau-A "Pig Raffle" Announced



Mrs. Geneva Williams of Alleytown, Texas was the winner of the 1973 "Christmas Pig Raffle," sponsored by Alpha Tau Agriculture Fraternity. The excited and charming Mrs. Williams, received the 190 pound dressed weight pig on Monday, January 28, 1974 at 6:00 p.m.

The members of the Alpha Tau Agriculture Fraternity, would like to extend their appreciation and gratitude to all the patrons who aided greatly in this successful fund-raising activity.

ASCE Group Holds Meeting

The local student chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers held their initial meeting of the new semester on Thursday, January 24. The main topic on the agenda was the election of new officers for the year 1974. The new officers are as follows: President, Ronald Rayford; Vice-President, Don Cheatem; Treasurer, Dale Sewell; Secretary, Miss Agatha



SECURITY OFFICER COMMISSIONED — Curtis Davis is shown being sworn in by Waller County Judge Jack Taylor.

The function was inspiring and enjoyable to all who attended. Mr. Larry Lester, the President of Alpha Lambda Chapter of Sigma Tau Fraternity, who presided over the occasion thanked all the persons who helped him to make the function a success. He also accepted the challenge of the main speaker and the Dean of the College of Engineering and on behalf of all the Honor Society members assured that they are looking forward for greater fields of service in future to achieve all the objectives of the Fraternities.

The meeting came to a close with a vote of thanks by President Larry Lester.

Floyd Freeman
Corresponding Secretary
Alpha Lambda Chapter
Sigma Tau Fraternity

Hempstead PV Lions Club News

The Hempstead-Prairie View Lions Club held its Annual Founders Day Program comemorating its birthday Sunday, January 27, 1974 at Bethlehem Methodist Church.

Lion President A. T. Daniel called the program to order exactly at 5:30 p.m. after which Lion Reverend Ezekiel Taylor and the congregation sang America followed by prayer. Lion Claude Wair led the Pledge of Alle-

Bell; and Reporter, Mitchell Loftis.

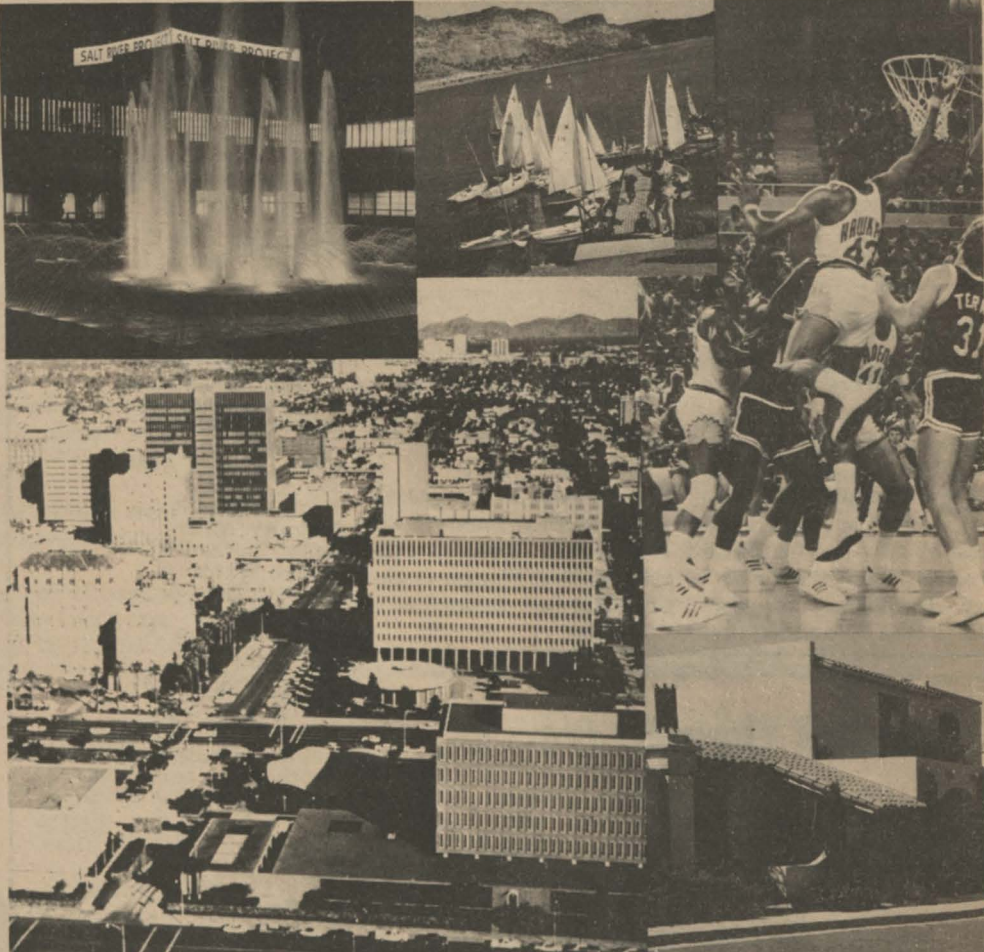
The sponsors of the ASCE student chapter are Dr. R. N. S. Rao, Dr. H. Y. Yeh, and Dr. C. T. Luke.

Mitchell Loftis
Reporter

giance and Lion O. D. Tompkins gave a warm Lions welcome. Constitutional Chairman, Lion F. E. Boózer then followed with the Local Lion Purposes and History of the Hempstead-Prairie View Lions Club.

Lion President A. T. Daniel gave an Overview of Successful Accomplishments that the local club has done, along with making plans for the future. The Lion President then introduced the Main Speaker Frank Perry Jr. of the Riverside Lions Club and Instructor in Music at Texas Southern University who in turn delivered an impressive message and challenge to the club.

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Shifts In Industrial Arts Education

On July 14, 1973, the State Board of Education authorized the shifting of the Industrial Arts program, within the Texas Education Agency from the department of Teacher Education and Instructional Services (General Education) to the Division of Occupational Education and Technology (Vocational Education).

This organizational move was completed after careful study by Dr. J. W. Edgar, Commissioner of Education, with the in-put from the Texas Industrial Arts Advisory Commission. The justification for such a shift is the improved coordination between industrial arts and occupational education and prospects for a better state financial base for industrial arts.

It appears that industrial arts is in line for the same State-level funding that is presently found in programs such as Vocational Homemaking and Vocational Agriculture.

The State Board authorized a seventh and eighth grade pilot program in industrial arts for 1973-74, the first increment in a phase-in program which will eventually consider the high school program. The pilot sites for 1973-74 will include 20-25 school districts across the State. Selection of the sites will be based on the existing seventh and eighth grade industrial arts programs and the high school vocational program.

The purpose of the pilot program is to develop seventh and eighth grade pro-

gram standards for industrial arts on which program approval will be based for 1974-75. Program standards include such areas as certification requirements, curriculum standards, and facility standards. After the pilot program is completed and the new standards for program approval are in effect during 1974-75, the districts are in line for improved financial support from the State.

This does not necessarily mean a pay raise for the teachers. Teacher salary is a local district concern. Specifically, the district will receive funds in the following categories by teacher unit: teacher salary; operation and maintenance; teacher travel; and instructional supplies.

Within the Texas Education Agency, the administrative shift involved moving the industrial arts staff to the Division of Public Occupational Programs under the direction of Mr. L. V. Ballard. The industrial arts office is headed by Neil E. Ballard (no relation to L. V. Ballard), who was the former industrial arts consultant in the Division of Program Development.

The staff has been enlarged to include two new professionals, Jerry Mycue, formerly a teacher at Seguin High School, and Alvin Seher, formerly a teacher at Andrews High School. Seher will handle student club activities, and Mycue will work in industrial arts program development with Ballard.

Former Navy Officer Promoted To Rank of Admiral

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Pacific coast of the United States.

The first Black officer to achieve star rank in the U. S. Navy was Samuel L. Gravely, Jr., who was promoted to Rear Admiral on July 1, 1972. Following his selection to flag rank, Admiral Gravely served for two years as Commander of the Naval Communications Command and in July 1973 began his present tour as Commander of Cruiser Destroyer Group Two in the Atlantic.

Rear Admiral Selectee Thomas had held a variety of jobs in his more than 22 years of Naval service. He has served as Commanding Officer of the destroyer BAUSELL (DD-845); Executive Officer and later Commanding Officer of

the Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps Unit, Prairie View A&M College, Prairie View, Texas; and Assistant Head, College Training Programs Section, Officers Programs Branch, Bureau of Naval Personnel, Washington, D. C.

He has also had duty as a student at the Naval War College and at Yale University where he received a PhD degree in history in 1973. He also holds a master science degree in International Affairs from George Washington University (1966) and a Bachelor's degree in Biochemical Science from Harvard University in 1951.

Thomas received his commission as an ensign

ROTC NEWS



Valenna and James Lorder

AROTC Becomes "Family Affair"

Joining AROTC at Prairie View A&M University is slowly becoming a "family affair" as maternal (blood) brothers and sisters join the program.

Currently the AROTC Department has two sets of maternal brothers and sisters in the program. James and Valenna Lorder, junior and freshman respectively, are from Marlin, Texas. James, an Advanced Course First Lieutenant, stated that he encouraged his sister to join AROTC because of the benefits which he himself had derived from participating in the program. Additionally, he stated that he was impressed with the quality of leadership and managerial training which he had received as a basic course cadet.

Contrastingly, Coleen Blanks entered the program for a very different reason. Lester Blanks, a sophomore and "acting" Second Lieutenant, stated that his sister had been competing with him since their high school days and he suspected that she had accepted this challenge and opportunity to prove "to a chauvinistic male" how capable members of the opposite sex really were. ready experienced various aspects of the AROTC Program; however, both young

Both Coleen and Valenna agreed that their brothers had probably influenced them a great deal, since both brothers had alon June 1, 1951, advanced to the rank of commander on September 1, 1965, and has served as a captain since July 1, 1971. He has been awarded the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V", Navy Occupation Service Medal with Europe Clasp, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Vietnam), Vietnam Service Medal with two bronze stars, and various other campaign awards.

He and Mrs. Thomas, the former Rhoda Henderson of Boston, Mass., have three children: Kenneth Austin Thomas, Steven Eric Thomas and Liza Diane Thomas.

ladies felt that they were individualists and were primarily attracted by thoughts of intrigue, travel and the challenges inherent in pursuing their prospective disciplines in foreign countries.

Students giving considerations to joining the AROTC Program can contact either of the brother and sister teams through the PMS, Prairie View A&M University, 857-4713/4512.

Lions Club

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Just before the close of the meeting Lion Governor Joe Parr of District 2-82 presented Lion President Daniel a beautiful Plaque from the Crippled Children's Camp in Kerrville for the clubs 100% participation and contribution to the Crippled Children's Camp and sited that the Hempstead-Prairie View Lions Club was the first club to receive such an award from

PMS Promotes 18 Acting 2nd LT's

The Professor of Military Science, LTC Jiles P. Daniels, announced the promotion of Eighteen Sophomore students to the rank of "Acting" Second Lieutenant.

These cadets will serve as Platoon Leaders in the AROTC Brigade in preparation for their eventual entry into the Advanced Course AROTC Program. Additionally, they will participate in courses specially designed to enhance their overall knowledge of military terminology, map

"Bright Star" Planning Begins

Prairie View A&M University and the AROTC Department plans to conduct its Annual "Bright Star" Dinner/Dance for the AROTC Advanced Course Cadets and their guests on 14 February 1974.

Originating in 1965, the "Bright Star" Dinner/Dance was designed to highlight the many contributions made by the Advanced Course Cadet in his capacity as Campus Lead-

er, Social Activist, and Honor Student.

Doctor A. I. Thomas, President, Prairie View A&M University, is expected to attend and present a \$100.00 scholarship to the Junior Military Science Cadet with the highest academic average.

C/Col Larry Lester, the AROTC Brigade's Deputy Commander and last year's recipient of the scholarship award, will be the guest speaker.

Capt. Poole Attends USAIS

Cadet Captain Donald R. Poole, the Army ROTC's Counter-Guerrilla Company Commander, was selected to attend the first phase of the Annual Nationwide Senior ROTC Cadet Orientation at Fort Benning, Georgia.

The Annual Orientation visit to Fort Benning is the camp. Lion Reverend Taylor then gave the benediction.

On Monday night, January 28, 1974 the club had its regular meeting at Kelly's Steak House and enjoyed the talk coming from Mr. John McClelland, who brought facts and information concerning the Texas Savings and Loan Association of Waller County. The regular meeting then followed and announcements were made by President Daniel of the dramatic Basketball Game to be held between the Hempstead Schools Bobcats Faculty and the Hempstead-Prairie View Lions Club, Thursday night, February 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the New Hempstead High School Gymnasium.

conducted in two 2-day increments. The first increment was held 24-26 January 1974. The second increment will be conducted during the period 7-9 February 1974. All expenses are paid by the US Army.

The objectives of the Orientation trip are to enable the Military Science Junior Cadet who has not decided on a branch to gain a better understanding of the combat arms with emphasis on the Infantry.

While at Fort Benning, Georgia, "The Home of the Infantry," Cadet Poole participated in informal tours and formal briefings personalized to fit his needs. His itinerary included visits to Fort Benning's Ranger, Airborne, and Pathfinder schools, as well as the Officer's Club and Post Exchanges facilities. On Saturday morning Cadet Poole observed a unique demonstration of America's Ranger and Airborne capabilities.

Cadet Poole briefed members of the Advanced Course and the AROTC Cadre on the highlights of his trip after returning to Prairie View A&M University.

reading, orienteering, drill and ceremonies, and military tactics.

The eighteen sophomore cadets, designated special students because of their interest, academic achievements, and leadership potential, can be identified by green tabs worn underneath the rank on their lapels.

The names of the cadets promoted by Colonel Daniels on Jan. 23 are — Fred Batts, Lester Blanks, Charles Davis, Harold Davis, Charles Ferguson, Chester

Floyd, Harold Goodman, Oscar Greenleaf, Carl Gude, Sammie Harrison, Daron Lee, Ernest Lowery, Ben McMillan, Anthony Scott, Kenneth Smith, Johnny Stewart, Ronald Stinnett, Willie Waters, Frank White, and William Whiteside.

Colonel Daniels also announced the promotion of C/Major Donald Nicholas to Cadet Lieutenant Colonel and C/Captains Anthony Echols and Alex Williams to Cadet Major.



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Track Team In Astrodome Saturday

Evans Return Will Help
Last season Prairie View's All SWAC halfmiler Cornell Evans dropped out of school and his absence put a big dent in the Panthers track team. However, things are looking up for the 1974 Panthers. The big reason is the return of Cornell.

"His (Cornell) presence was missed last year," said Panther track coach Hoover Wright. His return will make us stronger especially in the 2-mile and sprint medley relays," added Wright. Cornell would like to forget last year and help the Panthers win the South-

western Athletic Conference title. "I felt like I was left out last year and had to get back," recalls Cornell of last year. "My father was sick and I had to go home (San Antonio) and help my family. That's not all, I have a girl in San Antonio and that's another reason I had to go home," said Cornell.

Cornell's return proved to be a big asset to the Panthers. He ran a 1:53.0 stretch leg to help the Panthers run a 7:45.2 in the 2-mile relay in the NAIA nationals in Kansas City, Mo., to set a new indoor record.

Cornell's performance in Kansas City backed what he had said about the layoff not hurting him. "I don't think the layoff hurt me," stated the former San Antonio Wheatley star. "I ran a lot on my own last year. I think I am in better shape. Maybe the rest helped me," he said.

One of Cornell's goals is to help the Panthers win a SWAC title. He has some personal ambitions, too. "I would like to run a 1:47.0 half mile and 45.0 quarter," stated Cornell whose best in the half was a 1:51.0 in 1971 at the Houston meet of Champions.

When he was at Wheatley High in San Antonio, Cornell was one of the top

to do 1:47.0 before the year is over. About their record breaking performance Sharp commented, "I feel that it was our time to do it because we've always had good timings, but got beat at the tape." Well, nobody beat them at the tape on January 26.

Anchor leg is run by Ray Geter, a senior and 3 year letterman, 3 time All American from C. B. Dansby-Kilgore, Texas. He does the half in 1:49.4, but has plans of lowering that time to about 1:47.0. He also runs the mile and hopes to do a 45.0 in the quarter this season.

Although the guys are record breakers, they still have some goals for this season. They have hopes of doing their thing at 7:25.0 and at the rate they are going, it would be no surprise.

The PV Panther Track Team travels to Houston on February 9 to participate in the National Federation Indoor Championships at the Astrodome.



PRAIRIE VIEW'S ALL AMERICAN CANDIDATE LAWRENCE JOHNSON in record-breaking rebound performance, when he pulled down 35 against number two ranked Alcorn.

Johnson Doing His Thing for PV

by Joe Booker

Lawrence Johnson, Prairie View's 6-10 All American candidate is doing his thing for the Panthers.

Johnson proved against the number 2 ranked Alcorn Braves last week that he is for real. He pulled down 35 rebounds and used all sorts of turn around jump shots, hooks, etc. to score 26 points. His 35 rebounds broke Prairie View's single game record of 30 set by former PV All American Zelmo Beatty in 1962. He held Alcorn's 6-10 All American Nate Archibald to 12 points and 8 rebounds.

He is leading the nation in rebounding with a 23.0 game average. His 25.0 point per outing ranks high nationally, also.

Dave Whitney, head coach of the Alcorn Braves had high praise for Johnson prior to the PV-Alcorn game. "Johnson has to be one of the premier ball players in the country," said Whitney.

Johnson will lead the Panthers in their longest homestand this week. The Panthers will open the homestand with NAIA Zone member Paul Quinn Thursday. Eugene Short and his Jackson State Tigers hit town Saturday, followed by the running and shooting Southern Jaguars next Monday. Texas Southern comes to Panther-Land February 14, for shoot out number 2. The Panthers close out the homestand with Mississippi Valley February 16 and Bishop February 18.

PV 2-Mile Relay Team Breaks Record

By Sharon E. Odom
Sport Editor

The best way to describe the feeling of breaking a national record is "it felt good." I found this out recently while talking to a member of the PV Panther 2 mile relay team. This team, which includes Cornell Evans, better known as "Hunting Dog," Tommy "Pip" Pippins, Cleophus Sharp, and Ray Geter, broke the NAIA Indoors record of 7:49.7 by clocking in at 7:45.2. The team traveled to Kansas City Missouri, where they participated in the NAIA Nationals. It was there on January 26 that they set a new national indoor record in the 2 mile relay.

The first leg is run by Evans, a 3 year letterman from Wheatley-San Antonio. "Hunting Dog" is a 2 time All American and al-

so runs in the mile relay and spring medley. This senior has been timed at 1:51.1 in the half and is getting better all the time. He hopes to help his team to win a SWAC title this year.

The second leg is run by Pippins, a junior and 2 year letterman from Womack-Longview, Texas. In addition to running in the 2 mile relay, "Pip" is a miler and cross country runner. He was All American last year and his best time in the half mile was 1:52.3. He hopes to break 1:50.0 this year and I doubt if he'll have much trouble doing it.

Sharp, a 3 year letterman from E. Furr-Houston, capably runs the 3rd leg. This senior, who is All SWAC and All American, has been timed at 1:50.1 in the half and plans

PV A&M Pantherettes Women's Varsity Basketball Schedule

- February 8-9 ... Sunflower Classic Tournament
Southwest Texas State University
San Marcos, Texas
- February 15-16 .. Houston Invitational College Women's Tournament
Fonde Recreation Center
Houston, Texas
- February 18 Texas A&M here 5 p.m.
- February 22-23 .. Texas Woman's University
Invitational Tournament
Denton, Texas
- February 26 Texas A&M there 5 p.m.
- March 7 Scrimmage University of Houston
there 6:30
- March 15-16 District Tournament
University of Houston
- March 29-30 State Tournament
Tarleton University
Stephenville, Texas

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Women's Varsity Basketball At It's Best

The most talked about organization buzzing around the campus of PVU is that of the ladies Varsity Basketball Team. With

half milers and quarter milers in the state. He ran a 1:56.8 in the half, which ranked 8th in the state. He led the state most of his senior year in the quarter but finally finished 4th in the state with a 48.4.

Cornell hopes to help the Panthers win the Astrodome meet Saturday. "They (Astrodome Officials) cut out the 2-mile relay," said Cornell. "We will participate in the mile relay and distance medley."

Cornell will run on the mile relay team Saturday.

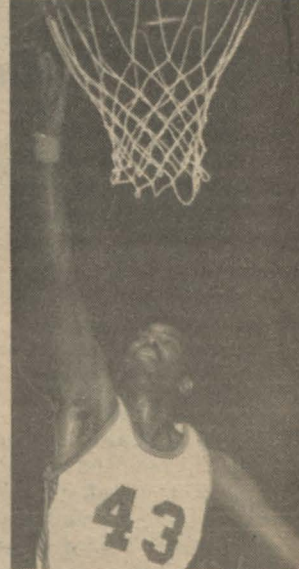
the Pen Name reigning from that of the PV Panthers. The Pantherettes open their season with a 47 to 20 win over the TSU Tigerettes Jan. 21, 1974 at Hofheinz Pavillion. Their second game was against the U of H Cougarettes which they won by a score of 33 to 24.

The Pantherettes were organized in the spring of 1973 by such inspiring members as Creola and Ceola Tamplin, Carolyn Turner, Priscilla Dickson, Wanda Smith, Georgia Frazier, Pam Luckey, Sharon Gill and Luaretta Council. Their coach is Miss R. Copeland. The season record of last year stands at 2-1. This year they have a record of 2-0. So far, they have played two of their six scheduled games. They have engagements in Houston, St. Marcus, and Okla.

This years team consists of fifteen players with ten traveling. Members: Mary Anderson (fr.), post, DeBerry; Debbie Broussard (fr.) post, Liberty; Sandra Clay (fr.), guard, New Orleans, La.; Billye "Boo" Douglas (fr.), guard, Houston; Rosie Fields (soph.), guard, Weiaman; Marsha Gipson, (fr.), guard, Rockdale; Sharon Gill, (soph.), post, Woosrulle; Argilow Hammond (fr.), guard, Fulshear; Cynthia "Hook" Jones, (fr.), guard, Grand Prairie; Bonnie McDade (fr.), guard, Bellville; Mary "Speed Demon" Minor (fr.), guard, Anderson; Wanda Smith (soph.), guard, Crosby; Creola Tamplin (sr.), guard, Mt.



Prairie View's sophomore guard Charles Gant.



Prairie View's freshman Kermit McAdory in action.

Enterprise; Ceola Tamplin (sr.), guard, Mt. Enterprise; and Carolyn Turner (soph.), post, Anderson.

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