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Fall "Honor Roll" Released

A Total of 563 Students Listed — Twenty-Nine Earn Straight A's



PV ON CAMPUS SPOTLIGHT — Admissions Director Dr. George Stafford join students Theresa Andrews and Sidney Hicks during a radio taping for PV's presentation on a national Black Network. Gwenlyn Wright and Ricky Carter also participated in the production scheduled for release from Atlanta, Georgia at a time to be announced.

The Registrar's office today released the Fall Semester Honor Roll which contained a total of 563 students representing all schools and colleges of the university.

Twenty-nine students earned straight "A" (4.00) records during the session. The top of the list included Phillip Alexander, Rachel Buckner, Ethel Clark, Hulen Davis, Don Daniels, Henry Dean, Marilyn Emanuel, Anita Fincher, Allan L. Flowers, Oledia George, Kenneth Haley, Arunk Jain, Vanessa Page, Seceter Phillips, Gladys Pikes, William Roberts, Hillery Robinson, Marco Rolle, John Schmitt,

Roger Smith, Willie Tempton, Sheryl Thomas, Barbara Tompkins, Christine Wiley, Mark Williams, Doretha Woods, Guyler Wright, Robert Young and George Zonicle.

Freshmen students topped the list in numbers with 180 on the roll, with seniors running second with 147.

According to colleges, the breakdown was as follows: Arts and Sciences — 286, Agriculture — 17, Engineering — 104, Home Economics — 37, Industrial Education & Technology — 44, and Nursing — 77.

The complete Honor Roll included —

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Adams, Sharon
Afshang, Elsa
Alexander, Phillip
Alexander, Renita
Bagley, Leo
Balthazar, Sidney
Bans, Ruby
Barlowe, Carolyn
Beard, Aurdrena
Bell, Willie
Blake, Kenneth
Branch, Addie
Brooks, Kathy
Buckner, Rachel
Calhoun, Diane
Charles, Debra
Childers, Brenda
Choyce, Charlie
Christopher, James
Clack, Ethel
Clay, William
Coburn, Richard
Cockrell, Drusilla
Cole, Daniel Jr.
Conn, Rex
Cooper, Sandra
Crow, Glenda
Dabney, Helen
Daniels, Jerry
Daniels, Jiles Jr.
Davis, Glenda
Davis, Hulen
Davis, Janette
Davis, Janice

Dean, Henry
Debose, Alfred Jr.
Dooley, Jamie
Duncombe, Raymond
Elmore, Omega
Epps, Albert
Everett, Pavlon
Fincher, Anita
Flowers, Allan
Fowler, Theresa
Frederick, Austin Jr.
Gant, Jessie
Gardner, Debra
Collins, Paul
Garrett, Sherry
Gentry, James
George, Marguerite
Glover, Veronica
Goines, Cathleen
Gray, Vicki
Green, Carolyn
Haley, Kenneth
Hamilton, Consuella
Harper, Brenda
Harrison, Patricia
Hodge, Horace
Hodrick, Leon
Hudson, Cutee
Jain, Arun
Johnson, Earnest
Johnson, Oswald
Johnson, Valerie
Jolley, Lawyer
Jones, Tony

Kelley, Barbara
Kelley, Ruby
Kemp, Wanda
King, Guy
King, Jesselyn
Kirby, Kelvin
Knighton, Gerald
Krakue, Valencia
Lewis, Bart
Love, Leslie
Lyles, Erma
Malveaux, Eric
Maney, Sharlette
Mathis, Sharon
McBride, Rachel
McClain, Sheri
McIntosh, Alene
McIntosh, Venetta
McNeil, Edwin
Morrow, Angi
Mosby, Mary
Mosely, Beverly
Mshelia, Yohanna
Murphy, Paula
Neal, Timmie
Nicholson, Cynthia
Page, Carla
Patterson, Cynthia
Pegram, Ronald
Perkins, Vivian
Phillips, Seceter
Pikes, Gladys
Platt, Carl
Porter, Kenneth

PV Sponsors SW Band Directors Conference

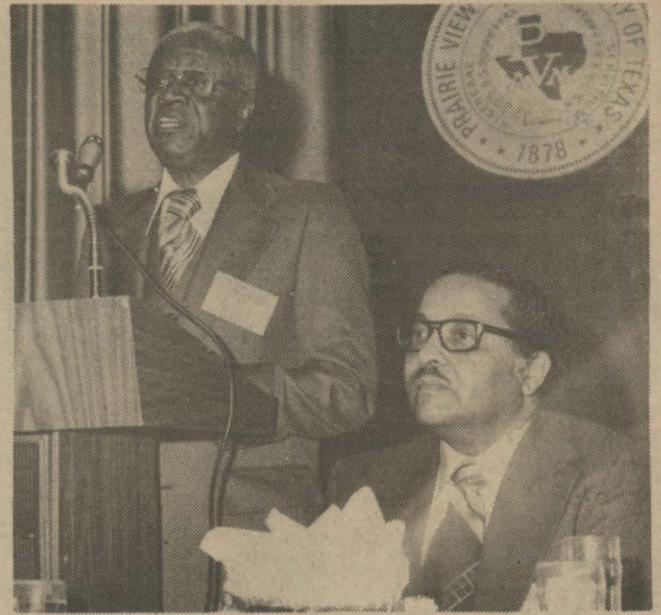
A Conference for Band Directors in the Southwest has been scheduled at Prairie View A&M University for March 18-19. The two-day meet is being sponsored by the Department of Music with Dr. Lucius R. Wyatt serving as Director.

Featured clinicians for the Friday night and Saturday sessions include Professor Jimmie H. Reynolds, Conductor of Bands, Iowa State University. Dr. Bill Moffitt, director of University of Houston Marching Band, and Prof. Conrad O. Johnson, director, Kashmere High School Stage Band.

All sessions are scheduled to be held in the New Music Building on Campus.

Two Organizations Suspended

According to reports from Rev. W. Van Johnson, Director of Student Activities, the Soul Phi Psi Fraternity and the Phi Beta Lambda Business Fraternity have been suspended because of disorderly conduct displayed in the Alumni Hall. The suspension becomes effective immediately pending further investigation.



ENGINEER'S WEEK — Claude L. Wilson, P.E., Engineer of the Year — 1977 addresses students at the Engineering Student Awards Luncheon at Prairie View A&M University as Prairie View's Engineering Dean, A. E. Greaux, P.E., Listens intently. Dean Greaux served as Chairman of the Committee on Student Activities for Region IV Texas Society of Professional Engineers during National Engineers Week.

Industrial Education and Technology Scores Again

The drafting and design department of the College of Industrial Education and Technology has been presented a student chapter charter from the American Institute for design and drafting, forty active student members were presented membership cards, certificates and lapel pins.

Members of the American Institute for Design and Drafting having recognized the need for a closer working relationship between members in a central, geographical area established a Texas Gulf Coast Branch of A.I.D.D. in which Prairie View A&M University Educational has been granted full education institute membership. The Gulf Coast Branch is governed by the Texas Gulf Coast Council.

The objectives of the

organization are as follows:

1. To provide management with current information relative to reducing costs and increasing efficiency in design-drafting.
2. To provide persons engaged in the production of graphics with effective drawing techniques.
3. To promulgate ways for improving design-drafting curriculum in educational institutes.
4. To provide guidance to those seeking a career in design and drafting and to foster a pride in the profession.

Mr. Albert Hearn, head of the drafting and design department and sponsor, Mrs. Myrtle Tompkins and Mr. Bobby Kennard were installed as educational institute drafting faculty members.

Houston Career Carnival Scheduled March 4th

Prairie View A&M University and the Advisory Council of the Greater Houston Area will sponsor the Annual College Career Carnival on March 4 in the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.

All college bound juniors and seniors throughout the area are invited to attend. The carnival will run from 6:30 and 10:30 p.m. All university academic department will be represented and staff members will serve as advisers to high school students. Other university officers will be hand to answer questions and assist students in planning a college career.

The carnival will include fun activities and entertainment

featuring the PV Jazz Ensemble and the "Black Foxes". Door prizes will be given in addition to trophies to schools with the highest attendance.

Mrs. Mary A. Clark is coordinating the event for the University. She serves as chairman of a large campus steering committee and several general committees working with the project.

Representative of the Houston Advisory Council giving leadership to the Carnival include Mrs. Ruby Summers, Chairman, Carmen Stewart, co-chairman, Mrs. Minnie Stringfellow, co-chairman, and Mrs. Shirley Jefferson, co-chairman.

Scenes From Engineering Awards Luncheon at PV



Hillery Robinson, Jr., Senior Electrical Engineering major from Prairie View A&M University, receives the Outstanding Engineering Student Award from Mr. Willard Amann, P.E., Vice President of Region IV — Texas Society of Professional Engineers while Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, Prairie View's President looks on approvingly. The award was made at the elaborate Engineering Student Awards Luncheon which was held at Prairie View A&M University on February 16, 1977.



Dr. David Reyes-Guerra, Executive Director, Engineers Council for Professional Development, delivers the keynote address during the Engineering Student Awards Luncheon.

Price, Linda
Proctor, Ingrid
Roberts, William
Robins, Florence
Robinson, Hillery
Rolle, Marco
Ross, Debra
Rush, Linda
Schmitt, John
Scott, James
See, Barbara
See, Debra
Singletary, Sharon
Smith, Benny
Smith, Roger
Smith, Sharon
Stewart, Sheryl
Stramler, Sharon
Strauther, Vivian
Sturup, Jeffrey
Tempton, Willie Jr.
Terry, Cynthia

Tezeno, Hilda
Thomas, Debora
Thomas, Janet
Thomas, Pamela
Thomas, Sheryl
Tolbert, Frankie
Tomas, Eugene
Tompkins, Barbara
Toote, Christopher
Tubbs, Phyllis
Turner, Vewisier
Umar, Tijjani
Viltz, Deborah
Walker, Cynthia
Walker, James
Walker, Pamela
Walkine, Crosley
Wallace, Phillis
Watkins, Jesse Jr.
Watson, Corina
Watts, Cleveland
Westbrook, Fred

Wiley, Christine
Wikerson, Corlis
Williams, Debra
Williams, Leroy
Williams, Lytle
Williams, Mark
Williams, Norris
Woodard, Lashina
Woods, Doretha
Wright, Gwylene
Young, Robert
Zonicle, George Jr.
Zonicle, Virginia
Bibbs, Audrae
Daniels, Don
Emanuel, Marilyn
Khodadadi, Reza
Maman, Mahamane
Moore, Faye
Wadhwa, Varinder

Dean Greaux to Address NASA Conference

Prairie View's Engineering Dean A. E. Greaux is scheduled to address the NASA Engineering Conference on March 2, 1977. The conference is being sponsored by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The conference will bring together engineers, scientists and educators to this three-day conference at NASA's Johnson Spacecraft Center in Houston, Texas.



Greaux

Dean Greaux has given direction to the College of Engineering at Prairie View A&M University since February 1967. Under his leadership the College of Engineering has gained national accreditation from the Engineers' Council for Professional Development. He has moved the College into a prominent leadership role in Engineering Education. He has made the College of Engineering a center of innovation in the preparation of minorities for the engineering professions by developing programs which focussed on stimulating success in engineering. Such programs as the early exposure of high school youths to engineering in the engineering community of the university, has become a national effort called MITE (Minority Introduction To Engineering). The program is now being sponsored nationally by E.C.P.D.

Dean Greaux moved with programs such as the Engineering Concepts Institute (E.C.I.) to prepare recent high school graduates for entry into a curriculum of study in Engineering. This program

coupled with the Engineering Science Advancement Institute (E.S.A.I.), the Summer Engineering Experience (Project SEE) the Summer Engineering Internship program and the tutorial-counseling program Project Intercept, have been the components of a comprehensive engineering education system at Prairie View A&M University. The resulting manifestation is that this year, engineering enrollment soared to a record high of 605 students. It has also caused the university to lead the nation in the production of engineers who happen to be Black. It has also caused the College of Engineering to place over 121 engineering students on the First Semester's Honor Roll.

Dean Greaux will address the conference on the Role of NASA in developing the research capabilities of the engineering colleges with pre-dominantly Black enrollments.

Ogg's Bill to Assure Tuition Refunds

Senator Jack Ogg (D-Houston) today introduced legislation that would standardize the policy of tuition refunds to students at Texas state supported universities.

"Under the bill, students who dropped courses within the first two weeks of a semester would be assured a full tuition refund" Senator Ogg said "In addition, the bill sets out a uniform refund rate for students who are forced to totally withdraw from the college or university. It seems only fair that a student should not have to pay tuition for a course he does not take, if he chooses not to take that course early enough in the semester. With the number of students that have changing job requirements, the beginning of the semester often requires a fluctuation in their schedule. This bill should be of benefit to those students, but should not cause a significant inconvenience to the university."

The bill was passed in almost identical form by both houses of the legislature last session but was vetoed by the governor.

"Special provisions have been set out in the bill this session which provides that if the student received the tuition through a scholarship, the tuition would be refunded to the source of the money rather than to the student. This clears up the governor's major objections to the bill and I am hopeful we can repeat our success in the legislature," Senator Ogg concluded.

the old hospital building on the first floor. The date of our next clinic is March 9, 1977.

All children under 18 must be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian so that necessary forms can be completed and signed. Any previous records of immunizations should be brought to the clinic to enable us to determine what the child needs.

The staff and students of Prairie View A&M University are welcome to come over to the clinic and get their Tetanus Shot if they need one.

The shots are given by Sandra Swackhamer R. N. from the Texas Department of Health Resources. She is



Architectural Students Trip to Los Angeles Becomes A Reality

During the Faculty-Student Renewal period, March 7-11, students in the Department of Architecture at Prairie View A&M University will travel to Los Angeles, California and Phoenix, Arizona. The Purpose of this educational excursion is to acquire exposure to the different types of architecture of the west coast. After two hard years of raising funds for the trip to California, the members of the fund-raising committee finally reached their goal. The members of the fund-raising committee pictured are: (standing) left to right, Mark George, James Johnson, Cecil Macklin, Dale Randle, and Adolph Matthews; (kneeling) left to right, Larry Martin, Elliott Kerl, Rachel Bucker, Roberta Faison, and Kenneth Porter. The photo was taken by committee member James Hawthorne. Members not shown are: DeAndre Johnson, Leon Kirk, Douglas Banks, and Rickey Howard.

Some of the interesting and architecturally significant places to be included in the field trip in Los Angeles are tours through the Barnsdall Park area, the Wilshire area, the Convention and Civic Center downtown, Broadway Plaza area, the Schools of Architecture at UCLA and USC, and

assisted by Shirley Cook, Immunization Service Aide and also the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority from Prairie View.

visits to the architectural offices of Paul Williams and Edison. On the returning portion of the trip, they will tour Frank Lloyd Wright's home, Taliesin West, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

This extended Field — Laboratory Study Tour is the second major study tour conducted by the Department of Architecture. It is part of the department's program which is designed to broaden the intellectual experiences of the students as they study the architecture of various regions of the United States.

Future Field — Laboratory Study Tour are being projected for the study of the architecture of the Latin American Countries, the islands of the Caribbean and the new towns of Europe.

Beta Beta Beta On The Move

The members of Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society visited the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston on February 4, 1977, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The members were given a brief lecture on the history of the University and the different departments in the medical school. The campus was toured and interesting questions were raised during discussion sessions. A luncheon for the members was held in the President's Banquet Room.

On Monday, February 14, 1977, a Valentine Party was held from 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. The President of Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society would like to extend an appreciation of thanks to the various committees for performing their tasks so well and to all the members for their sincere cooperation.

Oswald Johnson, President

Grooves Form Advisory Council

A number of the members of Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship Incorporated, along with a few staff members of Alumni Hall, have formed an advisory council, its purpose being to act as a sort of intermediary between students and alumni staff.

We realize that students here have difficulty in conveying their wants and needs to those in authority. The reasons for this dilemma, we can only assume — inadequate knowledge about how to voice opinions in a decorous manner, being unaware of just whom to discuss their grievances with, or getting exasperated and apathetic toward anything or anybody in authority.

There are probably other reasons, both rational and totally asinine why students don't get more involved, and just passively let things happen, but the alert and aware members of Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship are hoping that the formation of this council will alleviate some of this inactiveness which is beginning to border on total stagnation.

Dwayne Revis, Co-Editor

Biology Grad Gets Baylor University Appointment

The Executive Faculty Board of Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas recently approved seventeen new full-time faculty appointments. Among those appointed was Dr. Alfred N. Poindexter, III, as Assistant Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Poindexter is a 1964 graduate of Prairie View A&M University, and he received the M.D. degree from Meharry Medical College, Nashville, Tennessee in 1968. Dr. Poindexter is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred N. Poindexter of Prairie View. The senior Dr. Poindexter is a member of the College of Agriculture and is the University Veterinarian.

"Alpha-Angel Sale A Success"

The Alpha Angel Society participated in a joint sale with the Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., February 16.

The sale, given on campus, followed the basketball game. This was the first joint-project for the semester and it was considered a success. Therefore the sisters of Alpha Angel Society and the brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha, Fraternity, Inc. extend a warm "Thank you" to those of you who gave your support and made it a success.

By Angel Erna Simon

Free Immunizations

Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (Whooping Cough), Polio, Measles, Mumps, and Rubella (three day Measles) are all vaccine preventable childhood diseases. They strike all age groups of unprotected children but most often those between one and four years old. This is why the Texas Department of Health Resources is urging all parents to come to our FREE IMMUNIZATION CLINIC and obtain protection for their children against these diseases. Parents should start their

child's immunizations at the age of TWO MONTHS and follow the recommended schedule: two months, Polio and DTP, four months, Polio and DTP, six months, Polio and DTP, fifteen months, Measles, Mumps and Rubella, Twelve to eighteen months, Polio and DTP, four to six years, Polio and DTP. After this, a Tetanus shot should be obtained by everyone every Ten years.

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TRAIL RIDE COMMITTEE — FFA campus leaders were busy earlier this week as their group helped entertain the large number of participants in the Prairie View Trail Ride which started from PV on Sunday and ended up in the Houston Livestock and Rodeo Parade Friday.

The Symphonic Band Performs First Concert

The members of the University Symphonic Band have been diligently preparing for their first concert of the year on Thursday, February 24th at the Holleman Elementary School in Waller, Texas. Membership in the Symphonic Band has increased to 65 musicians. In this first concert the Symphonic Band will perform such selections as the Finale from Symphonic No. 5 by Dimitri Shostakovich, Toccata by Girolamo Frescobaldi, Canzona by Peter Mennin, and Elegy by John Barnes Chance.

The featured soloist on the program will be Eric Malveaux, a Senior Music Major, from Galveston, Texas. Eric will perform the Concertante for Alto Saxophone and Symphonic Band by Clare Grundman.

The elected officers of the

Symphonic Band are: Karen Elliott, President, Darry Curtis, Vice-President, Pamela Cole, Secretary, Keith Simpson, Treasurer, Raymond Ward, Chaplain, and Helen Carden, Reporter. The section leaders are: Karen Elliott, Flutes; Claudette Hamilton, B-flat Clarinets; Ruby Anderson, Bass Clarinets; Brenda Kirby, Bassoons; Eric Malveaux, Saxophones; Velma Wilson, French Horns; Gregory Guilory, Trumpets; Gerry Demars, Trombones; Ronald Nelson, Euphoniums; Raymond Ward, Tubas; and Darry Curtis, Percussion.

The University Symphonic Band is directed by Dr. Lucius R. Wyatt. The Assistant Director of the Symphonic Band is Mr. Willie J. Williams.

Helen Carden, Reporter

Grooves Recognize Black History Month

This month is one of great importance and consequence to our people. It is a time for the acknowledgement of the rich heritage black people possess.

We sometimes forget that it has only been a relatively few years since we even received the right to vote, and barely a decade has passed since the Civil Rights Amendment was passed, and supposedly enabled all people of all colors to live without the fear and demoralization of facing the cruel, intolerable retributions that the Wasps were so competent in conceiving.

Circumstances today are different, at least superficially.

In Gratitude

My family and I express my gratitude to all those friends, who attended the Memorial Service of my son, Arun Jain, at Prairie View and his cremation at Houston. Also for the letters, flowers of condolence and sympathy, gifts, etc. and for their spiritual help and prayers.

I am deeply touched by the sentiments expressed by them on this occasion.

Lal C. Jain & family

A greater number of black people are finally seeing bits and pieces of that famous "American Dream", and liking the looks of them; but in the process of achieving that level of affluence, we are becoming more assimilative, and losing our perspective. We are, in effect, forfeiting our rich legacy.

Dwayne Revis, Co-Editor

Attention — New Entertainment The "Montiques"

On March 2, 1977 Club Pantherette are sponsoring a new group to entertain Prairie View A&M student body, although they are now staying in El Paso, Texas they are originally from San Antonio, Texas. The group has just recently came off tour with B. T. Express and now in process of recording their own material.

Time: 9:00-until
Admission: \$1.00 per sale
\$1.25 at door

Place: Blackshear Field-house.

* Tickets will go on sale February 28, 1977 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Tri-Beta Sponsors Dance

The members of Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society sponsored a dance on Thursday, February 10, 1977. The dance was held in the Women's Gym from 9:30 to 11:30 p.m. The President of Tri-Beta would like to thank the members for their excellent performance.

Oswald Johnson, President

Alpha's Newly Elected Officers

The brothers of the Eta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. at Prairie View A&M University would like to take this opportunity to introduce the newly elected officers who will have the responsibility of overseeing the affairs of the chapter for the remainder of the semester. The officers are:

President, John Osby; Vice President, Lawrence Fryer, Jr.; Corr. Secretary, Claude Cotton; Recording Secretary, Clyde Lemon; Treasurer, Lionel Evans; associate Editor-to-Sphinx, Stanton Lawrence; Parliamentarian, Andre Fryer; Chaplain, Gerald Gilstrap; Historian, Garry Cheeks; Sargent-at-Arms, Mitchell Normand; Dean of Pledges, Lawrence Fryer; Assistant Dean of Pledges, Gerald Gilstrap; Pan-Council Representatives, Frederick Roberts and Marco Rolle.



NAVY HOUSING PROGRAM DISCUSSED — Vice President George Ragland and Captain Benjamin Cloud welcome midshipmen Charles Parr, Battalion Commander and Joseph Lawson to the meeting of the Executive Cabinet. The two students described the special ROTC housing facilities on campus which have been rated high by both students and staff.

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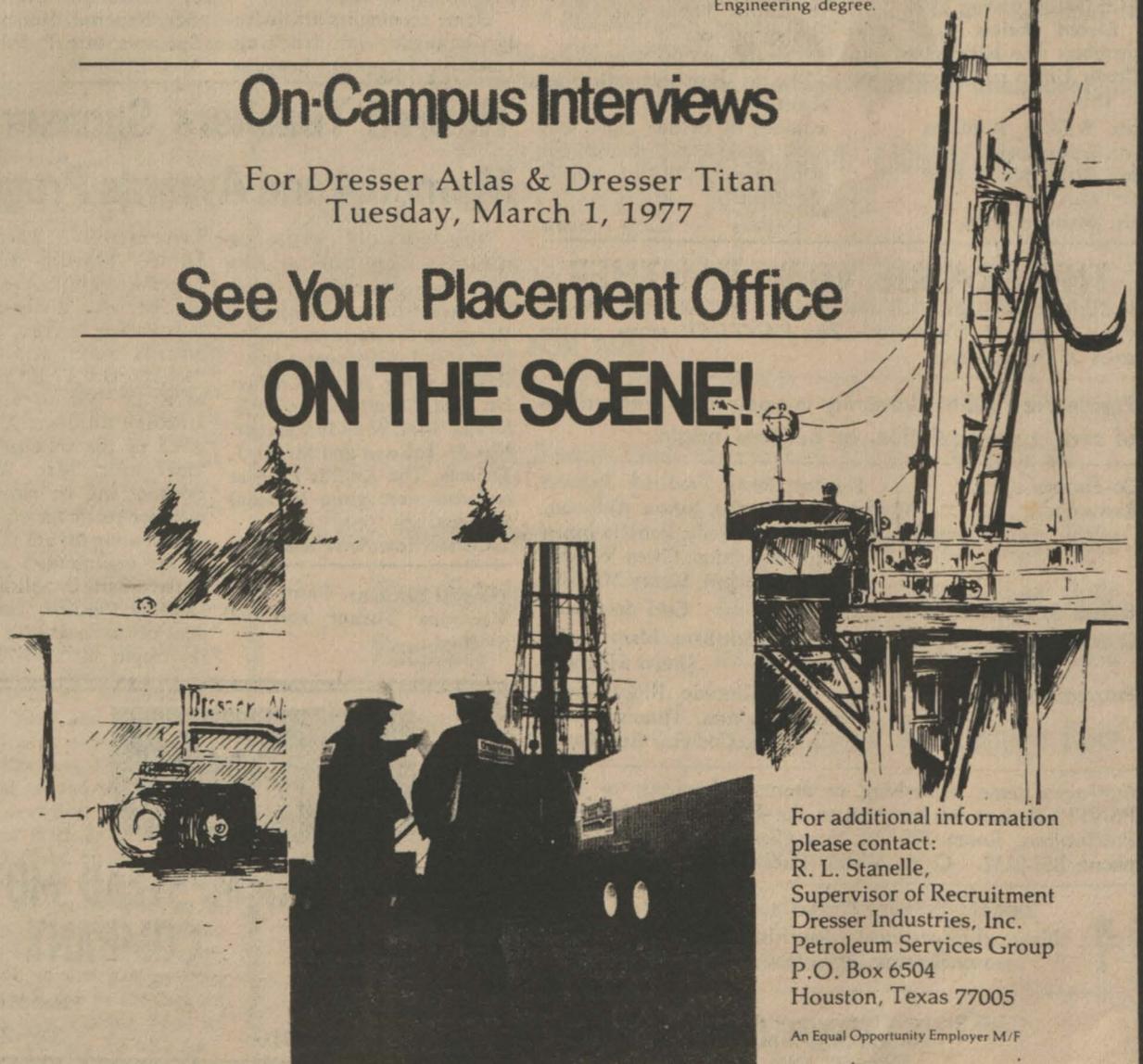


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PV Credit Union Schedules Annual Meeting March 14

The Board of Directors met on January 18, 1976, and set The Prairie View A&M University Employees Federal Credit Union Annual Meeting for March 14, 1976, at the Newman Center at 8:00 p.m.

The annual meeting is held each year to give its members the opportunity to elect officials for the year. It also gives the officials an opportunity to report to members the progress that the Credit Union has made during the previous year. This year four positions on the Board of Directors and two positions on the Credit Committee are up for reelection.

The annual meeting also gives the members the opportunity to voice complaints about the management, directors, lending policies, book-keeping or any other activity concerning the Credit Union. This is the time and place to make it known.

If any members have compliment for the staff or the directors, they'd be most interested hearing these, too... as the old saying goes, "If we don't please you, tell us. If we do please you, tell everybody."

This is your Credit Union. We try to respond to your needs better than a store, a finance company, a bank, or savings and loans association. Just thought you would like to know.

If you are unable to make the annual meeting on March 14, the Board of directors would like for you to know that your Credit Union is in excellent financial condition, and experienced the largest growth in its 40 year year history. It grew in assets — some twenty-four percent, and is now well over \$400,000.00. Our Credit Union now has over 500 members and made loans to two hundred of these members in excess of \$425,000.00 during 1976.

Listed below are new members who have joined our Credit Union since September 1, 1976.

- Mr. Willie J. Williams
- Mr. Larry Jones
- Ms. Willie Mae Lewis
- Dr. Carl Settles
- Dr. Maurice Mills

- Mr. Willie Davis
- Mr. Joseph Brown
- Dr. Allen C. Carter
- Dr. Phillip Kithcart
- Ms. Linda J. Coleman
- Dr. William Downey
- Ms. Dorothy Collins
- Dr. Jack L. Cross
- Dr. Alvin Brossette
- Ms. Tommie Ann Hill
- Mr. Wesley Henderson
- Dr. Lucius Wyatt
- Mrs. Gladys M. Herndon
- Ms. Cynthia Ann Rogers
- Mr. Gerald A. Christopher
- Mrs. Belva L. Hughes
- Mr. John H. Mosee
- Mrs. Claudia O. Brown
- Mrs. Ivory J. Lavalais
- Mrs. Sandra Mitchell
- Dr. Kenneth Jordan
- Ms. Sue Sampleton
- Miss Erma Miller
- Mr. Gerald Bennett

The Credit Union is very proud of its members and is trying to please them in every way. So come out on March 14, and help us to make this a successful and enjoyable evening. There will be three door prizes to be given away — first prize, \$25.00; second prize, \$15.00 and a third prize of \$10.00. The Credit Union will also honor its Charter and 40-year members. Refreshments will be served. "Y'all Come, you hear."

Sunday Morning Worship Service

By Sandra Ivey

Sunday Church services for February 20, 1977 were enjoyed by a house of Church goers. The church services were very inspiring. The message was "What is Thy Name", delivered by the Rev. Van Johnson.

The service got under way with a song from the Baptist Student Movement Choir followed by the call to altar, offering and more music from the choir. There was also a closing prayer.

The thought for Sunday was "The heights by such men reached and kept were not attained by sudden flight. But they, while their companions slept, were toiling upward in the night."

Ushers — Ezell Green,

W. R. Banks Library

Announces its

Black Heritage Observance Negro Texan

A Negro Texan, born, reared, and buried in Waco, Texas was a world famous singer. He was Jules Bledscoe whose name first went up in lights in 1928 when he sang "Old Man River" by Jerome Kern in Florenz Ziegfeld's production of *Showboat*.

He played in Europe in the lead of Eugene O'Neill's *Emperor Jones*. Back in the United States he virtually stopped the show in a performance of *Aida* in Cleveland when he got 16 curtain calls in the second act.

Pictures and information on Bledscoe are among many noted Texans in the *Negro Texans*, a traveling show from the Institute of Texas Cultures in San Antonio, Texas. It is scheduled to open February 20-28, 1977 in the W. R. Banks Library on the second floor.

The exhibit also tells of two powerful Republicans, Norris Wright Cuney and William M. McDonald; The Buffalo Soldiers, Indian fighters; big rancher Daniel Webster (80 John) Wallace; pioneer heroine Kian Long; Hendricks Arnold and Greenberry Logan, among Texans at the Seige of Bexar in 1835; Richard Boyd, publisher; Meshack (Shack) Roberts, founder of Wiley College in Marshall; U.S. Congresswoman Barbara Jordan, first Negro woman elected to the Texas Legislature; Dr. James Farmer, Samuel Nabrit, and Zelma George — to name a few.

The exhibit shows that Negroes have had a significant role in the development of Texas. Their race was among the first to come to the land we call Texas, long before it was a state.

American Home Economics Association

By Therasa Andrews

The American Home Economics Association, founded in 1909, is an educational and scientific organization of approximately 50,000 men and women, 35,000 with bachelor's or advanced degrees in home economics or one of its specializations, and 15,000 college student members enrolled in undergraduate programs in home economics. Each member of the national Association is also a member of an affiliated home economics association in one of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico.

Home economists are actively engaged in teaching, research, extension, business,

dietetics, health and welfare journalism, and homemaking. The Association functions through subject-matter and professional sectionals and through committee, to improve the quality and standards of individual and family life through education, research, cooperative programs, and public information.

The AHEA here on the yard is active in the Association functions with over 20 members and their 1977 officers as follows: President, Gaily Jones; Vice President, Therasa Andrews; Secretary, Roslyn Baker; Treasurer, Helen Whiteside; Reporter, Shirley Cooper; Sponsors, Mrs. P. Solmon and Mrs. E. Noeh.

Retired Teachers Sponsor Memorial and Awards Program

The Prairie View Retired Teachers Association at their Wednesday, January 26 meeting presented a Memorial Program for departed members. Mrs. Iola Carpenter, Mr. J. P. Brown, Mr. Arthur Cleaver, Dr. J. M. Coruthers, Dr. E. B. Evans, Mrs. Maude Cleaver, Mrs. H. L. Swan and Mr. O. J. Thomas. The Awards Program honorees were given National citations.

Charter member recipients

Darrell Thomas. Captain — Veronica Turner and Jill Stafford.

were: Mrs. B. A. Thomas, Mr. D. W. Martin, Sr., Mrs. Lucellustine Wilson and Mr. H. R. Turner. Recipients for outstanding service receiving awards were: Mrs. Odessa Mosely, Dr. T. R. Solomon, Mrs. L. Wilson and Miss Dorothy Burdine. A trophy, given by the organizer of the local unit, Mrs. Anne C. Preston, will be passed to a member yearly for outstanding contribution toward the growth of the organization according to the criteria established. Miss Dorothy Burdine, past president of the local unit received the trophy for 1977-78.

Library Displays Exhibits

By JoAnn Alderson

The month of February is granted as being the month that celebrates black history. There are several exhibits, on display located in the W. R. Banks library to help celebrate this worthy cause.

These exhibits show that Negroes have had a significant role in the development of Texas. One exhibit reveals U.S. Congresswomen Barbara Jordan first Negro woman elected to the Texas legislature, another exhibit shows Meshack Roberts the founder of Wiley College in Marshall, Texas and it goes on to show other black Americans who may be classified as fathers or founders of black history.

The exhibits were put on display by Miss Dorothy Wilson, Mrs. Mary Boozer, Mrs. Jimmizine Taylor and the student workers in the library. Miss Wilson served as captain, Mrs. Boozer and Mrs. Taylor served as co-captains and the students served with joy. According to Mr. Frank Francis, Library Department Head, there are displays located on all three floors in the library.

"These displays are changed every two weeks", said Mr. Francis. "These displays will be taken down on March 1", added Mr. Francis.

If anyone is wondering about the book *Roots* several copies are available in the library and

can be checked out by students and faculty. There are selections of *Roots* that cannot be taken out of the library but you may read the book inside the building.

"Yes I read the book *Roots* and I think it is important and all of us should read it", replied Mr. Francis.

National Black Network Salutes Black History Week

In celebration of Black History Week, the *National Black Network* presented two historical radio dramas highlighting the lives of Robert Smalls, who was a black civil war naval captain and congressman, and Joseph Cinque, a slave who broke bonds at sea and later won free passage back to Africa.

The two stories, each fifteen minutes long, are part of the series titled, "Great Adventures of the Black Man in America", produced by NBN and narrated by Golden Mike Award Winner, Roy Wood. Both programs were made available on Monday, February 14, 1977 to the 80 radio stations affiliated with NBN.

FIRST CONSTITUTION

Massachusetts May 16, 1775, became the first state to adopt a state constitution.

Food For Thought

By Carl E. Settles, Ph.D.

Just the other day, I visited W. R. Banks Library. While there I noticed this poem in Mrs. Naomi Baker's office, which I would like to share with you...

Sometime, when you're feeling important
Sometime, when your ego's in bloom
Sometime, when you take it for granted
You're the best qualified in the room
Sometime, when you feel that your going
Would leave an unfillable hole
Just follow this simple instruction
And see how it can humble your soul.

Take a bucket and fill it with water
Put your hand in it, up to your wrist
Pull it out, and the hold that's remaining
Is a measure of how you'll be missed
You can splash all you please when you enter
You can stir up the water galore
But stop, and you'll find in a minute
That it looks the same as before.

The moral of this quaint example
Is do just the best that you can
Be proud of yourself, but remember
There is no indispensable man (person).

We, Prairie Viewites, should be very proud of our accomplishments. We have a strong tradition of producing "productive people" in all fields of human endeavors. We have a fine faculty and staff and at this time, are developing our physical plant to meet the demands of leadership for the coming years.

However, we must not lose sight of our past and our responsibility to this Institution. People will come and go but institutions will live on forever. Our mission is to recognize and respect each individuals' accomplishments but at the same time recognize that we can be replaced. We have a responsibility to continue our efforts and not just live on past achievements.

The academic community is for persons who are willing to "stretch" to the limits of their ability and we, as students and faculty members, must continue to live up to this great tradition.

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Alphas Attend State Convention

On Friday, February 18, 1977 the Brothers and Angels of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., of Prairie View A&M University, travelled to Dallas, Texas to attend the Annual State Convention held at the Sheraton Oak Cliff Hotel.

While at the convention the Brothers had the opportunity of meeting brothers that are stretched out far and wide in this big state of Texas, and the chance of seeing some of the administrative policies that govern the organization being set on the state level.

The Brothers and the Angels both took part in the Stomp Competition that was a part of the convention activities. From the onset of the convention all the other chapters were very concerned about whether or not the "Macking Eta Gamma" was going to perform. The appearance of the Brothers in their daring Black & Gold uniforms aroused the applauses from beginning to end. Of course the Brothers emerged as the Texas State Champions in this competition for the second consecutive year beating out the Brothers of Devasting Zeta Chi who had held the position three years ago.

The highlight of the convention was the Banquet at which time the brothers had the opportunity of listening to a very dynamic speaker, Brother Emerson Emorey. Brother Emorey is an Alumnus of Prairie View and is currently practicing as a Psychiatrist in the Dallas area. His topic was centered around the theme of the convention. "Putting It Together With Business." The theme focused on the kinds of issues that we are Blacks have got to address ourselves to in the society today. Brother Emory said that the reason some of us are not getting anywhere is due to the fact we are too busy looking back at what is catching up with us.

We would like to congratulate the Brothers for their wonderful performance at the convention. We would like to



HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL GROUPS — Two of the visiting high school choral groups that participated in a Choral Clinic sponsored by the Music Department two weeks ago.

Civil Engineer's Honor's Club at PV Helps Needy Family

We, the members of the Civil Engineer's Honor's Club at Prairie View A&M University collected donations during the Christmas season and presented them to a needy family in our community. We agreed that the small amount couldn't satisfy their entire needs, but we hope it gave them some seasonal happiness and a

Congratulate Brother Raymond Carreathers, (Epsilon Tau Lambda) on being elected as the Parliamentarian for the Texas State Council of Alpha Chapters for the coming two years.

Frederick V. Roberts

thought for the New Year, that "where there is God, there is help."

We assure you that our quest for professional excellence isn't merely found in scholarship, but also in our concern for the society and environment around us.

We are highly aware of the fact that without your donations and help our objectives would have not been achieved, therefore we express our belated gratitude to the many donors who gave to our cause to bring some smiles to a few faces. We also send our sincere regards to the family who accepted our humble

contributions and a special thanks to Father McMohan of the Newman center for taking time to give his personal assistance in making our drive a successful one.

Sincerely yours,
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Wake Up or Blow Up

Text: Ephesians 5:14-17 — *wherefore he saith, awake thou that sleepest and arise from the dead and Christ shall give the light.*

Pay close attention to how you live. Don't live like ignorant men, but like wise men. Make good use of every opportunity you get because these are bad days. Don't be fools, but try to find out what the Lord wants you to do.

Truly we find ourselves within the confines of the area set forth in Holy writ — for everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under Heaven:

A time to be born and a time to die.

A time to breakdown and a time to build up.

A time to cast away stones and a time to gather stones together.

A time to seek, and a time to lose; A time to keep, and a time to cast away.

A time to reap and a time to sow.

A time to keep silence, and a time to speak.

Wake up Prairie View, don't sleep through the revolution.

We are playing a grime joke on ourselves if we imagine that these are not profoundly revolutionary days. Try looking at your current Newspaper, and see how many times Revolution and Revolutionary turn up as noun and adjectives.

The revolution in Morals

The sexual Revolution

The African Revolution

The Negro Revolution

The Revolution of the economically depressed

The Revolution of Underdeveloped Nations

The Gospel Revolution

The Cybernetic Revolution

The Technological Revolution

The Social and Political Revolution

A Revolution is defined as taking and existing situation which is proved to be unworkable, Archaic, Impracticable, out of date, tearing it down, destroying it, and replacing it with a system that works.

DON'T SLEEP THROUGH THE REVOLUTION

The Revolutionary War was on, and Rip Van Winkle slept it out. Incredible, you say not exactly. Not if you will look around you and see how many people there are who are strolling like sleep-walkers through the crashing, bashing, lashing times in which we are living.

We are living in an age when time should be given to self culture. Education fits us for great things. The time St. Paul spent in attaining learning was not lost, it made him fit for the Master's use.

Christ himself gave time to social life. He attended feasts, Marriages and dinners. Our Lord wants us to wake up and give time to fellowship, to the family, to home life.

We need to wake up and give more time to meditation. We need to wake up and give more time to Prayer. It is good always to pray, but we of the Prairie View family need regular seasons of Communion with God. Here — I consider it fitting to quote a few sayings of Professor William James of

By
Rev.
I.C.
Gordon



Harvard: "Compared to what we ought to be we are only half awake. We are making use of only a small part of our physical and mental resources."

It seems to me Prairie View that our task is now set in the midst of a Revolution. It is an unsavory fact that most people are painfully slow to move with the times. Could it be that they have a tendency to sleep through the Revolution?

Time is a Mystery. Nobody can get on without it, yet everybody has difficulty explaining it, including the philosophers. We require all sorts of adjectives in order to refine and illuminate it: Work time, Night time, Good time, Bad time.

Time is opportunity. The Greeks had a word for time (Choronos) which might be translated duration. But it said nothing about Quality or Character. From this word we derived Chromometer — a time piece. But the Greeks had another word for time (Kairos) which meant meaningful time, or even stronger critical time. This is St. Paul's word when he speaks of redeeming the time. Eph. 5:16

We have plenty of Chronometers in the world. Our need is for Kairometers — devices for telling us how critical the situation in which we find ourselves.

Time is equality. Time plays no favorites. It bestows its favors impartially. You have as much time as I do. I have as little time as you do. It's the management of time — not its measure that makes the difference.

Time is urgency. Jesus felt it in John 9:4. I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day. The night cometh when no man can work.

The world is full of tensions, Racial tension, Economic tension, Political tension, and Religious tension.

Who shall have all eternity in which to celebrate our victories, but we have a very short time before the sunset in which to win our victories. We as Christians must scratch where people itch. We much answer questions that people are asking and let the answers be relevant, effective and always to the point.

I am convinced that if Christians are to exercise intellectual integrity and validity for our times, we must speak to the issue.

Our time is an age of revolution, and there is no doubt when Historians come to document our day they will call it: The Time Of Revolution.

Tremendous gaps separate the haves from the have nots, the rich from the poor, the black from white, the young from old, and labor from management.

The young, the black, the poor, the have-nots, are now in open rebellion and revolution against the established institutions of our time.

Obviously, all sides need to have a clear directive from

Scenes From Annual Ministers Conference

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God, as to which way we should go.

You see much of what is said and done today is being said and done from a frustrated generation of people who see so many flaws, so much sin, hypocrisy, and immorality in the establishment.

We have here in our Prairie View community, great Scientists, Great Administrators, educators, Preachers, Philosophers, we have been able to modify. Issac Newton's law on gravitation, we have been able to carve highways in the sky and still we cannot or will not live in peace and love each other.

We need to wake up before we blow-up and become Intellectual alert and Socially sensitive, Spiritually, physical and mental.

The Lord Jesus Christ is calling on us to wake-up for people are hungry: Who will feed them, people are sick who

will heal them, people are naked, who will clothe them, wake up Prairie View don't sleep through the Revolution, people are confused, who will guide them? We need to wake up and share with others the fruits of our success.

Finally, our chief duty is to seek to be in fellowship with the same God who measured the waters in the hollow of his hand, measured the dimensions of Heaven with the span, comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, weighted the mountains in scales and the hills in balance to overcome someday. We here at Prairie View may pass through seas of trouble and oceans of sorrow, but they will not overflow us, because we are going to wake up and hold to God's unchanging hand. *Wake Up or Blow Up.* Eph. 5:14.

Wherefore he saith, awake thou that sleepest and Christ shall give the light. AMEN!

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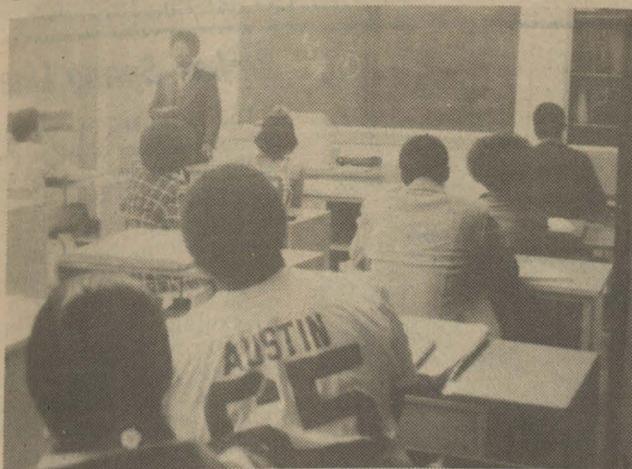
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Southwestern Bell Official Speaks at Prairie View

Mr. Wilbur Crossley, Supervising Service Foreman in the Fort Worth District of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company was a "visiting professor" with the School of Business on February 8 and 9. His visit was coordinated through the Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP) of the National Urban League. A mathematics and science major at Mississippi Valley State University, Mr. Crossley taught in the public schools and at Harris Junior College in Mississippi before coming to Texas. He taught mathematics for four years in the Fort Worth

public schools before joining Southwestern Bell in 1972.

Since joining Southwestern Bell, Mr. Crossley has served as a facility engineer, an exchange repair foreman, and supervisor and wire chief. Promoted to his present position in July, 1976; he is now responsible for the service to over 142 thousand telephones in the Fort Worth area.

During his lectures to the School of Business, Mr. Crossley discussed the Bell system and explored the pros and cons of breaking up the system.

Orr Visits School of Business

This week the School of Business heard Mr. Ronald Orr, the second visiting lecturer for this semester from the Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP). Mr. Orr, a mathematics graduate of MacMurray College, is a senior Business Systems Designer with Martin Marietta Corporation-Data Systems in Denver, Colorado.

During his visit on February 15 and 16, Mr. Orr discussed the design function as it is related to data systems. Additionally, he presented interesting information as to the role Martin Marietta Corporation plays in the aerospace industry.

Mr. Orr joined Martin Marietta Corporation in 1966 as a programmer. In his present position as a senior business systems designer, Mr.

A couple of years ago George Meany had a bout with tendon inflammation. The problem developed after the AFL-CIO chief, a plumber by trade, spent a rainy Saturday building a cement-block wall in his back yard. "That will teach him to invade another trade's jurisdiction," cracked one Meany watcher.



Orr shown speaking during campus BEEP Seminar.

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Mental Health Fund Campaign Director Named

Ms. Rachael Poindexter of Prairie View was named Mental Health Bellringer chairperson of the May '77 campaign, announced Shirley K. Camfield, President of the Mental Health Association in Texas.

"The Mental Health Association is the largest citizens' voluntary advocacy organization in the United States fighting mental illness and promoting mental health," said Camfield.

Since the organization is non-governmental, its entire support must come from contributions, such as those collected in May.

The original and continuing purposes of the association are to:

- * improve attitudes toward mental illness and the mentally ill;
- * improve services for the mentally ill; and
- * work for the prevention of mental and emotional illness and promotion of mental health.

Extension Specialist Returns From Study Leave

Donnie Pennywell, Recreation Specialist with the Prairie View Extension Program recently returned to work after being on study leave for the past year at California State University in Los Angeles. While on leave, Ms. Pennywell completed course requirements for a masters degree in Recreation Administration.

A native of Shreveport, Louisiana, Ms. Pennywell attended public schools there. She received her B.S. degree in Recreation from Southern University in 1965. She did further studies at Grambling State University and at Prairie View before attending California State. Ms. Pennywell has

Kappa Diamonds

The Kappa Krystals gave a fund-raising party for the children of Hempstead last Friday at Krystal Maxine Stewart's house. The event turned out to be a great success. Also the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, sponsored a soil seminar on Thursday and Friday, February 23 thru 24; at 1:30 at Waller Jr. High. Guest speakers were Dr. Brown and Brothers Solmon and Nicholas. Finally the Diamonds sponsored a party for the nursery children here at Prairie View.

Shirlene Hawkins

My Neighbors



"Well, back to the old rate-
race."

Extension Program Honors Director

Hoover Carden, Director of the Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program, was totally surprised when the Extension Program staff gave a surprise breakfast in his honor.

Mr. Carden was recognized for his efforts and dedication towards making the Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program a successful part of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. He has been the director of the Extension Program at Prairie View since its inception in 1972. He most recently was appointed an alternate member of the ECOP (Extension Committee on Policy) legislative subcommittee, which is responsible for budget justifications for Extension programs at 1890 and 1862 universities.

In attendance at the breakfast was Mr. Carden's wife, Rena, and all members of the Extension Program staff. The brief program consisted of the occasion by Zelda Williams and a reading by Ora Whitfield. Donnie Pennywell presented Mr. Carden with a attache case, a gift from all the staff members. Henry Miller presented him with a collage plaque composed of individual pictures of each staff member.

Vernell Jackson served as mistress of ceremony. The staff of the Prairie View Extension Program feel that they are very fortunate to have Mr. Carden as director.

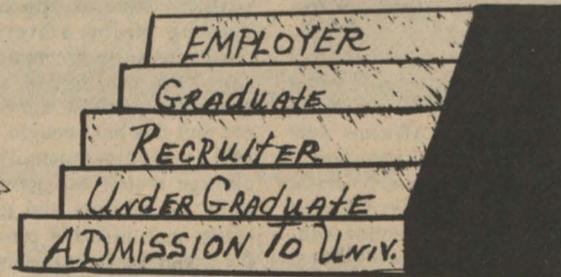


Henry Miller (right), Camp Director, presents Hoover Carden, Director of the Prairie View Extension Program, a college plaque consisting of each staff member's picture during the appreciation breakfast honoring Mr. Carden. Mrs. Rena Carden admiringly looks on.



Donnie Pennywell, Recreation Specialist with the Prairie View Extension Community Recreation Program, recently returned to work after matriculating for a year at California State University in Los Angeles.

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Helping Americans Understand African Heritage

By Matthew Ade. Shoyebo

Much had been happening recently both here in America and Africa, on Television, Newspapers and Magazines that is bringing the Motherland into limelight. Although in spite of all the News stories on all the Black American News media, it seems that People here have not really gained a great deal of factual knowledge. They might have gained something just as important and much more basic. There is no doubt that the recent publicities about Africa have changed People's previously restricted and narrow concept of African heritage, political Economic and Social Activities.

As an African Student here in this Country, my experience is not only measured by becoming aware of my conditioned responses, but also by my beginning to really think with a mind that is much more open aware, and sensitive to ideas that come from a completely different background.

On my arrival here in 1974, there were not more than 4 African Students attending Prairie View University. My contacts with my Colleagues here revealed to me the ignorance of People here about life in Africa. When I talked to people, the first question they will ask me is "Where did you come from?" Then I would reply that I am an African who sought to improve himself intellectually. Such is my response to a curious Sister one day, who drew nearer to me and glanced at me closely and said amazingly "Are you an African, for real?" I nodded in affirmative. She became more curious and asked me why I was not naked. Would I oblige her why, by telling her about the lions and elephants which were supposed to roam the streets of Africa.

Before I could answer, she interrupted, "I beg your pardon Matthew, do you belong to dem cannibal tribes who used to eat people?" "How does human steak taste?" "How does elephant steak taste?" "I betcha a dime to a dollar that lion steak ain't so tough but juicy."

To me, it was a revelation of strange mentality, but to her it was strange still, for she could not believe that Africans were civilized enough to wear pants, shirts, and shoes much less to speak English. When I looked at her crossly for sometime without uttering a word, she told me that she meant no harm. She said that most of the Missionaries whom she had heard and the Hollywood films she had seen had given her the impression that Africans were still in a savage and primitive state. I pitied her ignorance and told her that I was shocked to hear a beautiful lady of her own type in an advanced country like America, ask me such questions, but because of mitigating circumstances, I took no offense. I quickly showed her, pictures of the city that I come from in Nigeria. After this, she gave me a handshake and assured me that her impressions of African had changed, after I had told her that one half of the world was ignorant of how the other half lived, due to the levity with which those who controlled the mass information media slant

ed their news or movies to amuse their clientele.

The importance of Africa to the world cannot be overstressed. Africa is regarded by authority as the birthplace of the human races. This continent is also regarded by them as the cradle of human civilization. In fact, Ethiopia is an example of a country in Africa which empire dates back to antiquity and was contemporaneous with Egypt, Nubia, Assyria and Phoenicia. Thus as a hub of human culture and treasure of natural resources, Africa became a magnet that attracted Greek intellectuals, Roman Adventurers, European and American explorers, Missionaries, empire builders, story-tellers and soldiers of fortune.

Up to the period of the great discoveries made by European explorers, several empires and kingdoms flourished in Africa at all points of the compass. These nations compared most favorably with their contemporaries in Europe and Asia. Then came the revival of learning and the invention of gunpowder as a weapon of warfare and as an instrument of political control. These African Empires and kingdoms disintegrated, partly as a result of disunity created by fratricidal struggles for power and partly because of the slave trade.

Napata and Moroe are now ruins of Ancient civilization. Ghana, Mali, Mellestine, Mossi, Songhay and Bornu are new relics of a medieval civilization. Ashanti, Yoruba, Dahomey, Benin and Hausa Kingdoms are now object of Historical research. Zimbabwe, Monomotapa, Zulu and other kingdoms of east and central Africa are now revered reminders of historic past. Brother fought against brother and slave trade depopulated, the realms ruled by both. And Africa became a "DARK CONTINENT".

In this process of acculturation through the centuries, this continent was pillaged and its inhabitants were pilloried under a most brutal and ruthless form of oppression ranging from slavery to colonialism. By the middle of the 20th century, a social revolution prevaded the continent and this has brought in its train periodical tornadoes of change which are sweeping away the cobwebs and grimes of the past to make room for the present political rebirth of Africa.

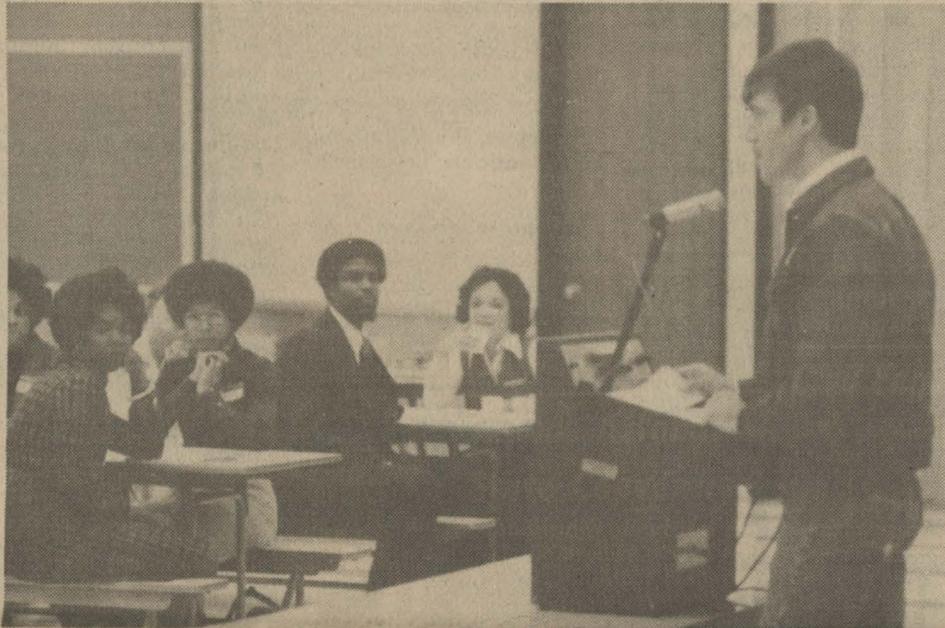
The era of the degradation of Africa lingered till the end of the World War II when only 4 African countries were sovereign states. In the 1950s, there were only 8, but today, there are 45 sovereign states in Africa.

This incursion into the remote and immediate past of Africa is necessary in order for us to appreciate the political heritage taking in contemporary Africa.

Understanding is perhaps the most effective mechanism in getting along with people.

SURFRAGE

The first national convention of women advocating woman suffrage was the national Woman's Rights Convention held October 23, 1950, in Worcester, Massachusetts.



TEACHER CORPS PROGRAM — The two scenes above were taken during the recent Teacher Corps Conference held at the Waller Public Schools. The program is directed by the Center at Prairie View A&M.

C. L. Wilson Named 1977 Engineer of Year in Houston

Claude L. Wilson, founder of the College of Engineering at Prairie View A&M University and former PVAM vice president, has been honored as

Houston's 1977 Engineer of the Year by the Texas Society of Professional Engineers.

The announcement came during the week-long obser-

vanee of National Engineers Week in Houston and at Prairie View this week.

Wilson served as director of the division of mechanical arts at Prairie View A&M and in 1947 founded what became the College of Engineering. He served 18 years as dean of engineering before coming an academic dean.

In 1970, he was appointed vice president for physical planning and engineering, a post he held until retiring in 1974. Wilson also founded and directed the Prairie View Housing Conference for 19 years and chaired the university's athletic council 23 years.

The Kansas State University graduate is a member of the National Society of Professional Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Society of Electrical Engineers, National Technical Association and American Mathematical Association, plus a number of other professional and honor societies.

He has been included in "Who's Who in the Southwest" and "Who's Who in Engineering."

At Prairie View A&M, the week-long engineering observance has included departmental activities and a student awards luncheon cosponsored by the TSPE and the university.

A Colored Boy

By Carolyn L. Smith

hard sacrifice
trying to make a life
living for the white man
doing his commands
thinking the whites own the world and you too
not knowing what to do
and boy you thinking in the end
you gonna win
your family being used
you being abused
having that same dream again
that you were not judged by the color of your skin
working hard
on no count jobs
and boy you thinking in the end
you gonna win
being laught at when noting about you is funny
working around the clock but can't show any money

going to jail trying to remember what you did wrong
not arguing with the white man tomorrow he might let you go home

and your telling you in the end
you gonna win
asking God to make a way
so you can make it through another day
making you cry
caused your mother to die
laughing as you take pain
not letting you gain
but in the end

you say you gonna win
your kin tould you to kill them
but you still want to forgive them
teaching your child to be scared of the law
knowing their gomma get him any how
telling your daughter to stay away from the white man
knowing he can hurt her more than she thinks he can
thinking Jesus is white
the white man thold you that so you think its right
but in the end
you gonna win.

Alphas Spring Line

The brothers of the Eta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated at Prairie View A&M University would like to take time out to introduce you to the members of their Spring Line for 1977.

Heading the roster is Sphinxman Elliot Kerl, a Junior Architect major from Houston, Texas. Next is Sphinxman Phillip Dorsett, a Junior Art Education major from Nassau, Bahamas; Sphinxman Joseph Billps, Junior Industrial Technology Major from Dallas and last but not least, Sphinxman Waymon Benford a Junior Industrial Technology major from Bryan.

We trust that these young men would continue their struggle to reach the Land of Alpha so that they too may follow in the footsteps of some of the Great Men of Alpha. Such great men as Admiral Samuel Gravelly, the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. W. E. B. Dubois to mention a few. Good luck Sphinxmen.

Macking ETA GAMMA

Extension Small Farming Program Conducts Workshop

By Brenda D. Agness
Prairie View
Extension Program

A marketing workshop aimed at developing ideas for fruit and vegetable marketing systems in which limited-income, small farmers can participate was conducted at the Farmers Produce Market in Houston January 27-28, by the Intensified Farm Planning phase of the Prairie View Cooperative Extension Program.

Hoover Carden, Director of the 1890 Extension Program at Prairie View, opened the 1½-day workshop, which included county Extension agents and agricultural program aides from 18 counties.

Resource persons participating in the workshop included: Gordon Powell, Fruit and Vegetable Marketing Specialist, Texas Agricultural Extension Service; Sam Doerre, Market Manager, Farmers Produce Market; and Joe Canino, owner, Farmers Produce Market.

Eddie Harrison and Garland McIlveen, program specialists with the Intensified Farm Planning Program, coordinated the workshop, which served as another phase of the Extension Home Gardening Program aimed at getting people to grow more fruits and vegetables at home for food and for sale.

A tour of the marketing facilities at the Farmers Produce Market highlighted the afternoon session. Participants were able to see a successful market in operation.

After the workshop, participants returned to their respective counties with hopes of assisting small farmers in their area in developing a suitable marketing system for their produce.

Sophomore Class Elects Officers

The Sophomore class officers for 76-77 are: President, Wayne Blount; Vice-President, Gwen Wright; Secretary, Pam Jones; Treasurer, Grace Osborne; Reporter, Laura Durio; Student Representatives, Kay Heggety, Pat Henry; Parli-

mentarian, Kerry Garlow; Queen, Denita Bailey.

The Sophomore class has its hopes up high. They are anticipating a well-planned list of activities for one of the best classes on campus.

Navy News

Three N.R.O.T.C. midshipmen from Prairie View A&M University traveled to the Naval Air Station in Dallas, Texas to take physical examinations in hopes of gaining entrance in the Naval Aviation Flight Program. The candidates are Midn. 2/c Smith Jackson, Midn. 2/c Mitchell Norman, and Midn. 2/c Lawrence Fryer. The midshipmen left January 28, 1977, and returned January 30, 1977. While in Dallas they stayed in the Bachelor Officers Quarters on base. We wish them the best of luck in their efforts!!

Willie A. Tempton, Jr.

Fellowships For English Majors

The University of Texas at Austin will be offering 25 or so graduate fellowships for minority candidates for the 1977-78 school year. These fellowships (\$3500) will be awarded through the individual departments.

The English Department at the University of Texas at Austin has expressed their interest in the Prairie View students.

All students with a potential for intellectual growth, an interest in English, and a capacity to work and develop should apply for a fellowship.

Applications and additional information on these fellowships can be obtained in your Career Education and Placement Services Office in Room 116, Memorial Student Center.

The long awaited assignments for the Midshipman Battalion Officers have finally been made for the 1977 spring semester. The midshipmen who were carefully selected are more than worthy of the positions bestowed upon them. Because these positions require skill, leadership, courage, and the ability to think in any situation, the names of these men should be of some interest to you. They and their positions are as follows: Mr. Charles Parr, Battalion Commander; Mr. Olvice Greenwood, Battalion Executive Officer; Mr. Willie Bell, Battalion Operations Officer; Mr. Tyrrell White, Battalion Adjutant; Mr. Joseph Lawson, Battalion Supply Officer; Mr. Smith Jackson, CPO Assistant; Mr. N. L. Allen, Battalion Communications Officer; Mr. Lynn Morris, Battalion CPO; Mr. John Phillips, "A" Company Commander; Mr. Michael Gildon, "A" Company Executive Officer; Mr. Russo Knowles, CPO; Mr. Clyde Lemon, "A" 1 Platoon Commander; Mr. Lawrence Fryer, "A" 2 Platoon Commander; Mr. Timmy Brown, "B" Company Commander; Mr. Mitchell Norman, "B" Company Executive Officer; Mr. Anthony Bell, CPO; Mr. Lafayette Carroll, "B" 2 Platoon Commander; Mr. Oscar Minter, Drill Team Commander; and Mr. James Hodge, Color Guard Commander. To these midshipmen we say congratulations and good luck.

Trina Trahan

Navy Plans Two Trips

The Prairie View N.R.O.T.C. unit has planned two trips designed to help the midshipmen become more acquainted with the functions and operations of the Navy and Marine Corps.

During March 7-10, more than 25 midshipmen will be participating in a Naval Aviation Indoctrination Trip at

the Naval Air Station, Corpus Christi, Texas. The excursion will be headed by Lt. Levarn Faine and Lt. Fred Jones, two of the unit instructors.

"The purpose of the trip," said Lt. Faine, "is to indoctrinate Prairie View college program and scholarship midshipmen to Naval Aviation. The students will observe the training of student Naval aviators and actually fly in some of the training aircraft."

While in Corpus Christi the midshipmen will reside in the Bachelor Officers Quarters and dine in the Officers Mess. In doing this they will have a first-hand view of how a Naval base is run.

During March 15-19 more than 30 midshipmen will travel to California to experience indoctrination to the operations of the Marine Corps. The trip will be divided into three sections: El Toro, for those interested in aircraft; San Diego, for recruit training, and Camp Pendleton, for those interested in the infantry. Capt. Biggers, the organizer of this trip, has hinted that the midshipmen might be able to visit Disneyland while in



INTER-GREEK TOURNAMENT — Marco Rolle receives First Place Award after winning Inter-Greek Pool Tournament. He is pictured at bottom taking winning shot. Pictured above are Alfred Taylor, John Mosee, Rolle, and Steve Bred.

Omega Corner

For the past three regular semesters, the Rho Theta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated was on suspension by this institution. Throughout this time we, the brothers of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's Rho Theta Chapter have come to know the pains of involuntary inactivity. With this thus in mind we make a resounding come back. Elected to serve as officers for this Spring semester are the following:

Harold E. Brown, Basileus; Dudley Mosely, Vice-Basileus; Prince Brian Hall, Keeper of Records & Seal; Lawrence Sams, Vice-Keeper of Records & Seal; Kenneth H. Smith, Associate Dean of History; Earnest E. Burke, Associate Dean of History; George Jones, Keeper of The Peace; Thomas G. Parker, Chaplain.

Presently there are eight young men desirous of becoming Omega men. They are as follows:

Kerry Garlow, Kevin Armbrister, Lance Alexander, Aubrey Burke, Kelvin Kirby, Tilman King, Danny Williams, Dexter Thompson.

Elected to serve as pledge period officers were the following: Dudley Mosely, Dean of Pledges; Chester

California. The goal of this trip is to show the midshipmen the Marine Corps "family". While in California, the midshipmen will live in the Bachelor Officers Quarters and dine in the Officer's Mess. Accompanying Capt. Biggers will be GYSGT. Marberry, the N.R.-O.T.C. drill instructor.

Willie A. Tempton, Jr.

Owens, Assistant Dean of Pledges; Kenneth Smith, Dean of History; Earnest Burke, Dean of History; Harold E. Brown, March Master.

Though somewhat belated, the brothers of the "Psi Phi" wish the best for everyone for this spring semester '77. Special congratulations go out to all present pledges, and more especially, our own.

Thank You
Omega Psi Phi Till We Die
Prince Brian Hall — Reporter

It shocks the man with his feet on the ground to see a man with his head in the clouds pay a big income tax. —Henry S. Haskins.

Kappa Alpha Psi News

With January past, February finds the members of the Zeta Beta Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi in keeping with our creed and the goals of college and university students striving to achieve. February is a very special month for Kappas and Blacks alike. It's Black History month and Kappa Alpha Psi will be an active participant in the activities planned for this occasion. Kappas have in the past and do now presently and in the future will continue to play an important role in making of Black History. We therefore encourage all to participate and share in recognition of the History which is an important part of us. This month as with every month we will have our revolving lectures for youth as a part of our nationally successful Guide Right Program. On the dates of February 24 and 25 in cooperation with Dr. George Brown and Mr. Saeb Smith of the Department of Biology we will present a seminar at Waller Elementary School on phases of plant growth and have a party for the children afterward. Our fraternity participants will include Ronald Salmund and our newest addition to the chapter Ronald Reynolds, a graduate of Southern University presently doing graduate study research in agriculture. We also welcome and would like to introduce Brother Jerry Burly, a transfer political science major from Columbus, Georgia. We would also like to introduce our spring pledge line. They include: Kurt Grisby, M.E. major, Dallas, Robert Sadling, M.E. major, Houston; Anthony Harrison, Drafting major, Port Arthur; Ricky Viser, Pre-Med major, Houston; Miguel Tipps, Pre-Med major, Dallas; and Gerald Davis, E.E. major, Houston.

We extend our best wishes and congratulate these men on their fine choice of wishing to

attain membership in the bond of Kappa Alpha Psi.

Socially in addition to our Valentine Day raffle we will hold a victory celebration at the Newman Center following the PV-TSU game. We urge everyone to come out and give their loyal support for the Panthers. In closing we wish you continued success toward achieving your goals.

Brothers of the Diamond
Ronald Salmund, Reporter
Zeta Beta Chapter
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Omegas Reinstated

At a recent meeting between the Student Life Administrators and the Members, Officers and the Sponsors of the Rho Theta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated at Prairie View A&M University, the members were informed by Rev. W. Van Johnson, Director of Student Activities that the Chapter was reinstated effective February 8, 1977.

In welcoming the group, Mr. Ray Carreathers, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs, told them that the other Greek Letter organizations have benefitted from their suspension and that he expected all the members of the organizations to strive to do their best from this point forward.

Dr. Marion Henry, one of the sponsors of the organization, said that it is the intentions of the sponsors and the members of the Chapter to continue the works of the Founders of the organization as it relates to the members and their contribution by way of service to all humanity.

On behalf of the Pan Hellenic Council and its member organizations "WEL-COME" and we look forward to a successful semester in Greekdom.

Frederick V. Roberts, Co-Editor

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Baseball Team Wins Opener

By Charles Williams

The Prairie View Panther Baseball team traveled to Alvin, Texas to take on Alvin Jr. College in the season opener.

The Panthers defeated Alvin College in both games of the double-header, 9-4 in the first game and 12-2 in the second game.

The Panthers used the hitting power of Odie Davis, Richard Stroman, Joe Mitchell and Marlon Waites. That combined with base stealing speed and errorless defense gave the purple gang their first victory.

Other Panthers who contributed to the victories were: Roland Steptoe, Ronald Stinnett, Gregory Hemphill, Titus Edwards, Charles Weatherpoon, Don Weatherspoon, Steve Johnson, Denwitt Williams, Kenny Malone, Donnie Hardeman, Tyrone Ward, Michael Quinn, Melvin Lubat, Rodney Macon, Johnny Ervin, Kenneth Lyles, Dezra Cook and Charles E. Williams.

"Omega's On The Service Move"

The brothers of the Rho Theta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. sponsored a "kiddy day" for the little children from the Child Development Center here at Prairie View A&M University. On Thursday, February 17th. The little kiddies were treated to piggy back rides around the campus, ice-cream, candies and fruits. It was a totally new experience for some of us and a most enjoyable experience for all of us. The brothers would like to thank Mrs. Outly of the Child Development Center and the young ladies who assisted us throughout the project.

Omeas love Kiddies
Prince Brian Hall, Reporter

Creative Writing Contest Offers Cash And Book Prizes

Writers: You can win \$100; \$50; or \$25 in cash and book prizes for best short story, humorous essay, or other short pieces between 250 and 1000 words — with free copy of winning, COLLEGE CONTEMPORARIES Magazine for all — if you enter the Collegiate Creative Writing Contest whose deadline is MAY 5. For rules and official entry form, send self-addressed, stamped envelope to: International Publica-



MIND GRABBERS



ALPHA PHI OMEGAS



PHI BETA SIGMA

TOUCH FOOTBALL WINNERS — Top photo pictures the Mind Grabbers, Division Winner. At left are members of Alpha Phi Omega, division winner and at bottom, Phi Beta Sigma, also a division winner.

Sphinxmen Performs Service

While the Brothers of the Eta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., were in Dallas attending their State Convention, the Sphinxmen of the chapter were about their business of performing service of mankind.

Such service projects as collecting trash on the university's Picnic Grounds, visiting the nursing home in Hempstead and decorating the Showcase in the Memorial Student Center with pictures depicting past successors of the Black Race.

These are only a few of the projects that the Pledges of Alpha will attempt to perform before they can make the transition from Sphinxmen to Alphas. Keep up the good work, you will succeed.

Pantherettes in The News

The Pantherettes took it on the chin in the Houston Invitational Basketball tournament February 11-12, 1977. Starting their first round action against the Nation's #17 Women's team the University of Texas. Texas having a balanced offensive showing put the game away early. Final score 68-40. In their second game of the tournament in the loser's bracket, Southwest Texas State defeated the Pantherettes 53-52 with five seconds left in the game. Much can be said apart the game since there were several questionable calls against the PV squad. The next morning at 7:30 a.m., the Pantherettes played a tough Lamar University. Same old story, the Pantherettes dropped that one in the closing minutes 53-49 with fifty-six (56) seconds left in the game. Not too much accomplished except experience gained.

On February 16, the Pantherettes journeyed to Houston, Texas to take on the

Texas Southern University squad. Texas Southern led by Jill Weddick's 26 points dropped the PV squad 58-51. The Pantherette squad were paced by Debra Williams and Doris Horace each hitting 14 points a piece. Defensively Melaine Davis, Rosetta Unce and Argilon Hammond were the sparks.

The Pantherettes will be in Zone Tournament action February 24-25-26 in Nacogdoches, Texas home of the host team #5 in the Nation Stephen F. Austin. First game will be Thursday evening 7 p.m. at the University field house, Prairie View taking on Texas A&M University. Texas A&M is a potential contender for the zone championship. Other schools to be involved are Lamar University, Texas Southern, Rice University and University of Houston.

Support your team in their final Home game of the season March 1, 1977 at 7 p.m. against Southwest Texas State University.

The Eli Show

Kerwin Eli, Prairie View's 6-0 junior guard from Port Arthur Lincoln is the player that makes Coach Elwood Plummer's high scoring Panthers tick.

Prairie View fans pile into the Panthers Little Dome in mobs to watch Eli perform his trick show. There never is a dull moment when Eli has the ball.

Eli brings the ball down the court and quickly passes the ball through his legs to a teammate breaking to the basket. The fans go wild. Another one of Eli's moves is to dribble to his defensive man and spin around and drive to the basket and whip the ball behind his back to a teammate coming in to score.

Panther head coach Elwood Plummer feels Eli is one of the best playmakers in the conference. "Eli has been a big asset to our club," said Plummer. "He is a tremendous passer. he likes to run and the running game is our style so Eli and our Offense go hand in hand," said Plummer.

Eli leads the team in assists with an average of 10 per game.

CHANGE NEEDED?

Our Supreme Court is one of the country's last great all-male strongholds, even though women now comprise 51.3 per cent of the electorate and are deeply involved in most of the great issues that come before the court.

He's the best playmaker the Panthers have had since Herbert "Little Magic" Guin, five years ago.

Like his high school coach James Gamble, who was an All American guard at Prairie View, Eli hopes to leave his mark at Prairie View.

Prairie View fans feel Eli has already left his mark. That's why they pile into the Little dome at Panther games to watch the "Eli Show."



Kerwin Eli, Panthers' playmaker features "The Eli Show."

Commerce Announces Program to Assist Minority Exporters

The U.S. Department of Commerce today announced a program to help minority-owned companies become exporters.

The program is based on agreement between the Department's Domestic and International Business Administration (DIBA) and the Office of Minority Business Enterprise (OMBE) to cooperate in

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advertising and assisting minority firms interested in, and capable of, selling their goods and services abroad.

OMBE estimates there are 300 to 400 minority-owned firms turning out exportable products and that about half of

these have the capability to become exporters.

EARLY CANAL STUDY

President McKinley, July 24, 1897, appointed a commission to study possible routes for the construction of a canal across Nicaragua.

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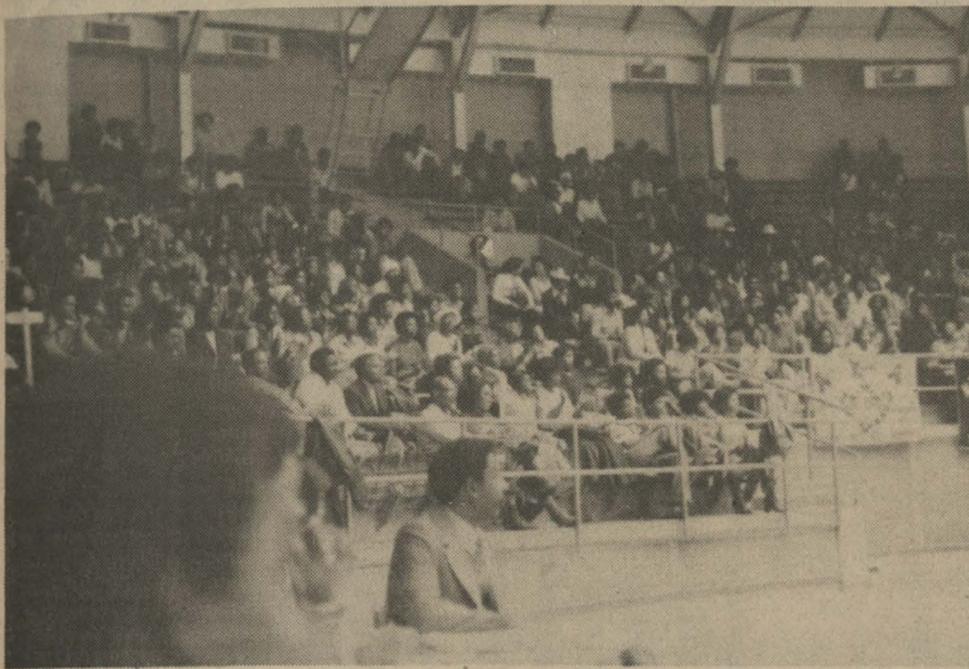


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BASKETBALL SCENE — This was not the TSU-PV game which was jam-packed, but it is the Little Dome during basketball action. The Panthers completed the 1976-77 Cage season this week playing Austin College. They are participating in the SWAC Tournament this weekend.

Who Are The Men That Wear The PC's?

By Michael Willis

This question has been asked many times. P.C. could stand for Peoples Choice. And sometimes it could stand for privileged character. But when you are talking about Prairie View P.C.'s, you are talking about the bold and the mighty *Panther Club*. How did all this start? And for what purpose? Well, the story goes like this:

Prairie View has always had a number one spot in sports, even though sometimes the results might not show it. Before she could maintain her spot in sports, we — the athletes — had to maintain ourselves. So, the captains of each sport got together with the coaches to find a way to bring us all together and fight for one cause. That is, to make Prairie View's sports number one. After hours and hours of pain and distress, they finally came up with what is known around the campus as the Panther Club. The athletes have empathy from that day back in 1947 and are still fighting to make our sports number one. We went out last year and did a fairly good job. We are coming out next year to do a better job and the year after that, and in years to come, we will reach our goal.

Last year's team also had four players to play in the All-Black College All-Star Game. This is what we are fighting for — to be represented in All-Star Games such as this one. The men that played were:
 David Bohannon — All-American Fullback. (P.C.)
 Gregory Austin — All-American Lineman. (P.C.)
 Halven Young — All-American Defensive Back. (P.C.)
 Ronald Thompson — All-American Linebacker

We are very proud of these men for their representation in the All-Star Game, and we hope that you will join us in congratulating them when the football banquet comes around.

Panther Club love you Prairie View, and will represent you that best way that we can. We thank you for your support in the past and hope that you will do as well in the future. In case you did not know, I am in the Panther Club. These are the men of the Panther Club:

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Gregory Austin	SR	OG	Brazoria, TX
Charlie Baity	SR	OT	Birmingham, AL
Kenneth Austin	SR	DT	Brazoria, TX
Daniel Bennett	SR	C	Houston, TX
David Bohannon	SR	FB	Dekalb, TX
Ernest Burke	SR	TE	Birmingham, AL
Tommie Coleman	JR	OG	Jackson, FL
James Cowan	JR	S	Ewtaw, AL
Clarence Farmer	JR	S	Dickerson, TX
Wayland Gay	SR	WR	Houston, TX
Kenneth Hill	SR	CB	Lufkin, TX
Terry Knighton	JR	OG	Pineland, TX
Melvin Labat	SO	C	New Orleans, LA
Montie Lee	JR	SB	Matagordia, TX
Samuel Maxie	SR	QB	Atlanta, TX
Danny Mitchell	SO	TE	Marlin, TX
Steve O'Gilbert	JR	RB	Kirbyville, TX
Darrell Sammon	JR	DT	Tatum, TX
Charles Smith	SR	FB	Angleton, TX
Ellroy Stevenson	SR	C	Houston, TX
Charles Weatherspoon	SO	RB	Pineland, TX
Travis Weatherspoon	JR	SB	Pineland, TX
George Whiteside	JR	RB	Cameron, TX
Edward Williams	SR	DT	Birmingham, AL
Michael Willis	SO	RB	Houston, TX
Halven Young	SR	S	Vicksburg, MS
Horace Alexander	SO	TE	Houston, TX
Johnnie Miles	SO	Track	Houston, TX
Kerrie Avie	SO	LB	Houston, TX
Willie Barnes	JR	DB	Houston, TX
Willie Byrd	JR	DB	Houston, TX
Darrel Cuba	SO	DB	Houston, TX
Frank Hollis	SO	LB	Houston, TX
Hal Louis	SO	WR	Jackson, MS
Lloyd Weatherspoon	JR	DT	Pineland, TX
Larry Wallace	SO	TE	Houston, TX
Randy Wallace	SO	TE	Houston, TX
John Derrick	SR	Track	Tyler, TX

Golf Team Wins

Prairie View's golf team romped to a fifteen stroke victory in Bryan, Texas last Friday. The golf match which included TSU and Texas Lutheran marked a good start

for this year's golf team.

Last Friday's play was produced by Jesse Allen, Bart Perez, William Sack, Rex Conn and Joe Palacios. Robert Kinney (golf coach) said that this year's team is the best in this school's history and hopefully the victory is the first in many to come before the season ends.

This year's golf team is equipped with eight top quality golfers all of whom are respected and have credentials to back them up. Perhaps this is the year for a National Championship. The talent is here at Prairie View, all that's left now is hard practice and support for the team.

Amateur Boxing Coming to the Hill

On March 25, 1977, at 7 p.m. the Allen Park Way Boxing Club of Houston, Texas will host their Champion of Tomorrow Boxing Classic in the Old Gym of the Prairie View A&M University Campus. Starting bell will be at 7 p.m., there will be 15 cards or more of exciting boxing. Age will vary from 9-10 range to 30-35. More information will be provided at a later date.

Sponsors for the event will be Rev. Jim Hayes and PVU's Intramural Director Mr. Smith.

The announcer and counting the knock downs and knock outs will be Coach J. H. Hurst II.

Admission will be 50 cents and \$1.00 plan to attend.

SINGER PATENT

The sewing machine equipped with rocking or double treadle was patented by Isaac Merritt Singer on August 12, 1851.

Intramural Recreation

Games played on February 1-3 and January 28.
 Black Knights 63 defeated Soul Strivers 31

Cool Phi Cool 87 defeated Soul Strivers 84 in one of the best games of the season.

Jolly Stompers 56 defeated Acme Incorporated 44.

J. Fox 54 defeated P. Munch 34 in dormitory action.

The Exorcists 39 lost to I.E. Electronics 68.

GAMES PLAYED 2-8-77
 7 p.m. Dome Groove Phi Groove 44 defeated Mind Grabbers 34.

8:15 Dome The Black Knights 49 defeated the Players 34.

9:30 Dome Jolly Stompers 52 defeated Soul Phi Psi 42.

SCHEDULE — WEEKENDS FOR USE OF GYMNASIUM
 Friday, 2 to 5
 Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5
 Sunday, 12 noon until 5

* Please submit all softball teams and rosters in to my office in the Girl Gym. 1

Governing Body of The Panther Club

- President — Ellroy Stevenson
- Vice-President — Earnest Burke
- Secretary — Kenneth King
- Assistant Secretary — Edward Williams
- Treasurer — Terry Kinghton
- Assistant Treasurer — George Whiteside
- Chaplain — Johnnie Miles
- Assistant Chaplain — John Hunt
- Sgt.-at-Arms — Gregory Austin
- Assistant Sgt.-at-Arms — C. Weatherspoon
- Dean of Pledges — Charles Baity
- Assistant Dean of Pledges — Kerry Avie
- Timekeeper — Samuel Maxie
- Mem. Adv. — James Cowan
- Public Chairperson — John Ieans

PV Barbell Club to Host Region IX

For the second time in three years, the Prairie View A&M University Barbell Club will play host for the United States Region IX Powerlifting Championships.

In order to compete in the United States Nationals or no later than 2-28-77 Faculty, Graduate and Undergraduate . . .

International Meets, lifters from this area, Southwestern must meet a certain qualifying total.

The event will take place June 11, 1977. A physique and body building exhibit will follow the lifting competition.

The group was looking down the Grand Canyon. "Do you know," asked the guide, "that it took millions and millions of years for this great abyss to be carved out?"

"Well, well!" exclaimed one tourist. "I never knew this was a government job."

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SCHEDULE OF MAJOR EVENTS

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March — Free Immunizations on Campus, by Texas Department of Health Resources

March 4 — College Career Carnival, Houston,
Shamrock Hilton Hotel

3-4 — Mid-Semester Examinations

7-12 — Student-Faculty Renewal

March 14 — Deadline for Financial Aid Applications

March 15 — Yearbook Feature Photos, Special Trip

March 21-26 — Spring Honors Week

March 24 — Honors Convocation and Banquet
— AROTC Awards Day

25-26 — 48th Annual Prairie View Relays and Championships

27 — Men's Week

March 28-April 2 — National Foreign Language Week

March 31 — AROTC Annual Formal Inspection

April 7-10 — Easter Recess

April 11-May 21 — Early Registration — Summer Session

April 18-24 — Women's Week

April — National Library Week

April 21 — Miss Prairie View Pageant

23 — Army ROTC Field Day

24 — Parents Day

25-30 — Dead Week

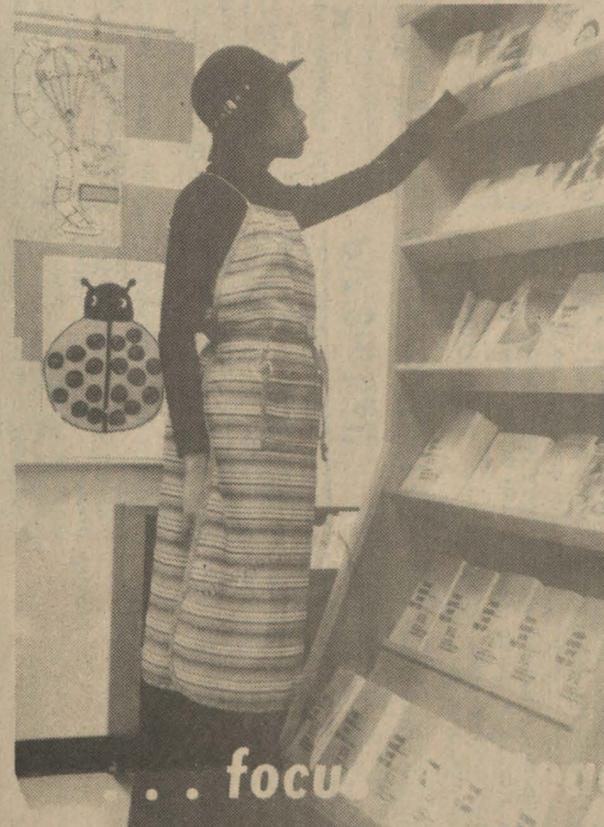
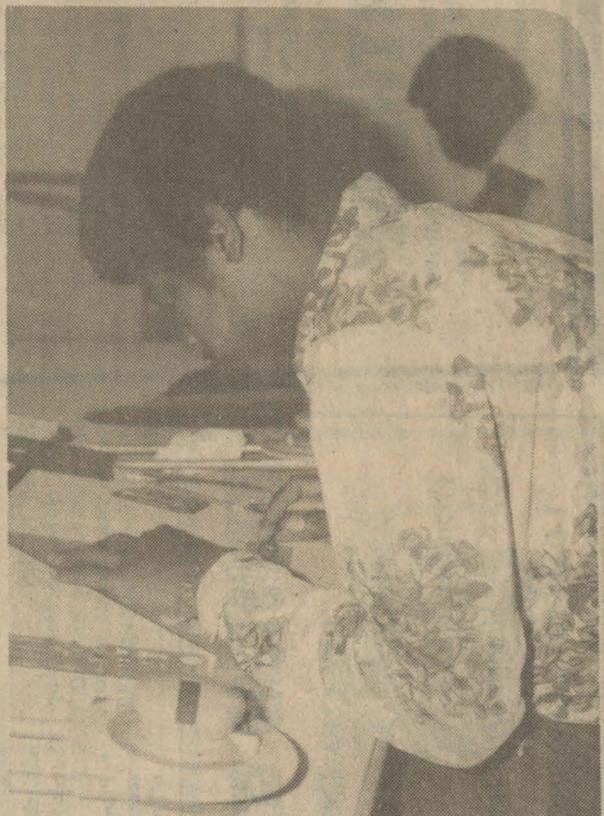
May 1 — Commencement

March 2-9 — Final Examinations

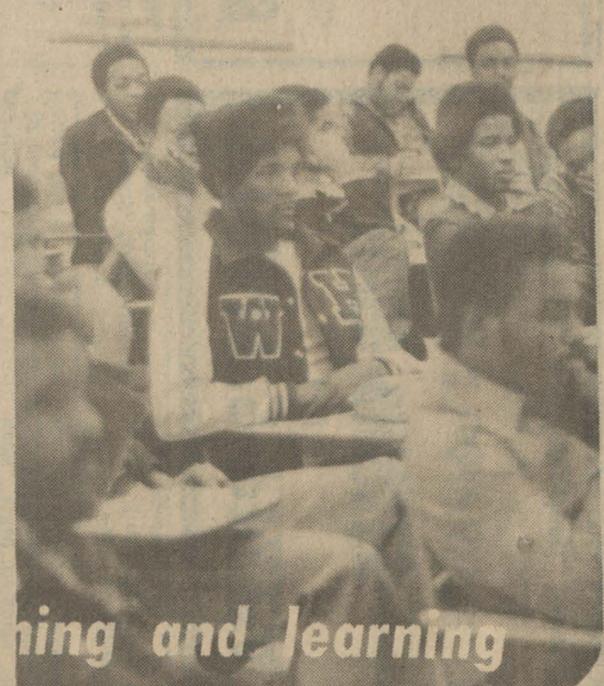
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