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**PRAIRIE VIEW
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Alumni Names Head of Centennial Commission

LTC Beaugard Brown III has been appointed president of the PV A&M Alumni Association's Centennial Commission, the group's president, Herbert J. Elmore, announced.

Col. Brown served as general chairman of the National Alumni's annual convention last summer and is a leader in preparations for the 1978 Centennial Year Convention in July.

A native of De Quincy, LA, Brown has distinguished himself in many areas of service over the past years. He recently received the distinguished service Award at the annual Fayetteville, NC Chamber of Commerce award banquet. The award pointed out Brown's contribution to the improvement of the quality of life in North Carolina during the past year.

He established a Crisis Intervention Referral Service to



Col. Brown

assist people in solving personal problems and organized Project Child Search to furnish special education services to children with physical, emotional or learning problems who have difficulty seeing, hearing or talking.

Fund Drive to Close -

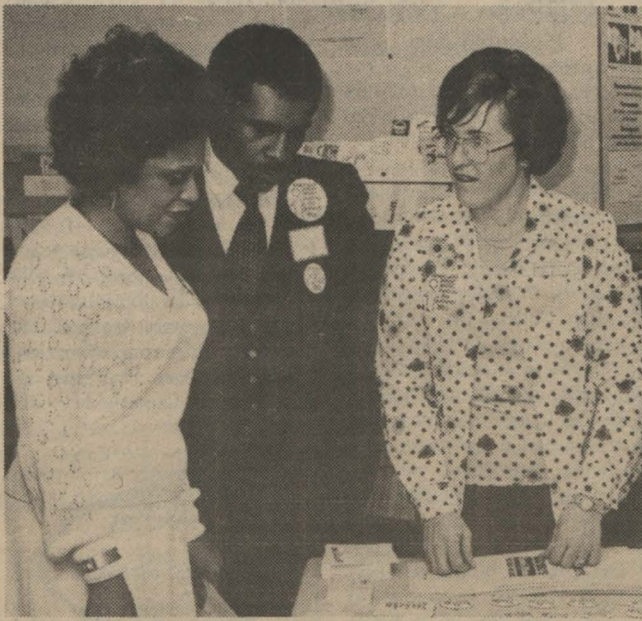
American Heart Association Starts Campus Activities

An employee Heart Fund Campaign currently underway on campus has been extended to the end of March, Dr. C. A. Wood, local American Heart Association Chairman announced.

A health education program emphasizing the reduction of heart disease and related causes is also currently

underway and will continue throughout the year. President A. I. Thomas has called on all staff members and departments to contribute both the educational activities and fund campaign.

Mike Handy of Victoria is the American Heart Association's Area representative working with the University.



CAREERS IN NURSING - Dean Jewellean Mangaroo, and Dr. James Watson, newly appointed Houston City Health Director examine commerial exhibit by a representative of Scott and White Company during Career Day at the Houston Nursing Center. Dr. Watson was the principal speaker.

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NSF Grant Received for Summer Science Project

Prairie View A&M University has been awarded a grant of \$12,290 from NSF to conduct its nineteenth six-week summer science project in chemistry on June 4-July 16, 1978. The project is one of 150 Student Science Training Projects to be conducted in 42 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico that offers science-oriented high school students a broadening and enlightening experience with university-level instruction and laboratory training. Approximately 5450 high-ability students from throughout the United States will participate in the scientific research and study projects undergrants awarded by NSF.

The project at Prairie View will offer a program in chemistry dealing with basic concepts, special topics, and interrelated laboratory experiments in both classical

chemical and instrumental methods of analyses. Students will prepare cassette recording and color slides of laboratory work for presentation in a seminar and for use in their high schools. The twenty-five, 1978-1979 high school seniors to be selected, without regards to race, color, or creed, will reside of the campus, and they will enjoy the full impact of university living. Student selection will be based on scholastic ability, scientific motivation, mathematical competency and the completion of one year of chemistry.

There will be no cost to qualified students selected to participate in the project. Application forms may be secured from your high school or of the university. The project will be directed by Williams E. Reid and assisted by other members of the Department of Chemistry.

College of Home Economics

Centennial Nutrition

Conference Set March 29

The College of Home Economics launches its initial program of the Centennial Year on March 29 by hosting the Centennial Nutrition Conference. This Conference, the first in a series of activities planned for the months of March, April and October, has as its theme, "Nutrition and Aging: (The Dynamic Duo)." Program objectives include 1) to identify and highlight the most recent information on nutrition and medicine in the aging process; and 2) to assist professionals, paraprofessionals and the general public in gaining perspectives on key issues in nutrition, geriatric nutrition, medicine and health related areas through an exchange of ideas, expertise and opinions.

The Conference will focus upon four program issues:

1. The role of the federal government in establishing priorities and providing resources for research, health care and related program for the elderly;
2. The role of nutrition in conserving and maintaining health, retarding the aging process and delaying the onset of chronic degenerative diseases;
3. The role of medicine in maintaining health, retarding the aging process, and delaying the onset of chronic degenerative diseases;
4. The role of research in providing answers to current geriatric and gerontology problems.

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SIGNS OF SPRING - Three PV co-eds take to the outdoors as warm pleasant weather replaces the chill of winter and evidences of Spring are bursting out all over.

PV Wins Trophies in TSU Speech Contests

Prairie View's Forensics Society came back Saturday, March 11, with a number of awards in the Speech Communication contest activities at Texas Southern University. Dr. Millard Eiland, the Forensics Coach, reported that P.V. students won four trophies and 3 medals in various events. Kenneth Edmondson won three trophies: first place in Poetry Interpretation, second place in Prose Interpretation, and third place in Dramatic Interpretation.

Lydia Johnson and Henderson Lee Williams won the second place trophy in their Duo-Dramatic Interpretation event, and Ms. Johnson also won a seventh place medal in Oratory.

The other two winners this year the second annual Barbara Jordan Invitational Speech Events Tournament were Freddie Perkins who won a tenth place medal in Storytelling and Randy Murphy, who earned a seventh place medal in After-Dinner speaking.

Other students, in addition to the winners already mentioned, reached the Semifinals in their events: Jack Thompson in Oratory and Yolanda Williams in Poetry Interpretation.

The others on the team who participated this year were Debra Carter, Michael Jackson, Twyla Harris, Rosalyn Byles, and Tony Jones, and Irma Balthazar. Accompanying the students and judging in several events were Dr. E.

Joahanne Thomas, Head of P.V.'s English Department, and Professor Wilson Curtis, Assistant Forensics Coach.

Dr. Eiland emphasized that he is very proud of the good showing by these students and even more proud of the hard work which went into all of their preparations for the events. The competition against thirty-one other colleges from all over the state and nation was very intense, he pointed out.

Try outs for the next tourney in April are announced in this same Panther issue; they are open to all interested P.V. students.

Yearbook Favorites Selected

Student voting on yearbook features was held on Tuesday and Wednesday with a pretty good representation of the student body participating.

Results of the election will determine the winners in several categories of campus favorites, including Most Friendly, Most Beautiful, Handsome, Curvaceous, Most Together and Campus Flirts. The yearbook pages featuring these selections are usually the most popular among students.

Winners in the contest will take part in a full day's picture-taking out to some of the most attractive site in the Houston Metropolitan area. This year's trip has been tentatively set for the first week in April.

Auto Raffle

The Auto Raffle sponsored by the Quarterback Club as a fund drive to help athletics at PV is still on go.

A 1978 Monte Carlo will be raffled off on a date soon to be announced, Dr. Marion Henry, Athletic Council Chairman, stated. Raffle tickets are on sale for one dollar (\$1) each as a donation to the Athletic Fund Drive.



Ken Edmondson

Honors Week - March 27th - April 1st

Grooves to Donate Scholarships Next Month

The members of Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship Incorporated, will present to the deserving freshman (as of September 1977) majoring in any of the engineering disciplines, and to the freshman majoring in accounting, a one-hundred dollar scholarship. These scholarships will become an annual event, and are our way of commending these obviously worthy students. Scholarship, being foremost in our objectives, should, we think, be awarded. We also realize that higher learning is very expensive, and we hope that our contribution will help these students in attaining their very purpose for being here. We chose the students majoring in

engineering and accounting as being the first recipients of this award, because these are the areas of higher learning dear to our hearts, since the majority of the members of Groove are majoring in one or the other. But, as we said, these awards will become an annual occurrence, and every major that this university offers will be covered. Taken two at a time, will be quite a while before every scholar is singled out, but it is of little consequence. Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship Incorporated will be here at Prairie View Forever.

The members of Groove Phi Groove, Social Fellowship Incorporated Est. 1962



RETIRED TEACHER HONORED — Mrs. Pearl Solomon (left) is shown being awarded the Alpha Kappa Alpha Soror-of-the-Year Award during the graduate chapter's special 25th Anniversary Founders Day program on February 26. Zeta Gamma Omega president Ernestine Carreathers made the award.

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Nutrition Conference Set —

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Six outstanding professionals in the areas of gerontology, nutrition and medicine will serve as consultants during the conference. These consultants include Dr. Anthony Albanese, Dr. Charles Barrows, Jr., Dr. Samuel Dreizen, Mrs. Bilye June Eichelberger ('67), Dr. Arnold Schaefer, and Dr. Wilbur Watson.

Dr. Albanese is Director, Nutrition and Metabolic Research Division, Burke Rehabilitation Center, White Plains, New York and the Geriatric Nutrition Laboratory, Miriam Osborn Memorial Home, Rye, New York. A graduate of New York University at the baccalaureate, he earned the Doctor of Philosophy degree at Columbia University in 1940. Dr. Albanese has held numerous positions in Chemistry, pediatrics, and nutrition and metabolic research. Among his fields of investigation are nutritional needs and problems in infants, preschool children, nutritional requirements for elderly men and women, and of stroke patients; effects of fats, cholesterol and other factors in heart disease; and effects of cigarette smoking on protein and amino acid metabolism. He has 265 publications in the field of human nutritional research and methods and serves as Editorial Referee for several scientific journals.

Dr. Albanese is a member of a number of learned societies and recipient of several honors and awards.

Dr. Barrows is Chief of Section on Cooperative Nutrition, Gerontology Research Center, Baltimore City Hospitals, Baltimore, Maryland. He earned the Bachelor's degree in Chemistry at Rutgers University and the Sc.D. in Biochemistry at John Hopkins University School of Hygiene and Public Health. Since 1953, he has been Chief of Section on Cooperative Nutrition NIA-NIH.

Dr. Barrows is a member of the American Institute of Nutrition and the Gerontological Society. His research interests are in cellular metabolism, nutrition and gerontology. He has published recently in *Advances in Nutritional Research*, *Journal of Gerontology*, and *Growth*. He is recipient of the Robert W. Kleemeier Award and Lectureship, presented by the Gerontological Society for outstanding and meritorious contributions to research in the field of aging.

Dr. Samuel Dreizen is Professor and Chairman, Department of Dental Oncology, University of Texas Dental Branch, Houston, Texas. He earned the Bachelor's degree at Brooklyn College, the D.D.S. at Western Reserve University and the M.D. at North Western University and has held several positions in internal medicine, nutrition and metabolism, oral medicine and dental science. His consultative activities have been in nutrition, oral pathology and dental oncology.

Dr. Dreizen holds membership in eight professional organizations and has published 144 articles in referred journals.

Mrs. Bilye June Woods Eichelberger is an alumnus of the College of Home Economics, Class of 1967. An honor Food, Nutrition and Institutional Administration graduate, Mrs. Eichelberger comple-

ted the dietetic internship at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts; the Master's degree with a major emphasis in Public Health Nutrition and a second degree from the University of Pennsylvania with a major in Administration. She has had additional study at Columbia University, University of Chicago, University of North Carolina and Pennsylvania State University. A native of Waco, Texas, Mrs. Eichelberger is currently Director, Division of Nutritional Services, Pennsylvania Department of Health, Harrisburg Pennsylvania. She has assumed numerous professional responsibilities in her current position, is a member of seven professional organizations; has published in *Pennsylvania's Health* and has authored a total of 37 bibliographies, pamphlets, and newsletters.

Dr. Arnold Schaefer is currently Director of the Swanson Center for Nutrition, Inc. Omaha, Nebraska. He also has appointments as Professor of Biochemistry and Internal Medicine, University of Nebraska Medical Center and Clinical Professor of Nutrition, Creighton University School of Medicine, Omaha. He received the baccalaureate degree from South Dakota State University in 1939, a Master's degree in 1941 and a Ph.D. degree in Biochemistry from the University of Wisconsin in 1947.

Dr. Schaefer has held numerous positions including Nutrition Officer in World War II, serving in the European theater; research associate with emphasis on nutrition and cancer and the metabolism of choline; vitamin B12 and folic acid; head of Nutrition Researcher at the Squibb Institute of Medical Research and chief of the nutrition program; National Center for Disease Control; Department of Health Education and Welfare. It was during this tenure that he directed the Ten State Nutrition Survey, the first large scale nutrition survey of the United States.

Dr. Schaefer is recipient of the American Institute of Nutrition's 1970 Conrad Elvehjem Award in recognition of his contribution in identifying hunger and malnutrition in the U.S. and the world. He has more than 80 scientific publications on nutrition and health is co-author of the "ICNND Manual for Nutrition Surveys."

Dr. Wilbur Watson is Director of Research, National Center on Black Aging, Washington, D.C.

The Conference will be held in the Auditorium of the Hobart Taylor Hall. One hour continuing education credit will be awarded by Prairie View A&M University. Four clock hours of continuing education credit have been requested of the American Dietetic Association.



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PV Student Leaders Attend A&M Meeting

Two delegates from Prairie View A&M University attended SCONA 23, a meeting on the Politics of Energy at Texas A&M University February 15-18. Student-Senate Representatives Gwylan Wright and Christopher Tooté attended the four-day conference.



Tooté Wright

National and state leaders such as distinguished Congressman Olin E. Teague; Mr. Dale Myers, Undersecretary of Energy; Congressman Morris Udall of Arizona; Congressman Robert Krueger of Texas; Congressman Toby Moffett of Massachusetts; Dr. E. Linn Draper, associate professor and director of the Nuclear Reactor Laboratory of the College of Engineering at the University of Texas; Mr. Rady Johnson, General Manager for government affairs in Washington, D.C. for Standard Oil in Indiana and many other distinguished experts in fields related to energy.

Some of the topics discussed were "Energy, Lifestyles and the Future," "The Role of Congress in Energy Policy," "Future Energy Technologies," "The Private Sector," and "Environment and Energy."

Not only did the delegates receive the opportunity to meet and listen to many outstanding energy-related experts, but they also had a chance to view energy

exhibitions that had been prepared by various departments and societies connected with Texas A&M University which extended the realm of the conference into as many different areas as possible. There was one project of particular interest that was shown for two days. It was a special exhibit from Houston Solar Energy Society which demonstrated a solar energy converter that heated circulating water in aluminum coils covered by a type of plexiglass. Once the sunlight was collected in the coils and converted into energy, it heated the water hot enough to serve hot chocolate, tea, and coffee. Another project that was very unique was one presented by some of the faculty members of the Engineering Department, called the Energy Assimilator.

This device was put together by engineering students of University of Houston. The device could be fed certain facts about energy sources of today. The computer would spit

Forensics Society Sets Try-Outs For Coming Meet

The Forensics Society announces that tryouts for participation in the Stephen F. Austin Tournament April 8 in Nacogdoches will be held in 117 Old Music Building, March 20-22. Students interested in trying out should contact Dr. Millard Eiland, the Forensics coach, or Mr. Wilson Curtis, the assistant Forensics coach, in 107 Old Music Building, phone 2712.

The event categories in Oral

out information about which energy alternatives are the most feasible, how long they could last, and how much could be depleted per year. It also gave information on how long it would be before our present energy sources such as oil, natural gas and coal would be depleted.

The culminating activities included a well-prepared brunch and a closing address.



AKA CHARTER MEMBERS — Four members of the founding group which established Zeta Gamma Omega Chapter in the Prairie View Community 25 years ago posed for the photo above. They are (L-R): Mrs. Eloise Williams, Mrs. Iris Thomas, Mrs. Lorraine O'Banion and Mrs. Gwendolyn Jones.

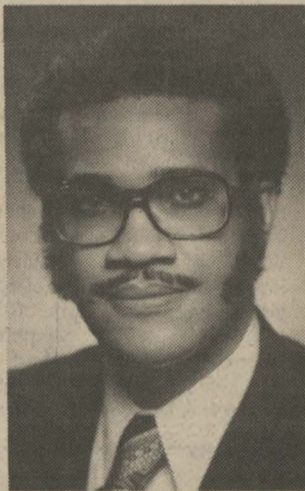
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Samuel Ewing, Jr.

Ewing is serving as a "visiting professor" in the National Urban League's Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP). This Spring 1978 semester, over 200 black professional and business persons are serving as guest-lecturers in a variety of BEEP credit-bearing courses at thirty traditionally black colleges and universities. Since 1969, BEEP visiting professors have supplemented academic theory with practical, applied know-how as utilized in the work world, in order to prepare students for embarking on professional careers after graduation.

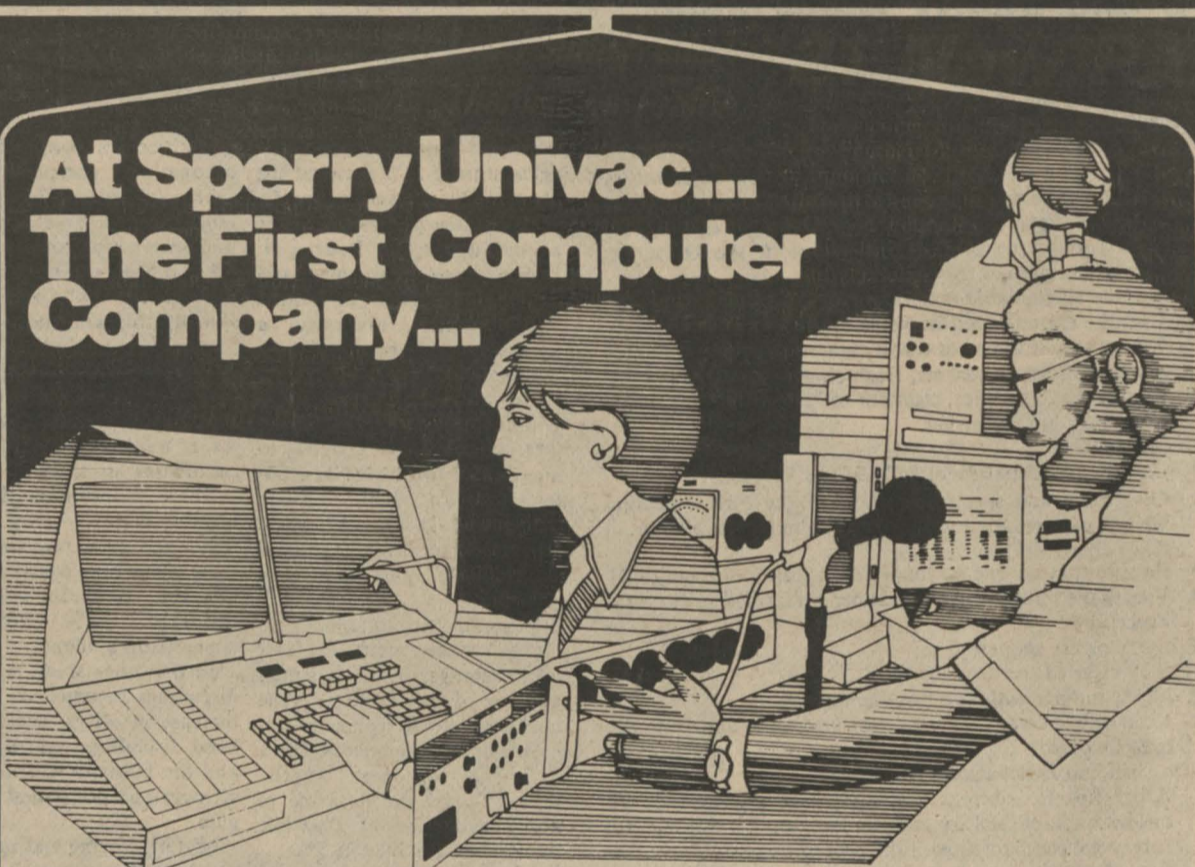
Participating firms and government agencies support BEEP by donating the time, expertise, and expenses of their black executives.

At Bankers Trust, Ewing supervises recommendations to bank customers on appropriate corporate financing strategy.

An Electrical Engineering

graduate of the University of Cincinnati, Ewing earned his Masters degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Connecticut. He earned his MBA at Harvard University. Prior to joining Bankers Trust, he was affiliated with Salomon Brothers and Gruss and Company.

The Topeka Kansas, native holds membership with the Harvard Business School Club, 100 Black Men, and the Council of Concerned Black Executives.



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Congratulations:

PV Speech Club

Prairie Views Speech Club attended the annual T.S.U. Barbara Jordan Tournament in Houston this past weekend. Mrs. Jordan delivered a speech depicting the importance of good communication which is derived through speaking correctly. She expressed "speaking well" as a key that can open the door to new and different aspects in ones life. Mrs. Jordan congratulated the winners and encouraged the losers to attend next year.

Congratulations were extended to Ken Edmondson, Lydia Johnson, Randall Murphy and Freddie Perkins. Ken Edmondson, a Mass Communications Major received trophies for a 1st place in Poetry, 2nd

place in Prose and a 3rd place in Dramatic Interpretation. Lydia Johnson, a Mass Communications Major received a medallion for 7th runner-up in Oratory. She and Lee Williams, a Drama Major, received a trophy for 2nd place in Duet-Acting. Randall Murphy, a Mass Communications major received a medallion for 7th runner-up in After Dinner Speaking. Freddie Perkins received a medallion for 10th runner-up in Poetry.

He would like to congratulate the Speech Club for representing Prairie View in such a fine manner. If there are interested persons contact Dr. Eiland or Mr. Curtis in the English Department at 857-2712.



ROTC GRADS TO WED — Willie Arnold of Bryan and Larry D. Brown of Austin are planning a wedding before his graduation in May. She has another year to do in Social Work while Brown will attend Medical school at UT-San Antonio.

Job Prospects for College Grads Continue to Improve

Job opportunities for college graduates at the bachelor's level appear more plentiful for the second year in a row. The mid-season Salary Survey report of the College Placement Council shows that the number of job offers made to bachelor's candidates by business, industrial, and government employers is running 31% ahead of last March. This gain is on top of a 49% increase the previous year, according to Mr. Brutus N. Jackson, career planning and placement director at Prairie View A&M University, a participating institution in the national survey.

However, the outlook for graduate-degree candidates is less promising. Offers to master's candidates are 5% fewer than the number reported last March, while those to doctoral candidates are at about the same point as a year ago. Women are continuing to fare better than men — at least in percentages if not in actual number of job offers. At the bachelor's level women's volume is up 37% compared with a 29% rise for men. At the master's level the decrease in women's offers is only 1% while the decline for men is 7%.

Still, about four out of every five job offers are going to men. Women's offers account for only 19% of the total bachelor's offer and 17% of the master's. Nonetheless, this is a considerable improvement over March 1975 when the women's ratio was 11% at the bachelor's level and 10% at the master's. Since the CPC survey does not cover teaching positions and a large percentage of women graduates go into this occupation, the proportion of offers to women would undoubtedly be considerably higher if offers for

teaching positions were included.

The CPC survey, now in its eighteenth year, is based on offers, not acceptances, made to college students in selected curricula and graduate programs during the normal recruiting period, September to June. It covers a broad range of occupations, except teaching. Data are submitted on an ongoing basis by 158 colleges and universities throughout the United States. Three reports are issued each year — in January, March, and July.

At the bachelor's level students in all disciplinary areas benefitted from the increase in employer activity. As is usually the case, the candidates in shortest supply — those majoring in engineering disciplines — experienced the largest gain, receiving 44% more offers than a year ago. Of all the bachelor's offers reported, 57% were to engineering students.

In the other areas, scientific disciplines experienced a 35% increase in offers, business-related disciplines went up 16%, and the humanities and social sciences group reported an 8% gain. Manufacturing and industrial employers were the most active recruiters, making 39% more offers and accounting for 68% of the bachelor's total. The federal government, however, had the biggest percentage increase (+59%) over last year. This, however, was based on low volume in both years. Business employers made 12% more bachelor's offers than a year ago.

Only three of the 15 employer categories in the private sector reported reduced activity: chemicals and drugs, metals and metal products, and

Groove Black History Program A Success

The members of Groove Phi Groove Social Fellowship Incorporated, would like to thank everyone who contributed to the success of our "definitive black history program." Mr. Kenneth Edmonson interperative reading was, as usual, awe-inspiring. He makes one wonder when and where all that talent was acquired. Ms. Gwen Wright's outstanding rendition of the gospel hymn "Going up Yonder" was truly one that sent chills up your spine. The lady possesses a truly fine voice. Ms. Helen Coleman's short, but utterly moving performance as a long suffering black woman, was truly almost the high point of the evening (no offense Helen). But indeed, the climax of the evening was delivered by the glorious Baptist Student Movement, Prairie View's resident unparalleled gospel choir. These people, without any reservation, have to be the best anywhere. Their voices blend in seemingly effortless harmony and ring with utter clarity. They so moved the audience, that they were asked for an encore time and time again. This they did, each time

sounding better than the first, and it still didn't seem like it enough. They truly boggle the mind.

Last, but certainly not least, we would like to thank fellow Grooves Mr. Bobby Jenkins Mr. Michael Jarmon. Their completely ad-libbed one act play was a king of revelation.

Again thank-you everyone for your distinct contributions.

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averages were \$829 for humanities and \$838 for social sciences majors.

Gains in dollar averages since the close of 1976-77 for engineering disciplines ranged from about 6% to almost 9%; business disciplines, 4% to 5%; humanities and social sciences, 2% or less; and the sciences from 1% to over 19% for the "other physical sciences" category. However, the latter figure was based on low volume.

At the master's level, decreases in offers were found in what are usually the most popular curricula: business administration, engineering, and accounting. The social sciences reported a substantial percentage increase in offer volume compared with last season as did the geological and metallurgical sciences. All had relatively small volume, however.

The top three master's programs in dollar averages continued to be chemical engineering at \$1,609, mechanical engineering at \$1,535, and the MBA after a technical undergraduate degree at \$1,534.

At the doctoral level, offers were still sparse and data were generally inconclusive. Chemistry and chemical engineering were the most active programs. The highest doctoral dollar average was \$2,057 a month for chemical engineering, while the chemistry average was \$1,830.

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Congratulations:

Congratulations must go to Miss Barbara Jacket, head coach of the Prairie View Women Track Club alias our Pantherettes. The Chaper of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. presented a plaque to Coach Jacket as coach of the year on the 19th day of March 1978.

G. C. P.

Fire and Safety Department

Prairie View A&M University has a complete modern fire department composed of the latest fire fighting equipment and manned by highly qualified personnel consisting of full-time and student employees, who are on duty twenty-four (24) hours daily.

The overall objective of the fire department is to provide protection and safety of human life and property through out the Prairie View Community. To obtain this objective, it must have the support and cooperation from those it is to serve.

In an effort to prevent fires, members of the University Community are requested to:

1. Handle all flammable materials with caution.
2. Exercise extreme caution when smoking.
3. Do not smoke in bed or throw cigarettes, cigars or lighted matches in waste baskets, trash chutes or trash bins.
4. Be sure that cigarettes, cigars or matches are extinguished when they are discarded.

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Pedestrians are requested to:

1. Stay clear of the area involved.
2. Never tamper with fire fighting equipment.
3. Keep right of ways (streets) clear leading to and from the area involved.

Fire Drill and Evacuation Procedures:

1. A fire drill procedure and building evacuation procedure has been established for each building on the campus. Be sure to get acquainted with the procedure and follow it in case of fire.
2. Fire drills will be held periodically on an announced and unannounced basis.

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By: Matthew Ade, Shoyebo

As summarized in many authoritative predictions, an unbelievable new world industrial revolution for the soaring 80's will require Professional Engineers to unite technology and management. "The coming years are the years for the Engineers' declared Mr. Donald C. Klein, Executive Director of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers, who was the Guest Lecturer in the Engineering Seminar Series on March 15, 1978 here on our campus. The Executive Director addressed the engineering students on "Future Trends In Engineering Practice."

In his brief statement before introducing Mr. Klein, The Dean of the College of Engineering at Prairie View A&M University, Dean A. E. Greaux, PE, pointed out to the students, one of the aims and objectives of the College of Engineering which is to educate and prepare its students for entry into the engineering profession and to the responsibilities and the accountability for professional practice. Dean Greaux told the students that they are the central force in the College of Engineering and that the total development of them is regarding as paramount. He added that the students made a pilgrimage to Prairie View A&M because of their interests in engineering and as such need to be acquainted with the Engineering Practice Act and the Board Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dean Greaux believes that the most direct route for minorities to move into the mainstream of the American system is through the professions.

In his own lecture, Mr. Klein began by showing the students slides of past engineering failures that occurred in some areas of Texas that instigated and stimulated interest in the State of Texas Registration laws that regulate the practice of professional engineering in all of its manifestations, and in the administration and enforcement of these laws.

The progress of enactment of engineers' registration laws dates from Wyoming in 1907. As the population of the United States become more dense, the accumulation and increasing number of wrong guesses in construction fields served to focus the attention of the American public upon the engineering profession and the need for an authoritative regulation of its practitioners. The fateful day came in 1907 in Wyoming.

1937 was the beginning of registration for Engineers in Texas. It began due to various engineering failures that occurred in Texas, especially in New London, Texas. Since then, the law has been amended five

times and the name was recently changed to Texas Engineering Practice Act. The registration laws have been strengthened by increasing the requirements for registration. There is a determination on the part of the profession to provide a higher quality of service to the public by this increase and by more aggressive enforcement of the laws.

Although, not only are engineers' registration laws necessary for the safety of the public and for the protection of the public interest, they are necessary for the protection of the profession. This is because a profession is judged by the failures of incompetents and the conduct of the unworthy, unless clear dividing lines are established in public recognition between the lawful practitioners of the engineering profession and those who are not permitted to practice.

Engineers' Registration has been a strong force in developing professional consciousness in the Engineer. Because registration is a legally recognized testimony of competence, it protects the engineer and it protects any who uses the services of the engineer.

Setting minimum standards for the profession weeds out incompetents and undesirables and shields the engineer from his unfair competition. This pays off economically, as well as in recognition and protection. Thus, registration automatically nurtures a professional outlook, which invariably brings a long term gain.

In closing, Mr. Klein pointed out that it is the desire and the ambition of each person to achieve the highest recognition possible in his or her field of endeavor, in the profession, this recognition is bestowed by the public who through its laws grant the permission and the right to practice through a system of registration. He challenged every student and every faculty person in the College of Engineering to achieve this highest level of recognition; that is to become registered, and become a professional engineer.

The conclusion of the seminar saw a healthy interchanging of ideas, of question and answers between students and guest lecturer and faculty members. The Engineering Lecture Series once again served our students well by having distinguished and prominent Engineer as our "Distinguished Professor for a Day."

Party Time

Les Belles Letters (LBL) will be giving a dance at the Newman Center, Wednesday, March 29, 1978 admission will be 75 cents. The dance will start at 9 p.m. So everyone is invited to come and party.

New Extension Aides Train Here



Newly employed Extension program aides Ruthie Hill (right) and Estefana Ballejo (center) identify program target areas with Zelda Williams, program specialist. The aides will implement the Family Resource Development Program adult phase in Wharton County and were recently at Prairie View for training.

Newly hired Extension Family Resource Development program aides Ruthie M. Hill and Esterfana Ballejo, both of Wharton County, were on campus recently to receive training from program specialist Zelda Williams. According to Mrs. Williams, the job of the new aides will be to get information out to the people on everything from child development and nutrition to information and assistance about available community services.

Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Ballejo will be working in Wharton County, which was recently added to the target area of the Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Program.

Mrs. Williams also stated that the aides will teach mostly limited-income families ways of money management, clothing and home gardening.

Congratulations to the new aides and may they experience much success in their work!

Jack and Jill Senior Teens Hold First Assembly

On February 14, 1978, the Prairie View Senior Teens Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. presented "A tribute to Afro-Americans" to the Waller High School Student Body. The theme of this event was Roots: Achievements and Projection.

The programs invocation and acknowledgements were made by Kenneth Weatherspoon, president of the Senior Teens. Lift Every Voice and Sing and the American National Anthem were sung by coach Lucius Clemmons. Biographical sketches were given by Carla V. Richardson and Travis K. Webster. The occasion and the history of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. was

shared by Mrs. Annie L. Muse, President of the Prairie View Mothers' Chapter of Jack and Jill, Inc.

The introduction of the speaker was given by Frederick Carter. The highlight of the assembly was the address given by Dr. Purvis Carter, associate professor of History Prairie View A&M University.

The "Tribute to Afro-Americans" was one of many service projects done by the Senior Teens of Jack and Jill. It was one aspect of upholding the Jack and Jill motto which states:

"Let's work, let's play, let's live together."

The officers and members of the Senior Teens of Jack and Jill, Inc. 1977-78 are: Kenneth Weatherspoon, president;

Attention, Class of 1978

The officers of the graduating class of 1978, the Centennial Class, are asking every graduating senior to pay his senior dues. The dues have been set at \$10.00. Please, don't balk at the amount. We realize that \$10.00 seems, at first glance, an inordinate amount of money to pay near the semester's end, when one has so many other responsibilities, but we also realize that everyone

wants to have something of significance to remember and recall fondly about May of 1978, besides, of course, graduation.

In our meetings, not only as a governing body, but also with those members of the class who chose to take a small amount of their time and attend the meetings, we came to the conclusion that the crowning event of this semester should be a Senior Ball. Consequently, there is very little time left for the necessary arrangements. Please pay your dues. Think of them as a contribution to your fond remembrances.

Please contact our sponsor, Mr. Samuel Montgomery, in the registrars office. What seems like an untimely matter now will be appreciated in the future.

Dwayne Revis,
Senior Class Treasurer

Friendship

By Laveta Simpson

It's a very wonderful feeling to know that you have someone you can always say is your friend. Friendship is being able to relate to a person or persons on all kinds of situations. A friend is someone you can come to in your time of need and time of pleasure.

A friend is also very hard to find in our world today, cause it's all mixed up. There are so many people who take friends for granted, and use their kindness for weakness.

My true idea of a friend to me is never having to worry about how they will react to you. A friend should be someone who you can spend special and exciting moments with. You should not ever have to worry about your friend telling your deepest secrets. In order to be able to find people who will truly be your friends, you too, have to be a special person. Someone who is nice, willing to meet people and understand their feelings, as well as your own. Everybody needs friends, because it's very hard for a person to accept being alone with their self. Alone with their problems, alone with their pleasures. Friends are special. You need a friend like you need food in your system. You need a friend like the sun needs to shine. Without friendship you'll always find yourself questioning your self.

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PV Spring

PV Nature Lovers

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Healthy looking dogs romp The lawns or open grass fields, Really makes you happy To see them alive instead of Laying on the road killed, Just simply beautiful isn't it;

Little birds sing their Latest hit called "tweetie-tweet-tweet"

With just a variety of Pretty flowers and fragrant colognes

That smell oh so sweet Just simply beautiful isn't it; Bees and wasps a buzzin' Here and there,

As long as they keep their Sting to themselves, buzz on and I won't care

Little squirrels eat nuts And do the Prairie View spank-n-worm

Now check out the tiny ants and bugs They doin' the Prairie View Return

Just simply beautiful isn't it; Gents and ladies on the Foot-phi-stroll,

Just trootin' or struttin' But truckin' kinda bold

Oh the couples walking Hand in hand look so together Even stags on their

Dorm to class hikes look a little better Just simply beautiful isn't it;

Now a lot of us are Playing the cool English Body Psych

As one can just look around And spot out bike after bike after bike

Ah here the air is a super Atmospheric factor because it's So naturally clean,

God thank you so kindly For giving us trees, bushes 'n grass

With such a pretty green. Just simply beautiful isn't it;

Now when day climbs on up And night falls on down

The sky becomes ecstasy With all the stars glowin' round

Let's exclude the cold, fog, High winds, our parking Problems and necessary rain

Which makes this campus an Almost Paradise with study-ing

As the major pain, Since new buildings are in Progress everyday,

And street pavements are smooth

Or on the way, Would not you stop with Me this instant and say, the campus of Prairie View A&M University is simply beautiful isn't it;

Just can't wait to throw my P.V. frisbee to see that purple and gold in flight,

Now lets not forget our beautiful little dome that really looks good at night,

Ya know with our Alumni fountain

Sputting crystal blue left and right. . . hmmm

This campus setting in spring is simply an afternoon delight. Just Simply beautiful isn't it.

George C. Pope

PV Among Colleges In Concrete Canoe Race in Corpus

Concrete canoes will ply the waters of Corpus Christi Bay April 8.

Occasion will be a race by student chapters of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Texas A&I University's chapter will be host to the state convention at the Corpus Christi Quality Inn from April 6-8. The Corpus Christi Bay Yacht Club will lay out the course from the T-Head Marina and send out observation boats for the safety of the participants.

Competing in canoes they have designed and built will be students from Texas A&M, Texas A&I, Texas Tech, Prairie View A&M, Southern Methodist, Lamar Tech, University of Houston, University of Texas at Arlington, UT at El Paso and UT at Austin.

Competition will be held in three divisions — for male students, female students and faculty members. In addition to awards given the winners of each division there will be an additional one for the boat with the best construction and design.

W. Gordon Derr, visiting civil and mechanical engineering professor at A&I, is coordinating the race, to be held from 10 a.m. until noon.

Last year the race was conducted at White Rock Lake in Dallas.

Season's Basketball Record

(Season 14-13; SWAC 3-8)

PV A&M PANTHERS	OPPONENT	PTS.
132	Texas College	128
97	U. Ark. Little Rock	78
124	Lubbock CC	81
108	Houston-Tillotson	61
109	Wiley	87
127	Paul Quinn	106
79	Houston Baptist	82
61	St. Marys	72
83	Jackson State	101
86	Miss. Valley	118
77	Tougaloo	76
99	Southern Univ.	103
75	Texas Southern	60
92	Alcorn State	117
85	Grambling State	80
131	Paul Quinn	116
80	Jackson State	106
72	Wiley College	65
85	U. Ark. Little Rock	94
105	Miss. Valley	99
	Texas College	
73	Texas Southern	89
85	Grambling	101
121	Alcorn State	101
104	Houston Tillotson	97
0	Southern Univ.	2

All SWAC Basketball Teams 1977-78

1ST TEAM	HT.	CLASS	PTS.	SCHOOL
G - James Horton	5-7	2	54	Alcorn State
G - Martin Lemelle	6-1	2	46	Grambling State
C - Sylvester Norris	6-11	3	56	Jackson State
F - Purvis Short	6-7	4	60	Jackson State
F - Frankie Sanders	6-6	3	50	Southern Univ.
2ND TEAM				
G - Gregory Green	6-3	4	40	Southern Univ.
G - Kenny O'Banner	6-0	3	35	Jackson State
C - Bill Caldwell	6-9	4	28	Texas Southern
F - Dennis Wayne	6-6	3	34	Prairie View
F - Terry Sykes	6-7	4	38	Grambling State
3RD TEAM				
G - Freddie Blue	6-1	3	34	Texas Southern
G - Charles Lindsey	6-0	4	32	Mississippi Valley
C - Earnest Williams	6-7	3	24	Mississippi Valley
F - Larry Hagan	6-4	2	28	Prairie View
F - Larry Smith	6-8	2	28	Alcorn State

HONORABLE MENTION TEAM

Robert Williams (Grambling) Clinton Wyatt (Alcorn State)
 Charles Wade (Mississippi Valley) James Butler (Texas Southern)
 Lionel Garrett (Southern University) George Walker (Prairie View)

Extension Sponsors Cage Tournament

By Brenda D. Agnes

Twenty-six area teams competed in the 2nd annual basketball tournament conducted by the Prairie View Extension Youth Development Program March 11. Four-hundred spectators viewed the action going on in both gyms of the physical education and recreational complex at Prairie View.

Winners in the five divisions were: girls: 1st pl.-P.V. Steamers; 2nd pl., Brookshire Redlegs; boys: 1st pl., Houston anchor House; 2nd pl., Hempstead Go-Getters; women: 1st pl., Hempstead Stingers; 2nd pl., Slow Motions; high school boys: 1st

pl., Houston All Stars; 2nd pl., Houston Shape Center; men: 1st pl., Houston Quickway, 2nd pl., Houston Anchor House. The team sportsmanship trophy went to the Houston All Stars. An outstanding player award was presented to a player in each division.

Margie Boler, Youth Development Programmer, coordinated the tournament under the leadership of Vernell Jackson, Recreation Specialist for Waller County.

Thanks goes to all who participated in making this tournament a success.

A Review —

Grooves Present Black

Awareness Program

The official observance of Black History ended in February, but almost no one saw the March 2 black awareness program sponsored by Groove Phi Groove would consider it a trifle too late.

To start the show was Kenneth Edmondson, commanding the state with a theatrical resonance that would rival that of Hollywood's Tony Randall. He did a dramatic presentation of a series of Langston Huges poems, and did it well.

Helen Coleman, also known as Skippy, followed with a skit portraying a distraught black mother, and after seeing this one cannot be sure that the spiritual element which we call soul is such intangible and abstract phenomena. During parts of her song one received an unrestrainable sensation — an eerie feeling much like the one black males (and other males for that matter) got when called upon to utter such niceties as "I love you" to their dear ones. And maybe, just maybe, the black sisters in Baptist churches who fell into delirium under the passionate voice of their preachers and the holiness singing of the choirs on Sunday morning were not being so ostentatious after all.

But the show was not without its dull and wasteful moments. There as an obvious lack of preparation. Sopranos sounded shrill as they attempted to reach notes that were to high for them. There was an unbalanced dialogue between a black and a white (portrayed by two black students) about the mentality of the Negroid race, and the whole thing appeared rather ludicrous. And the general lack of decorum did not help matters either.

No, it was not a show that you would make all sorts of sacrifices to see. It proved nonetheless that a wealth of talent is here at Prairie View. It proved that students here are about more than parliament and the Barkays and Bootsie and Confunkshun. More important, it revealed that students here could function in leadership roles without the close supervision of faculty and staff members.

The audience was small, as an audience of this nature would be. So not many people witnessed the potential strength of the Groove Phi Groove fraternity. This is unfortunate, because the organization excels at more than generating school spirit through battle cries at basketball games.

Pol. Science and Pre-Law Clubs Visit Law Schools

Recently, all interested members of the Political Science Club and Blackstone Pre-Law Society visited both Thurgood Marshall School of Law of Texas Southern University and Bates Law School of University of Houston to ascertain what is required for entering and succeeding in law school.

Each law welcomed Prairie View A&M University students with a very hospitable reception. Assistant Dean Jan Frye, and Dean Duhon of the Admissions Office of University of Houston Law School presented the history of the law school along with its procedures for acceptance of perspective law students. The Black American Law Student Association (BALSA) also provided very candid viewpoints of the school along with a guided tour

of the school. At Thurgood Marshall School of Law at Texas Southern University, a special assistant to Dean Bullock provided all perspectives law students with a tour of the law school and held a question and answer period.

All students departed with an in-depth knowledge and a very broad perspective of law school.

The persons who participated in this rewarding event were: Beverly Allen, Freshman; Amanda Bullard, Freshman; Timothy Dixon, Junior; Burke Fontenot, Junior; Atherine Gainer, Senior; Donna Harris, Junior; Jancine Johnson, Freshman; Rodney Player, Freshman; Elaine Price, Freshman; Karen Spiller, Freshman; Adryan Wallace, Freshman; Gwylan Wright, Senior; Mr. Julen Davis, Head of the Political Science Department.



TIME FOR A BREATHER — Taking time out for a breather during home gardening training are Prairie View Extension and county Extension staffs in Washington County. Purpose of the training conducted by program specialist Elaine Ward and Eddie Harrison was to assist program aides in working with limited-income youth in gardening activities as a community project. Pictured from left to right are: Barbara Sulak, Assistant County Extension Agent; Johnnie Roberson, Program aide; Billie Blackshear, program aide; Bobbie Seals, program aide; Arenda Campbell, program aide; Ruby Ragsdale, County Extension Agent; Dorothy Wilburn, program aide; and Elaine Ward, program specialist, Family Resource Development Program — youth phase.

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LBL Welcomes the Spring Line

Les Belles Letters is proud to present the following officers and the new "1978" spring line.

President-Sister Cheryl Ross, Vice President, Sister Rosalyn Ervin; Dean of Pledges, Sister Myra Martin; Secretary, Sister Lydia Mitchell; Treasurer, Sister Carla Nickerson; Parliamentarian, Sister Jennifer Forney.

The 1978 spring line of Les Belles Letters are: Diane Richardson, Sandreeta McAlister, Datter Ware, Carol Francis, Dianne Campbell, Cheryl Baines, Mary Mallett, Alecia Hoffman, Neibra Smith, Gennifer Fobbs, Gwendolyn Charles, Carolyn Miller, Marvel Warner, Annette Moore, Barbara Hollman, and Earnes-

tine Brown. "We are proud to welcome these young ladies into our sorority," said Sister Cheryl Ross.

The LBL sorority is sponsored by Mrs. Helen Revada, instructor in the college of Biology.

Attention, Class of 1978

The staff of the Centennial Yearbook, are urging all seniors who have not taken their photographs to come in and take them. We would like this yearbook be one of very special significance, and to have every seniors' picture in it would contribute greatly to that. In the past, the section containing the photographs of the graduating class has been noticeably sparse, and this, we think, is ashame, one should make it a point to take a few minutes and sit for a photo. This seemingly insignificant gesture, on your part, will probably mean the world to you or your children, in the future. It will, in all likelihood, give you a great deal of pleasure to look back upon yourself, fellow classmates, and friends and recall the experiences, both good and bad that you had here at PV (by then you'll probably not remember the bad).

So, please, take a little time and make an appointment to have your picture taken. If not for you, than for posterity.

Yearbook staff

Fashion in the News

By Claudia Coleman

Believe it or not fashion is defined as the make, form or shape of a thing. Also, the current style of dress, conduct, etc. Being able to adapt, and something fashionable. Well, frankly fashion can be — to make yourself academically inclined in school. Fashion can be — to form a sense of knowledge about being in school. Fashion can be — to shape the school you attend, and ways in which you can make it better. All to say, college is not the place to style it's the place to be fashionable, and being able to adapt to college life.



CREDIT UNION AWARD — L. to R.: J. Battle, E. Martin, M. Henry, J. Berry, F. Francis and D. Sowell.



Mrs. Higgs, Education Committee co-chairman presents award to Credit Union President H. R. Turner.

PV Federal Credit Union Maintains Steady Growth

The Prairie View A&M University Employees Federal Credit Union continued its steady growth in 1977, it was revealed at the Forty-first Annual Meeting held at the Newman Center, March 13. Total assets, according to the Treasurer's Report, increased from \$390,870.82 to \$538,514.31. Total shares rose from \$346,415.02 to \$422,027.21. Net earnings for 1977 were \$32,399.48, nearly \$10,000, over the 1976 figure of \$23,339.48. Care in protection of shareholders' funds was reflected in the unpaid loan loss statistic, less than 3 per cent. Once more, dividends of 6 per cent were declared.

Following the call to order by President H. R. Turner and presentation of previous minutes by Secretary Frank Francis, election of new officers was conducted.

Opening remarks were offered by T. P. Dooley, a founder, who pointed up the logic and need for supporting

our thriving established institutions.

Written reports were submitted by Robert Cole, for the Board of Directors; Edward Martin, for the Loan Committee; Griff Kendrick for the Supervisory Committee; Seab Smith, for the Education Committee; and the report of Treasurer G. E. Higgs was presented to an alert, attentive membership.

Special activities were sponsored by the Education Committee, whose co-chairman Seab Smith, conducted the drawing of prizes (blocks of shares and small appliances) won, in descending order by: A. T. Kynard, Alvertice Bowdre, Mrs. H. T. Jones, J. L. Hill, William Chapman and H. T. Jones.

Mrs. Olivette Higgs, Co-chairman of the Education Committee, presented annual awards (certificates of appreciation) to: Joseph Battle of the Credit Committee; Edward Martin, Loan Officer; and Board members Jewell Berry, C. Smith, Joseph Battle, Frank Francis and Don Sowell. H. R. Turner, long-term President, was awarded a presidents block and gavel.

The annual Thrift Award, a plaque, went again this year to O. E. Jackson.

Announced election results returned to office: H. R. Turner, President; Marion Henry, Don Sowell, Edward Martin and Jewell Berry, Directors.

Prior to disbanding, the chair offered opportunity to candidates for political office to present their planned programs after which those present repaired to another room for refreshments — the usually anticipated rich birthday cake, refreshing punch, the essence of the grape, and nuts.

The Panther Club Thanks the Prairie View Students

The Prairie View Panther Club is more than an organization made up of athletics and an organization that helps athletics only. The Panther Club helps the Prairie View Community as well. This past Christmas the Panther Club went in with Fuller Hall and gave a needed family a food supply for about six weeks.

Again the Panther Club is out again trying to help the community for the Easter holidays. The Panther Club is having a can good drive for some not so fortune family in the community. The entire student body of Prairie View A&M University is helping us to collect cans goods for this project. At this time we the members of the Panther Club would like to say thanks for your help. Only through your help and understanding could this project be a success, only through your kind hearts and open minds could we do this.

21 New P.C.'s

The members of the Prairie View Panther Club would like to announce its 21 New Panther Club Brothers. They became P.C.'s on February 25, 1978. Their line name was the "Buffalo Soliders." We are full of pride to have these outstanding men, to become a part of this great organization and we know they will help it grow. They are:

1. James Stuart Williams;
2. Nelson Lee Brown, Jr.,
3. Mark Ambrose Johnson,
4. Dvain Anthony Wright,
5. Darrell Phillip Green,
6. Kenneth Deward Jones,
7. Donald Ray Booker,

We would also like to thank the University for its help. So many times the students say we have, a not so human Administration at Prairie View. This helping in this project is, another way the student body can see that President Thomas and the University cares about people.

Again the Panther Club would like to say thanks so very much, Panther Land for all of your help.

8. Iroy Joe Smith,
9. Bernard Wayne Glover,
10. Joe Nathan Kelley,
11. Delbert Anthony Bright,
12. Marion Gay, Jr.,
13. Juan Canlos Hill,
14. Oscar George Cooper,
15. Tony Coleman,
16. Edward Christopher Jones,
17. Sammy Louis August,
18. Tommie Glenn Dunson,
19. Bobby Banker,
20. Kevin Sullivan,
21. Frederick Addison Butler.

I hope that these young men are a prime Example of the Panther Club, at the Business of Building Young men for the future.

Ell-Roy Stevenson, President



Group of credit union members at annual meeting.

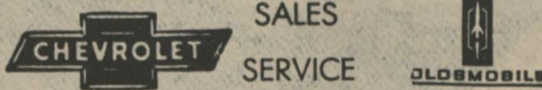
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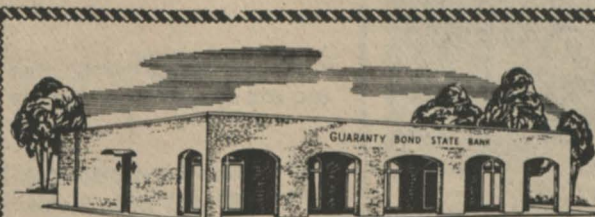
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The Big Track Attack PV Relays Set for March 31-April 1

By G. C. Pope
Sports Editor

Now for the record, the past annual T.S.U. Relays turned out to be just a very good appetizing menu. HMM . . . so good because for two days, the Panthers and Pantherettes were plain gluttons on Barnett Stadium's track. Even with injuries and a few miscues Prairie View managed to dominate the relay events in both the men and women divisions.

The Pantherette's started eating up the track Friday night with a first place in the sprint medley Relay. A team of sophomore Debra Melrose, fresh-person Patrice Roberts, senior Beverly Day and sophomore Essie Kelley turned

in a fine time of 1:43.8 in that event. After receiving that trophy a 440 yd. relay team of Patrice Roberts, sophomore Patricia Jackson, freshperson Vickie Belser and Beverly Day decided they wanted another trophy for collection. However this time around the ladies could only manage a mere second place with a time of 45.5.

Now with a disqualification call on our 880 yd. relay team the women had but one more shot at a relay trophy and guess what? yep, they did it again with a 53.0 sensational second leg performance by Miss Pat Jackson on the metric mile relay. The other legs were definitely kicking too as freshperson Angela Dudley, Beverly Day and Essie Kelley teamed up with Patricia for a nice time of 3:45.5 (the brass was not bad either).

Our other results in the Women Divisions were a 3rd place finish of 5'6" in the high jump by Miss Chestina Martin; 4th place of 19'2" in the long jump by Sweet Sheila Pettit; and a 3rd in the 400 meter hurdles by Debra Melrose.

All of those efforts resulted in a second place finish to Texas Women University. This was somewhat strange in that we tied T.W.U. in relay placement. Head track coach Dave Bethany of TSU stated, "The press voted to select T.W.U. as winners in the women division because of their

YA-BA-DA-BA-DOO if you love track come to P.V.U. This 48th Annual Extravaganza begins Friday at 1:30 p.m. to

time in the 440 yd. relay." This prompted head track coach Barbara Jacket of the Pantherettes to say, "The same should apply for women as co-holders as it does for men in that we were officially tied for first." She also said she was quite pleased with the meet and the awards were outstanding, but "when you've been on top so long no one will help you but yourself."

Now moving along to the men's division, man-oh-man did we get hungry on the track. The B metric mile relay team of sophomores Lester Coleman 49.4, and Alfred Gilbert 49.3 along with freshmen Alvin Scott 49.7 and Fred Butler 48.6 ran a nice 3:17.3 which was good enough for first place and a trophy. Karry Houston, Clifford Terrell, James Evans and Evans white united for a first place in the sprint medley relay in the time of 3:21.7 and a trophy. Joining in on the act again were Michael Houston, Clifford Terrell, Karry Houston, and Dwain Wright with a nice 41.1 time in the 440 yd. relay which was good enough for third. Our distance medley relay team of Evans White, James Hunt, James Simmons and Johnny Myles placed second with a good time of 10:11.2.

4:25 and begins finals at 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. All finals will begin after opening ceremonies at 1:10 p.m. Saturday. Participating in the College and University, Men Division will be the SWAC, Trinity University, Paul Quinn,

IN the climatic metric mile relay the Panthers munched out a nice time of 3:10.8 ah, this was exceptionally nice considering the showdown which was billed between TSU and PVU. Our fellas showed and then definitely downed a fine field of competition (also brought home another trophy). This team featured freshmen Williard Charles 50.2, sophomore Clifford Terrell 47.9, sophomore Evans White 46.1 and senior James Hunt with a strong finish of 46.5. Two of the three members left of last year's 3:07 mile relay team were in good form so with injured returnee Joe Johnson coming back, the Panthers should be really smoking soon.

Other results were Charles Pettis running 4th and unattached with a 10.6 time in the 100 meter dash: Alfred Gilbert 14.3 and 5th place in the 110 H. Hurdles; and a good two mile relay team of James Hunt, Fred Butler, James Simmons and Evans White placed 1st with a time of 7:38.1 each member of this relay averaged a 1:51 880 leg and also brought home some more brass. In the field events there

Houston Tillotson, Jarvis Christian College, Bishop and others.

In the Women Division there will be the SWAC, (Dallas) Metro-Plex Striders, and maybe other track clubs.

Now in the girls (high school) division there will be invites to all Houston area teams, Hempstead, Waller, Port Arthur and Beaumont. This should be some nice action, good weather GOD BLESS and a lot of SMOKE on the track so come on out.

G.C.P.

is much work to be done in that this meet was the first real exercise for our crew since last semester. "With hard work we must get into shape for our field team to score like we want to," says coach Hoover Wright. "I was well pleased with the runners at this stage."

Prairie View managed to tie for first place in the men division and if not for a pull-up on our 880 yd. relay team we would have been undisputed champions. Can't be too greedy though. There was a lot of talk in Houston town about running the people from The Hill plain off the track. Well . . . HEE HEE-HEE! The Panthers brought home the TSU team championship trophy plus four more. Then the Pantherette's brought home two brasses (trophies) so . . . hmm laughed at us eh . . . oh well, what the heck.



PRAIRIE VIEW SPORTS INFORMATION DIRECTOR HONORED — Joe Booker, veteran Sports Information Director at Prairie View A&M (Tx.) was recognized by Dr. Harry Fritz, Executive Director of the NAIA at a dinner during the NAIA Convention in Kansas City recently.

"Joe Booker has made a great contribution to the NAIA," said Dr. Fritz, on making an award presentation to Booker. He (Booker) has brought a lot of new ideas to the NAIA as President of the NAIA Sports Information Directors Association," said Dr. Fritz.

Dr. Woolfolk Named To State Committee

Dr. George R. Woolfolk, professor and chairman of the History Department has been appointed to the Texas Committee for the Humanities and Public Policy.

Headquarters at Arlington, Tx., the committee's primary duties involve the review of grant applications made to the Committee and the determination of programming and administrative policy for the state-based program of the National Endowment for the Humanities in Texas. There are 25-members across the state on the committee.

The new appointment is another of several special services rendered by Dr. Woolfolk through national and state-wide committees.

Harris County Students—Houston Press Club to Award Scholarships

The Press Club of Houston this summer will award scholarships to a number of deserving journalism students from Harris County.

Applicants must be classified as juniors or seniors in the 1978-79 academic year. They must be either graduates of a Harris County high school or currently list their permanent address in Harris County.

Interested students may receive applications and instructions at the Panther Office.

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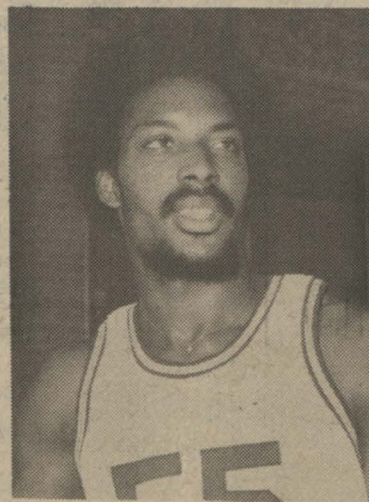


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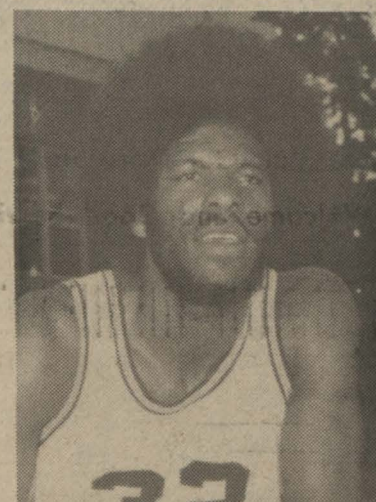
PV PLAYERS of Week

SWAC PLAYERS OF PAST WEEK

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| January 18 | Larry Smith, Alcorn |
| | Frankie Sanders, Southrn |
| January 23 | Frankie Sanders, Southern |
| January 31 | Northern Shavers, Jackson |
| February 6 | Larry Smith, Alcorn |



DENNIS WAYNE
6'6" Senior Forward
From San Antonio



LARRY HAGAN
6'4" Guard-Forward
From New Orleans

S.W.A.C. PLAYER OF THE WEEK
FEBRUARY 13-18
FRANKIE SANDERS, SOUTHERN UNIV.

S.W.A.C. PLAYER OF THE WEEK
FEBRUARY 20-25
TERRY SYKES, GRAMBLING

Coming Events —

PRAIRIE VIEW RELAYS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

— FRIDAY, MARCH 31 —

TRIALS AND FINALS (TRACK EVENTS) 1:30 — 4:25 p.m.
 WOMEN'S TRACK EVENTS
 FRESHMAN AND JUNIOR COLLEGE
 FINALS — COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY DIVISION 4:10 p.m.
 FINALS — College and University Division
 DISTANCE MEDLEY RELAY

FIELD EVENTS 1:00 — 3:00 p.m.
 FRESHMAN — JR. COLLEGE AND WOMEN

— SATURDAY, APRIL 1 —

TRIALS AND FINALS 9:00 — 11:40 a.m.
 TRACK EVENTS (ALL DIVISIONS)
 HIGH SCHOOL FIELD EVENTS 9:00 — 10:00 a.m.

— SATURDAY AFTERNOON —

ALL FINALS (ALL DIVISIONS) 1:10 — 5:00 p.m.
 FIELD EVENTS (12:45 — 3:00 p.m.)
 OPENING CEREMONIES (1:10 p.m.)
 HURDLES — WOMEN'S RELAYS — DASHES — 880 YARD RUN —
 TWO MILE RELAY — 880 YARD RELAY — MILE RUN — MILE RELAY

CENTENNIAL FINE ARTS FESTIVAL

APRIL 3-7, 1978

Hobart Taylor Fine Arts Building

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 3	DRAMATIC READINGS	(2:00 p.m.)
	LECTURES — FILMS	(6:00 p.m.)
APRIL 4-5	LECTURE FILM SERIES	6:00 p.m. — (April 4) 11:00 a.m. — (April 5) 2:30 p.m. — (April 5)
APRIL 6	SYMPHONIC BAND CONCERT	(8:00 p.m.)
	BROWN BAG ART SEMINAR	(12 Noon)
APRIL 7	FILM — LECTURE — SEMINAR	11:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m.
	AQUABATICS	5:00 p.m.
	SYNCHRONIZED SWIM TEAM	
APRIL 10 —	ART EXHIBIT	(Daily)
MAY 7	Hilliard Hall	

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