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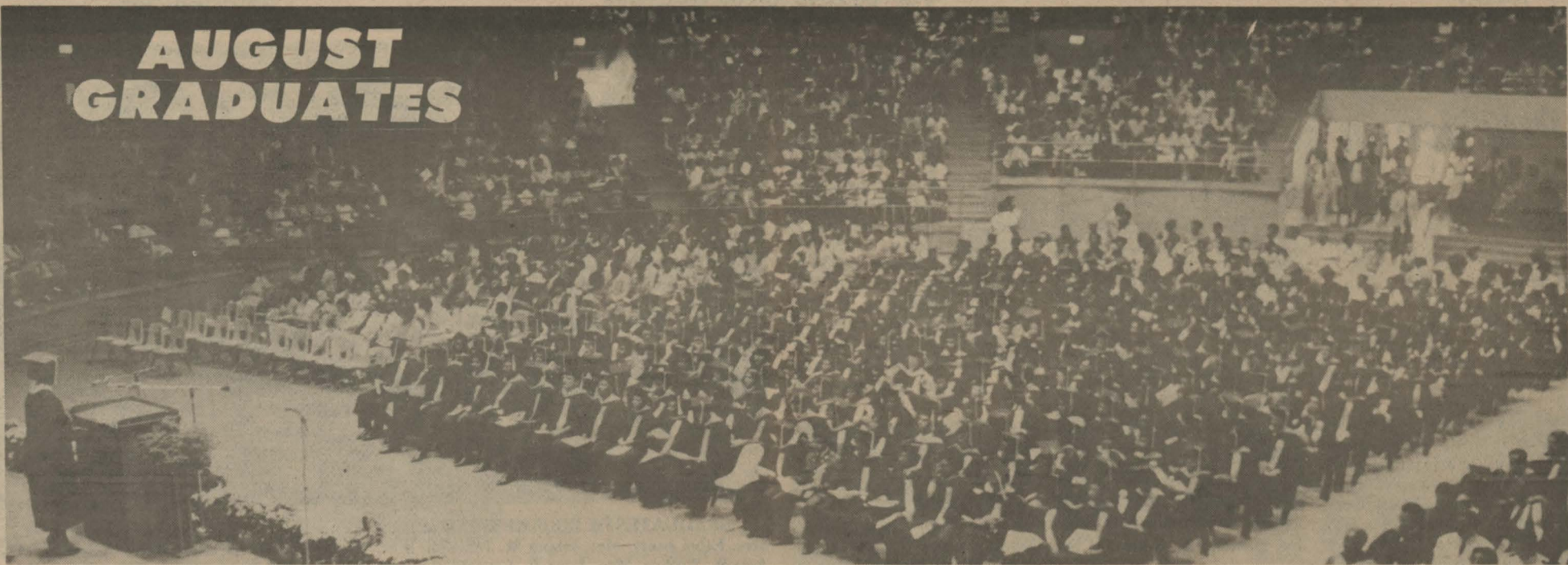
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AUGUST GRADUATES



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PRAIRIE VIEW
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100TH
YEAR

Centennial August Commencement Held

Over 400 Awarded Degrees

Prairie View A&M University conducted its August Centennial Commencement Sunday with approximately 450 graduates receiving degrees and certificates.

Mickey Leland, the newly elected congressman of District 18 delivered the commencement address. The Houston leader told the large audience that despite recent social, political and economic gains, blacks are still in "the most troubled times."

He made an anachronistic parallel between the philosophies of Tuskegee Institute and Prairie View, and between those of Dr. Alvin I. Thomas, Prairie View president, and Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee founder.

The newly-elected congressman of District 18 said "it is no easy task, anywhere, to stand up and fight for support of black education." He reflected on his poignant experiences of introducing legislative pieces before rural conservative whites during a six-year term as state representative.

He said he was grateful to schools like Texas Southern (his alma mater) and Prairie



Addresses Graduates

View for educating those who other wise might have been excluded. He recalled being denied admission to the University of Houston in 1963 because he was black.

After spending time speaking on his civic achievements, Leland assured that he was not speaking solely of himself but of the graduates as well.

"Look at me — just a little old boy out of Fifth Ward!" he exclaimed. "If I could graduate from a school like Texas

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Pantherettes Win National Acclaim

By Hal Lewis

Pantherettes Pat Jackson and Essie Kelly stun the nation with their performance in dual meet with Russia in Berkeley, California.

Both Pat and Essie had outstanding individual performances, Pat turn out a time of 52:2 in 400 meters to bring home a first place silver cup and the title of being the fastest female in 400 meters for United States. Essie finished second in the 800 meters with an impressive 2:01, her fastest time this year.

After a superb individual performance Pat and Essie combined efforts with two other teammates Sharon Dabney and Kin Thomas to win an exciting victory over the Russian women mile relay team. Sharon scratch the mile relay running a time 53:2 followed by Kim who ran 53:7. The third leg was ran by Pat Jackson who ran an

outstanding 50:2 to make up a 25 yard deficit and went ahead to give the U.S. women about a ten yard lead. Then Essie Kelly

brought home the bacon running an impressive time of 52:6 to win a thrilling victory over the Russian.

Open Enrollment Held for PV A&M Group Insurance

Prairie View A&M University's group insurance open enrollment period begins August 15, 1978, and will continue through September 30, 1978. During this period,

eligible employees not currently insured in the optional life, dependent life, medical, accidental death and dismemberment and/or long term

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Announcing . . .
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Texas A&M System Asks \$545 Million For 1980-81 Budget

A 1980-81 biennium budget request of more than \$545 million for the Texas A&M University System was presented to the Legislative Budget Board and the Governor's Budget Office during hearings on campus this week.

Prairie View's request was for \$25,033,127 in 1980 and \$9,068,143 in 1981. PV's 1979 allocation is \$11,845,231.

In opening remarks at the start of the three-day hearings, Chancellor Jack K. Williams said the proposed budgetary increases reflect inflation, salary increases for faculty and staff, insurance benefits for current employees and retirees, total Social Security payments to be made by the state, funding of a program of faculty development leaves, and additional faculty and staff positions throughout the system to meet the needs of growing enrollments and expanded programs.

Prairie View's Essie Kelly and Rick Rojas of Boulder, Colo. Hold Festival Flame

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SUMMER TREAT — A highlight of the Summer Session was the Fashion Show sponsored in connection with the Cosmetology Institute. The Annual Event was sponsored by the College of Industrial Education and Technology.

PV Grad Sets Medical Practice in San Antonio

Harmon W. Kelley, M.D., a 1967 honor graduate of Prairie View, recently set up an Obstetrical and Gynecological Practice in San Antonio in the Southeast Professional Building, 4242 E. Southcross.

Dr. Kelley received his Army Commission at Prairie View and went on to attend the University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas. Here he received his M.D. degree in June of 1971. He did his internship and residency at Wm. Beaumont Army Medical Center, El Paso, Texas from July of 1971-June of 1975.

After leaving El Paso, he spent three years as a Staff OB-GYN doctor at Darnall Army Hospital, Ft. Hood, Texas.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Kelly of Cameron and also the brother of Dr. Danny Roy Kelley of Prairie View.



Dr. Harmon W. Kelley, M.D.

Dr. Kelley is married to the former Harriet O'Banion, daughter of Mrs. E. E. O'Banion and of the late Dr. E. E. O'Banion of Prairie View. They have two daughters, Margaret 6 and Jennifer 3.

Gerontology Program Ends Successful Year

The gerontology program has recently completed its first successful year of operation. During the past year has enlisted over 25 students as a minor and enrolled over 100 non-minors in various elective courses. The primary objective of the program has been to prepare students to meet the ever growing demand for professionals in the area of aging. The gerontology program has sought to encourage a scholarly investigation and spread of knowledge that will contribute to a better understanding of the aging process. Hence, the staff has placed all its candidates for field work in various in-tern program across the state. As another means of identifying and studying the needs of the elderly, the students and staff of the gerontology program designed and executed a research project investigating the elderly population of this area.

The gerontology program has been refunded for another year and the future looks bright. If you are interested in a minor in gerontology contact Dr. Allen C. Carter, 857-3926 or 3927. A limited number of stipends are available.

Delia M. Hunt Scholarship Fund Formed

Prairie View Alumni in attendance at the state in-service meeting of vocational home economics teachers in Dallas, July 24-27, formed a group to establish and maintain the Delia M. Hunt Scholarship Fund. This fund is to finance scholarships to be awarded each year to outstanding home economics students entering Prairie View A&M University.

Officers selected to serve for the year September 1, 1978 to September 1, 1979 are as follows: President, Mrs. Cleotale L. Hall, P. O. Box 365, Richards, Texas 77873; vice-president, Mrs. Ida V. Wright, 811 Avenue D, Rosenberg, Texas 77471; secretary, Dr. Dorothy Kizer, P. O. Box 2325, Prairie View, Texas 77445; assistant secretary, Mrs. Sudi Lee Williams, P. O. Box 2344, Prairie View, Texas 77445; treasurer, Mrs. Emma Cole, 4334 South Mc. Gregor Way, Houston, Texas 77021; parliamentarian, Mrs. Geneva D. Statin, 6617 Bethume Avenue, Houston, Texas 77018.

All individuals who have studied home economics at Prairie View A&M University Engineer. Prior to his new assignment, he was a Mechanical Engineer in the Field Construction Department.



GRADUATES OF BOOKKEEPING at Prairie View A&M University were (standing l to r) Mrs. Ethel Scott, Mrs. Diann M. Johnson, Mrs. Earnestine Davis, Mrs. Betty Coleman, Mrs. Arie R. Walker, Mrs. Irma R. Crutchfield, and Mrs. Gazella Boothe. Seated (l to r) are Mrs. Leola Wilson and Mrs. Birdie Clark.

Bookkeeping Class Gets Certificates

For one hundred years, Prairie View A&M University has produced responsible people to meet the academic and technological needs of society.

One of the most unique affirmative action programs on the Prairie View A&M University campus today is the Community Affairs and Rural Development Center in the Col-

lege of Industrial Education and Technology.

On May 17, 1978, this department presented its fourth graduation exercise, representing various communities throughout a ten-county target area. The Bookkeeping Class on Prairie View A&M

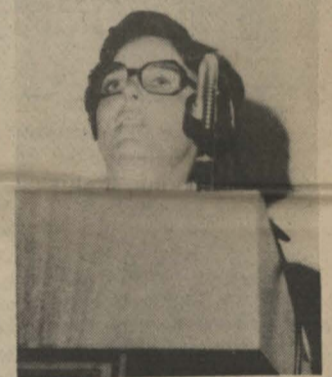
University campus was taught by Mrs. Doris Williams. This class consisted of 16 students prior to graduation. Five of these students received employment, and ten of the students were candidates for the Certificate of Achievement in Bookkeeping.

First Reading Workshop Held

The First Annual Reading Workshop sponsored by the Department of Curriculum and Instruction was held on June 19, 1978 in Hobart Taylor Building, Prairie View A&M University. Mrs. Sue Petreshene, Pendragon House, Inc., Palo Alto, California was the featured speaker. The workshop's theme was centered on "Learning Centers With Structure." Objectives for the workshop were:

1. Organize learning centers in early childhood education with emphasis on the learner.
2. Individualize instruction in creative writing, spelling, reading, mathematics, and all phases of the elementary school curriculum with emphasis on the learner.
3. Make learning centers exciting and workable in the typical classroom with emphasis on the learner.

Over 200 pre-service and in-service teachers attended the



Sue Petreshene

one day workshop. The Department of Curriculum and Instruction and the Division of Continuing Education were sponsors of the workshop. According to Dr. Harry G. Hendricks, Dean, College of Education and Dr. Alvin Brossette, Jr., Department of Curriculum and Instruction "We look forward to conducting the Reading Workshop each year."



PV-ite Attends Medical Program

Ms. Cathleen Goines of N.O. is participating in a special summer program at Tulane Medical Center.

Called the Summer Medical Education Reinforcement and Enrichment Program, it is designed to increase educational opportunities for minority and other disadvantaged students in the field of medicine.

The 10 week session exposes the students to research, teaching, medical school procedures and daily activities which occur at the medical center.

Ms. Goines is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Goines, Jr., and is attending Prairie View A&M College.



PV Grad Heads Construction Dept.

New personnel assignment at Gulf's Port Arthur Refinery in Port Arthur has been announced by M. P. Zanotti, Refinery Manager. Clyde M. Canady has been named Construction Engineer, Field Construction Department.

Canady, a graduate of PV A&M received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in 1974. He joined Gulf in 1974 in the Design & Drafting Department as a Design

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COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER — Texas Legislator Mickey Leland receives Appreciation Award from President A. I. Thomas during Commencement exercises Sunday, August 13.

History Professor Publishes Second Part of Study

Dr. Purvis M. Carter, Associate Professor, Department of History, recently received volume sixty-two, number 2 of *The Journal of Negro History* which includes Part II of his compilation, *The Negro in Periodical Literature, 1970-1972*. The compilation comprises titles of articles published in national, regional, state and local journals involving the various disciplines and depicting the Negro in: Education, Intellectual, Cultural, and Social Affairs; International Affairs; Labor, Economic Issues; Latin American Affairs; and Legislative-Political-Governmental Affairs. Each notation is followed with a brief comment identifying the nature of the article as well as the references to the Negro.

The Journal of Negro History was conceived by the late Dr. Carter G. Woodson and first published January, 1916. It has been published continuously since that year. That *Journal* was designed to reflect the role of Blacks in the development of world civilization including the development of the United States from its inception. Objectives included promoting appreciation of Blacks for their own achievements; and recognition and appreciation on the part of others for that group.

Just as Professor Alton Hornsby, the current editor of the *Journal*, is receiving comments from scholars around the nation relative to the scholarly productions, so did Dr. Woodson receive such comments about the initial issue of the *Journal of Negro History*.

degree at the University of Texas, he served as social science research associate, teaching assistant in the Department of Educational Psychology, and assistant to the director of the Counseling Center at Prairie View. He completed his internship in clinical counseling at the VA Hospital in Houston.

Settles and his wife, Carol Ann, have two sons, Carl Edmond and Corey Tremayne.

Faculty-Staff News

Two at Summer Seminar

Two Prairie View A&M administrators attended the 12th annual Summer Seminar on Academic Administration held July 16-21 on the Moody College campus, a unit of The Texas A&M University System.

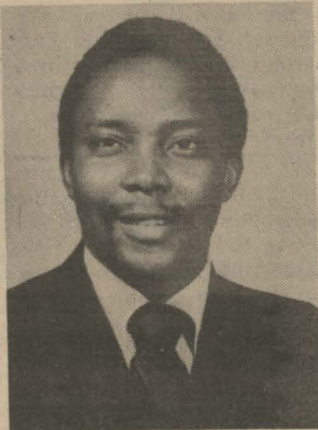
The 40 participants include: Dr. Charles T. Edwards, College of Ind. Ed. and Tech. and Dr. Dymple C. Cooksey, College of Home Economics.

The seminar was designed to give participants exposure to concepts and practices relevant to academic administration, with particular emphasis on decision making in higher education.

The theme was "Common Sense Management in Higher Education." Dr. Jack K. Williams, chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, was among 11 guest speakers.

Prof. Lindsey Weatherspoon

Prof. Lindsey Weatherspoon participated in a tour of Small Home gardens and tomato trials in Burelson County, June 15, 1978. On the tour observation of demonstrations on varieties, grass control, fertilization, planting distances, heat resistant, cage growth, disease and pet treatment of tomatoes were made. Mr. Weatherspoon presented certificates to Mrs. Ellen Hently for her successful variety trial and grass control, and to Mrs. Tillie Cortez for her demonstration in pet control. This tour and demonstration was sponsored and diverted by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service personal stationed at Caldwell, Texas for Burelson County.



Settles Named To Who's Who

Carl E. Settles, Associate Director of Counseling Services at Prairie View A&M University, has been named among Who's Who in the South and Southwest and Who's Who Among Black Americans for 1978.

Born in Houston, Settles received the B.S. and M.Ed. degrees from Prairie View A&M University. He taught in the Austin Independent School District before earning the Ph.D. degree from the University of Texas at Austin.

Settles, 29, was a recipient of the Henderson Foundation fellowship, a University of Texas fellowship, and the National Fellowship for Black Americans.

At Prairie View, Settles played the position of guard on the basketball team.

While pursuing his doctorate



ALUMNI VISITORS — Group pictured at top were members attended the national Alumni Convention held in Houston and Prairie View in July. The group pictured below were Senior citizens which included several PV-ites.



Participants in the Summer Science Training Program pose with project Director William Reed.



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Kick-Off Drive Held for PV's All-Faiths Chapel

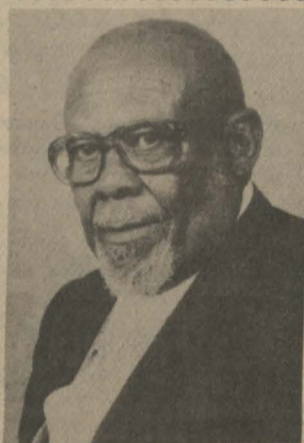
According to W. Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel at Prairie View A&M University the Kick Off Drive for the All Faiths Chapel was held on August 1, at the Fourth Missionary Baptist Church in Houston. The Reverend E. Stanley Branch, Pastor. Mass Choirs participating at the Kick Off Drive represented various Religious Faiths:

State Southeast Choir — Church of God In Christ, Presiding Bishop R. E. Woodard; Waller District #2 Church of God In Christ, Elder Thomas Johnson — District Supt.; Wesley A.M.E. Church, The Reverend E. E. Coates, Pastor; Fourth Missionary Baptist Church Choir, Dr. E. Stanley Branch, Pastor; Melodettes Singers, Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. M. L. Price, Pastor;

Metropolitan C.M.E. Young Adult Choir, The Reverend R. Theo Cunningham, Pastor; The Shelia Curtis Singers — Tomball, Texas; The Holy Family Catholic Church, Father W. J. LeVesque; Saint Mary's Catholic Church Choir and The Little Angels Choir of St. Mary's, Father Artis; Other Guest Soloist; Choirs from other Churches in The Houston Area.

The Reverend Floyd N. Williams, Minister-Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Houston, Texas is the Chairman of the Steering Committee for the All Faiths Chapel and The Reverend E. Stanley Branch is Chairman of the 1978-79 Minister's Conference.

"A Success"
At the Fourth Missionary Baptist Church, The Reverend E. Stanley Branch, Pastor. According to the Reverend W. Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel, a total of \$15,831.31 was raised on August 1, 1978. A total of \$22,033.00 received in pledges and the balance on deposit \$8,000.00. Giving us a grand total of \$45,864.31. Persons wishing to give to the All Faiths Chapel please make check payable to: The Development Fund for the All Faiths Chapel and forwarded to the Reverend W. Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel, P. O. Box 2073, Prairie View, Texas 77445. All contributions will be highly appreciated.



Rev. E. Stanley Branch
1978-79
Conference Chairman



Rev. F. N. Williams
Chairman All Faiths
Chapel Steering Committee

to review their group insurance programs during this open enrollment period and request any necessary changes. Specific questions concerning the benefits should be referred to the employee's Personnel Office, Room 208, Administration Building or call 857-3828.



COMMUNICATIONS AWARD — KPRC-TV's Tom Reiff, vice president in charge of programming, accepts Appreciation Award from the University's Communication Department and Services represented by Ms. Shirley Staples and C. A. Wood.

College of Nursing —

Special Degree Program For RN's Offered at PV A&M

A baccalaureate nursing program for registered nurses will be established at Prairie View A&M University through a \$52,150 grant from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan.

Grants for similar programs have been awarded to the University of North Carolina at Greensboro and to Northwestern State University in Louisiana.

The special program at Prairie View will make it possible for registered nurses to earn advanced placement by passing tests on work already covered in the student's previous education and knowledge acquired through experience.

The grant is part of \$2.5 million awarded by Kellogg to support more than two dozen pilot demonstrations to advance nursing education in the South.

Of those funds, \$435,745 has been directed to the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) to coordinate over the next four years the demonstration projects which culminated from an earlier SREB study of regional nursing needs. That study was funded by a \$309,200 Kellogg Foundation grant.

The remaining \$2.1 million of the new grant will be distributed in amounts ranging from \$20,000 to \$250,000 to approximately 25 Southern nursing schools to implement the study's recommended changes in nursing curricula.

The changing health care system — along with maldistribution of health professionals and rising medical costs — has generated an increasing dependence upon nurses to provide a wider variety of services, pressing them into greater decision-making responsibilities. It is to these changes that the original curricular study was directed, with the ultimate goal being improved health care of patients.

The SREB curricular study reported that it is essential to determine the kinds of nurse

providers who can meet the changing needs of society, as well as to determine the amounts and nature of knowledge and skills needed to perform the services required.

The final report of the nursing curricular study project recommended a basic set of common competencies for all nursing students. Building from this core of knowledge, specific types of education programs were formulated to prepare nurses for different levels and types of nursing practice.

Southern nursing schools are being selected to demonstrate restructured basic preparatory

Engineering Mite Group Tours Natural Gas Plant

Forty-four high school students recently participated in a tour of Houston Natural Gas Corporation's (HNG) Bammel Storage Reservoir and Plant located in Houston.

The tour was conducted by John Thrash, vice president of Gas Storage Production Division of Houston Pipe Line Company (HPL), a wholly owned subsidiary of HNG; Darwin Link, superintendent of Bammel Storage Reservoir; Curtis Smith, assistant superintendent, and Eddie Smith, compressor foreman.

The students' visit to Bammel was part of a two-week seminar called Minority Introduction to Engineering held at Prairie View A&M University. The seminar was sponsored by the Engineering Council for Professional Development and several industries.

The students represented high schools in Cleveland, Ohio; Baton Rouge and Lake Charles, Louisiana; and Port Arthur, Lufkin, Killeen, Crosby, Galena Park, Corpus Christi, Dallas, and Houston, Texas.

and advanced degree curricula, in addition to continuing education programs which will make formal education more accessible to the practicing nurse. The schools will be involved in interdisciplinary and interinstitutional collaborations.

Founded by the breakfast See RN PROGRAM, Page 6

The tour's purpose was to acquaint the students with gas storage operations. After the tour, they enjoyed a barbecue lunch under the pine trees overlooking the 7,000-acre Bammel area.

The Bammel facilities point up several interesting aspects of modern gas technology and demonstrate many of the steps involved in bringing natural gas to the consumer. Acquired in 1965 by Houston Natural Gas Production Company, also a wholly owned subsidiary of HNG, the properties initially included some producing wells, a gathering system, and compression and liquid extraction facilities.

Bammel allows for conversion to a gas storage reservoir to help meet peak demands in the Houston metropolitan area. The storage technique involves summertime injection of gas into a shallow and extremely porous sand formation when the capacity of delivery pipelines is not being utilized fully, and withdrawal of the gas from storage during high-demand periods or when normal sources of supply are shut in during weather emergencies such as hurricanes.

The Bammel storage reservoir remotely is controlled by a highly sophisticated computerized gas control center operated by HPL. Control from zero to maximum delivery can be accomplished at the push of a button.

Insurance—

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disability income insurance plans will have an opportunity to apply for coverage in these programs.

Accidental death and dismemberment coverage is available regardless of an employee's present health. Employees currently participating can also increase or decrease the amount of their coverage during this period.

Employees who apply for optional life, dependent life, long term disability and/or medical insurance during the enrollment period will be required to furnish medical evidence of insurability and be approved by the insurance company. However, any employee currently insured under medical Plan II may transfer to the Comprehensive Plan without evidence of insurability.

Each employee is encouraged

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**Building Use Fee	97.75	97.75	97.75
Library Building Use Fee	4.00	4.00	4.00
Room Rent — 1st Semester	325.00	275.00	250.00
Board and Laundry (Fee through 12/23/78)			
Tax Included \$20.25	460.25	460.25	460.25
I.D. Card	4.00	4.00	4.00
Student Health	15.00	15.00	15.00
Room Deposit for Damage and Breakage (Required-If Not Already on Deposit)	25.00		
Property Deposit (Required — If not Already on Deposit)	10.00		
TOTAL FEES (Former Students)	\$1,004.00	\$ 954.00	\$ 929.00
(New Students)	\$1,039.00		

*Based on a resident student taking 17 semester credit hours — \$50.00 Minimum

**Based on a student taking 17 semester credit hours at \$5.75 per credit hour
Foreign Students pay \$14.00 per semester credit hour — \$200.00 Minimum Tuition.

DAY STUDENTS (On Campus) 1978-79

	3 Hours	6 Hours	9 Hours	12 Hours	15 Hours
Tuition	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00
Student Service Fee	7.50	15.00	22.50	30.00	30.00
Bldg. Use Fee	17.25	34.50	51.75	69.00	86.25
Library Bldg. Use	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
I.D. Card	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Student Health	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
TOTALS	\$ 97.75	\$122.50	\$147.25	\$172.00	\$199.25
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Navy men receiving Commissions were Johnny Ray Grayson, Duke Edward Roberts, Smith Henry Jackson, Jr., Reginald Garnes Jones.

PDK on the Move

By Mrs. Ruth B. Arnold
Dr. Clarissa Booker

The Prairie View A&M University Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa held its regular luncheon business meeting on Thursday, June 29, 1978 in the Student Memorial Center Ballroom with Dr. Lloyd Boyden presiding.

There are many outstanding Phi Delta Kappans who achieved excellence in the field of education during the 1977-78 academic year.

Many innovative programs will be sponsored by Phi Delta Kappa during the year 1978-79 under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Carl Settles, President of Phi Delta Kappa.



Dr. Carl Settles speaks at PDK meeting

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PV Ag Professor Speaks at Nat'l Conference

From May 23 through May 25, Dr. Alfred L. Parks and Mack C. Nelson attended a financial management seminar at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Dallas, Texas. This seminar was sponsored by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, Texas A&M University.

On August 8, Dr. Alfred L. Parks, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural Economics, will present a symposium entitled: "Emerging Research Issues Directed At Small, Low-Income, Limited Resource Farms." This symposium will be presented at the joint meeting of the American Agricultural Economics Association and the Canadian Agricultural Economics Society at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University in Blacksburg, Va.

Dr. Mack C. Nelson, Assistant Professor in the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology will also take part in symposium. Dr. Nelson will present a paper entitled: "Identification of Small Farmer Needs: Research and Extension Linkages."

History Honor Society Holds Initiation

Phi Epsilon Chapter, Phi Alpha Theta International Honor Society in History recently conducted its annual initiation ceremony in the Student Memorial Center, Prairie View A&M University. The four, very promising, initiates included Miss Pamela Overton, Miss Rosalyn Jones, Mr. Michael Stanley and Mr. Harris Bell, a graduate student in the Department of History.

Organized at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas March 17, 1921, Phi Alpha Theta is the largest in number of chapters, of the accredited honor Societies holding membership in the Association of College Honor Societies. The Society is highly democratic in that any student of history may become a member simply by maintaining a high standard of work in his studies and all members participate in the work and in the direction of the Society. Phi Alpha Theta is likewise a professional society — the objective of which is the promotion of the study of History by the encouragement of research, good teaching, publication, and the exchange of learning and thought among historians. It seeks to bring students, teachers and writers of History together both



SUMMER CONVOCATION — The above photo was taken immediately after the end of the Annual President's Summer Convocation held in the "Little Dome" early this Summer. President Thomas (center) displayed the plaque awarded him by the Association of Junior Fellows in this group picture with Directors and Representatives of various Summer Special Programs, at the University including the Participants in the crowd pulled Convocation.

PV Teens Attend "Jack and Jill" Meeting

The Junior and Senior Teens of the Prairie View Chapter Jack and Jill of America, Inc., June 22-25, 1978, attended and participated in the 24th annual South Central Regional meeting at the Green Oaks Inn, Fort Worth, Texas. The theme for the conference was "Teens Unlimited-Challenge, New Frontiers;" and that theme was buttressed by the slogan: "Stake your Claim on the Future: Inquire, Initiate, Pursue!" The Prairie View Chapter found the host chapter of Jack and Jill, Fort Worth very cordial and enmeshed in an environment filled with a unique heritage of boundless hospitality where the West begins — there is "Cowtown." The Prairie View Chapter Junior Teens in attendance included Vickie Barnes, Hattie

intellectually and socially, and it encourages and assists, in a variety of ways, historical research and publication by its members.

Phi Epsilon Chapter welcomes the new initiates in this high adventure. We look forward to a year of work, challenge, rewards, and joy. Dr. Purvis M. Carter is the sponsor of Phi Epsilon Chapter; but the work involves all members as well as the cooperative efforts of the Departmental Secretary, Ms. Verna Jo Gillum.

Kirby and Karl Kirby and representing the Senior Teens were Marc Berry, Frederick Carter, Brian Clem, Carla Richardson, Michael Sowell, Travis Webster, Kenneth Weatherspoon and Jacque Webster. Carla Richardson was the chapter delegate while Karl Kirby was the alternate delegate.

Among the presentations by the Prairie Chapter during the challenge packed conference was the skit depicting the concept of "Future Seekers." And while Carla Richardson was rendering a sedate performance as the Chapter's persuasive speaker, the intellectually inclined Marc Berry was competing for scholastic honors. The group was involved in the assembly and workshop sessions, proposing and contributing to making the rules for the regional membership, electing officials and acquiring information relative to the "nuts and bolts" involved in prospective careers. The group reports an unusual experience in performing the functions of the essential vigorous and active citizen.

The Prairie View Chapter relished the victories while assuaging the less successful efforts. The group elected Frederick Earl Carter as their outstanding teen. And Frederick received through the regional officers a very beautiful trophy. Marc Berry and Carla Richardson, along with the other members, left the conference with greater determination to pursue those endeavors including persuasive speaking and academic achievements. Frederick Carter won second place as outstanding regional athlete and he was awarded a trophy. On nomination and support by the Prairie Chapter along with other regional members, Frederick was elected the regional reporter for the year 1978-1979.

That enthusiastic Prairie View Junior and Senior teen group is sponsored by the equally lively, inspiring and self-assured mothers, Mrs. Katie Johnson and Mrs. Gwendolyn M. Carter. The sponsors and the teens eagerly look forward to a more effective and challenging regional conference in 1979.

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SPORTS PRESS CONFERENCE — Beaumont major Maurice Myers welcome PV and Grambling officials along with members of the press.



NATIONAL YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM STAFF

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cereal pioneer, W. K. Kellogg, in 1930, the Kellogg Founda-

MEXICO ADDS MORE TOURIST AID PATROLS

The Mexican tourism secretariat announced recently it will increase its fleet of "Green Angel" mechanic-manned trucks that help tourists in trouble.

tion is among the five largest private philanthropic organizations in this country and supports programs in the areas of education, health, and agriculture on four continents, including the United States and Canada, Latin America, Europe and Australia.

The Southern Regional Education Board is the nation's first interstate compact for higher education. Created in 1948 at the direction of the

Softball Tournament Held in Waller

By Linda Freeman

A softball tournament sponsored by the Prairie View Cooperative Extension Youth Development Program was held recently at the Recreation Site in Waller, Texas.

The all day event was under the direction of James Cole, Loretta Van Duren and Jerome Melonson, program aides and Margie Boler, coordinator.

Communities that participated were Brookshire, Sunny-side, Prairie View, Hempstead and Waller.

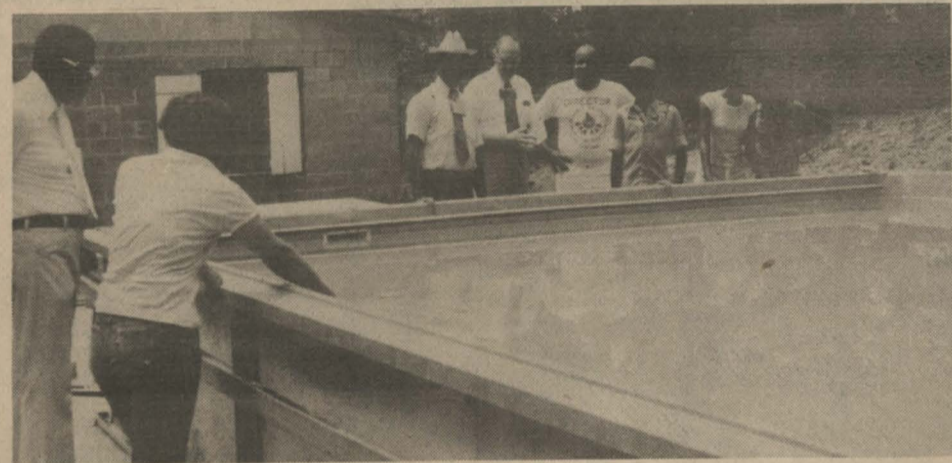
First place trophies were awarded to the following teams: Hempstead boys, Waller-girls, and Waller-men. The outstanding players were Anthony Adams, Hempstead Community; Louise Fredrick, Waller Community; and James Felder, Waller Community.

Special guests were Hoover Carden, assistant director of the Prairie View Extension Program, and Danny Marburger, mayor of Waller.

The coordinator of the softball tournament would like to thank the program aides, Henry Miller, camp director and Vernell Jackson, recreation specialist, for their support.



HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER WORKSHOP — Students from area high schools attend a special workshop sponsored by the College of Industrial Education and Technology. Mr. Walter Hall, director is pictured (at left) with the group.



CAMP SWIMMING POOL — Rev. Thelman Gray (left) and Diane Griffin discuss the swimming pool at the H. S. Estelle youth camp sponsored by the Prairie View Extension Program. Hoover Carden, assistant director (center left), Judge McCraig of Waller (center), Henry Miller, camp director (right) and campers look on.

Panther's Evans White Running for Gold

By Joe Booker

Evans White, sophomore halfmiler for Coach Hoover Wright's Panther track team is running for gold.

The gold that the lean Ecorse, Michigan native is running for is two years away — the 1980 Olympics. Evans

wants nothing less than a gold medal in the 800 meters, which he has been almost unbeatable as a collegian.

As a freshman in 1977, Evans won the Southwestern Athletic Conference 800 meters with a time of 1:49.4. Two weeks later he set a national record at the NAIA National Outdoor Championship in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, when he ran a 1:47.3.

This season Evans has won every 800 meter race he has participated beginning with the NAIA Indoor Nationals with a 1:54.0.

At the recent Southwestern

Southern Governors' Conference, the Board is a pioneer in regional planning and action for effective multistate use of higher education resources. SREB's member state include Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

SREB has been involved in regional planning for collegiate nursing education since the early 1950's. The focus of this concern is the SREB Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing, through which some 224 Southern institutions work to improve nursing research and curriculum in the region.

Officials Visit Youth Camp

By Brenda D. Agnes

Waller County Judge A. M. McCaig visited the Prairie View A&M University Cooperative Extension Program youth camp near Huntsville recently. Accompanying Judge McCaig

Athletic Conference Championship, Evans defended his 800 meter title by running the fastest time in his career with a 1:46.33, barely missing the SWAC record of 1:45.80 set by former PVU star Felix Johnson.

At the NCAA All American meet in Mexico City, Evans easily won with a 1:49.0.

Hoover Wright, the Panthers track coach, feels Evans in on schedule. "Evans is running on schedule as far as international competition is concerned," said Wright. "His 1:46.33 at the SWAC meet is the third best time run in the nation this year. His biggest asset is that he conditions fast," continued Wright.

were Hoover Carden, Assistant Director of the Extension Program at Prairie View, and Brenda Agnes, Communications Specialist, Prairie View.

The Judge was met by a welcoming committee of campers and enjoyed lunch with the campers after a grand tour of the campground.

Lunch was followed by an assembly program in which Judge McCaig spoke to the youth. Assistant Director Carden also spoke to the youth along with A. E. Adams, Chairman of the Camp Board of Directors.

Camp is conducted annually by the Prairie View Extension Program at the H. S. Estelle Campsite near Huntsville for youth ages 9-18 who qualify for the Federal Summer Food Service Program.

LOST WALLET

(Brown)

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REWARD

MARCHING BAND CAMP BEGINS

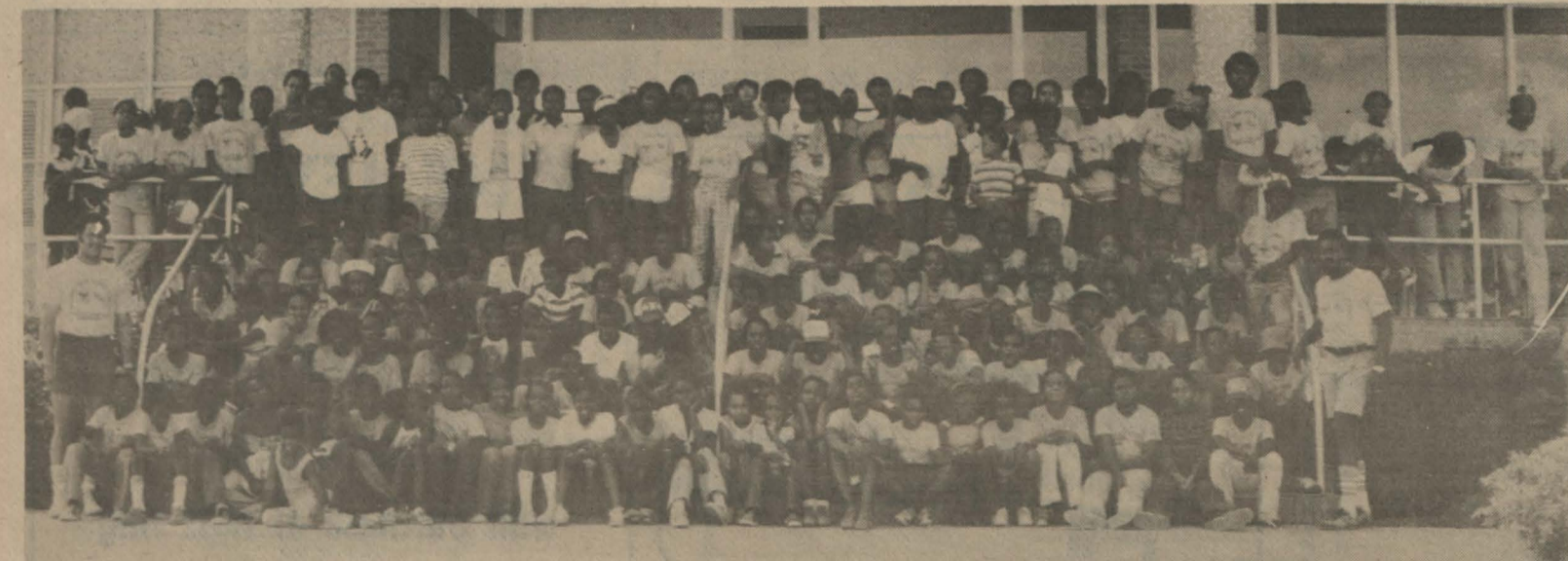
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Participants in the Summer Science Training Program pose with Project Director William Reed (top right).

Pantherettes Look Forward To 1980 Olympics

Pantherettes Patricia Jackson and Essie Kelly look forward to the 1980 Olympic after a record setting year. Pat, native of Muskogee, Oklahoma, set records in the S.W.A.C. Drake and A.A.U. National Meet. After an all out effort in the S.W.A.C. meet Patricia set 400 meter record with a time of 51.1, also she set a 200 meter mark with a time of 23.2. Essie also a record setter, set records in the S.W.A.C. in 1500 meters, and produced a record setting time in 800 meter run. Ms. Kelly, a native of Spur, Texas is where her productive career began.

Patricia and Essie combined forces with their teammates to

produce record setting time in the A.A.U. National and Drake Relays. Finishing first in the mile relay, with a time of 3:34.6 set a record for the Pantherettes in the A.A. National Meet. The Pantherettes produced this time with tracksters such as Debora Melrose running a 54.7; Essie Kelly running a 52.6; Angella Dudley running a 55.9 and Patricia Jackson turning out an outstanding 50.8 to help set the record. The Pantherettes also produced two record setting times in the Drake Relays. One was a new American Sprint medley record with a time of 2.37 and set a new Drake mile relay time with a time 3.36.

After outstanding team and individual efforts, Patricia Jackson and Essie Kelly earned the right to participate in a dual meet July 7 thru 8 with the U.S.A. and Russia in Berkeley, California.

Pat, 51:11 400 Meter on U.S. Team.

Essie, 2:03 800 Meter on U.S. Team.

University Walking/Jogging Faculty 7:30 p.m. Monday and Wednesday.

Game night Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 p.m., Memorial Center (cards, checkers, dominos, pinochle).

Students Walk/Jog Monday-Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Meet in front of Women's Gym.

For additional information about University Walk/Jog contact: Mr. Howard M. Smith 4918 or 4210 in the Women's Gym upper level.

To register for all Intramural/Recreation Activities contact Mr. Howard M. Smith 4918 or 4210 in Women's Gym upper level.

Willie Ray Smith Honored by PV Athletic Department

Willie Ray Smith, former head football coach at Charlton-Pollard was honored by the Prairie View A&M University Athletic Department with a roast Saturday, August 12.

Smith, who was a legend in his time, was roasted at the Red Carpet Inn in Beaumont. Some of the top names in the high school and college ranks attended the affair.

Proceeds from the roast will benefit the athletic department at Prairie View A&M.

U. S. Government Seeks Park Rangers

The National Park Service of the Department of the Interior needs park rangers and the Dallas Civil Service Commission is accepting applications for the positions until July 20, 1978.

The National Park Service administers nearly 300 natural, historical and recreational areas throughout America, including 33 areas in the Southwest Region. The region is composed of the states of Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and the northeastern corner of Arizona.

John E. Cook, Southwest Regional Director in Santa Fe, N.M., announced that applications are being accepted by the Dallas Civil Service Commission on the Mid-Level Register (GS grades 9, 11 and 12) and said that applicants must use the Mid-Level application package. The applications may be acquired from any Civil Service Commission Office and should be sent directly to the Civil Service Commission Dallas Area Office, 1100 Commerce Street, Dallas, Texas 75242. Attention, Mid-Level Desk.

Cook said that in order to be considered, applicants must have completed four years in an accredited college or have three years of park or conservation experience.



Intramural Tennis Tournament Held

By Gustavo Batista

The First Intramural tennis tournament was held in the Prairie View tennis courts from August 3 through August 7, 1978. They have had intramural competitions in other sports, but this year the tennis fever was so high that coach Smith came up with the idea of a tennis tournament. With the help of Vernon Fields, future figure on the tennis team, the tournament got on its way. Anybody was eligible to play. We had as much as 16 competitors who went out there from the first day with a spirit to conquer the first intramural tennis championship. A great deal of sportsmanship was shown by each player. Even the ones that lost the first round and got eliminated were satisfied with their first competitive experience.

First round competitions were on Thursday; second round and quarter-finals on Friday, while semifinals and finalswere on Monday the 7th. Tolu, from Nigeria and a dedicated player, went to finals by defeating Kenneth Rahming, Freddie Wade, and Rodney Player. Terry Scott, a new figure this summer on the courts from Houston's Booker T. Washington High School participating in Project Mite, got to finals by defeating Luke, from Nigeria, Alonso Thompson, also from Project Mite, and Earl Jones. The finals were very exciting. Due to the ability of both players, it was hard to tell from the beginning who was going to win. Scott, with very strong serve and topspin, won the first set 6-1. Tolu settled down and with patience and

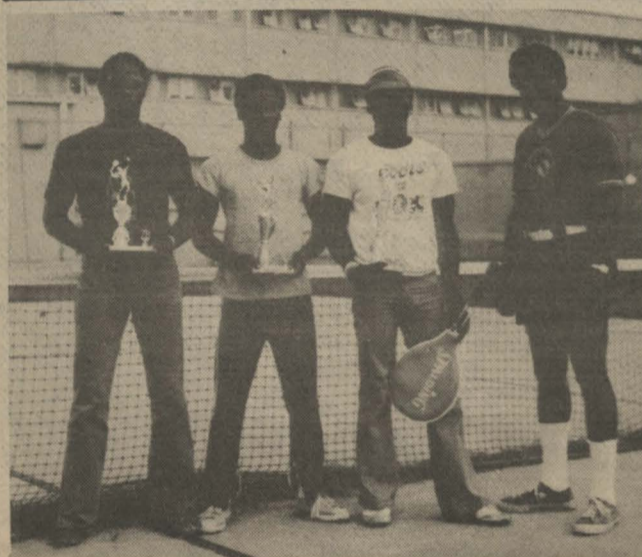
thinking came from the back to defeat Scott for the championship 6-3, 6-1. The third place went to Earl Jones from Chicago and a football star on the Panthers team.

We hope to continue having more of these tournaments in the fall. Coach Smith is planning one for the staff and faculty. This time we did not have enough women, but hope to in the next tournament, in a special division, of course.

A friend once offered Mark Twain the chance to make a profitable business deal with a merchant whose gains were mostly ill-gotten.

"Of course you realize his money's tainted," warned the friend.

"It's twice tainted," corrected Mark Twain. "Tain't yours and 'tain't mine."



Winners in Intramural Singles Tennis Tournament

1st Place, A Gunbiade Tolu; 2nd place: Terry Scott; 3rd place: Earl Jones.

Intramural and Recreation Tournament. Host were: Gustavo Batista and Vernon Fields.

Mr. Howard M. Smith

director of Intramural's and recreation. Agunbiade Tolu, Rodney Player, Terry Scott (Washington High School) Earl Jones, Leroy Richardson, Maurice Thomas, James Creeks, Gustavo Batista, IM/REC leaders, and Lonzo Richardson and Vernon Fields.



BACK WITH A WINNER — Schlitz beer is back with a new version of its highly successful football merchandising campaign of last fall. The 1978 program — "Pass The Schlitz" — not only offers consumers an inter-collegiate quality football at a greatly reduced price but also a professional style football jersey with personalized name on the back.

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Academic Calendar — First Semester 1978-79

July	31	8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. (M-F) ... Early Registration for First Semester
August	26	8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (S)
August	26	5:00 p.m. Summer Session — 2nd Term Closes
August	28	8:00 a.m. First Semester Opens
August	30	ALL DAY Faculty Conference
September	1	8:00 a.m. Residence Halls Open
September	2	ALL DAY Parents' Day
September	3-4	ALL DAY Orientation for New Students
September	4-5	8:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. Registration For All Students
September	6	7:30 a.m. Classes Begin-Late Registration Fee
September	18	5:00 p.m. Begins
September	21	8:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. Registration Closes
September	28	10:30 a.m. Changing Program
October	26-27	ALL DAY Academic Convocation
November	22	12:30 p.m. Mid-Semester Examinations
November	27	7:30 a.m. Thanksgiving Recess
November	27	8:00 a.m. — 5:00 p.m. (M-F) ... Classes Resume
December	22	8:00 a.m. — 11:30 a.m. (S) ... Early Registration for Second Semester
December	22	ALL DAY Final Examinations (Graduate School)
December	18-22	ALL DAY Final Examinations
December	23	5:00 p.m. Close of First Semester
December	24	8:00 a.m. CHRISTMAS VACATION
January	6	5:00 p.m.

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Commencement

Speaker Mickey Leland of Houston and Dr. A. I. Thomas greet Former Miss PV and Miss Black Texas, Shelley Towns- end, as she approaches to receive her bachelor's degree. Over 400 were awarded degrees and certificates Sunday, August 13.



PV's Oldest

Living

Graduate

Mrs. Louise Crawford Price of Dallas receives a Special Centennial Year Award as the oldest living graduate (on record) of PV. At 91, she remembers when the University consisted of one building, the old Kirby Hall.