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## Proposition 2 Means Added Funds For PVU

By Ron Pillot, Staff Writer

A proposed constitutional amendment, Proposition 2, will give Texas voters the opportunity to decide the financial future of Prairie View A&M University and all other public universities across the state.

If approved by voters in the November 6 general election, Proposition 2 will provide income to Texas colleges and universities for new construction, repair and rehabilitation of existing facilities, and purchase of equipment, library books and materials.

In general, the effect of Proposition 2 is to provide better management of the state's educational resources. It allows the restructuring of the Permanent University Fund (PUF) to meet a greater share of the needs of higher education in the state. It also commits the state to meet some part of the need of

those universities that will not benefit from the PUF.

The Permanent University Fund was established by the Texas Constitution in 1876 to provide support to two "universities of the first class," Texas A&M and the University of Texas.

The PUF gets its assets from oil-rich lands, currently 2.1 million acres in over 18 west Texas counties. This year the fund's assets were 1.9 billion dollars, although the body of the fund cannot be spent.

The rate of increase of the fund is about 8% annually; the investment earnings make up the Available University Fund (AUF).

The AUF provided 156 million dollars to be distributed between Texas A&M University and the University of Texas. The AUF is constitutionally divided with  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the funds going to U.T. and  $\frac{1}{3}$  to Texas A&M. Passage of Proposi-

tion 2 will give Prairie View A&M access to this fund.

If approved, Proposition 2 will broaden use of the AUF from new construction only to include expenditures for repair and rehabilitation of existing facilities, and the purchase of equipment, library books and materials.

This program would bring into the AUF all units associated with the University of Texas and Texas A&M, including Prairie View A&M. Its passage would allow the bonding capacity to be raised from 20% to 30% of the PUF cash value.

After the bonding capacity is raised, all U.T. and Texas A&M institutions would be provided with a

constitutionally guaranteed source of funding for capital improvements and enhancement.

Upon passage of the amendment, the state would appropriate 100 million dollars per year for the 26 non-PUF schools, and establish a new fund, the Educational Assistance Fund.

At the present time, schools have to make special requests before the legislature for appropriations each time funds are needed for buildings, laboratories or other equipment.

Proposition 2 provides for equitable treatment of all institutions of the state university community. It is a long range plan to improve and enhance the quality of

higher education at public four-year institutions of higher learning throughout the state.

Proposition 2 has the support of Governor Mark White, the Texas A&M Board of Regents, the Texas Legislature and other public officials.

At least 6 million dollars will become available to Prairie View A&M if the proposition is passed.

Prairie View President Percy Pierre said Proposition 2 is an historic change. (see page 3)

## Texas Secretary of State To Speak At PV Campus

Texas Secretary of State, Myra McDaniel, will be at Prairie View October 26 to speak to staff and students at the monthly Convocation in the University Fieldhouse.

"It's an honor to have Mrs. McDaniel come to our University," said Rev. Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel. "She holds one of the highest offices in the state."

Mrs. McDaniel was appointed Secretary of State by Governor Mark White earlier this year after former Secretary of State John Fainter resigned.

She is the first black and the first woman to hold the office; she had formerly been a member of Governor White's legal staff.

Upon her appointment, White said he was fortunate to have McDaniel on his legal staff, and he was glad to welcome her back into state service.

"A person of her leadership talents will do an outstanding job for the state as its chief election officer," commented White.

McDaniel is a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and received her Bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania. She received her law degree from the University of Texas at Austin, and after graduation, joined the Texas Attorney General's Office.

From June 1979 to May 1981, she served as chief of the taxation division. She later resigned that post to serve as assistant general counsel

for the Railroad Commission for the remainder of 1981. She later accepted a position at the William B. Wilson Companies, a Midland based firm. She resigned that post to work as general counsel to the Governor.

McDaniel resigned her post as  
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Myra McDaniel

## Dean Says Hazing No Problem

By Yvonne Buford, Staff Writer

Students who are found guilty of hazing are subject to disciplinary penalties and may even face criminal charges according to Dean John Harris, Vice-President of Academic Affairs.

In addition, hazing, which is defined as any action or situation created to produce mental or physical discomfort, embarrassment, harassment or ridicule, is a violation of state law and Prairie View A&M policy.

There have been several documented cases of students being injured and even killed after being hazed by members of the organizations they were pledging.

One of the more recent incidents was at Texas A&M University, where a member of the Aggie Corps died after he was put through "motivational exercises" by four corps members.

Hazing is not a problem on the Prairie View campus, according to

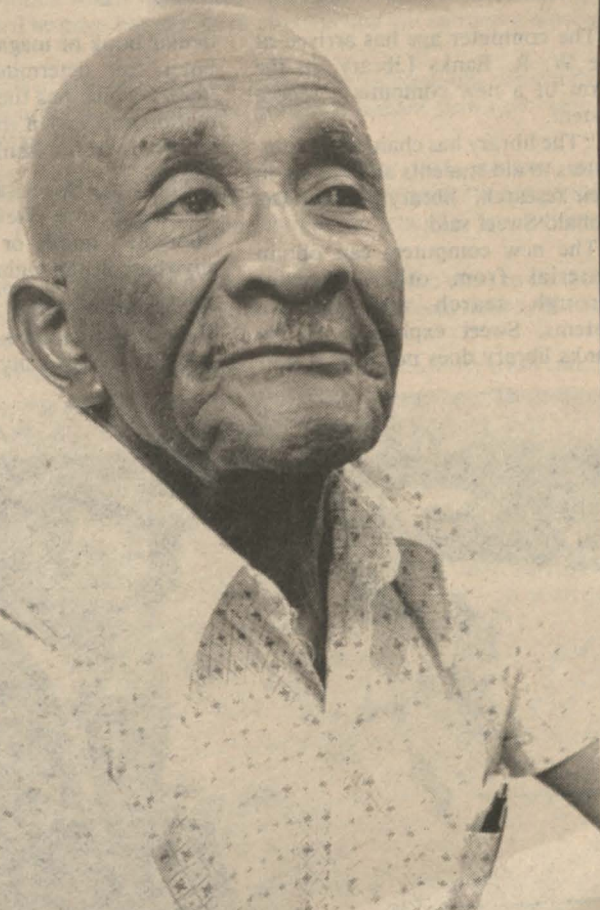
members of PVU fraternities and sororities. Hazing, they said, is not practiced during the pledge period. Instead, organizations focus upon history and community service projects as the essential activity during the pledge period.

Because hazing is not a problem at Prairie View, Dean Harris believes that fraternities, sororities and other similar organizations serve a purpose in the university community.

"Student organizations are a viable part of the university student life," said Dr. Harris. "The office of Dean of Students works closely with the organization to help improve student life programs and services, with the focus being the role of the student in campus life."

Dean Harris also said that Greek letter organizations in historically Black colleges and universities have long been major contributors to the social and human service mission of

See HAZING, Page 16



STILL SINGING — Mills Brown used to sing with barbershop quartets all over the state when he was younger. Now he sings hymns two days a week as part of the activities of the Waller County Senior Citizens Project held on the Prairie View campus. See related story, page 7.





FALL FASHIONS — Members of the Tricia Coats models show off new fall fashions in a style show sponsored by the MSC. This show was the second this year by the Coats group, and additional shows are planned.

### Home Ec Award Winners

The College of Home Economics has awarded scholarships to eight students for the current academic year. Each returning student in the college who earned a grade point average of 3.60 or more during the Spring 1984 semester was awarded some financial assistance. Scholarships were also awarded to incoming freshmen who earned a 3.0 or better average in high school and had an 800 or better SAT score. The scholarship recipient are Sondra Scott, Branda Harrison, Belinda Brown, Annie Curtis, Melva Hodges, Susan Kalince, Angela Turner and Flora Gibson.

The smallest of the British commonwealth states is Sark Island in the English Channel.

## History Prof Not Slowing Down

By Carmelita Bevell  
At an age when most folks are ready for the 'ol rocking chair, Dr. George Woolfolk is busy doing research for his sixth book on American History. Although he officially retired in August as chairman of the department of History, Woolfolk is also still involved in teaching. This semester he is conducting a course in Historiography as well as keeping up his membership in more than a dozen scholarly societies.

"Your professional connections go on; they don't retire with you," he said. "Writing takes time, and I hope to have more time for my writing now. But those professional connections have a habit of sneaking up and stealing your time away."

During his 41-year career as a teacher and scholar, demands on Woolfolk's time have always been heavy. Besides his duties at Prairie View, he has been active in public service and academic organizations from local to national levels.

In 1976, for instance, he was appointed by Governor Preston Smith as Vice-Chairman of the Texas Bicentennial Commission, to help plan statewide programs for celebrating the 200th anniversary of American independence.

Woolfolk considers that appointment to be one of the milestones in his academic career. Among many other professional honors, he also remembers being named to the Dictionary of American Scholars as a milestone.

But the high point of his career, he thinks, was the publication of his first book, "The Cotton Regency." "There's nothing to compare with that feeling," he said. "When that book came out, and the reviews ranged from good to excellent — well, I just felt ten feet tall!"

The son of a teacher and a Methodist minister, Woolfolk never considered any career but teaching. His choice was reinforced by strong role models in high school and college teachers.

"I think Rufus Clement, who was dean of the history department

at the University of Louisville, influenced me most strongly," Woolfolk said. "Students in his classes thought Rufus Clements hung the moon; he was that great a teacher. And since he had a doctorate in History — well, I just naturally had to have one too. I wouldn't settle for anything less."

After receiving his B.A. from Louisville and M.A. from Ohio State, Woolfolk enrolled at The University of Wisconsin to pursue his doctoral studies in History.

He worked at a variety of jobs to finance his studies; as night chef in a cafeteria, janitor in a Methodist church, superintendent and maintenance man in an apartment building.

"It was rough sometimes, but everyone worked because there were no government grants or scholarships then," he said. "Sometimes I would get up at 5 a.m. and shovel snow and stoke furnaces, go to class until two or three o'clock in the afternoon and then work until ten or eleven at night."

"But I think my education meant all that much more to me because I did have to work so hard for it."

That kind of struggle, Woolfolk thinks, is something that many of today's students are missing. "Hard work is not a disadvantage," he said. "It's a great advantage, because it teaches the value of education. Students who don't have to sacrifice for their education are robbed of the true spirit of achievement. When you struggle for

something, you know what it's worth."

His 41-year career at Prairie View, Woolfolk said, has been a two-way educational process. "After a while, the students find out I won't bite them, and they begin to learn," he said. "And I learn from teaching them."

What he learns and what he tries to teach are the same thing, Woolfolk said. "When I teach, I probe to find out where students are strong, where their skills lie — then I work on those areas."

"And I try to teach them to do the same thing — to find their skills, to develop their strengths," he said. "Once they learn that, they're set for life. But until they learn that, they're not fully educated."



Dr. George R. Woolfolk

## Library enters computer age

The computer age has arrived at the W. R. Banks Library, in the form of a new computer research system.

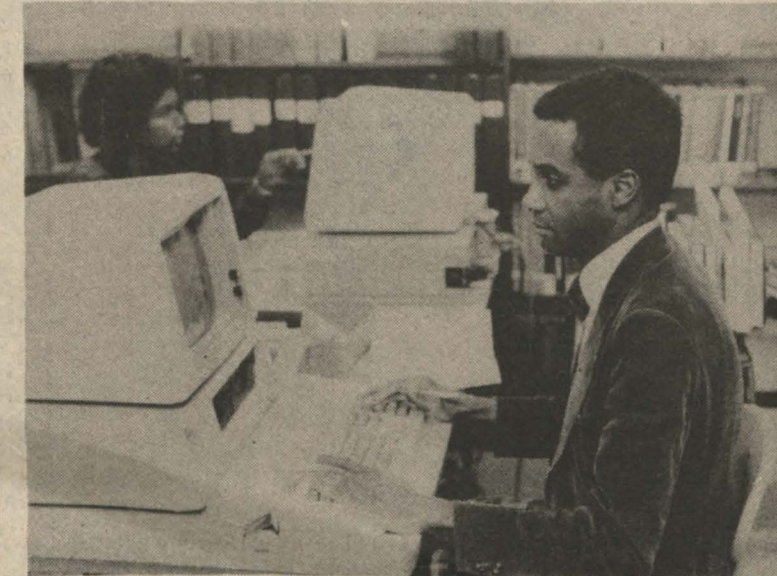
"The library has changed to computers to aid students and faculty in their research," library director Dr. Donald Sweet said.

The new computers can obtain material from other libraries through search and retrieve systems, Sweet explained. If the Banks library does not have a par-

ticular book or magazine, the computer can determine the nearest library which has the needed information and have it transferred electronically to the Banks library.

This way, Sweet said, it is possible for Prairie View students to "borrow" books or articles from anywhere in the United States.

"Technologically," Sweet said, "Our library can now compare with that of any university anywhere."



The Banks Library's new computer system has nationwide search — and — retrieve capabilities.

## Letter from the President

The passage of Proposition 2 can mark a historic change for Prairie View A&M University. It would increase the financial support for Prairie View in a way that has never before happened in the history of this University. It would fulfill the 108 year old promise of equality incorporated in the 1876 Constitution of the State of Texas.

What is Proposition 2? Proposition 2 is an amendment to the Constitution of the state of Texas that will appear on the ballot on November 6 along with candidates for the presidency and other offices. On the ballot it is called the "Higher Education Assistance Act."

Proposition 2 is a very complex proposal affecting all state supported universities in Texas. Indeed, it is a comprehensive solution to many long standing problems involving the financing of higher education in the state of Texas. The section on Prairie View is but a small part of the overall bill. However, it is fundamental for Prairie View.

Proposition 2 provides full access to the Permanent University Fund for Prairie View. Only the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M at College Station currently have full access to the Permanent University Fund. For Prairie View, full access means \$6 million per year from the University of Texas for 10 years and an "equitable" share from Texas A&M University. Since these funds can be used for any of our needs, they will be applied to our most pressing needs first: namely, program needs.

Over the last year, the University has been engaged in a planning process which prioritized our needs in different areas. In the program area, we determined that our most pressing need is for scholarship support for students. Passage of Proposition 2 will make it possible to greatly expand available scholarship support for students. A second priority is support for faculty members. We need to increase the average salary of our faculty as well as recruit more. We also need to significantly improve our library holdings as well as our computer capabilities.

The passage of Proposition 2 will make a historic difference at Prairie View. For the first time, adequate resources will be available to fulfill our historic mission of providing the best education possible to those who have been traditionally denied.

## Editorial

Our campus has greatly improved. Most of our editorial staff has been here for several years now, and the campus looks 100 percent better than it did before.

Most of the sidewalks have been laid, eliminating the dust bowl or mud bowl conditions which depending upon the weather conditions, existed on campus. The grass has also been put in giving our campus a natural look.

If you've walked around campus at night, you've no doubt noticed the lights that are all around. They give the campus a radiant glow that can be seen from Highway 290.

Prairie View was lucky to get the money for these campus improvements and we were even more fortunate to get the actual construction completed. All Prairie View students should be grateful for the improvements.

But there are some notorious students on campus who want to destroy the beautiful things that are now on campus. These students destroyed two of the new stone trash cans.

You may say to yourself, "big deal, they broke some lousy trash cans." Well, those trash cans were not just ordinary trash cans. Those cans were cast in stone, and probably cost several hundred dollars.

But even that is not the point. Whether they were stone cans or plastic cans, any type of vandalism or deliberate destruction is wrong. If such activities continue, it could go from trash cans to more valuable items.

Typical college pranks like toilet paper in the trees, or soap in the fountain is understandable from time to time. Pranks like that have been pulled by students all over the country for years. But the deliberate destruction of university property must not be tolerated.

This vandalism must be stopped at once, before all the beautiful things that are happening to Prairie View are affected. Our campus is just now beginning to get the attention that it has always deserved, let's not jeopardize this by destroying our chances to become one of the most beautiful campuses in the state.

If the person or persons who destroyed those trash cans will just read this editorial, and try to realize the error of their ways, they will see why what they did will damage everyone on campus.

Also, if anyone sees someone damaging anything on campus, please report it to security for the betterment of our university.

Our campus is truly becoming a thing of beauty, let's try to keep it that way.

Mark L. Banks  
Editor-in-Chief  
The Panther

## Administration Approves Student-Run Newspaper

It is a fact that many in our campus community have wanted for some time to make the Panther a true student newspaper. I can now announce that we are nearing that goal. President Pierre has expressed his desire to see the Panther develop into an organ for the development and expression of student journalistic talents and interests and has authorized a group of faculty and students to make that desire a reality.

Until recently, there has been an insufficient number of trained staff and available faculty advisors to help with this transformation. For many years, Dr. Curtis A. Wood has carried the major burden of producing the Panther in addition to his other wide-ranging duties as an instructor and as director of University Information and Publications. That situation has now changed. With Dr. Wood's decision to retire has come the appointment of Dr. Jack McNamara as Assistant Professor of Journalism, the separation of the Panther from the University's Publications Office, and the assignment of Dr. McNamara as Manager of Student Newspaper Operations.

In announcing his decision to make these changes, President Pierre stated: "Dr. Wood's retirement was both a challenge and an opportunity. It was a challenge in that no one person could totally replace him. All of us at Prairie View are greatly indebted to him for his years of service in diligently preserving the tradition of the Panther. His retirement was also an opportunity to have students take a greater responsibility for producing the newspaper. The benefits would include a greater emphasis on student news as well as more training of students."

In response to President Pierre's request, a planning committee was appointed to recommend guidelines and procedures for the transition. Included in the committee were Dr. C. A. Wood, Dr. Millard Eiland, Dr. Jack McNamara and Ms. Diana Fallis, all of the Communications Department, along with Mr. Glenn Dromgoole, Editor of the Bryan-College Station Eagle, and Mr. Kevin Dennis, President of the Student Government Association. The committee took the following actions:

- A. Recommended the appointment of Dr. C. A. Wood as Manager of Yearbook Publications Operations, 1984-85.
- B. Recommended the appointment of Dr. Jack McNamara as Manager of Student Newspaper Operations, 1984-85.
- C. Recommended the appointment of interim student staff for the Panther, to include:  
Mark Banks, Editor  
Carmelita Bevell, Managing Editor  
Veronica Beene Banks, Business Manager  
Carol Alexander, Sports Editor  
Brett Horn, Copy Editor  
Danita Thompson, Production Editor  
Rayford Outland, Photographer
- D. Recommended the appointment of a Student Publications Board to oversee development of the Panther.

Beginning with the October issues, the Panther has been under the direction of the student staff with day-to-day advisement by Dr. Jack McNamara. General supervision of the paper will be carried out by a Student Publication Board appointed by President Pierre. The membership of the Board will be announced in the next issue of the Panther.

It is our intent that the Panther become a student newspaper of recognized quality that will provide an avenue of responsible expression to student journalists and reflect favorably on the University's overall commitment to excellence. There will be many opportunities for students to contribute. The paper needs volunteer reporters, editors, photographers, lay-out and production workers, and cartoonists. We solicit your interest in becoming a part of the effort to continue the proud Panther tradition. Call Mark Banks or Dr. McNamara at 2117,2810 or 4511.

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Thomas J. Cleaver, Ph.D.  
Executive Vice President for  
Academic Affairs

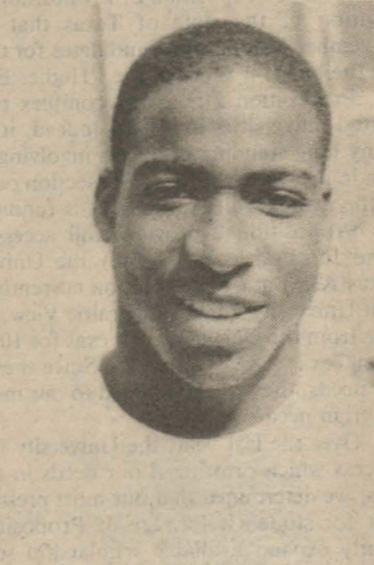
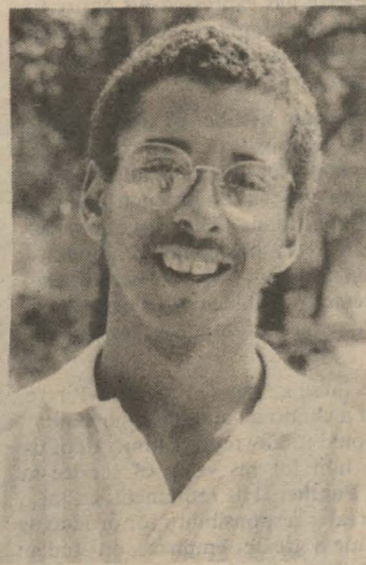


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# Student Opinions 'On the Yard'

## Would You Send Your Children to Prairie View?



**Kurt Smith, Junior:** Yes, because I really do believe that Prairie View produces productive people. My father and my aunt are both Prairie View graduates, and they are both successful.

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**Sarah Fisher, Freshman:** Yes, because I feel that Prairie View is a very academically inclined institution which would stimulate their learning processes.

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**Gerald Hatch, Senior:** Yes, because I think Prairie View is an equal opportunity university and an education is an education. I also feel that the education here is a quality education.

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**Mataline Jenkins, Junior:** Yes, because I think that Prairie View is a very good institution. I know you can get a better education at PV A&M instead of an institution where you wouldn't be anything but a number.

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**Melvin Royal, Junior:** No, Prairie View has yet to fulfill, in my eyes, the true aspirations of a university. Although I feel that Prairie View is definitely on an upswing, present and near future conditions would not be suitable for the children of a Royal. I know we must endure bad conditions and lean times so that our children can achieve better things.

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### Story and Photos

By Rayford Outland



**John Willis, Senior:** Yes, I would like my children to attend Prairie View. I believe that the prospective changes for Prairie View will make this institution one of the best in the near future.

**Helen Alfred, Senior:** Yes, because I think Prairie View is competitive. Students have an advantage here because they are not part of 40,000 students like some larger institutions. There is a more personal atmosphere here.

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If you cannot make this interview and are interested in employment, submit your resume to: Industrial Relations Office, Code 170.5, Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, NH 03801.

## Helping Students Most Important For Businessman Graduate Garmon

By Bert Bilton

"Rags to Riches" — everybody's dream. That dream came true for one Prairie View A&M graduate, and he believes it could happen for many more.

Melvin Garmon, a PVU graduate with a degree in Mechanical Engineering, owns an engineering firm, a broker's firm, and Garmon's House of Burgers in Prairie View.

Garmon, a native of Kaulman, Texas, is a man with a mission; to serve the PVU student body in any way he can. "I want to share my knowledge with the students," he said. "I want to show how a person who has nothing can succeed!"

After graduating from Prairie View, Garmon promised himself that his first restaurant would be in Prairie View. His establishment would carry the family name in

dedication to his father and his family, he decided.

"I came here to help, not for the profit," he said. Garmon does not expect his \$750,000 restaurant to pay for itself in the near future, but he wants Prairie View students to have facilities and privileges comparable to this of other universities.

Garmon has gone out of his way to serve the students on many occasions since the opening of his restaurant. He has leased a van which is used as a shuttle bus between campus and the restaurant; he sponsors a "Player of the Week" award, and for the PVU-Grambling game he spent over \$1,000 to provide free bus service for students.

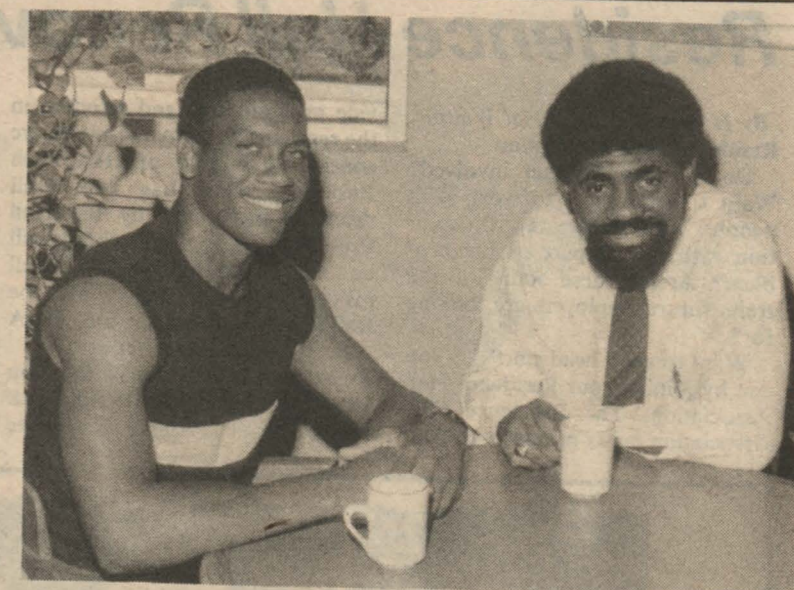
To continue such activities, he needs cooperation and support from the students, Garmon said. "Students go to Dairy Palace and

Sonic to eat; they fail to realize that none of the money they spend in those places is given back to the students in any way."

For Garmon, life has not always been so smooth. "I've made many mistakes; but if you study your mistakes and know where you went wrong, you'll end up on top!"

"Since 1978 God has blessed me," he said. Garmon's restaurant is his way of showing his gratitude. He wants students to visit the restaurant and feel free to discuss any problems they encounter in the restaurant. If he doesn't hear about problems, he said, they cannot be alleviated.

Garmon said that buffets and specials are scheduled throughout the week, and that he plans more



PV graduate Melvin Garmon enjoys a cup of coffee with Panther quarterback, Ernest Brow, one of last issue's players of the week.

special activities throughout the year. His success and student involvement demonstrate that Garmon is proof of the slogan "Prairie View Produces Productive People!"

## Game Room Renovated

The Memorial Student Center Game Room, after undergoing the first phase of its scheduled renovation process, is now **OPEN FOR BUSINESS.**

The center's goal is to provide a home-recreation type atmosphere where students can relax, meet and greet friends and involve themselves in enjoyable, positive activities.

At present the Game Room is equipped with a variety of individual and group games such as: cards, dominoes, table tennis, bingo, chess, checkers, video games, and pool tables. New game additions include darts, pig board and monopoly.

The first phase of the renovation included installing a new ceiling, replaced faulty plumbing, refinishing the doors, placing the lighting system and painting the hallway.

The second phase will entail painting the Game Room walls, installing new floor tile and replacing the old furniture.

The student body is invited to fully utilize the Game Room and offer suggestions for additional improvements, Center officials said.

The Game Room is open from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. from Monday through Friday and 1:00

p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

## C.P.A. Society Offers Loans

A special low interest loan program is being offered to qualified accounting students to defray the cost of education.

The program makes up to \$6,000 available to undergraduate and graduate accounting students. The loans are through the Educational Foundation of the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (TSCPA).

Loan conditions and eligibility information can be obtained by contacting the Department of Accounting. Also, interested students may write to the Educational Foundation, TSCPA at 1111 W. Mockingbird, Suite 201; Dallas, Texas 75247.

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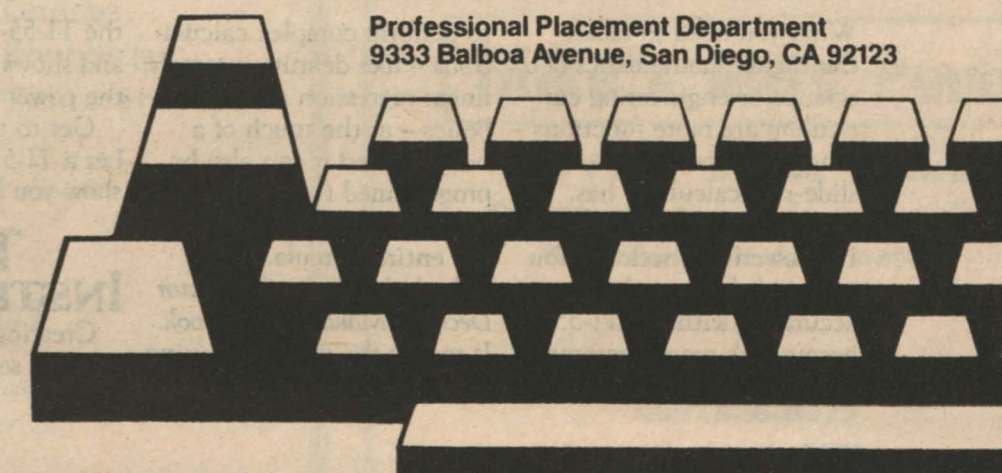
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# Residence Hall Renovation Project In Final Stage

By Housing Director Hal Walton  
Residence Hall Association

Do you want to get involved? Want to learn how to work with people? Want to be part of the solution rather than part of the problem? Aren't these some of the traits future employers are looking for?

Want to get a head start . . . you can by joining your Residence Hall Association. The Residence Hall Association exists primarily to pro-

vide programming and activities in the residence halls. All residents are considered members of RHA. Each Residence Hall has two Hall delegates appointed by the Hall President. Their responsibility will be to assist the Hall President in all his duties that deal directly with the Residence Hall Association. RHA officers for this semester are:  
President . . . . . Jessie Washington  
Vice President . . . . . Gerald Hatch  
Secretary . . . . . Cassandra Batiste

Treasurer . . . . . Bruce Carrol  
Presidents for the Residence Halls are as follows:  
Drew . . . . . Cassandra Batiste  
Banks . . . . . Dorothea Lee  
L. O. Evans . . . . . Bruce Carrol  
Alexander . . . . . Jessie Washington  
Buchanan . . . . . Ira Campbell  
Fuller . . . . . Russell Lee  
Holley . . . . . Gerald Hatch  
**Homecoming**  
With Homecoming just around the corner it's time for all residents

to plan on how they will win the awards which will be given to the cleanest residence hall with the best decorated entrance. Awards will also be given to the women and men's residence hall with the highest grade point average for the Fall semester.

**Fuller Renovation Completed**  
Two hundred fifty six male residents have moved from Suarez-Collins to the newly renovated Fuller Hall. The living conditions

have been improved in all men's residence halls and new housing patterns are planned for the Spring semester. Seniors and Juniors will reside in Fuller Hall with Freshmen and Sophomores in Holley Hall. Athletes and ROTC students will be housed in Alexander-Buchanan Halls.

**Future Developments**  
Suarez-Collins will be closed for renovation. Should the renovation project be completed prior to commencement of the Spring Semester Suarez-Collins will be available for Senior and Junior female residents.

Now is the time to begin thinking of your room and room mate preferences. Every attempt will be made to preassign rooms and room mates for Spring semester '85 during the first and second weeks of December.

All residents are reminded that all residence halls and the Dining Hall will be closed during the following periods: December 15, 1984 through January 6, 1985 — Christmas Break. March 9, 1985 through March 17, 1985 — Spring Break.

## Rockworld Announces Second Sweepstakes

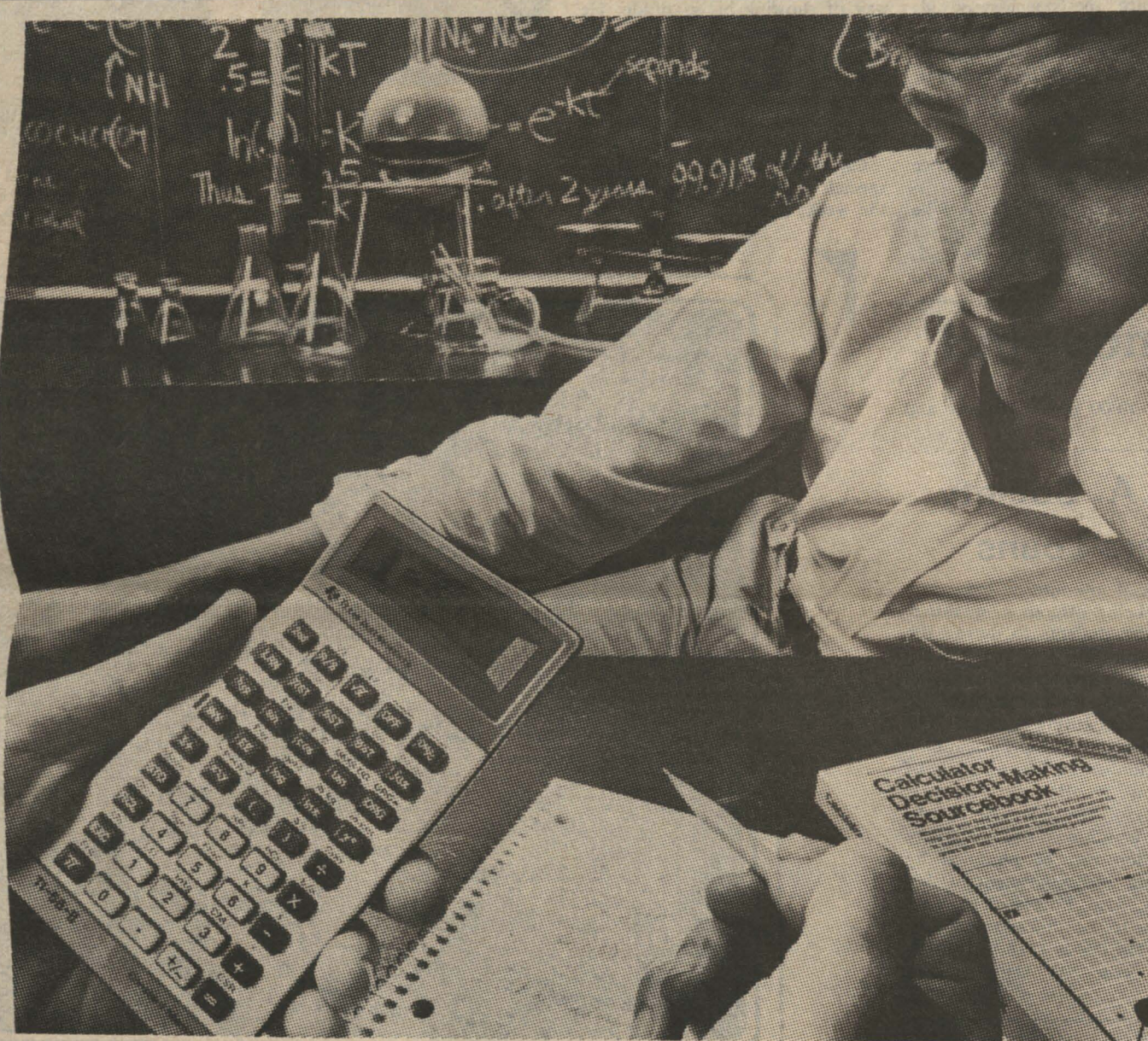
Rockworld's second major sweepstakes is here! Students will have another chance to win one of 40 major prizes in Rockworld's College-Only Sweepstakes II.

Rockworld's Vice President Blake Herlick states, "Since the contest is limited to college students, entrants have an excellent chance to win a dream vacation for the price of a postage stamp."

The college music-video show will give away 16 Windjammer Caribbean Sailing Cruises, 15 OARS Whitewater Rafting Adventures and 9 Bic Sailboards to 40 lucky students in the November 16th drawing. Students can enter Rockworld's College-Only Sweepstakes II by writing down their name, address, telephone number, and college name, and sending it to: Rockworld, 1698 Central Avenue, NY 12205. Or, students can drop their entries in entry box in the Memorial Center Television Room.

\*(Rockworld is a one-hour weekly music video show provided exclusively to college campuses across the United States free of charge. The show contains various types of music such as rock, country-western, rhythm and blues, jazz and punk. Rockworld is played in the Memorial Student Center Television Room on the lower level.

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# Friendship Most Important Part Of Senior Citizen Activity Group

Every Tuesday and Thursday Mills Brown is surrounded by elderly women: it's the high point of his week.

Brown is 81 years old and one of three men who attend the twice-weekly gatherings of the Waller County Senior Citizens project. Held in the basement of the Owens-Franklin Health Center, the meetings provide fellowship meals and exercise for Waller County residents over 60.

Because most of the group members are female, Brown said, he gets plenty of attention.

"I'm just like a lion in a flock of sheep. I get to take my pick from all these pretty ladies. But I don't play favorites; I talk to everybody," he said.

Although he joined the group only two months ago, Brown's enthusiasm for the program rivals that of long-term members. A widower, he lives with a daughter who is employed full-time. He would be alone all week if he did not attend the group's meetings, he said.

"This brings friends into my life. It means so much to me to be with all these fine people," Brown said. "It's like a great big extra family!"

Brookshire resident Lucy Wilkins agrees with Brown that friendship is the most important part of the group activities. "The exercise and crafts are nice, but I come here to be with friends," she said. "I get tired sitting home just looking out the window. It's so much better when you have lots of people to talk to."

Although most members agree that fellowship and social activities are the project's greatest benefits, many other services are available, site director Arie Walker said.

"We have special exercises for older people, and everyone seems to enjoy them," she said. "We also have workshops on health care and several trips each year."

Other services include transportation to grocery stores, banks and post offices, as well as escort service for members who need help shopping because of poor eyesight or other health problems.

Walker, who is a Prairie View native, has been with the Senior Citizens Project for five years, and finds the work personally rewarding.

"I love my job," she said. "It's perfect for me, because I was raised

in this area and I know and appreciate the people."

Part of Walker's job is coordinating crafts projects, like the quilt-making of members Rose Lee Bragg and Virginia Dabney. Upholstery firms donate materials for the quilts, which are sold to raise money for the group activities.

Bragg and Dabney, both accomplished quilters, don't know how many quilts they've made and sold. They do know they'd rather quilt together than work separately.

"We might get more done by ourselves," Bragg said, "but we wouldn't have near as much fun. Same thing with the trips and the exercises and all the other things we do here. We could do them alone — but it's so much better with friends."

Some claim that if the federal government were to remove the military from the Pentagon and lease the space to business, it would bring in \$20 million a day. Considerably more, that, than the site brought in, before the military, when it was a bus depot.



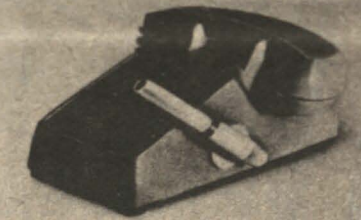
FRIENDS MAKE THE DIFFERENCE — Rosie Lee Bragg and Edie Fluellen, two members of the Waller County Senior Citizens group, look forward to seeing friends Tuesday and Thursday for fellowship and crafts programs.

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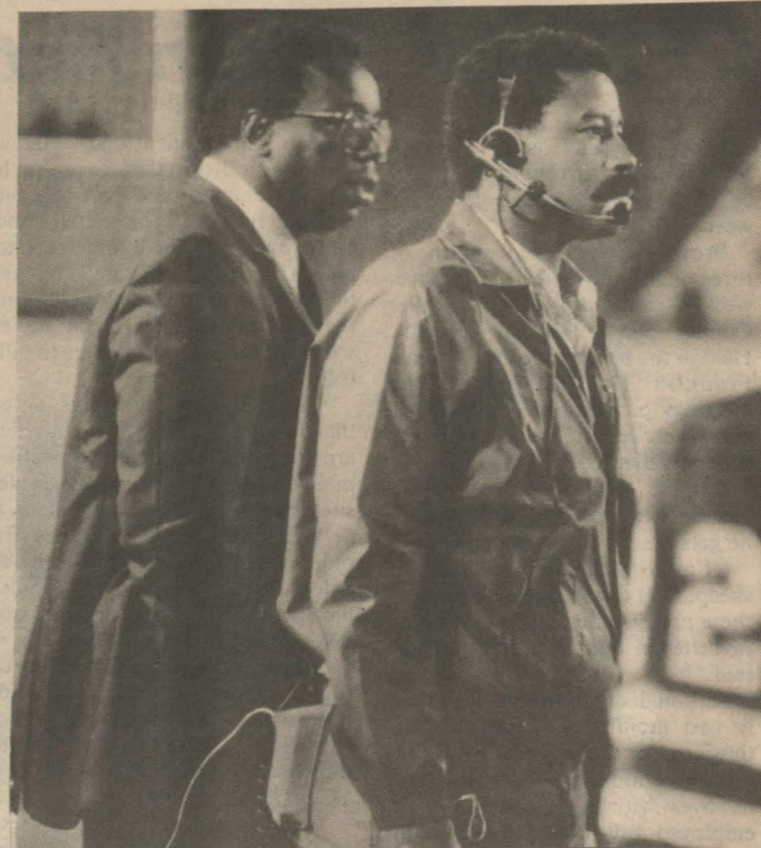


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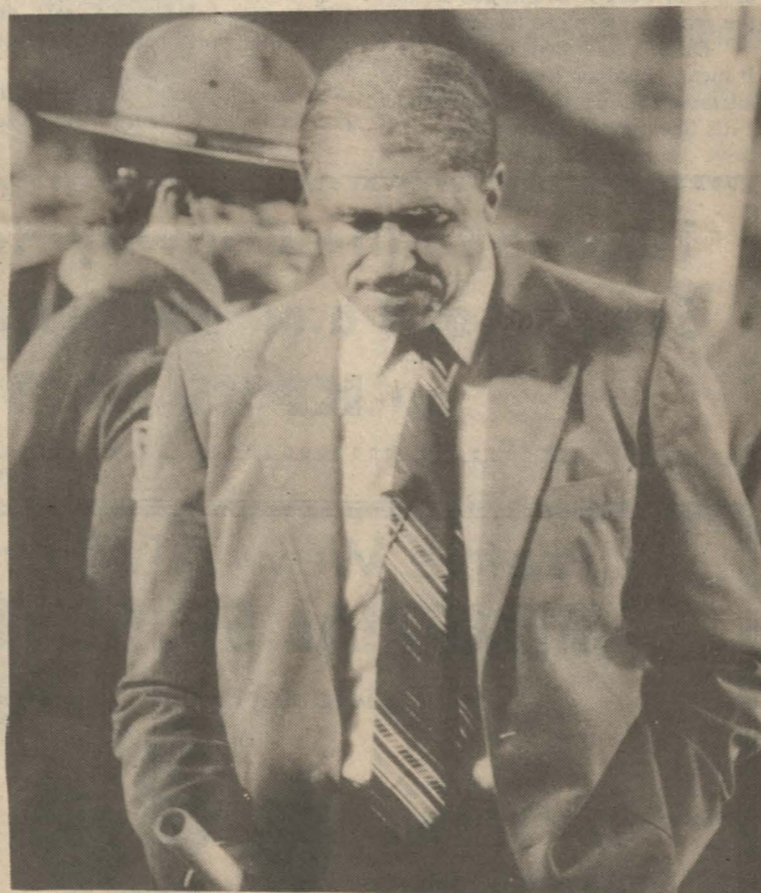
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# Panthers Declawed By Grambling Tigers



**BATTLE OF THE CATS** — The PV Panthers (dark jerseys) reach high to stop the Grambling Tigers from scoring during their game in the Cotton Bowl. Right, first-year PV coach Conway Hayman looks on as Grambling Coach Eddie Robinson is deep in thought. The Tigers came out on top in this game 42-0.



## Tigers Claw PV In Cotton Bowl

Tigers and the Cotton Bowl proved to be a bad combination for the Prairie View Panthers.

One week after losing to the Grambling Tigers 42 to 0 in the Cotton Bowl, the Panthers were again defeated by the Bishop Tigers 34 to 8 in the same stadium.

With this loss to Bishop, which was the last team Prairie View defeated, the Panthers are now 0 and five, and have lost 21 games in a row.

The Panthers were down early in the game and didn't score until the second quarter when quarterback Ernest Brow threw a six yard touchdown pass to Brian Gardener. Brow then scored a two-point conversion on a quarterback keeper. The Panthers went in at halftime down 13 to 8.

The second half was all Bishop as the Panthers failed to score even though they had a few scoring opportunities. The Tigers did manage to score three more times in the half for a 34 to 8 victory over Prairie View.

Prairie View's next two opponents are Texas Lutheran and Alabama State. Both games will be played at Blackshear Field under the lights.

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## Hempstead Bobcats Over Waco Tigers

The Hempstead Bobcats walked over Waco's Tigers 20-0 at their Homecoming game.

The Bobcats are now 5-0 and the Tigers 2-3. Bobcat Harvey Williams was the leading rusher of the game with 96 yards. Hempstead rushed for a total of 217 yards and held Waco to only 28 total yards as a team.

Excitement came in the third quarter with 1:05 left on the clock. Bobcat Michael McDade passed 56 yards to Marcus Lang, which took them to the Tigers' one yard line. McDade then scored a touchdown, boosting Hempstead to a 12 to 0 lead.

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# Panthers Still Worth Cheering For

Their cheers are not in vain, according to members of this year's Panther cheerleaders.

Although the Prairie View football team is 0-5 this year, squad members don't feel that they are wasting their time cheering for the Panthers.

"A lot of time and hard work goes into putting our cheers together," said mascot Vicki Lackey. "Having the team lose does not make us feel frustrated. It

only makes us work harder and do our job with more enthusiasm."

Some of the football players seem to play harder after watching a cheer, several cheerleaders agreed.

Cheering under losing conditions is more of a challenge, said Wendell Sexton, one of four males on the fourteen-member squad. Each week, he said, they work harder to create something that will motivate the team as well as the Panther fans.

"We love our football team," Lackey said. "It's the pride that counts, not whether we win or lose."

Since morphine was isolated from the opium poppy in 1806, some 5,000 other organic compounds, called alkaloids, have been identified, greatly enhancing our ability to fight disease, according to International Wildlife magazine.



Prairie View's 1984 Spirit Merchants



## Pantherettes Fifth in Arlington Meet

By: Carol Alexander

The Pantherettes track team finished in fifth place at the 1984 Arlington Invitational Cross Country Meet.

The ladies did not run as well as expected; they finished the meet with 98 points.

Pantherette Brynette Smith ran the three mile race in 18.30 minutes placing fifth out of 43 competitors.

The next closest finish for Prairie View was Cathy Taylor in 24th place at 20:12.

Nine teams competed in the meet

and the top four finishers were: Baylor, first place; Abilene Christian, second; Texas Tech, third and Northeast Louisiana, fourth.

Driving to Yankee Stadium for a game was like driving to a funeral. I love New York, and I'm going to miss it, but there was no room for human error on the club." — Rich Gossage, San Diego pitcher, on his years with the New York Yankees.

## KPVU's Top Twenty of the Week

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3. Egypt, Egypt .....Egyptian Tower
4. Centipede .....Rebbie Jackson
5. Purple Rain .....Prince
6. When I Hear Music .....Debbie Deb
7. Crash Goes Love .....Loleatta Holloway
8. Didn't Mean to Turn You On .....Cherrelle
9. Just The Way You Like It .....S.O.S. Band
10. Din Daa Daa .....George Kranz
11. Leave It .....Yes
12. Torture .....The Jacksons
13. Rock Box .....Run D.M.C.
14. Sunglasses At Night .....Corey Hart
15. Thirty Days .....Run D.M.C.
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# Placement Center Aids Grads Fall Stats Incomplete

By Brett Horn

The average college student spends from four to 10 years of his life in college trying to achieve a degree; some make it, some don't. But, for those chosen few who do make it, there is another problem that they will have to face upon graduation. That problem is making the transition from student to employee; that is where the Prairie View A&M University Placement Centers helps.

The Placement Center assists students in making the transition into the working world in three major ways. First, the center helps students with career placement by inviting potential employers to the campus to interview students for jobs. Last year over 500 companies, 65 school districts and 230 government agencies held more than 1500 interviews with students. Also, eleven colleges and universities met with 95 students to explore graduate school opportunities. The center

conducts three major job recruitment fairs every school year. This year, the first was the Career Festival held on September 19. The next fair to be held is on February 12, the Federal Career Day where numerous government agencies will interview potential employees. Finally, the Center will host the education job fair to be held on April 10.

Second, to help the college student make the change, the University Placement Center publishes, twice a year, a placement manual. "This manual is a very important tool for a student seeking a job," said Brenda Lorick, the associate director of the Placement Center.

The manual covers preparation for the employment interview, a clear and concise breakdown of the steps a student should take before the interview. Next, the stages and topics of an interview are covered, then the manual touches upon interview tips for teaching positions.

Furthermore, it shows students the different types of letters used in the business profession, for example the letter of application, letter of acknowledgement, and letters of acceptance just to name a few.

More important, the manual has the correct guidelines for developing the resume and examples. Finally, the placement manual has a Resource Information Section that has an alphabetical recruitment schedule, employer advertising section, chronological recruitment schedule and an employers profile. In many ways the placement

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Enrollment figures for the fall 84 semester have not been released yet, according to Prairie View A&M Registrar Erskine Vanderbilt.

But Vanderbilt said that he and his staff are currently working on those figures.

"We have no concrete figures for the fall 1984 enrollment, due to a need to update the data," he said. "My staff and I are working hard to provide the information."

Vanderbilt explained that determining the enrollment figures is a complicated process.

When the registration process

ends, reports are compiled. These initial reports have to be amended after the twelfth day of class to determine if the students are indeed enrolled in school. Once these adjustments have been made, another report is submitted to the Coordinating Board, which then certifies the report. The board then sends back a head count, and breakdown of age, racial and ethnic statistics.

Vanderbilt pointed out that any figures released at this time would be inaccurate, because they haven't received certification from the Coordinating Board.

## The Search is on

KPVU-PM and the Panther have begun a campus contest for the English Leather Musk Man. English Leather is searching across the nation to find a college man to represent their English Leather Musk men's toiletries in 1985.

"KPVU and The Panther are seeking contestants for the English Leather Musk Man" said, Larry Coleman, Program Director of KPVU-FM. The editorial staff of this newspaper and selected staff of the radio station will select three male students representatives of this campus as semi-finalists. A panel of judges selected by the manufacturer, will select one campus winner who will be entered in the national finals.

The national winner will be the English Leather Musk Man for 1985 and receive a cash contribution of \$1,000 merchandise prizes, plus an all-expense paid trip to New

York to be photographed by a leading photographer.

Coleman also said, "This could be a great chance to help launch the career of one of our students."

The contest is open to the young men presently enrolled in the University. To enter, contestants must have a black and white or color photograph taken within the last six months. The entrants name, address, phone number, age, and the name of the University must be printed on the back of the photo. Each photo should be no larger than 8X10 and no smaller than 3X5.

The deadline for the contest is November 15, and photos should be taken to Hillard Hall-Room 128 or 129 by this date.

"All the male students are asked to make this contest a success so others will be offered in the future," Coleman said.

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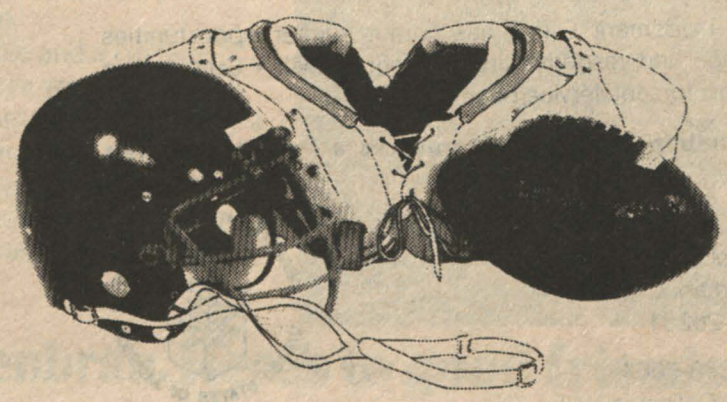
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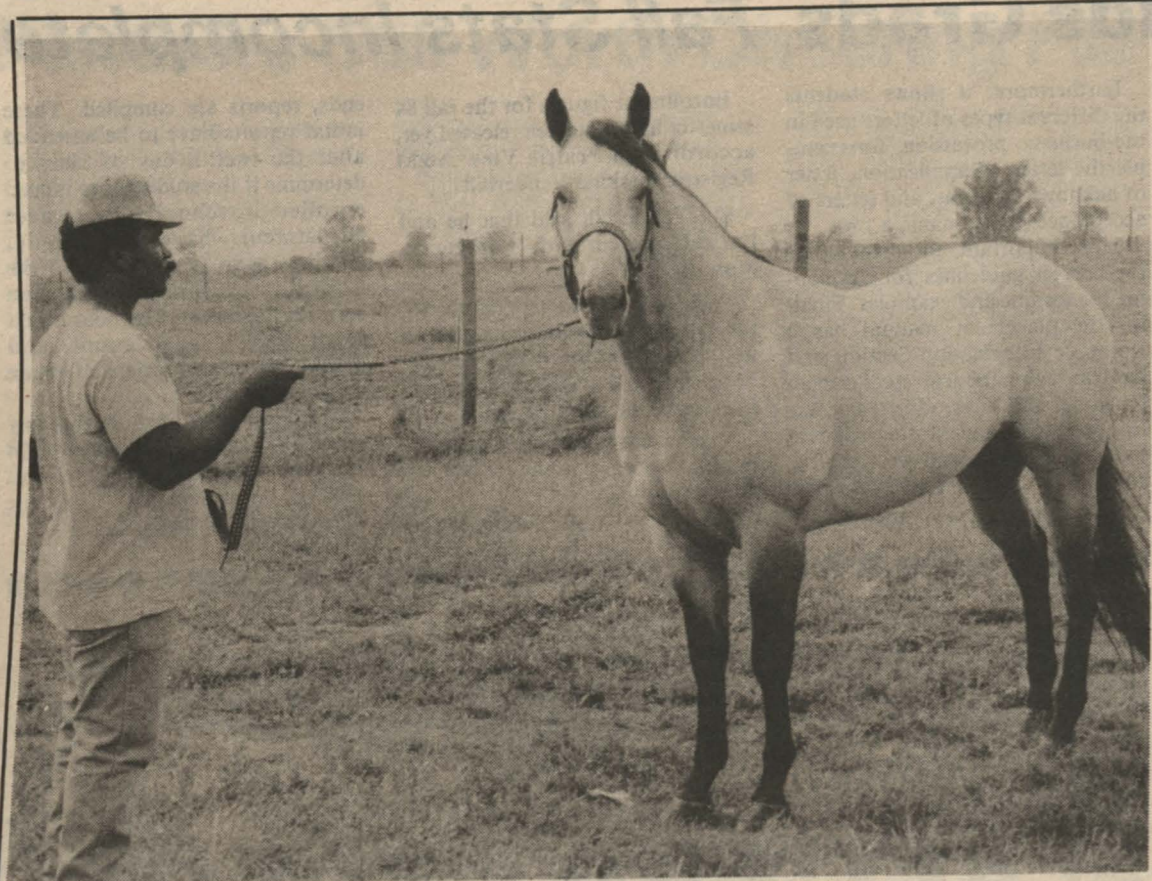
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by  
**Jim Mattox**  
Attorney General

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You don't need to spend a lot of money on expensive items, like aluminum siding, which won't reduce heat loss. The energy conscious consumer knows that insulation and caulking are more effective measures.

### INSULATION AND CAULKING

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The most cost-effective type of weatherizing is caulking. Beside the obvious areas, such as windows, you should prevent heat loss through caulking of spaces between sill plates and the foundation and around holes where pipes and wires enter your house.

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and seal the edges against air leaks with weather stripping. Weather stripping is also good for doors.

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Students from more than 100 major universities are expected to participate before the Grand Finals are held during the Annual Spring Break.

A tentative list of the dates and places, colleges and universities that will host the Champions is attached.

At each campus, a student organization sponsors the event and distributes posters and handbills detailing how, when and where students may participate.

The competition supported by the National Highway Traffic Administration and the National Safety Council, promotes safe driving habits in young drivers. Students learn about safe driving, as well as the importance of the use of safety restraint systems and the dangers of drinking and driving.

The contest challenges students to drive a serpentine rallye-type course marked by pylons. They are scored by clocking the time it takes them to drive the course, with one second added to the time for each pylon knocked down.

Campus winners will compete against each other at the National Grand finals in Daytona Beach, Florida, during the annual college spring break.

Before the finals, "open" competitions will be held in Daytona Beach and Fort Lauderdale, Florida and South Padre Island, Texas. There, the competition will be open to any eligible college tudent who has not already competed. Winners in these weekly "opens" will compete in the Grand Finals.

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## S.G.A. News News Briefs

The Student Government Association of Prairie View A&M University wishes to present an update of activities in progress.

We would like to introduce you to a new line of systems and programs that have been developed by this year's Student Government. As many of the students know this year we've bought on line, the Student Government Association Program Council. The objective of the Program Council is to develop and plan student programs and activities throughout the year, with coordination of University Programs. We hope that students will become involved in the creating of their own activities and the programs and the Program Council will be the tool by which students can do so.

We'd like to report that the S.G.A. has played a major role in getting the movies back to the campus this year. We will be providing student manpower in all aspects to keep the movies a valuable source of entertainment for PV students.

We will try to make the difference this year as we still "Go For The Gold" and give you more in '84. We're here to serve you, however, we hope that ultimately you will serve yourselves not only

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**SOPHOMORE SHOWCASE** — The Charles Gilpin Players Sophomore project, "Showcase on Broadway," was presented October 4 and 5 in the Hobart Taylor Little Theater. Hot L Baltimore, the next Gilpin production, will be presented October 23-27. Admission prices will be \$3.00 for general admission and \$1.50 for students.

**Dr. Maxine Hammonds** of the College of Home Economics had an article published in the August Issue of the *Journal of School Health*. The article was co-authored by Dr. Jerelyn Schultz of Iowa State University.

**B. S. M. CHOIR** — The Baptist Student Movement Choir will hold a musical program on October 30. The group also holds a communion service in the Animal Industries Building auditorium on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

**Dr. Olivette Higgs** presented a workshop at the fall conference of the Texas Foreign Language Association. Subject of the session was revitalizing foreign language courses through the use of topical vocabulary; it focused specifically on computer literacy in French.

**Dr. Flossie Byrd** of the College of Home Economics completed a program in computer literacy in June at Pepperdine University. She was one of twenty-six college and university administrators from the United States attending the conference.

**EEITA** — The Electronics, Electrical Engineering Technology Association has elected officers for the current year. The officers are: President, William O'Neal; vice-president, George Day; secretary, Cheryl Lakes; parliamentarian, Adolphie Jackson; treasurer, Wilfred Holmes; chaplain, Donald Davis; reporter, William Koleuky; committee chairperson, Al Woodard.

Dick Tillery, who lived at Content in Runnels County in the early 1900s, had a beard four feet long. It came to his knees. When he fiddled for the local dances, he tucked the beard into a protective silk bag that he wore around his neck.

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SHOWCASE STARS — Charles Gilpin Players Margo Livingston and Strode Churchwell performed in the "Showcase On Broadway" at the Hobart Taylor Little Theater. The next Gilpin Production, "Hot L Baltimore," will run October 23-27.

## PV Grad Honored As Business Teacher

Dr. Kittye D. Mooring was named as the 1983 Texas Business Education Teacher of the Year, collegiate level, at the Texas Business Education annual meeting.

Mooring, who has 29 years of teaching experience, was selected from a group of 14 college and university professor nominated for the honor. She was chosen on the basis of outstanding accomplishments in the classroom, in school related activities and in the community.

Mooring received bachelor's and master's degrees from Prairie View A&M University; she earned an Ed.D. degree from the University of Houston. She has served as chairperson of the Department of Business Education and Office Administration at Texas Southern University since 1972. She was named a Peper Professor in 1981 and received a proclamation from the mayor of Houston in 1982. Mooring has served as a consultant and has conducted workshops for many of the public schools in the Houston area.

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## Insurance Bypassed

Although the Student Insurance Program has been highly recommended by Prairie View's Administrators, only 20 students are insured, according to Reverend Van Johnson, Dean of Chapel.

"Students have not been using the program," said Reverend Johnson, "because many students are not insurance conscious. Also because of the state of the economy and the default of my office. Reverend Van Johnson also said the Insurance is the last thing people think of."

Currently, there are many benefits offered by the Student Insurance Program. There are two medical plans offered, a Basic and Major plan. The Basic medical plans pay a maximum of \$1,000, \$20 deductible and the Major plans pay \$10,000. Also the Insurance Program pays \$3,000 for loss of life, according to Johnson.

"The program is very reasonable," said Reverend Van Johnson. "For one student the premium is \$192, with one dependent its \$481, and with two or more its \$675. The program covers a student for a full year, and the more students the lower the premiums."

The Student Insurance was selected by the Board of Regents, with input from the Chancellor's Advisory Board, which is made up of students from the system. The Student Insurance Program is underwritten by the Keystone Life Insurance of Dallas, Texas. Reverend Van Johnson said that this is the first system ever at Prairie View, and the program has been at the University for a little over five years.

The program is also being used at Tarleton State and Texas A&M Universities. There are many other universities using the Student Insurance Program. There are about 30 in the state of Texas and 60 in others states.

For more information contact Reverend Van Johnson in the Memorial Student Center.

## MINORITY ENTREPRENEURS

Minority business owners—they've been called heroes of industry, not only for the 80s, but for the rest of the century.

Minority business owners are creating profits and jobs in large numbers these days, experts say. They're strengthening and enlarging the communities in which they work, while selling quality products and services.

According to the U.S. Commerce Department, there were more than 600,000 minority-owned firms as of 1982. Many of these small businesses have been helped to get their start—and continue to grow—with the support of major corporations, which use them as suppliers.

One such company, the Philip Morris Corporation, is a customer of about 60 banks owned by blacks, Hispanics, Asians, American Indians and women. It buys goods from 170 minority suppliers from around the nation.

The company is also behind helping many of today's minority youth become the minority entrepreneurs of tomorrow. It was the corporate leader of the New York Part-



Minority business owners are suppliers to many major corporations these days.

nership's Summer Jobs '83 program. The program has been a great success. Fully 89 percent of the small businesses that employed urban youngsters want them to come back to work again this summer. These are summer jobs that are helping to teach minority youngsters the business skills they'll need to get ahead in the years to come.

Minority entrepreneurs are providing major companies with more than quality goods and services, experts say. They are providing these companies with creative, knowledgeable, intelligent ideas and insights that will help them reach important segments of the market more successfully than ever before.

## New Scholarships Open

The Scholarship Bank has announced ten new scholarship programs that are currently accepting applications from college students. Funds are now available in the following fields:

**College Teaching:** The Danforth Foundation offers up to \$3,500 per year to students interested in teaching as a profession. Twenty five percent of the 3,000 annual awards go to minorities.

**Exceptional Student Fellowships:**

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**Anthropology, biology, conservation, marine science, sociology:** Field Research project grants from \$300 to \$6,000 per applicant.

**Poynter Fund:** Annual scholarships to \$2,000 for students in journalism, broadcasting and related fields.

**Center for Political Studies:** Internships in political science, journalism, law, public relations, business, history and education.

**White House Fellowships:** Highly competitive graduate level fellowships to work as an intern at the White House. Fourteen to twenty opening per year.

Students interested in getting a personalized print-out of financial aid sources should send a stamped self addressed envelop to Scholarship Bank, 10100 Santa Monica 2600, Los Angeles, California 90067. There is a small charge, for the information.

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manual is a valuable tool to the student as a potential employee.

In addition to the placement manual, the center prints numerous specialty pamphlets and booklets for the students use. For instance, the Placement Handbook for Employers, this is an employers' guide to the University. It supplies the potential employer with general information about the University, its programs, the placement center, hours and location, facilities, on-campus interview facilities, job listings, career library, special events, mini career workshops,

advertising, lodging, transportation, important telephone numbers, a map route from Houston airports to university campus and a map of the Prairie View A&M campus. The booklet is specifically designed to encourage employers to visit the campus. Also, there is the student handbook that introduces the student to the placement center. The book gives the student a good overview of what the Center offers and how he can best use its facilities.

Lastly, there is the Student's Registration Procedures pamphlet, which shows the student the procedures for registering with the Center, how to acquire interviews

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a quality education, but also to a positive learning and growing experience during your stay at Prairie View A&M University.

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and other information he might need for a successful interview. The manual, booklets and pamphlet can all be found in the Placement offices on the campus, along with the Centers monthly recruitment schedule.

The monthly recruitment schedule is a listing of all the

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the institutions. Today, he said, many such organizations are going through a period of transition. They wish to protect their traditions and rituals while striving to remain a viable and respected part of

recruiters that visit the campus every month. There are schedules of business, engineering and the liberal arts, all designed to let the student know who and when employers will be on campus conducting interviews.

Finally, Ms. Lorick emphasizes the importance of departments informing students about the Center and their programs. "If students don't register, we can't help them," Lorick said. "We have special presentations that we can present to departments if we are asked?"

academia.

Harris said that he believes these organizations will continue to be an important part of the overall educational experience at Prairie View A&M.

Dean Harris' office investigates any claims of hazing at the university. During the current school year, there have been no reports of violations concerning hazing against any student organization on campus.

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