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**Prairie View A&M** University

January 21-February 3, 1985



Progress continues on the construction of the All-Faiths Chapel, here at Prairie View. Construction is set to finish in May.

# Security enforces parking regulations

By JOYCE NORRIS

Those who park illegally on campus will soon have some unpleasant surprises, according to H. A. Walton, Director of Housing. Since the transfer of the Campus Security to the Director of Housing, Walton and Acting Chief of Security Rusau Knowles have been working together to better enforce parking regulations.

The first step is to disseminate the plan, as well as to color code the parking areas. Maps are being distributed to show where parking is allowed. Beginning January 28, officers will begin ticketing illegally parked cars. Stronger enforcement of payment of tickets will also begin. 'Emphasis is on notifying people,' Walton said. Beginning February 25, violators will be subject to having their vehicles towed at their expense. Bids have been taken for a contract for a local wrecker to pick up vehicles at the request of the security department.

Another purpose served by better enforcement of use of parking decals will be recognition of vehicles on campus without good reason. If offi-

cers see a vehicle without a decal, they know it has no reason for being on campus. They can thus discourage outsiders from coming onto campus to vandalize and steal. Visitors can register at the security office and get a visitor's permit.

Walton and Knowles stress the need for student involvement. They also plan to develop a student patrol to assist the officers by serving as extra 'eyes'' for the security department. The officers obviously cannot be everywhere at once, and need student cooperation in reporting things that need their attention.

One example of this took place at the beginning of this semester. A student found that the T-tops had been stolen from his car, and called security. While the officers were investigating, another student told them that she had seen people in a truck take the T-tops. Using the description she gave them, officers were able to find the truck still on campus, arrest the suspects and recover the stolen items. None of the occupants of the trucks were students of Prairie View.

# **Female General Visits Prairie View**

By MICHAEL GLASS

Brigadier General Myra H. Williamson, Commander of the U.S. Army Third ROTC Region, visited the Army ROTC Department at Prairie View January 24.

While here Williamson was introduced to the Cdt Brigade Commander, Colonel Broman, and the rest of his staff. There were a select group of MS I's, II's and III's in attendance also. The cadets were permitted to ask many questions on subjects of their choice. Many of the questions were those of Advanced Camp and the likelihood of a Prairie View graduate receiving an active duty assignment upon graduation as opposed to a reservist assignment.

The general reinforced the fact that Prairie View is one of the best programs around and that the ROTC Department and the quality of officers they put out depends heavily on the level that the cadet himself is on, not on the program

At the conclusion of her visit with the Cadets, the general was escorted to the Office of The President where she was introduced to Dr. Percy A. Pierre, President of Prairie View A&M University with Colonel Anderson in

General Williamson entered the Army in 1960 from her home in

Gregory, South Dakota. She is a California to the Company Commandgraduate of the Womens' Officer Basic Course, the Womens Officer Advanced Course, The U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, and the National War College.

Her civilian education includes a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of South Dakota, and a Master of Arts from the University of and other positions. Oklahoma.

served in many positions from the Army Third ROTC Region, Fort Riley, Public Affairs office at Fort Ord, Kansas, on August 1, 1984.

er at Headquarters, U.S. Army

Following graduation from the National War College in June of 1980, Williamson served a joint tour at eighth U.S. Army in Korea as Chief, Plans and Policy Services Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff,

Williamson assumed command as Early in her career, Williamson the Commanding General of the U.S.



Brigadier General Myra H. Williamson



In memory of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., this monument was dedicated on behalf of Prairie View A&M University.

# **Financial Aid needs cooperation**

qualified for work study but did not them. receive it, according to A. D. James, responded to this problem by offering, Among the services provided are

Mr. James stated that at that time work study and advice on financial aid. \$130,000 was loaned out to students and in return Prairie View has only been paid back about \$30,000.

back their debts, no more emergency applications on the first of February. haven't paid their debts have is that March.

Many students attending Prairie they will be denied re-enrollment until Persons who are already on finan-View A&M in the Fall 1984 semester they pay back the money loaned to cial aid should apply to receive aid

The purpose of the Financial Aid they will be attending the Summer or Director of Financial Aid at Prairie Department is to provide monetary the Fall semester, to assure them-View. The Financial Aid Department assistance to students who qualify. selves of receiving financial aid. for the first time, emergency loans. student loans, scholarships, grants, sends out a certain amount of money to colleges and universi-

The Financial Aid Department has announced that all students interested in receiving financial aid for summer "As a result of students' not paying school should begin picking up their

loans are being issued to anyone," he The deadline for turning in financial said. The only penalty to students who aid forms for the summer is the first of money to apply to new students for

# Nigerian students

even if they aren't sure whether or not

"The Federal Government only

ties." James said. "This year we

have already assigned our budget

to students who were already on

work study and a few new stu-

dents, but we don't have any more

University President Percy Pierre in certain programs will be well funded, a special meeting of faculty and staff not all. on Friday announced that Prairie View Pierre said that he is optimistic that may be facing budget cuts of up to Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby will find a way to 321/2%. Pierre's announcement equitably distribute the cuts. There

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Letters to the editor should be 300 words or less. The staff

the A&M Boas of Regents. In the meeting on Friday, Pierre Desegregation Plan, which assist said that Prairie View will freeze minority students in areas of recruithiring, and limit the purchase of ment and placement in colleges are

capital equipment purchases that one of the programs. exceed the amount of one thousand Prairie View is into their first year of

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just nours after the regular meeting of are programs that I feel must be protected, Pierre said. The Texas

entitlement to the available university The president said the budget fund which was approved by voters in would be cut because of the falling oil a recent election that provided for revenues, the major source of funding excellence funding at Prairie View, and a special appropriation of 6 million "I don't think that higher education dollars a year for the next ten years. should carry the blunt of the state's These monies are available to the budget cuts, rierre said in an interview Friday. These cuts will mean the Regents before they are released. THEPANTHER

Mark Banks

· Ron Pillot

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Joyce Johnson

**Antwon Williams** 

Rayford Outland

**Budget cuts announced** 

explain why they remain

work study.

By I. DIKAS

The two Nigerian Federal Government scholarship students who remained at Prairie View University after the withdrawal of eight others said they have different reasons for not leaving with others.

"I was involved in the removal," Monsuru Folarin said, "but I made up my mind to change from teacher cation in order to stay."

The course of study is really different, Folarin said, because teachers' careers in Nigeria while vocational industrial education allows for teaching or working careers.

"I have acquired the technical aspect of the program," he said. "It is the teaching aspect that made me want to stay." Folarin said one other in depth with the main courses of their effort to promote a pre-licensing prostudies, at their first semester, be- gram at Prairie View A&M. cause of their transcripts waited for The program affords the student the evaluation.

"Now that my transcript has been exam. evaluated," Folarin said, "I have This year's recipient of the award is eighty credit hours to graduate in two Carol L. Blair. Blair is a senior years, in order to fulfill the agreement management major from Dallas, with the Federal Government of Texas. She has a cumulative grade Nigeria."

The only student who was not achiever, but a student leader as well. involved in the removal is Shehu She is vice-president of the Zeta Mohammed, an agricultural education Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu student. Mohammed, who spent one National honor Society and a member year in Northern State University in of the Student Advisory Committee in Nigeria, said his department is on the the College of business. right step with the requirements of the She has been selected to the Nationin order to finish in two years.

The longest measured field goal in a college basketball game was made from 89 feetthree inches, by Les Henson

for Virginia Tech in 1980.

# **Alumni Hall**

# **Employee Injured**

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Student Dietary Aide Lolitha West- The equipment was checked out moreland was rushed to Waller over the Christmas holidays. The County hopital and later released after owners of the equipment, Hobart, suffering first degree burns to Inc., checked all the equipment. The last time this pot was checked was her left foot. during the summer break.

A supervisor, whom wishes not to be identified, said since ARA food The kitchen was found in unsatisfacservices took over Alumni Hall two tory condition. The floor was slippery years ago, there has not been an from spilled food and water and there accident this serious.

A stopper which fell out of the pot ning to boil food. Also some of the was reportedly the cause of the acci- employees were not wearing the dent. This enabled the hot water to proper shoes and clothing. splash on Westmoreland. **Student Center...** 

fun and relaxation

were no caution or warning signs. Pots

were left uncovered while begin-

Many student activities will take Student Center should be a place ter this semester, says Frank Jackson.

located in the Memorial Center, is a ness. Prairie View is people in student services organization, whose harmony." education to vocational industrial edupurpose is to entertain and create 
The Student Center is also making social surroundings for the students. changes in the facilities. The game eating facilities, a lounging area and a lobby is currently being renovated.

room for shows or dances.

place at the renovated Memorial Cen- where students can just "cool out." He also said, "Prairie View is a

The Students Affairs Department, unique school with potential for great-

Activities include a game room, room was recently remodeled and the

It will be redesigned with artifacts "The major responsibility of the and pictures of past personalities of education is restricted to only teaching Department is to make campus living Prairie View. Jackson has the Panther great," Jackson said. He says that the spirit, and wants others to catch on.

# **Real Estate Scholarship Presented**

The Real Estate Scholarship is thing which helped the students to ask presented by the Texas A&M Real for removal was because they were not Estate Research Foundation in an

opportunity to complete courses in real estate and take the licensing

point average of 3.86.

Blair is not only an academic

Nigerian government. He said he is al Dean's List and Who's Who academic scholarship from the Zeta working closely with the degree plan Among Students in American Universities and Colleges.



**Carol Blair** 

Carol was also a recipient of an Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

# **Campus news important to Panther**

The Panther is committed to reporting all the news we can possibly print concerning the Prairie View A&M University community. To that end, we conducted a workshop before the semester began and we were pleased to have students from all over the campus attend. We have reorganized our staff to reinforce our news-gathering effort. And we have assigned reporters to cover specific "beats" on campus. But we still depend upon reports from students, faculty and staff.

Those reports - submitted as news releases, letters, memoranda, and sometimes hastily scrawled notes in pencil - are often a problem. Frequently, there is no way we can determine the source of the report, no name or telephone number. Often the news is so long and detailed we lack space for it. And sometimes the item is of little significance or interest to the student population. We do not ignore any of these items; but we sometimes do not succeed in getting them published.

We want to do better. We think we can and accordingly we ask all campus departments, organizations, and activities to think a moment and then complete the following coupon designating a contact point. Reporters or editors will routinely contact you for news and to inquire about problems of coverage. We will send you a copy of our Panther stylebook, and if you desire, conduct news-writing workshops. We will also make editors available to talk to classes, group meetings or any similar occasion where people gather to talk about journalism

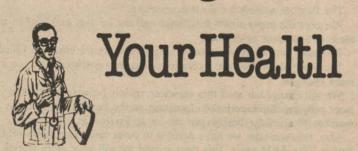
Return to Editor, THE PANTHER, Room 216, Hilliard Hall Ext. 4511 Department, organization or activity-Mail address-Name of contact-Remarks (best hours/date for contact)-

Cocaine is one of the most dangerous dependence-producing drugs.

That's the word from the National Institute on Drug Abuse. According to the latest research, cocaine is just as dangerous as heroin. Both are powerful drugs that disrupt and ruin lives. And although few people realize it, cocaine can kill you.

One reason cocaine is so dangerous is that people underestimate its harmful effects. Researchers have found that a hungry animal will prefer cocaine to food. People who are addicted to cocaine cannot control their use of the drug even when their lives are fal-

Many people who experiment with cocaine end up with severe problems. No one who becomes addicted planned to or believed they would. After regular use, effects such as depression, fearfulness. and an inability to concentrate are common. Some people may act and feel paranoid and experience Protecting



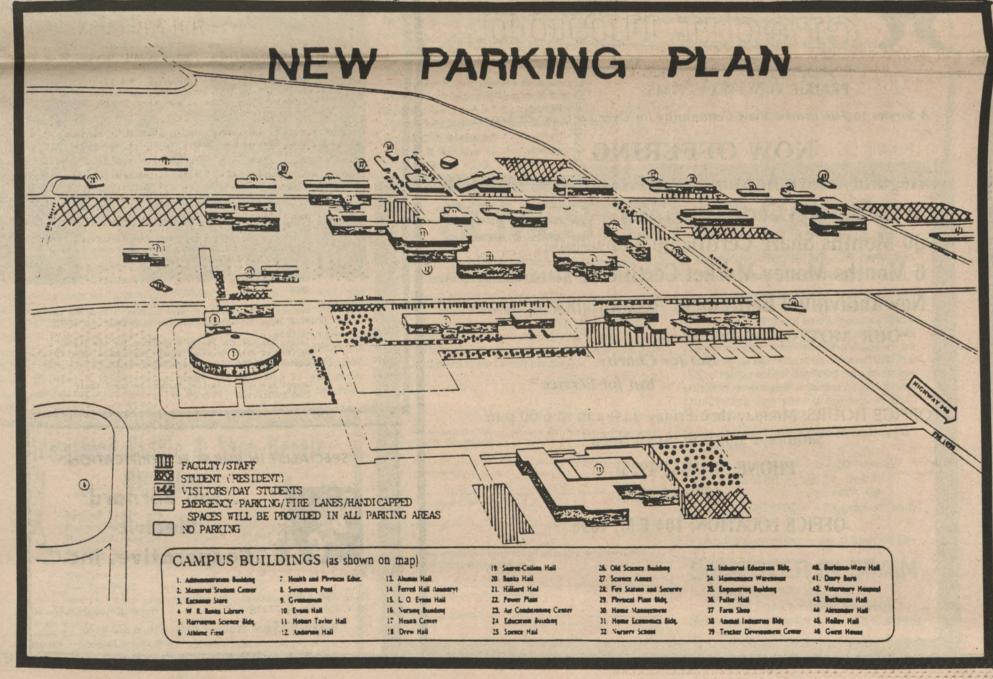
Cocaine is a very dangerous, addictive drug, robbing the lives of our youth.

what is called a "cocaine psychosis." Hallucinations of touch, sight, taste or smell may occur

Overdose deaths from cocaine use can and do hap-Deaths can occur whether the drug is injected. smoked or snorted. Injecting the drug or smoking a form of the drug called freebase is especially dangerous.

According to a survey from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the number of cocaine-related emergency room visits from 1981-1983 increased 75 percent. Deaths are a result of multiple seizures followed by respiratory and cardiac arrest.

For free booklets giving more information on the dangers of cocaine and other drugs, write to the National Clearinghouse for Drug Abuse Information, P.O. Box 416, Kensington, Maryland



# **Panther Continues Commitment to Excellence**

We gave the paper a new look, improved the writing, and tried to make it more of a student newspaper.

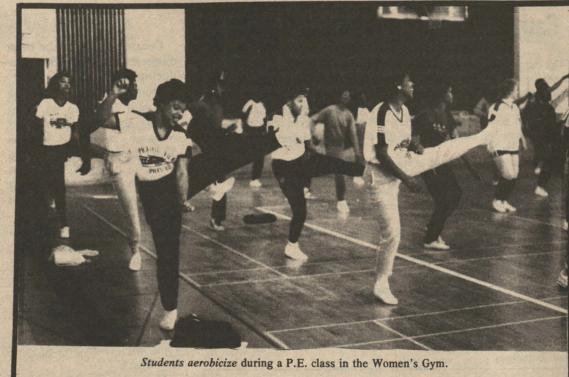
We hope that we made it something that everyone could be proud of. This year we will continue to produce a quality newspaper, but you will see

We will change our staff this semester, mainly because we want to expose more people to the experience of working on the Panther. Working as a staff member of a college newspaper can be an invaluable experience.

Also, this semester we have decided to cover more local news other than Prairie View A&M news. This time around we will have more stories in our paper from the cities of Prairie View, Waller and Hempstead.

So, as you will see during this semester, we will try to make the Panther more of a total newspaper that you can rely on for accurate news and

But to do this we will again need your help. When a Panther reporter comes to you for a story, please be cooperative and help them get what they need for their story. We are not trying to hurt anyone by asking for information, we are just trying to continue to make the Panther something everyone can be proud





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(Championships later in the month at NTSU)

Ron Wilkins -"Crisis in South America" MSC Lobby 7:00 PM

General Student Meeting MSC Ballroom 6:30 PM

Ministers Conference Convocation, featured speaker: Dr. Garner C. Taylor, Concord Baptist Church of Christ, Brooklyn, NY Fieldhouse 9:30 AM

Who have Considered Suicide/When the Rainbow is Enuf" Students \$3.00 General Admission: \$10.00 Hobart Taylor Recidal Hall 8:00 PM

The Honorable Gus Savage, Democratic Congressman from Illinois HBT Recidal Hall 1:00 PM

Party after the Basketball Game - U. Of Arkansas

February 17 - 23 Black American Health Awareness Week featuring programs on promoting wellness among Black Americans (sponsored by Council of Student Organizations)

Movie: "A Raisin in the Sun" Admn Auditorium 6:30 pm

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SGA "Dating Game" MSC Ballroom 6:30 pm and Valentine

Century II Book Review: Maya Angelou "I Know Why the Wild Cages Bird Sings" HBT Recital Hall 6:30 PM

Talent Expo of the People's Workshop for the Visual & Performing Arts, Houston, Texas Fieldhouse 8:00 PM Students \$3.00 General Admission \$5.00

### competition at the William E. Scott and the only one from the Southwest. Theatre in Fort Worth, January 14 "It's very competitive because each The American College Theatre Fes- that they have the best play in the tival involves over 600 colleges region," said Reginald Jackson, junior

The Gilpins received this presti-

**Arts and Entertainment** 

throughout the country. Participating Drama major. "And that's the way it students hope to be chosen to perform should be. in the John F. Kennedy Center for the

Gilpins perform at regionals

The statement was in regard to his gious honor in 1982, when their

sented Southeast Texas in regional drama group in 27 years to be chosen

feelings and observation of the Ameri- production "Don't Bother Me, I

can College Theatre Festival where Can't Cope" was chosen.

"I wouldn't be surprised if we were and recommend plays they feel worthy chosen to go back to the Kennedy of performing. Only six plays are

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Center again," said Keenan Zeno, cho

the Charles Gilpin Players repre-

senior Drama major.

through 18.

This year's production for the gil-Arts in Washington, D.C. in the pins was Michael Cristofer's "The spring. Audjucators from the center Shadow Box'', a drama that deals with are sent to view productions perform- the effects of death on the lives of

# ing all over the country, then go back three families.

Award-winning poet and playwright NTOZAKE SHANGE, who wrote the Broadway hit, FOR COLORED GIRLS WHO HAVE CONSIDERED SUICIDE/WHEN THE RAINBOW IS ENUF, will conduct a workshop on Wednesday, February6 in the Department of Drama and Drama with the Charles Gilpin Playerst performing excerpts from her novels SPELL #7, PHOTOGRAPH: LOVERS IN MOTION, and SASSAFRASS, CYPRESS, AND INDIGO. Everyone is encouraged to attend the workshop as well as the evening performance in the Recital Hall Wednesday at 8:00. Adult tickets are \$10.00. Student tickets are \$3.00.

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TUFF TURF is a movie with the typical rebel-turn-hero storyline. Morgan Hiller (James Spader) is the rebellious younger son of an upper middle class family whose move to a new neighborhood starts off on the wrong foot by spoiling a gang robbery attempt by teenage hoods, then falling in love with the gang leader's (Paul Mones) girlfriend.

Action packed, TUFF TURF gives you a view of what life is like on both sides of the tracks: Life for the well-to-do, and those not doing so well. The music isn't bad, either. That lyrics such as "It's too late to fall in love with Sharon Tate" -- rock may never be the same. If you remember late was killed by the Manson gang Jack Mack does an almost believable imitation of James Brown.

Director Fritz Kiersch does a good job with the cast, and exceptionary fine performances are given by Spader as Morgan, Robert Downey as Jimmy, Morgan's clumsy side-kick, and Kim Richards as Frankie, the girlfriend who chooses between Morgan and her gang leader boyfriend.

Rated-R because of the violence, TUFF TURF is worth a look.

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\*January 27, 1951 - The National Association of Colored Graduate Nurses disbanded, since its aim to integrate Blacks into the nursing profession have

\*January 30, 1972 - Wilt Chamberlain of the Los Angeles Lakers became the N.B.A.'s all-time rebound champion by getting his 21,772nd rebound in a

\*January 31, 1962 - Lt. Commander Samuel L. Gravely became the first Black

\*February 1, 1962 - Mattiwilda Dobbs became the first person (Negro or

White) to sing before an integrated audience in the Municipal Hall in Atlanta.

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# Panthers lose to undefeated Alcorn

SWAC game Monday night to Alcorn State University 77-90. This now leaves the Panthers 1-4 in the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

**Prairie View Panther** 

The Panthers started losing the game in the first half. However, the Panthers came within five points of Alcorn with 9:38 left in the half. The score was Panthers 17-Alcorn 23. With only three minutes remaining in the first half, Alcorn took complete control of the game and went into half time with a 46-36 lead.

Alcorn's Aaron Brandon scored 12 of his 18 points in the first half of the game while the Panthers' Mark Rutledge scored 9 of his 22.

Going into the second half Alcorn took control once again. The Panthers were behind by as many as 15 points. Five minutes were remaining on the clock when Prairie View's Mark Rutledge slammed.

This started the Panthers on an uproar. The Panthers began passing the ball to freshman Reginald Jones, who sank most of the baskets. The clock showed 4:40. The score was PVU 68 Alcorn

79. With only 1:53 left on the clock, Panther Mark Rutledge was fouled and hit two free throws. The score was then 75-83 in Alcorn's favor. Chris Rutledge was fouled and hit both free throws. The Panthers were behind by only six points.

It was then the Panthers got into foul trouble, sending Alcorn to the free throw line over and over. Alcorn moved on to score seven straight points and beat the Pan-

Panthers Reginald Jones finished the game with 21 points and Jeff Wilson with 12. Panther Terrance Artis fouled out of the game with only 4 points.

Alcorn's Phelps wrapped up 24 points and Claybon finished with

The Panthers will travel to Texas Southern University on Saturday and play the Tigers.

# Pantherettes capture SWAC Indoor Track Meet

By GRETCHEN SMITH

Prairie View's Pantherettes track Luckett, Norrie McAphee, Cathy Tay- place was Sharon Harrison with a toss team opened the 1985 season with a lor, and Jocelyn (Renee) Tatum, took bang, capturing the SWAC Indoor second in the mile relay clocking in at set in 1984 by Grambling State Univer-Track Meet held at Jackson State 3:47.27. faring as well, the two mile sity. Taking fourth in the 800 yard run, University, January 19. This is the relay of Regina Bennett, Smith, Feli- Bennet clocked in at 2:19.42, while second consecutive SWAC Indoor cia Hillister (who replaced Lillie Tay- teammate Tatum took second in the Meet title captured by the Panther-lor) and Taylor took second with a time 440 in 55.66. ettes since 1979.

Leading scorer for the Pantherettes was Brynette Smith, who gracefully pitched in her thirty points to add to the team's final score of 116. After shattering the SWAC mile run record of 5:25.13, Smith took a staggering second in a time of 2:42.42. Smith was named most valuable runner. Sharing the limelight with Smith was freshman Michelle Neal, who captured the triple jump with a leap of 38'7".

clocking in at 1:28.09.

The blistering foursome of LaVonda Shot putting her way into second

Final scoring for the SWAC meet Other top finishers scoring for recorded Prairie View winning with a Prairie View were Lucket, who total of 116 points. Following PV, was placed second in 600 yard run Texas Southern with 90 points, Jack-clocking in at 1:28.09 son State 76, Grambling State 62, High jumping for Prairie View, Mississippi Valley 47, Southern Unifreshman Luana Shaw took fourth versity 16, Alabama State 6, and leaping 5'4", while her teammate Alcorn State with 4 points. The next Deidre Jackson stretched out leaping scheduled meet of the Pantherettes 1 19'3" grasping third in the long will be held at Louisiana State Univer-

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# Student Opinions 'On the Yard'

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message to all people that we should unite as one and spread peace all over the world and let his dream live



! It's one indication that Blacks should have been recognized a long should have been started a decade commemorates any major change in idea because he has been such a great

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# Myth of old Residence Hall Advisors false at PVU

By Y. RAY

ence Hall Advisors are no the older, kindly, matronly many university graduates oung recent university graduworking on their first job.

persons were usually older who have adult children or ave experienced most of the ms that the young women might in contact with.

jobs of the matron and the isor are similar except for a few es in the rules, such as visitation Visitation rights were granted fall of 1983. The matron's job keep the men out of the dorm dorm rooms, while it is the risor's job to keep the young n the dorm rooms and out of the inity area.



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LaTrell Henderson, a May 1984 her R.A.s. "I give the R.A.s the duty graduate of Prairie View, is now and responsibility of their job," said be a dormitory supervisor.

Henderson. Another responsibility problem to Stevenson, who in turn that Hendreson holds is the hiring of would take the problem to the Director

Supervisor of Drew Hall. Henderson Henderson. This is to adhere to the received her bachelor's degree in needs of the residents in their desig-Elementary Education and is now nated community area. When Hender attending graduate school to obtain son was asked how she handles her master's degree. Henderson says residents who violate the rules and she was a residential advisor while regulations she said, "I write it up as attending Prairie View and was asked an incident and turn it in to the dean of by her present employer Elroy Steven- women." Although Henderson son, Assistant Director of Housing, to handles most of the dormitory's problems directly, she does have those who "My responsibility as supervisor is need the attention of higher authority to keep residence hall in order," said If this occurs, she will take the

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# AROTC cadet commands brigade

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Cadet Issaiah Broman was recently selected to command the Prairie View Army ROTC Brigade. Broman was promoted to this position by Colonel Charles Anderson, Professors of Military Science at Prairie View and other officers.

Cadet Broman commands over 250 members in his brigade. Cadet Broman is a 1980 graduate of E.E. Worthing Senior High School in Houston. When asked how he became interested in ROTC he replied, "I wanted something more than a job. I needed some adventure along with the everyday repetition of life, so I became involved in ROTC." The lengthy screening process for the position of brigade commander included evaluations in the following areas: leadership potential, academic standings, extracurricular activities, and ROTC Advanced Camp at Fort Riley, Kansas.

Cadet Broman is a senior Electrical Engineering major at the university. He is active in many campus activities including: President of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Zeta Beta Chapter, IEEE, ASME, and the intramural sports association.

Cadet Broman expects to graduate and be commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army this spring.

# Commissioning ceremony held

On December 14, the Naval ROTC Unit here at Prairie View, commanded by Commander Charles L. Tompkins, USN, held its 1984 Winter commissioning ceremony.

The ceremony was conducted in the Animal Industries Auditorium with members of the faculty, friends and the families of the commissionees in attendance.

Captain Gordon E. Fisher delivered the commissioning address and administered the Oath of Office. Fisher is a member of the original Naval Science Department Staff that was formed here at Prairie View between 1968 and 1970.

Presently, Fisher is the Commanding Officer and the Professor of Naval Science at George Washington University in Washington, D.C. and is serving as National President of the National Naval Officers Association.

Fisher cautioned the newly commissioned officers that the Navy does not waste time in determining who can or those who cannot handle it are shipped home and not worried about any more.

He then conveyed words of encouragement and shared some advice which would help the new officers to a good start in their careers.

The new commissionees of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps included the following: Ensigns Wesley Anderson, Demetrius Fowler, Thomas Hill, Gayron Scurlock and Said Ziyani; Second Lieutenants Warren Blackmon, Valerie Gaiter and Troy Kinney.