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"A loyal Panther, the PV student, is one who loves his Alma Mater and has full respect for himself and his fellowman."

This is the thinking of the President's Blue Ribbon Committee on Student Life. In its current progress report the Committee reveals plans of a set of statements to be released

which should serve to govern the conduct of Prairie View students throughout the year.

The statement, or guidelines, include recommended action for "loyal Panthers" who have joined together in improving student life on campus. In the experimental dormitory living projects, the guidelines cover ob-

jectives of shared experiences. The Student Center sub-group sets forth "How loyal Panthers use and enjoy the Memorial Center."

Similar statements are being issued in connection with the dining hall, and a fifth area — "student involvement in discipline." The report includes the

work of the committee during the past 60-days.

Future plans of the Student Life Committee include continued study and a great deal of action. Members of the Committee will visit other colleges to observe student life and student government programs. Faculty members and student

leaders from other institutions will be invited to Prairie View to share ideas on the development of a top flight program here.

Work by The Committee during the Second Semester will aim toward program development for September, 1967.



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COMMISSIONING EXERCISES — President A. I. Thomas keeps step with Lt. General Ralph E. Harris, Jr., and Col. Lloyd Stark during recent mid-year Commissioning Exercises for twelve ROTC cadets.

PVA&MC Presents The National Shakespeare Company in "Hamlet"

Prairie View A & M College will present the National Shakespeare Company in "Hamlet" in the New Field House at 8 p.m. on February 17, 1967.

The main characters include: Charles Cragin as Hamlet, Pat McGregor as Ophelia, John Breslin as Claudius and Sharon Hall as Gertrude.

When The National Shakespeare Company performs Hamlet, the audience will be viewing a company making American theatrical history. As America's only cross country tour-



MISS TEXAS HIGH — Miss Jesselyn Box of Crockett is preparing for the Annual Press Club promotion on April 7-8.

ing company the troupe has in four years become the most widely traveled Shakespeare group ever to tour the United States. Last season alone, it logged more than 30,000 miles in an extensive eight month tour of 35 states. Over 200 performances were given in colleges, secondary schools and civic centers. The 1966-67 season will see the Company expand its tour to 38 weeks with plans for a summer festival.

Although theatrical ventures are among the riskiest to undertake, founders, producer-director Philip Meister and actress Elaine Sulka felt it essential to "bring quality productions of culturally significant dramatic literature to the nation."

Their first season in the spring of 1964 was a modest five week tour primarily in the New York metropolitan area. This tour met with such overwhelming success that in its second season, which began in the fall of 1964, the group performed for 26 weeks. The number of performances was tripled and the company ventured into six Eastern and four Midwestern states.

Last year, Miss Sulka and Mr. Meister realized their ambition of performing nationwide. The company traveled to See HAMLET, Page 2

New Registration Procedure Runs Smoothly

Registration for the second semester has almost reached an end. Late registration will be February 6-11. The three-day early registration period from February 1-3, was literally a breeze.

The new method of registration used for the second semester was unique, and best of all faster. Many students wonder why it hasn't been done before.

The expected confusion and conglomeration of trying something new, was not present. Things ran smoothly, students stuck to their alphabetized schedules, and everyone was cooperative in general.

Several students have commented on the procedure:

ADVANCED FRESHMAN — "Registration was a lot easier, and less congested."

ADVANCED SOPHOMORE — "Oh, it was so simple!"

ADVANCED JUNIOR — "I was amazed at how fast I registered. I had dreaded the thought of registration because of previous years."

ADVANCED JUNIOR — "I See REGISTRATION, Page 7



Mr. Samuel Montgomery
Montgomery Named To New Post

Mr. Samuel Montgomery, Assistant Registrar at Prairie View A&M College, has been appointed Special Aid to the President — for College Development and Social Protocol. Dr. A. I. Thomas, President of the College, announced.

The new position established by the President is a part of his program to improve the image of the College through "Partners in Progress". The assignment embraces proper protocol for visitors of the President and public relations and good will.

An alumnus of the College, Mr. Montgomery joined the Registrar's staff in 1955 and has been active in the total program of the college.

Fading League Schedules 1967 Tournaments

Class A high schools will play for the state basketball title here on February 17-18. High schools in 4A, 3A and 2A classes will be here on February 24-25.

Prairie View League director, C. D. Yancy, told the PANTHER that there are no schools classified B and C as in previous years. This year is the last for the 4A division at Prairie View, since most 4A schools are now registered in The University of Texas League. Those remaining will be classified in 3A, Mr. Yancy said.

Only one week-end is being scheduled for tournaments in 1968 for A, 2A and 3A. It is estimated that a good number of schools will remain in these categories.

The Spring meets will precede as in previous years, the League director added.

The Class A Tournament will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, February 17. Finals are set for 9:00 a.m. Saturday February 18. Finals for the larger schools are scheduled to begin at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 25. The ad-

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ACTION ON THE ACADEMIC FRONT — President Thomas and other college officials entertain representatives of Dow Chemical Company in photo at top. Bottom photo shows college directors and heads in the President's Conference Room.

Here's your application for the 13th Annual National College Queen Contest

I would like to submit the following name for The National College Queen competition. Kindly mail full details and an official entry blank.

MY NAME _____ AGE _____
(or, my candidate's name)

I ATTEND _____
(or, my candidate attends) (name of college or university)

I AM FRESHMAN SOPHOMORE JUNIOR SENIOR

MY MAILING ADDRESS _____
(or, my candidate's address) (no. and street)

(city) (state) (zip code)

I obtained this application when it was published in: _____
(write in name of college newspaper in which this application appeared)

If you are nominating someone other than yourself, please sign your name in the space opposite. The entry blank will be mailed to her. _____

MAIL THIS APPLICATION TODAY TO: NATIONAL COLLEGE QUEEN CONTEST COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 935, New York City, N.Y. 10023

Deadline: This newspaper application must be received in New York City within 10 days from the date of this issue.

You can win more than \$5,000 in prizes and earn recognition for your school.

It's nomination time again! Colleges in all 50 states are nominating their candidates in the 13th Annual National College Queen Contest. And the time is right now—the nominations close soon.

Send in your name—nominate a friend

Lots of girls send their own names, so don't be shy! Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors—all are eligible. And anyone can make a nomination... campus groups, fraternities, sororities, friends. Just fill out the application blank.

Not a "Beauty" contest

Those who entered last year will tell you that this is neither a "glamour" nor a "genius" contest. Can-

didates are judged on their all-around abilities... they're questioned on current events, fashion, home economics, career goals and the like.

50 state winners

Every state elects its own College Queen in April. As a state winner, you'll come to New York City (all expenses paid) for a 10 day visit and the National Finals. You'll appear on a National Television Special, and attend a reception at the United Nations, theatre trips, backstage visits with Broadway stars, and the formal Coronation Ball.

More than \$5,000 in prizes

The new National College Queen will tour Europe

from London to Paris to Rome. She'll win a wardrobe of the newest styles, worth \$500—and her own car, a brand new sports convertible. She'll discover America—travelling from New York City to Disneyland, including featured appearances at the Rose Bowl Game and the traditional Tournament of Roses Parade.

Enter Today

It's easy to enter, fun to nominate. Take a minute right now to fill out the application yourself. And how about your club, fraternity or sorority nominating someone? Remember, this is not a typical "Beauty Contest." It's for the real girl, the all-around girl—it's for you!

The National College Queen Contest is sponsored by Best Foods:

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