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# PANTHER

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**TALENTED** — Dancer Deborah Collins, shown performing at the Teen Pageant, represented the college in a Sorority program in Marshall recently. She is busy teaching a weekly dance class of small children along with her own regular classes.

## Men's Week Observance Underway

The United Men's Congress is sponsoring the annual observance of Men's Week which began on Thursday, April 18.

The Reverend L. M. Catchings, a 1935 graduate of Prairie View, will speak on the theme — Man's Role as a Scholar in a World of Revolution.

Reverend Catchings is an Associate for International Development with the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U. S. A., with headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Amos C. Johnson, is sponsor of the UMC

## Student Election Results of April 4

### WINNERS LISTED

#### DIRECTOR OF ORGANIZATIONS

Kenneth Hinson — winner

#### PARLIAMENTARIAN

Florida Collins — winner  
Charles Douglass  
Shirley Wright

#### MISS PRAIRIE VIEW

Joan Daniels  
Delores Francis — winner  
Brenda Jackson  
Nancy McIlveen

#### EDITOR OF PANTHER

Loris Bradshaw — winner  
Evonne Jackson

## Funds Received To Continue "Upward Bound" In 1968-69

Dr. A. I. Thomas, President of Prairie View A. and M. College, has been informed by Congressman J. J. Pickle of the Tenth

### Commander Thomas Assumes Duties As Executive Officer

Commander G. E. Thomas, who reported for duty April 14th comes to Prairie View directly from command of the USS Bausell (DD-845) home ported in San Diego, California. Commander THOMAS received his B. A. Degree from Harvard, and was commissioned through the Harvard NROTC Program in June, 1951. He has attended the U. S. Naval Language School and is qualified as a Russian Interpreter. He also previously commanded the USS IMPERVIOUS (MSO-449). In 1963 he served as Head of the NROTC and College Program Section in the Bureau of Naval Personnel.

CDR THOMAS graduated with distinction from the U. S. Naval War College in June, 1966, and received his M. A. in International Affairs from George Washington University. From August, 1966 to April, 1968 he served as Commanding Officer of the USS BAUSELL, and received the Navy Commendation Medal "In recognition of exceptional performance in combat operations" against North Vietnam.

Commander THOMAS and his wife, the former Rhoda Henderson of Boston, Massachusetts, are the parents of three children, Ken, Steven, and Lisa.

## New Office Set For Career Planning And Placement

Effective April 1, 1968, the Office of Career Planning and College Placement will be located at Room 116, Memorial Student Center. The office will be under the direction of Mr. C. D. Yancy.

The purpose of the Office is to assist in development of career plans; to provide occupational information, counseling and guidance; to advise in matters of college admissions, curriculum and college development; to provide a placement service of students and alumni; to market the Prairie View products in the most favorable occupational areas; and to maintain a virile public relations and college relations program in the area of career planning and placement services and to carry out all other functions consistent with excellence in the development of a Career Planning and College Placement Center.

The office is the recipient of a 1968 grant from the College Placement Services, Inc. to equip and furnish the new facilities.

Congressional District, that the Office of Economic Opportunity, Washington, has approved a grant of \$126,056.00 to conduct an Upward Bound program at Prairie View during the 1968-69 year. The grant will permit the continuation of the Upward Bound Project at the college which has been in operation since June of 1966.

The Upward Bound program is designed for high school students from low income families with the ability to do college work, but, who for financial or other reasons, may not have planned to continue their education beyond the high school level. The program attempts to encourage the students to seek a college education; provides remedial and developmental experiences for them; and secure the commitment of loans and grants from colleges and universities to finance the students' education while in college. Of the fifty-four Upward Bound participants in the Prairie View Project, who graduated from high school in 1967, forty-eight enrolled in a college or university in September of that year.

The Prairie View Project is staffed by professionally employed teachers and counselors from the various school systems in the state, and is financed jointly by the Office of Economic Opportunity and Prairie View A. and M. College.

The W. R. Banks Library  
General Election Set For View A. & M. College,  
Prairie View, Texas

## Major Student Offices Figure In Run-Off Thurs.

A run-off election to include Student Government Association president, vice president, secretary and director of finance has been scheduled for Thursday, April 25.

Fashion Editor of the campus newspaper during the current school year.

LaFayette Collins, a political science major from Odessa, will oppose Reynaldo Pradia, an Industrial Arts major from Houston for the position of SGA president. Both are classified as juniors.

Ronald Briggs and Jesse Watson are run-off candidates for vice-president; Evelyn Curry and Laura Sessions for secretary; and Grace Newsome and Oliver Simpson, director of finance.

According to Daniel S. Anderson, SGA president, approximately 1,700 students voted in the general elections held early this month. This represented a record turn-out of students in an election at Prairie View.

Miss Delores Francis won the title of Miss Prairie View in the April 4 election. The Dallas co-ed received more votes than her three opponents. Loris Bradshaw was voted editor-of-the PANTHER, and Florida Collins won the race for parliamentarian. Kenneth Hinson was unopposed for the position of Director of Organizations.

The new Panther editor is a junior, biology major from Houston. She has served as



**CURVACEOUS** — The new Miss PV has all the attributes of a queen with an added plus. She is Delores Francis, a home economics major from Dallas.

## Houston-Yates Girl Named Miss Texas Teen

### Talent Among Contestants "Best In History"

Debra Lynn Mack, 17 year old senior at Yates High School, Houston, was crowned Miss Texas Teen Saturday night at Prairie View A&M College.

The attractive and talented winner was selected from a field of twenty-five contestants representing schools and organizations over a large area of the state. Her greatest competition came from contestants from her own school - Anita Moore, first runner-up, and Evelyn Conerly, second runner-up, both very talented seniors from Houston-Yates.

Pamela Carrington, a senior at Fideliv Manor, Galena Park, was the third runner-up.

Miss Mack received a \$500 scholarship to the college of her choice from the Seven-Up Company and a \$500 scholarship to Prairie View A&M. She also received trophies and prizes. The three runners-up received scholarships totaling \$1200 from Prairie View and Seven-Up, in addition to trophies and other awards. Mrs. Bairds Bakeries presented \$100 in cash prizes to the finalists.

Special awards went to contestants with high ratings in the various judging categories. They include PERSONALITY - Sharon Shipman, Kemp High-Bryan; TALENT - Margaret Penn, Washington - Houston; ATTRACTIVENESS - Jeanetta Carroll, Kemp-Bryan; POISE - Janice Franklin, Dunbar - Luf-

kin; and CHARM - Brenda Johnson, Charm Club, Brenham.

The 1968 Miss Texas Teen is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. William H. Mack of 3433 North Parkwood Drive, Houston. She was born in Washington, D.C. and has attended schools in Birmingham, Alabama, Nashville, Tenn., and Milwaukee, Wisconsin before transferring to Yates in 1967. She is the oldest of five Mack children, all girls.

Her sponsor was the Yates Senior High Journalism Club which is directed by George McElroy. It was the first top winner for Yates who had entered the contest for the past several years.

The 1968 winner was crowned by Miss Josephine Taylor of Bryan, the 1967 Miss Texas Teen title holder.

Judges for the contest included W. T. Still, state editor of the Houston Chronicle; Eugene Robinson, public relations representative for Mrs. Bairds Bakeries, Houston; Mrs. Pearl Solomon of Prairie View; Miss Judy Beust, University of Houston student; and Miss Jesselyn Box, the 1966 Miss Texas Teen winner.

Miss Inez Kaiser, public relations consultant of Kansas City, Missouri, represented the Seven-Up Company of St. Louis, principal co-sponsor of the Pageant.

The annual event is sponsored by the Student Press Club at See MISS TEXAS TEEN, Page 3.



**COMELY** — Miss Texas Teen 1968 is Debra Mack of Houston. Judges liked her feminine qualities.



DRILL TEAM

## Girls Marching Drill Team To Make Debut On April 25

Members of the Girls Marching Drill Team, execute the "Queen Ann Salute" as they prepare to make their debut on April 25, 1968, during the Leadership Laboratory Period for ROTC Cadets.

The group was organized by

Miss Diana L. Jones (Front), with the assistance of Maj. Z. White and Capt. M. Brown, instructors of Military Science. Miss Demseen Lester (2nd row 1st left) and Miss Sandra Bridges (2nd row, 2nd from left), are assisting with the training of the girls. All three lovely ladies hail from San Antonio, Texas. Also, assisting with the training are Phillip Deaver, Luther Berry, Richard Blair, and Willie Hosea. Mrs. Bobbie James will serve as female assistant.

The Girls Marching Drill Team is the female counterpart of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC). The purpose of the organization is to aid the ROTC Corps and to teach its members the fundamentals of dismounted and Fancy Drill. During all phases of instruction discipline, esprit de corps, precision, leadership, responsibility, enthusiasm, and perseverance are stressed and demanded.

One of the most important objectives of the organization is to promote good will among all persons.

The Girls Marching Drill Team promises to be one of the most outstanding female organizations at Prairie View A&M College. May they be successful in all their future endeavors!

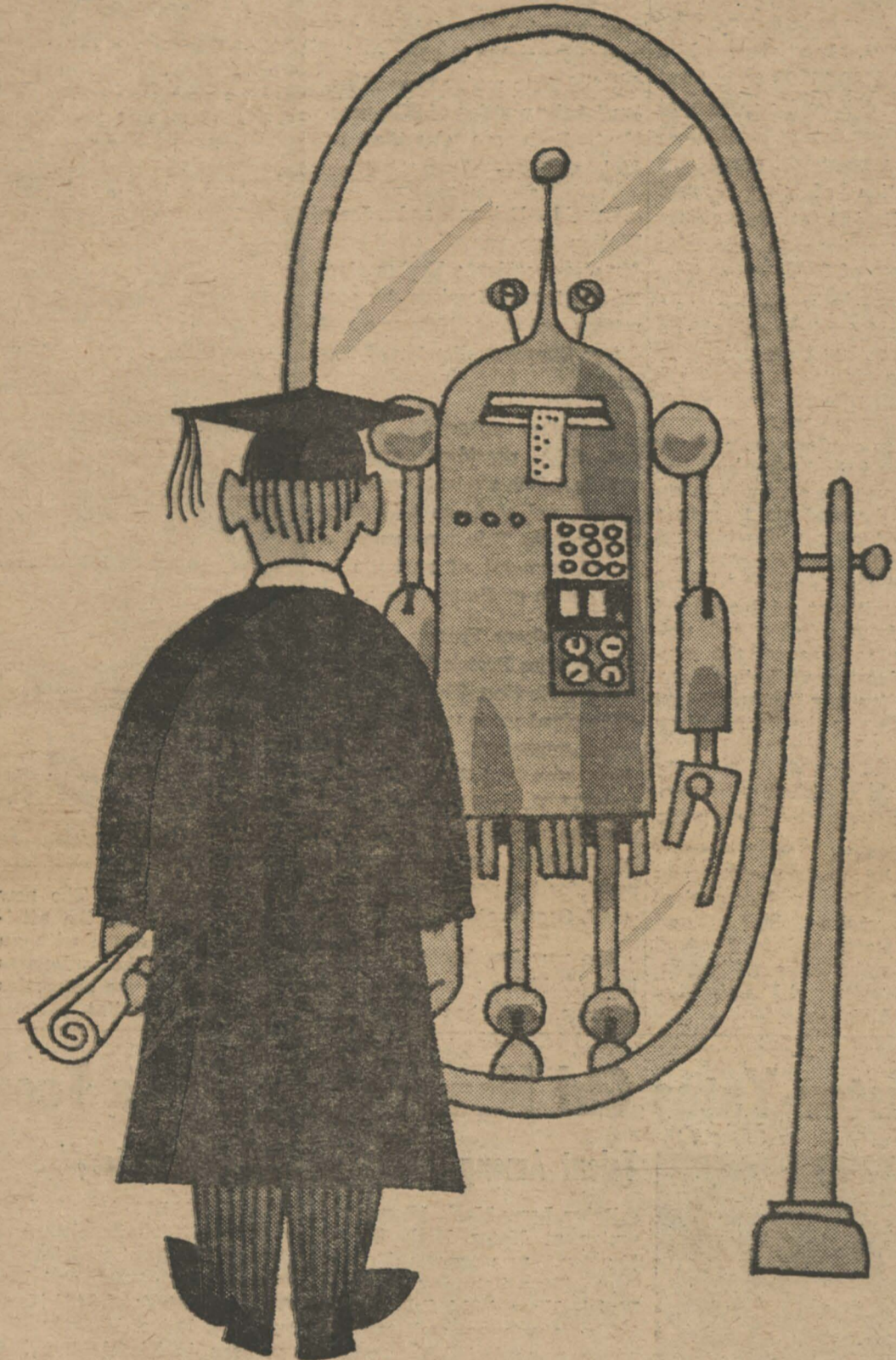
## PV Grad Named Head of Ft. Worth Science Association

Mr. Joe E. Standifer, science teacher, Como High School, has just been elected as the new president of the Fort Worth Science Teachers Association.

Mr. Standifer is a 1959 recipient of the General Dynamics Excellence in Teaching Award, 1965 outstanding teachers award from Prairie View. Como High School's nominee for the 1967-68 "Teacher of the Year" and numerous stipends.

Mr. Standifer received the B. S. and M. S. Degree in Chemistry from Prairie View A. and M. College and has served as an instructor for several summers in the NSF Summer Science Training Program in Chemistry.

The solution to most problems will be heard if you listen to the next three men that you observe in conversation.



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Could be at Western Electric.



## Ford Foundation Study Grant Awarded To History Professor

The Department of History takes pleasure in announcing the selection of Mr. James S. Payne for a Ford Foundation Advanced-study Grant.

Mr. Payne has been connected with the Department of History since his undergraduate days. He graduated from the Department with a Bachelor of Arts in History and saw military service in Korea. He returned to the United States to teach in Army specialist schools and to attend the University of Denver, from whence he holds a Master of Arts Degree in History.

He has been connected with the department since September, 1958. Since his coming to work in the department, he has studied at Northwestern University and at Carnegie Institute in Pittsburgh. He has been admitted to Doctoral studies and the funds that the Ford Foundation have allotted are to cover a calendar year toward the taking of the Ph. D. degree.

The department considers Mr. Payne not only a permanent member of the staff, but a responsible officer in its administrative framework. He has served in various counseling and evaluating capacities in the administrative committee pattern of the college. He has also served with the State Executive Committee of the Interscholastic League. He guided the department in its self-study evaluation both for NCATE and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools this year in his capacity as Public Policy Officer.

Mr. Payne serves as departmental specialist in intellectual history and is in charge of courses in history and contemporary America.



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## Final Rites Held For English Teacher

Funeral services were held on April 6 for Mrs. Vivienne Smith, instructor in the English Department.

Mrs. Smith died on April 3. Services were held at Sutton and Sutton Funeral Home Chapel at 430 North Cherry Street, San Antonio, Texas.

A graduate of Wiley College (1934) and Atlanta University (1937), Mrs. Smith studied at Columbia University in 1946-47, for several summers. She joined the Prairie View staff in 1958.

A surviving sister, Dr. Willa Hood is a member of the Modern Foreign Languages Staff.

## Teaching Careers Month Is Being Observed In April

According to Dr. John B. Murphy, director of teacher education, April is Teaching Career month.

The national observance of teaching careers is sponsored by the National Education Association. All areas of the college offering teacher education programs are participating in the month-long observance.

A special program was held during the regular worship hour on Sunday, April 7.

Dr. Murphy called on all personnel of the college to emphasize the importance of teaching. "Teachers and specialized school personnel are needed in greater numbers in our schools every year," he said. "At the same time, the attractions of other occupations are forcing us into a competitive position for teaching personnel as never before."

The Committee on Teaching Career Month included Dr. H. G. Hendricks, chairman, Miss D. I. Burdine, co-chairman; Mrs. K. D. Mooring, Miss K. N. Jordan, Mrs. F. Ledbetter, Mrs. Ora M. Thompson, Mrs. J. R. Powell, Mr. James Payne, Dr. C. A. Wood, and Mr. Walter Hall.

## PV Grad Employed By Insurance Firm

Mrs. Henrine Oliver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Woods, Prairie View, a graduate of Prairie View A & M College, has joined State Farm Fire and Casualty Company as a senior actuarial clerk at the firm's home office in Bloomington, Ill.

Mrs. Oliver received a degree in mathematics from Prairie View A & M College.

She and her husband, Earl, and their son, Stephen Anthony, live at 301 S. Walnut St., Normal, Ill.



Joy comes with the morning.—(Psalms 30:5)

When there is misunderstanding or inharmony in the home, when there seems to be a lack of communication between husband and wife or parent and child—this too shall pass. Let us have the patience and forbearance to keep poised and peaceful, to know that inharmony cannot continue, that love will make all things right. Joy comes with the morning.



THREE QUEENS AND THEIR BENEFACTOR — Former Miss Texas Teen, Jesselyn Box (1966), the 1968 winner Debra Mack and the 1967 title holder Josephine Taylor pose with Mrs. Inez Kaiser, representative of the Seven-Up Company who provides scholarships, trophies and prizes to the winners and finalists.

## Miss Texas Teen

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Prairie View which is under the direction of Dr. C. A. Wood. The Club sponsors a Journalism Clinic concurrently with the Pageant which attracts over 150

high school students to the college campus.

Other participants included Helen Paul, Bryan; Gloria Flowers, Hempstead; Jo Ann Mays, Brenham; Valesta Nowlin, Bryan; Margaret Penn, Houston-Washington; Carol Poter, Houston-Carverdale; Sharron Robin-

son, Houston-Carverdale; Mary Scales, Brenham; Elaine Sharp, Brenham; Sherry Shivers, Bryan; La Neeta Wade, Brenham; Marva Hurt, Galena Park; Volosie Criswell, Houston-B. C. Elmore; Eartha Flowers, Houston-Elmore and Freddie Batts, Waco.

## Certification of Health Education Teachers Sought

The Texas Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation has petitioned the State Board of Examiners, Texas Education Agency, to establish certification of teachers in the specialized area of health education.

If approved, students taking a major in health education would be eligible to teach as health educators. A 24-hour major would be required for teacher certification. Several Texas colleges and universities now offer a major in health education and others would be advised to do so.

At Prairie View, Dr. C. A. Wood, professor of Health and Safety Education, has been working with the Texas Association in its drive to establish health educators in Texas high schools. Prairie View served as one of the pioneering institutions in developing school and community health programs in Texas.

According to an AAHPER spokesman, chances are good that health education will soon be revitalized in Texas.

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EDITORIALS

The Long Hot Summer

In the past few weeks our nation has been faced with riots, burnings and killings. Especially in a time of deep national sorrow due to the shocking death of a leader of peace, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., violence should not be in the hearts of Americans, black or white.

How Little I Am

How little I must be. Though I be an adult, how likened unto a child I am. Though I've conquered my childhood development with satisfaction, I question my state of independence.

God Fearing Americans Of All Faiths and Hues Share Loss of Dr. King

While the merits of the martyred Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., have been voiced rather weakly by the majority population in this state, the supporters of this great man (including all rational Negroes) are none the less pleased with the overall national recognition given to the man and to the cause for which he died.

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What Am I?

"I am a little thing with a big meaning... I help everybody... I unlock doors, open hearts, do away with prejudice... I create friendship and good will... I inspire respect and confidence... everybody loves me... I bore no one... I violate no law... I cost nothing... Many have praised me none have condemned me... I am pleasing to everybody... I am useful every moment of the day... I am..."

"COURTESY"

Dr. Martin Luther King: The Law Breaker

The critics of Dr. King are quick to point out the fact that King on a number of occasions has knowingly and willfully broken state and county laws, not to mention city ordinances, that would stop or hinder his freedom marches.

I mentioned previously, in so many words, that Dr. King was a lawbreaker, but yet patriotic to the American principles of law and justice. How can this be? Well! the answer is not a surface one, but it is deeply rooted in our democratic way of life.

At The Press Conference "Opportunities For Negro Journalists Plentiful," Students Are Told

All the speakers at the 5th Annual Journalism Clinic emphasized the expanding opportunities for Negro Journalists and the fact that they are hard to find.

Dr. Martin Luther King: The Law Breaker

It is my contention that Dr. King's movement had all of the necessary elements to rightly disobey the laws that he did. (1) the fundamental rights of freedom of assembly and freedom to petition were being denied by the laws he violated.

Our country on its present path was destined for destruction. No longer will the Negro hold his peace while denied his rights. No longer will the great American dream of equality of all mankind continue to be a dream and not reality.

You may not be aware, but America was and is at the breaking point, and if local or even federal laws are to be violated to save this nation — Then let's save our country!!

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Other general session speakers included Carl Brazzell, news director at KTRH Radio Station, Houston and Richard Oppenheimer, general manager, Radio Station KYOK, Houston.

Yates High-Houston was again honored for having an outstanding high school journalism program. Mr. McElroy, who heads the department, works with Dr. C. A. Wood, Publications director at the college, is sponsoring the annual events.

The campus Journalism Club also cooperated in sponsoring the event. Members of the club served as session leaders for the conference.

mail. He spent money without congressional consent. He denied the right of habeas corpus, etc. The list is long, and there are many other great men who saw the condition of the time and refused to let the shield of legality destroy the purpose for which the law was intended to uphold.



ENTERTAINMENT FOR VISITING STUDENTS — Junior fellows and sociology students get acquainted with SWT exchange students during reception in Suarez Hall.

Southwest Texas Students In Exchange Visit

Recently the sociology department was host for sixteen Southwest Texas College students for a week. The students were welcomed to the college by

Pres'dent Thomas at a luncheon given in their honor. Dr. George Ragland, head of the sociology department, had a brief orientation period with the students to

discuss the activities that had been scheduled.

The exchange students had the opportunity to get acquainted with students at receptions that were given by junior fellows, and sociology students. The exchange students, PV students and a few alumni had dinner at faculty homes after an opera in Houston.

The exchange program is a new innovation that is on a trial basis between Prairie View and Southwest Texas State. The exchange students expressed that the program has been successful thus far and hoped that it would continue next year.

FASHIONS

By Loris Bradshaw, Fashion Editor

The Fashion Bazaar

It was truly a gala affair. Those fashions that were modeled only added to the glamour of these models.

The Press Club was able to present "The Fashion Bazaar".

Models for this affair were Arza Brown, Larita Johnson, Wilma Fountain, Loris Bradshaw, and Florida Collins.



Loris Bradshaw Florida Collins Arza Brown Wilma Fountain Larita Johnson

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U.S. Army Reserve -- 60 Years Old On April 23

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Texas Governor Jern Canallv, in his proclamation of the week, urges all citizens to "observe this special occasion by expressing gratitude for our Army Reserve's proud and distinguished record of service to our nation and the cause of peace."

Many special events commemorating the establishment in 1908 of the first Medical Reserve Corps are scheduled in the Fourth U. S. Army area of Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana,

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WAS KEATS THE BOB DYLAN OF HIS DAY?

Who was the greatest of the English Romantic Poets—Byron, Shelley or Keats? This question has given rise to many lively campus discussions and not a few stabings.

First, Keats (or The Louisville Slugger, as he is commonly called.) Keats' talent bloomed early. While still a schoolboy at St. Swithin's he wrote his epic lines: "If I am good I get an apple, So I don't whistle in the chapel. From this distinguished beginning he went on to write another 40 million poems, an achievement all the more remarkable when you consider that he was only five feet tall!"

While Byron fought in Greece, Shelley stayed in England, where he became razor sharpener to the Duke of Gloucester. Shelley was happy in his work, as we know from his classic poem, "Hail to thee, blithe strop, but no matter how he tried he was never able to get a proper edge on the Duke's razor, and he was soon banished to Coventry. (This later became known as The Industrial Revolution.)

One wonders how Shelley's life—and the course of English poetry—would have differed if Personna Super Stainless Steel Blades had been invented 200 years earlier. For Personna is a blade that needs no stropping, honing or whetting. It's sharp when you get it, and sharp it stays through shave after luxury shave.

But I digress. Byron, I say, was in Greece and Shelley in England. Meanwhile Keats went to Rome to try to grow. Who does not remember his wistful lyric:

Although I am only five feet high, Some day I will look in an elephant's eye. But Keats did not grow. His friends, Shelley and Byron, touched to the heart, rushed to Rome to stretch him. This too failed. Then Byron, ever the ladies man, took up with Lucrezia Borgia, Catherine of Aragon, and Annie Oakley. Shelley, a more domestic type, stayed home with his wife Mary and wrote his famous poem:

I love to stay home with the missus and write, And hug her and kiss her and give her a bite.



Mary Shelley finally got so tired of being bitten that she went into another room and wrote Frankenstein. Upon reading the manuscript, Shelley and Byron got so scared they immediately booked passage home to England. Keats tried to go too, but he was so small that the clerk at the steamship office couldn't see him over the top of the counter. So Keats remained in Rome and died of shortness.

Byron and Shelley cried a lot and then together composed this immortal epitaph: Good old Keats, he might have been short, But he was a great American and a heck of a good sport.

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Oklahoma and New Mexico. In this area the USAR activities are centered at Headquarters Fourth U. S. Army, Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas, where Maj. Gen. Francis J. Murdoch is deputy commander for reserve forces.

There will be a variety of parades, open houses, drill teams, band concerts, films and ceremonies at and near Forts Sam Houston, Bliss, Hood and Wolters, Texas; Fort Sill, Okla., and Fort Polk, La. Displays throughout the area will include weapons, tanks, missiles, field kitchens and field hospitals. A San Antonian, Maj. Gen. William J. Sutton, is chief of the U. S. Army Reserve. He served with the 334th Infantry Regiment, 84th Division, in World War II, and wears the Silver Star among his awards.

# Club News

## Apha Phi Omega

The Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity, Inc. is sponsoring an ugly man contest. The contest will consist of a representative from each club or fraternity to serve as their nominee for the ugly man award. He will of course wear a mask. He will be chosen by the student body. Each person will be allowed to vote for this coveted award by giving a penny for his nominee. We hope to have your full cooperation in choosing the truly best ugly man.

Theodore Johnson  
Publicity Chairman

## Spring Balls On Campus

Now, which "Spring Ball" will you be invited to attend? Which one will be your choice? Yes, it is that time of year, time to start getting out the gowns and renting tails.

You have a variety of balls to choose from. Why there's the Green and White Ball (Barons of Innovation and Kappa Omega Beta) April 19, Black and White Ball (26'er and Crescendos), April 20, LBA-LBL Ball (May 4), Freshman Ball (May 4); Phi Beta Lambda Fraternity Ball, The Junior-Senior Prom, and goodness knows, what else? Those VIP's who will be lucky enough to go will certainly have a "BALL".

## Too Soon

I see a child not a child  
A woman not a woman  
Gastating a child within a child  
From love's too soon mistake.  
I see a boy not a boy  
A man not a man  
Father of a child, when a child  
From love's too soon mistake.  
I see life aged before its young  
Girlish sobs in silent pillows  
Boyish retreat to alcoholic havens  
From love's too soon mistake.  
by John LaSand

## Loving You

I love you darling, for your tender care.  
For the things you did, but could not bare.  
Darling you made me understand,  
That love was more than just holding hands.  
Your love is warm, so tender, and fair.  
It lightens my burdens and causes me to care.  
Your love is so warm, that my blood begins to boil.  
Your face is so pretty, I consider you as a living doll.  
Darling, love travels over mountains, valleys, and streams  
It answers our prayers, our hopes, and our dreams.  
Darling it tells how much I love you  
And hoping and praying, that you love me too.  
Leo Smith



The seniors of the School of Agriculture have recently returned from a job interview with the Dekalb Agriculture Association, Inc. in DeKalb, Illinois. Pictured (l to r, front row) are Byron Beverly and Earnest E. Barnes (l to r, back row) Tommy Wilson, Waverly Jefferson and Adolphus Pinson. The students were introduced to the areas of marketing, research, and production. Most of the students will become full-time employees upon graduation from Prairie View A&M College.

## Minnie L. Maffett Scholarship Fund

Dr. Minnie L. Maffett, who died May 26, 1964, very generously provided in her will that a large portion of her estate be held and managed in trust by the Republic National Bank of Dallas, Texas, and that the income from this trust estate be used for scholarships for deserving students studying in the State of Texas. The first awards were approved in January, 1966.

Students in the following schools and colleges are eligible to receive the grants:

- A. Any accredited college or university located within the State of Texas
- B. Any state medical college within the State of Texas, including the various medical branches of the University of Texas
- C. Any nursing school in a hospital located within the State of Texas and approved by the American Medical Association

Recipients will be selected by a committee consisting of the President of Southern Methodist University and the Dean of the Southwestern Branch of the University of Texas Medical School. Selection will be made primarily upon need and a high standard of mental ability and moral character. Dr. Maffett also asked that preference be given to boys and girls from Limestone County, Texas, and that at least one qualified Negro boy or girl (preferably from Limestone County) be given an award. The amount of the grant shall be fixed by the committee and may be sufficient to include any or all of the following costs:

1. Tuition and fees
  2. Room and board in authorized institutional facilities
  3. Books and required equipment
- Application forms will be made available to all institutions that receive an announcement of the scholarship program. Additional forms may be obtained from the Office of Special Services Selection and Financial Aid, Box 215, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas 75222. Upon receipt

Dorothy Douglas  
President of YWCA

## The Rose Metamorphosis

by John LaSand

This Army! I despise.  
It's discipline I, scorn;  
Torn in dress. Woe begoned.  
The heat, is severe!  
Tonight! I cross the Delaware,  
Trapping like vermins the enemy;  
within, winters quarters.  
Sgt. I called. "Yes Sir?" I asked.  
Why act your men so?  
"They're both daft Sir"—I said.  
"One pulls stars from the heavens  
and the other, keeps putting them back."  
This Army! I despise.  
Its discipline, I scorn;  
Why? I inquire, my uniform is drab?  
Is there no respect, for the General?  
Yes! I must solicit, Napoleon's aid,  
"Yes!" I said. I would aid,  
Tonight! I cross the Delaware.  
"Victory between two climes"—I chanted.  
Halt!! Who comes garmented in white?

## SPOTLIGHT



Adrian Cooper

Look who has been captured in the Spotlight circle, Adrian Renee Cooper, a freshman business education major from Fort Worth. Adrian, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonell Cooper, is a 1967 graduate of Trimble Tech High School.

Adrian was chosen band sweetheart for 1967-68. She is a majorette, a member of the Press Club, Fort Worth-PV Club, and reporter for the Panther. Adrian was selected as a campus beauty for the 1968 PANTHERLAND.

Favorite hobbies of Adrian are skating, bowling, modern dancing and collecting pictures. When asked about her future aspirations Adrian replied, "As a freshman all I concentrate about is finishing college, after that I'll have the opportunity to do whatever life offers."  
Pantherland is pleased to have a lovely co-ed like Adrian as part of the student body.  
by Evonne Jackson

of the completed application form, the Selection Committee may request the proper academic and personal credentials.

## STUDENT ELECTIONS THURSDAY, APRIL 25

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## Around The Campus

By Evonne Jackson

Time is flying so swiftly with the Easter holidays behind us and the final examinations before us. So many of the campus activities are over, the spring formals are the activities that will keep the campus alive.

Whose brilliant idea was it to publish and distribute the probation and suspension list after mid-term grades were issued? Private letters were sent to the students with failing grades, wasn't that enough? Students are curious to know what brainy person or persons concocted that bomb and how they would like to have something of that nature posted all over the dorms about their private matters.

The Miss Texas Teen Contest was a smashing success with twenty-eight lovely high school girls as contestants. To say that Jack Yates High School took the cake or stole the show is truly an understatement. Prairie View students were held spellbound by the dynamic voice of Anita Moore "Miss Jack Yates

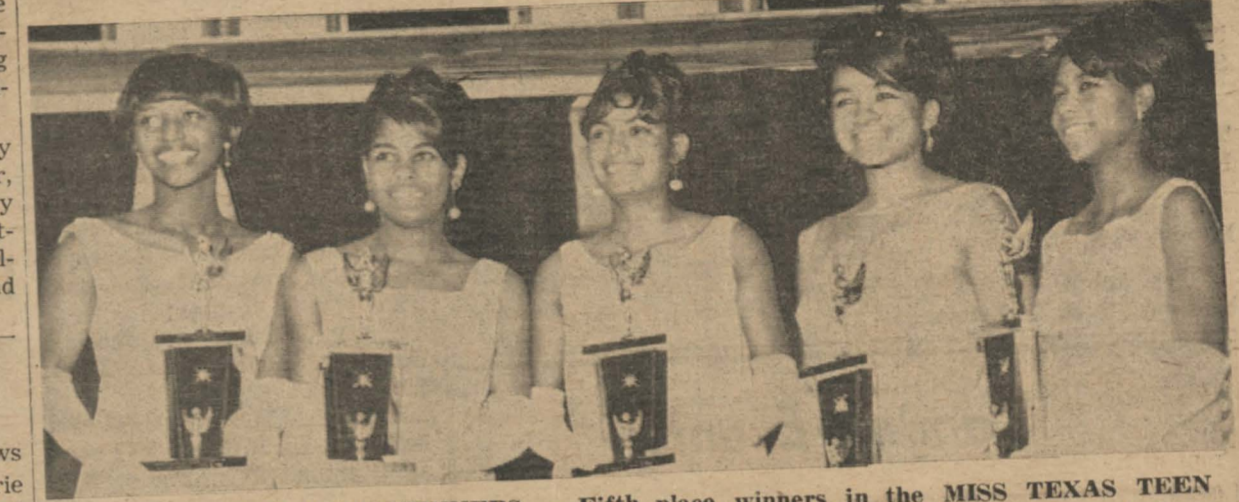
1967-68". Miss Moore appeared on the coed fashion show and instantly became the center of the show. Another Jack Yates contestant and winner of the contest, Debra Mack, had an enchanting voice that captured the audience as she sang "Valley of The Dolls". Hats off to the charming and talented beauties of Yates in Houston.

How about those Texas Southern students who had to come down here to instigate unwanted trouble. Students doubt that the instigators were enrolled at TSU or any where. The best advice to the unwanted instigators is stay away from the college on the hill, we don't need deadly destructive work but expanding construction work on the campus.

The beautiful floral spray that was in the student center, given by the Alphas in memory of Dr. King, was such a thoughtful way of expressing the feeling of all P. V. students and faculty.



CASH AWARDS TO THE FOUR FINALISTS — Eugene Robinson, a public relations director for Mrs. Bairds Bakeries, presents checks to the four finalists Saturday night at Prairie View A&M College. They are (L-R) Evelyn Conerly, Houston-Yates, second runner-up; Pamela Carrington, Fidelity Manor-Galea Park, third runner-up; Debra Mack, Houston-Yates, MISS TEXAS TEEN; and Anita Moore, Houston-Yates, first runner-up.



SPECIAL CATEGORY WINNERS — Fifth place winners in the MISS TEXAS TEEN PAGEANT HELD SATURDAY NIGHT at Prairie View A&M College are pictured above with Mrs. Inez Kaiser, representative of the Seven Up Company, principal co-sponsors of the annual event sponsored by the Student Press Club. The five category winners are (L to R) - PERSONALITY - Sharon Shipmon, Kemp High-Bryan; TALENT - Margaret Penn, Washington-Houston; ATTRACTIVENESS - Jeanette Carroll, Kemp-Bryan; POISE - Janice Franklin, Dunbar-Lufkin; and CHARM - Brenda Johnson, Charm Club, Brenham.



TOP-FLIGHT TALENT NUMBER HIGHLIGHTED PAGEANT PROGRAM

Photos By Roy Pace

## I Still Don't Believe It

by Leo Smith

This is a true story. The names have been omitted to protect the innocents. On the evening of April 8, 1968, as I walked slowly across campus I was almost a victim of a hit and run case. Two girls running wildly almost knocked me off the side walk running at considerable speed. There were other students yelling and rejoicing all over campus. There was a loud whoop heard over campus. "What in the world is going on?" I grabbed a paper from a guy jumping up and down on the

sidewalk to see what the news was. It seemed as if Prairie View college had been sprayed with laughing gas or something. Guess what all the commotion was about. Our Easter holidays had been extended to two extra days.

I hope everyone enjoyed his Easter vacation and is now back and ready for business so we can close this year out successfully. Yes, it was good news and like I said before, I still don't believe it and some of my friends didn't believe it either. For they are still on vacation and haven't made it back yet. Do you believe it?

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# SPORTS

## State League Meet Set For April 26-29

The Interscholastic League of Texas meet is scheduled to be held April 26-27. The meet is scheduled for high school district winners in class AAA, AA, and A.

The tennis and One-act play competition, are scheduled for classes A and AA on Friday, April 26. Class AAA Tennis and one act plays are scheduled on Saturday, April 27. The athletic events will be held concurrently with the literary events.

Other activities are scheduled as follows:

1. Arithmetic - Plant Animal Industries: Rooms 101, 102, 110. Time: 9:15 a.m.

2. Debates - Education Building: Room 101, 203, 206, 211. Time: 9:30 a.m.

3. Declamation and Extemporaneous Speaking - Plant-animal Bldg. rms. 203, 204, 206, 207. Time 9:30 a.m.

Essay Writing - Education Building: Room 106. Time: 10:15 a.m.

5. Music - Music Hall (Octets, 3rd floor, Band Room 307; vocal solo, room 205; Piano Solo, Room 107; waiting room 119, 1st floor) Time 9:15 a.m.

6. Spelling - E. C. May Home Economics Bldg. Rooms 115, 123, 124. Time: 9:30 a.m.

7. One-Act Play (For AAA, AA and A) - High School Auditorium. Drawing for Friday begins at 1:00 p.m. for class AA schools. Contest begins at 1:30 p.m. Drawing for Saturday be-



BASEBALL — Meet the Panther pitching staff. Don't miss seeing them in action here. Next home game — Arkansas — April 27.

100 yd. dash - 9.7, F. Newhouse, Fort Worth, Recreational Meet.

440 yd. dash - 48.6, Henry Henderson, Recreational Meet.

Mile Run - 4:17.0, Elton Congar, Fort Worth Recreational Meet.

120 yd. high hurdles - 15.0, T. C. Minor, T. S. U. Relays.

440 yd. relay - 41.0, Newhouse, Clay, Ball, Johnson, T. S. U. Relay.

(Best Mile Relay Lap Times) Taylor 48.1, Newhouse, 46.1, Ball, 47.2, F. Johnson, 47.2.

Discus - 165'7 1/2", James Bagby, T. S. U. Relays

High Jump - 6'6", Charles Williams, T. S. U. Relays.

220 yd. dash - 21.7, F. Newhouse, Texas Relays Recreational Meet.

880 yd. run - 1:51.2, F. Johnson, Recreational Meet.

Two-Mile Relay - 7:36.6, Haggerty, Hall, Congar, F. Johnson, T. S. U. Relays.

440 yd. medium hurdles - 52.9, Thomas Minor, Texas Relays.

Mile Relay - 3:08.6, Taylor, Ball, Newhouse, Johnson, Texas Relays.

Shot Put - 55'7 1/2", James Bagby, T. S. U. Relays.

Long Jump, 23' 11 3/4" - Travis Hill, T. S. U. Relays.

Next Meet - Southern Univ. Relays.

### Coming Events

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES .....	May 19
PARENTS' DAY .....	May 19
FINAL EXAMINATION .....	May 20-23
SECOND SEMESTER ENDS .....	May 26
FIRST TERM, 1968 SUMMER SESSION .....	June 3
SECOND TERM, 1968 SUMMER SESSION .....	July 15, 1968

## Dean's Son Is First Negro To Be Signed By Rice Univ.

Leroy Marion, Jr., a 6-foot, 5 inch, 180 pound Prairie View

native, signed a letter of intent to play basketball at Rice University, Houston, becoming the first Negro basketball player to be signed by the University.

Son of Dean and Mrs. Leroy Marion, Sr., the young Marion scored high on College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) tests as well as averaging 25 points and 13 rebounds a game for Waller High School.

gins at 8:30 a.m. for class A and AAA. Contest begins at 9:00 a.m.

8. Typewriting (AAA, AA, A Schools) - Business Education Department (Old Science Bldg.) Time 9:30 a.m.

9. Science Contest (Classes AAA, AA, A Schools) auditorium B. Harrington Science Bldg.

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