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17th Annual Ministers Conference Set February 4-5

The United Ministers of Texas will convene at Prairie View A&M University on February 4-5, 1975. The theme of the conference is "Where Is God — In Social Change?"

The speakers for the two day sessions are:

DR. H. RALPH JACKSON
Department of Minimum Salary —
African Methodist Episcopal Church, Memphis, Tennessee

DR. HENRY JAMES YOUNG
Professor of Philosophy and Theology —
Interdenominational Theological Center, Atlanta, Georgia

BISHOP JOHN MILLER
Presiding Bishop A. M. E. Zion Church, Dallas, Texas

THE REVEREND CHARLES B. DAILEY
First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, Florida

THE REVEREND B. L. McCORMICK
St. Paul A. M. E. Church, Dallas, Texas

Ministers are invited to attend the Seventeenth Annual Ministers Conference at Prairie View A&M University.



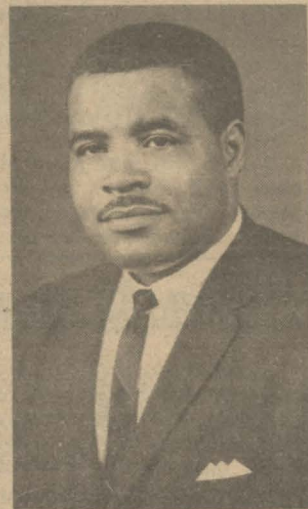
Dr. H. Ralph Jackson
Memphis, Tennessee



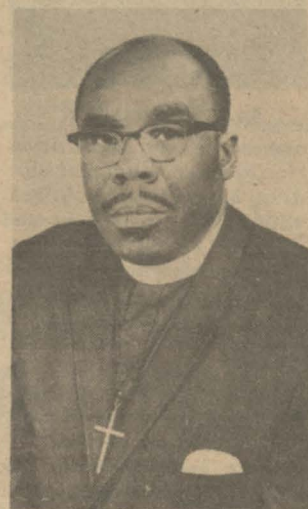
Dr. Henry J. Young
Atlanta, Georgia



Bishop John Miller
Dallas, Texas



Rev. Charles B. Daily
Jacksonville, Florida



Rev. B. L. McCormick
St. Paul AME Church
Dallas, Texas



Rev. J. Neavl Haynes,
serves as chairman of the 1975
Ministers Conference. Rev.
Haynes is pastor of the
Church of God and Christ in
Dallas, and 2nd Assistant
Bishop to the Bishop F. L.
Haynes of Dallas.



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Physics Department Schedules Summer Institute For Teachers to Begin June 9th

For the second straight year Prairie View A&M University has received an Instructional Improvement Implementation Grant from the National Science Foundation. The President of the University was

recently notified that this institution will share in the \$11.5 million allocated by the Foundation for school science implementation activities during 1975-76.

The grant to Prairie View

Totals \$20,640. The funds will, like last year, be used to implement the high school physics curriculum known as Project Physics. This curriculum, which was developed about 8 years ago, is designed

to increase interest in science in general and in physics in particular. Twenty high school physics teachers from Texas and other states will be on campus for six weeks beginning June 9, 1975 to study the materials and techniques for this curriculum. Hopefully they will return to their respective schools in the fall more enthusiastic and better prepared teachers. Dr. R. G. Thomas, Physics Department Head, will direct the Project.

Basic Opportunity Grant (BOG) Fund Approved

An additional grant of \$445,636 has been authorized for Prairie View's Basic Educational Opportunity Grant Program, Dr. A. I. Thomas, president of the University announced.

The U.S. Office of Education has previously approved a total of \$479,730. The additional amount will provide the full request made by the university, a total of \$925,366, the period covered by the grant is from July 1, 1974 through June 30, 1975.



1974 SUMMER INSTITUTE — Shown above are the participants, instructor, and Director of the 1974 Summer Institute for High School Teachers of Physics held at Prairie View A & M University.

COMING SOON—

BLACK HISTORY WEEK

THEME:
"Fulfilling America's Promise"

SUB-THEMES

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

The Bi-Centennial
and The Afro-American

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Employment and The Black American

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Politics and Power: Afro-American
Leadership

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Education Today
and Tomorrow Requisite

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13

Behavior Patterns:

Afro-American Dilemma

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Housing: Citizen Challenge

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Local Historic Sites and Monuments

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Religion — Our National Heritage

PV Admissions Director Pre-Med Graduates Named NEA Consultant

Dr. George H. Stafford, director of Prairie View A&M University's counseling center was bestowed another honor recently when he was asked to serve as a consultant for N. E. A.'s committee on Educational Neglect. The invitation was extended by the American Personnel and Guidance Association (of which Stafford is a member). Currently serving as chairman of the A. P. E. A. commission for non-white concern. Dr. Stafford will journey to Washington, D. C. to attend the conference which will be held at the Washington Hilton Hotel.



Dr. George Stafford

The conference will feature National, state and local association officers, classroom teachers and administrators, civil rights organizational representatives, government officials, state department and other education representatives. The conference will focus on some of the critical areas of educational neglect and provide a national forum for sharing information and exploring strategies that will address themselves to areas such as urban education, migrant children, geographic isolation, suburban problems, children on or near reservation and/or military bases, detention systems, bilingual children, handicapped children, multicultural curriculum and childhood and adult education. The conference will allow committee members a chance to hear the views of experts in several areas of educational neglect and allow them to discuss their views in relation to local and state problems along with allowing members to generate agenda items for the Critical Issues Conference at the N.E.A. Convention (of which Dr. Stafford is also a member).

Attend Medical Schools

Six recent pre-medical graduates of Prairie View are currently enrolled as freshmen in various medical schools. Arlie LeBeaux, Reginald Ware, and Gerald Whitmire, are all in their first year in Medical School at the University of Texas Medical Branch at San Antonio. The medical school curriculum is such that there is little time for non-academic pursuits during the first year. Each of these students wishes that more time could be used for clinical observations of health problems, but each realizes that fundamentals must be mastered first. Damon Hill, who received both the Bachelor's and the Master's degrees from Prairie View is currently in his first year of Medical School at Texas Tech University in Lubbock of which he is a native. Louis Roach is enrolled at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. Mr. Roach was a top student at Prairie View and recently received the National Medical Fellowship, and in December, 1974 he received the National Scholarship award from Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Janice Criner Kelley, a 1969 graduate from the Biology Department is now in her first year at the Medical School of the University of Maryland, Baltimore. Mrs. Kelley is wife of Danny R. Kelley who is enrolled in the Ph.D. program in Music at Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore.



Computer Science Students Hear Atmospheric Research Specialist

Mrs. Jeanne Adams, University Liaison and Information Services Manager at the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), Boulder, Colorado was a visitor at Prairie View A & M University on January 14, 1975. Mrs. Adams came to Prairie View to discuss with officials of the university the cooperative program in computer science with NCAR. Two students will participate in that program during the summer of 1975 under the direction of Mrs. Adams. A highlight of Mrs. Adams' visit was an informal session with computer science students and Mathematics Department staff members on the CDC 7600 computer system at NCAR and the mathematical problems being solved by this computer.

Alumni News

Charles O'Banion, a native of the Prairie View Community, was notified recently that he passed the Texas State Bar exams. The son of Waller Junior High teacher, Mrs. Lorraine O'Banion, and the late Dr. E. E. O'Banion is considering practicing law in Waller County.

Major Harmon Kelley is serving as chief resident in the Obstetrics Department of William Beaumont Hospital in El Paso, Texas. The PV grad recently completed a three weeks training course at Walter Reid Hospital in Washington, D. C.

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I Just Ate My Change

(CPS) — The penny shortage has prompted some interesting solutions. Instead of pennies one department store in North Carolina has begun giving out candy. The K-Mart in High Point has been tossing peppermint candy into the hands of its customers instead of change. K-Mart has also said it will accept still-wrapped penny candy in the place of pennies from customers who also don't have any cents.



EMERGENCY SCHOOL AID ASSISTANCE PROJECT — Shown during planning session at the PV Teachers Center are persons involved in the project developed cooperatively with Waller School District. Pictured [L-R] are: [seated] Carolyn Plemper, Remedial Reading Teacher and Jean Hebert, Remedial Language and Reading Teacher, [standing] Mary Thomas, Remedial Reading Aide, Ross Clark, ass't. director of Teacher Center, Gloria Pennington, Language Arts Aide, Mrs. Avis Mullens, Program Leader in Child Development, Austin Community College; Bill Orman, director of Teacher Center and Mrs. Lee Caldwell, Reading Specialist, Dallas Schools.

ENTER TWO DAKOTAS

On November 2, 1889, North and South Dakota became the 39th and 40th states to achieve statehood.

Color Guard Queen, 1974-75

The NROTC Unit at Prairie View A&M University has selected many talented and beautiful young ladies to represent the various organizations in the unit. Due to a slight oversight and a breakdown in communications The NROTC Unit at Prairie View would like to make a formal apology to Miss Carrie Moore. Miss Moore is the Navy's Color Guard Queen for the school year 1974-75. She is a freshman from Giddings, Texas. Carrie is a talented person who is very active in the school's Acapella Choir. Her hobbies range from plants to sewing to believe it or not, people. When asked about people being her hobby. She exclaimed, "I'm just a great admirer of people." Some of the vital statistics on Carrie is she stands 5' 7" approx. 117 lbs. and has a sugary golden natural. The Color Guard is very proud to have Carrie as their queen and regret that this oversight occurred.

Jobless Rate Rises

The jobless rate in December 1974 was 7.1, the highest since May 1961 according to the statistics published by U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. If you are Black, the chance for unemployment is higher than White. The unemployment rate for Blacks was 12.8 per cent, and for Whites 6.4 per cent. The jobless rate for teenagers was 18.3 per cent, while it was 5.1 per cent for adult men, and 7.2 per cent for adult women. Unemployment rate among construction workers was 15.0 per cent, compared with 8.6 per cent for manufacturing workers, 8.3 per cent for wholesale and retail trade, 7.5 per cent for agricultural workers, and 4.0 for transportation and public utilities workers. January figures for unemployment will be higher reflecting the lay-off in the auto and the manufacturing industries. The jobless rate can reach 8 to 9 per cent in the first quarter of 1975 unless the government acts fast to avoid a severe recession or if you wish to call it "Depression."

M. A. Soliman
Professor of Economics
Christmas Profits Make The Year For Many Stores

Although the Christmas season accounts for only 7.5 per cent of the year's shopping days, a number of major retailers earn as much as 90 per cent of their annual profits during that period. These figures are the result of a study of 33 leading store chains by the New York Stock Exchange's monthly publication.

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AKA'S Announce Their Spring Line of Potential Pledges

We as Sorors of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Zeta Gamma chapter would like to take this opportunity to announce our potential pledgees for Spring, 1975. They are as follows: Irma Balthazar, Brenda Brown, Connie Forman, Cecil Lucky, Shirley Randall, Maria Davis, Mildridge Stanley, Jocelyn Randle and Velma Wilson. We look forward in presenting this line of finer womanhood as a treat to the affiliates at Prairie View.

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Panthers No. 3 in SWAC

The Prairie View Panthers held the number two spot along with Southern and Alcorn in the Southwestern Conference race until then lost to Grambling 121-106 in their recent swing through Mississippi and Louisiana.

PV moved into a two way tie for third place with Grambling, both with 3-3 records in the

Swimming Classes To Begin

All students interested in joining the Swimming Team please enroll in the competitive swimming class beginning at 3:30, Monday and Wednesday.

For more information contact Coach Cooper at: 4319 or 2413.



PVU coach Elwood Plummer has 8 game home winning streak going and boast the second highest scoring teams in the nation.

Marvin Jackson Plays To Win

by Joe Booker

Whatever it takes to win... scoring, rebounding or hard-nose defense Prairie View's 6-6 super soph forward "Marvelous" Marvin Jackson does it.

Marvin is a former All City forward at Houston Washington. He played one year at Lon Morris Junior College before coming to PVU. He became eligible in January and immediately made his presence

known. Adjusting to SWAC was no big deal with him. "At first I thought it would be hard making the adjustment to SWAC, but I made up my mind I could do it," stated Marvin whose performances have raised eyebrows of All SWAC and All American selectors. "Lot of people say it's a lot different, but I don't see any difference," he said.

Marvin feels that the main reason the team in winning is because of Coach Plummer. "Coach Plummer is a nice coach," stated Marvin. "He's young and understands us. An old coach may not be able to relate with youngsters. We can go and talk to him anytime. We felt bad after letting Coach Plummer down when we lost to Jackson State (113-93) and made up our minds that we weren't going to let him down against TSU," said Marvin who scored 35 points and pulled down 15 rebounds in the Panthers 100-98 come from behind win over TSU.

Unlike most players Jackson doesn't set any personal goals. "Some players like to brag about what they are going to do, but I don't say anything,"

conference. Jackson State holds the No. 1 position.

The Panthers are 10-6 for the year and boasts the nation's second leading scoring offense in the NAIA with 105 points per game average.

Following a tilt with Huston-Tillotson in Austin Wednesday, the local team will return to the home court to entertain the two teams they lost to on the road.

Womens Basketball Team

by C. R. Johnson

Learning about Prairie View's hot shooting women basketball team and coach Jesse Hurst of Oklahoma State who has been working with the team for two months developing them into fine athletes. Coach Hurst says he enjoys Prairie View and the team.

He says the only problem he has with players is their attitudes. It is a known fact everywhere that women tend to get faster than men.

His lead players are Ceola

he said. I just go out and try to do my best," said Jackson whose best in 7 games have been 184 points for a 26.3 game average and 156 rebounds (16.0), which are second best in the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

The Panthers pressing defense has resulted in the opponents turnover the ball 169 times. "It's too much running in the press, but it helps us win, so I don't mind it," said Jackson whose 60.9 shooting percentage tops all Panthers shooters.

Jackson has Panther Coach Elwood Plummer bubbling over with joy. "Jackson is great isn't he?" said Plummer. "He's a complete player. I rate him behind Eugene Short of Jackson State as one of the top forwards in College. He rebounds, shoots, play defense, handle the ball. What else can you ask of a player," said Plummer, whose team is averaging 104.5 points a contest second best in the nation.

Jackson and the rest of the Panthers will host SWAC powers Alcorn State, February 1, and Grambling, Monday, February 3.

The Panthers are 8-1 at home, counting 6 games this season and the last two from last season.

Tamplin and Creola Tamplin who are both seniors, and Wanda Smith who is a junior. He emphasizes that everyone on the team plays an important role on the court.

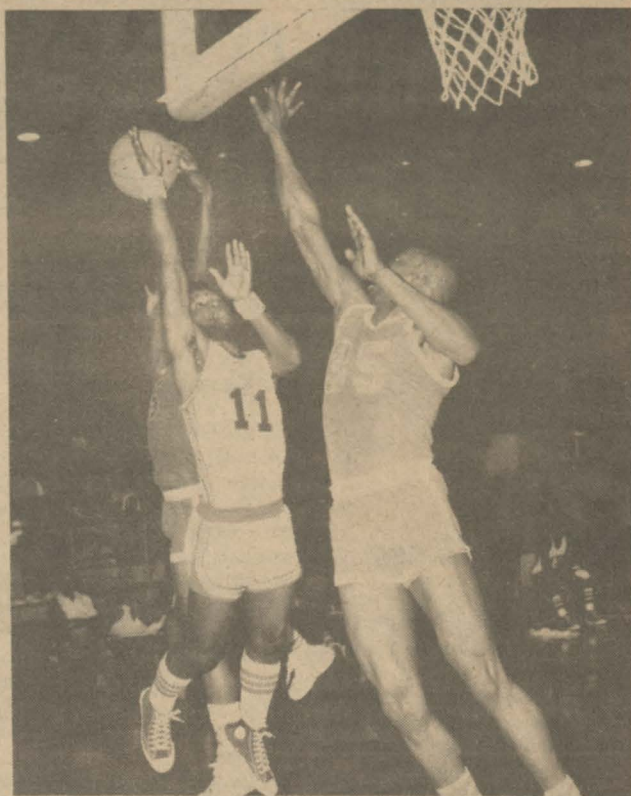
Coach Hurst says he believes women have a greater advantage in basketball than men because they are trained to learn five different positions whereas a man is limited to one position in most cases.

The only disadvantage mentioned was that women basketball players do not receive scholarships for their ability to play. Coach Hurst says, that's one of the things he wishes would change in the future.

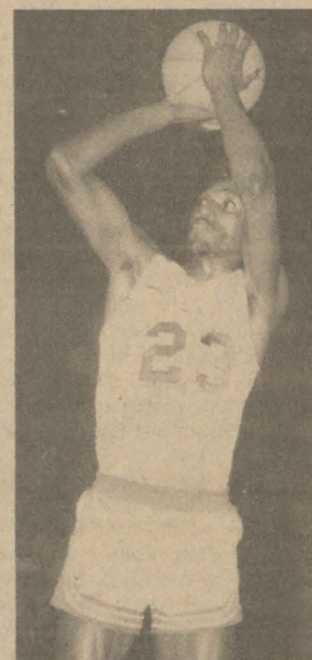
All the credit does not fall on the coach though, he has helped from Margie Boler of Prairie View and Loretta Council of Tyler. Margie's job is to counsel and boost the girls' ego. Loretta's job is to help with financial problems and also help with bookings. She handles 80% of the work.

The qualification for Prairie View Women Basketball team is attitude, an average of 2.0 overall, and last, the ability to play basketball.

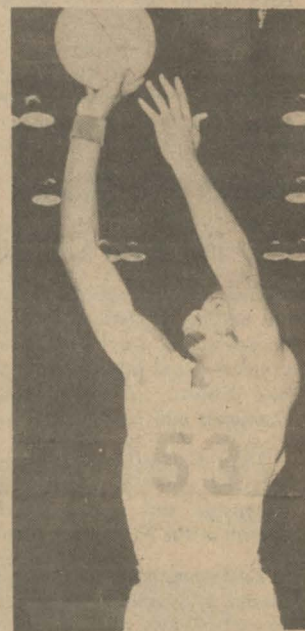
So far the team has been very successful as far as their games are concerned. They lost the first three to Lamar University 58-55; Texas A&M Univ. 56-53; and Baylor 82-39. Coach says Baylor was the worse game because Prairie View's team lacked confidence and he feels they should have been more aggressive during that particular game. But as the saying goes, "you can't keep a good man down," because they came back and won the next six games against St. Mary's in San Antonio 96-29, Texas A&M 47-46; 51-49; Southwestern State 57-56 and Ft. Hood, (which was the worst as far as sportsmanship is concerned), 63-27 and 35-31.



Prairie View's guard Jack Law goes up for layup.



James Gray, former Houston Washington star at PV, gets set for shot.



Star forward Romero Carter, will be out for the season with a fractured ankle from the MVSU game.



Panther forward Kermit McAdory, has been a key in Panther wins.

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