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The PANTHER

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Nobel Laureate in Physics To Speak at Engineering Meet

By Jack Weeks

Dr. Robert W. Wilson, a 1978 Nobel Laureate in physics, will visit Prairie View A&M University's College of Engineering February 24.

It will be like "coming home" for the head of Bell Laboratories radio physics research department as he is a native Houstonian and 1957 graduate of Rice University.

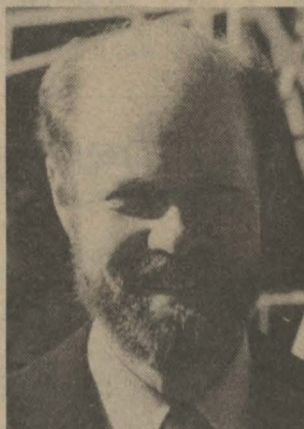
Highlight of the visit will be Dr. Wilson's speech scheduled for 1:45 p.m. in Hobart Taylor Hall as part of National Engineers Week.

"I am looking forward to coming home and visit with my many friends, not only in Houston, but throughout the area," Dr. Wilson said.

Dr. Wilson has been with Bell Laboratories since 1963 following his receiving his doctorate from California Institute of Technology in 1962.

He has been involved in radio astronomy, interstellar cloud study where it is believed that star formations are spawned, and has applied astronomical techniques to the measurement of earth-space propagation for satellite communications.

He is co-recipient of the Henry Draper Medal from the U. S. National Academy of Sciences and the Herschel Medal from the Royal



Dr. Robert W. Wilson
Bell Laboratories

Astronomical Society, London and the 1978 Nobel Prize in Physics.

He is a member of the American Astronomical Society, the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, the International Astronomical Union, the International Union of Radio Science, the American Physical Society, Adjunct Professor at State University of New York, Stony Brook, N. Y. and National Academy of Sciences.

He was born in Houston, Texas in 1936 where he lived until he attended Caltech. He presently lives with his wife Elizabeth and their three children in Holmdel, New Jersey.

Panther Supplement

Insider Magazine Tells How to Communicate Better

"Communication Skills" is the title of the winter issue of Ford's Insider, a 24-page, full-color supplement to The Panther, scheduled to appear in the next Panther "February" issue.

Each Insider deals with one feature topic of interest to college students. The upcoming issue offers students information on how to improve communication skills. Featured are such topics as cures for writer's block, the importance of eye contact in public speaking, how to remember names, and interviewing techniques. Also included are articles on dealing with people, relating to parents and roommates, and dealing with groups (from running a meeting to getting comfortable at a party).

For the fourth year, Ford Motor Company is the exclusive advertiser for the Insider program because of their interest in providing services to college students. 13-30 Corporation, the nation's largest college magazine

publisher, edits, designs, and distributes Insider for Ford.



ALUMINI-EX-STUDENTS MEET — Alumni Association officials and leaders are pictured at tables and podium to discuss campaign to offset talk about closing the 103 year old PV A&M.

Legislative Support

PV-TSU Set Black College Day March 9

Officials at Prairie View A&M and Texas Southern University have announced plans to observe a Texas Black College Day on March 9.

Planned as a cooperative effort with Texas Black legislation who are working in behalf of Texas' two predominately Black Universities. The one-day event will feature a march to Austin to present thousands of signed petitions calling for not only continuation but increased support for PV and TSU.

Representative Wilhelmina

Delco has led the fight for Prairie View and TSU and is joined by the Texas Black Legislative Caucus in supporting the state-wide move for support.

The petitions now moving across the state for signatures and support call for "full and enthusiastic support for the two historically black state supported institutions of higher education in Texas."

Events as planned call for presentation in the State Capitol and a reception in an Austin location to follow.

Drama Department to Present "I Never Sang For My Father"

The Drama Department and The Charles Gilpin Players of Prairie View A&M University will open their Spring season with the major production of Robert Anderson's "I Never Sang For My Father."

"I Never Sang For My Father" is the story of an estranged and frustrated love and later reconciliation between a proud father and his proud son.

The play, which was a hit on Broadway with Lillian Gish and Hal Holbrook, and later written into a movie, was nominated for an Academy Award for best screenplay and won the Screen Writers' Award in 1970, is one of Anderson's most acclaimed works. Others include *Tea and Sympathy*, *Silent Night*, *Lone Night* and *The Sand Pebbles*.

The production is directed

by Mr. C. Lee Turner, and is to be performed by the Charles Gilpin Players the evenings of February 23, 24, and 25, at 8:00 p.m., and 2:00 p.m. matinees on February 24 and 25, at Hobart Taylor Little Theatre.

The cast members are Curtis Stansberry, Shedrick Stokes, Terry Payne, Mattie Arps, Betty McNair, Terry Heard, Charles Williams, Rodney Hobbs, Frank Thomas and Lillian Randle. The alternates are Carlos Pierott, Joan Harris, Frederick Wade and Patricella Ledet.

The show is a sure hit, and all are welcomed to attend. The prices for tickets are 50c for students and \$1.00 for non-students.

So bring the family and friends for an evening of the finest theatrical entertainment.



MINISTERS CONFERENCE AWARD — Rev. O. C. Simmons of Waller (right) receives award for service and participation during conference held on campus this week.

Board of Regents

Over \$6 Million in Construction Approved

Over \$50M Allocated to Prairie View in Past 10 Years

Contracts totaling more than \$6 million for Prairie View A&M University, including \$2.6 million to build an agricultural facility designed to make the school the national leader in dairy goat research, were approved Friday by The Texas A&M University System Board of Regents.

The \$2,649,053 contract for the 10-acre agricultural complex was awarded to Drymalla Construction Company, Inc., of Columbus.

Other Prairie View awards are \$1,574,000 to James R. Godbe Company of Rockwall for chillers and expansion of the campus chill water system; \$1,372,950 to Loyd Electric

Company, Inc., of San Antonio for electrical power distribution repair and rehabilitation, and \$473,000 to John R. Hughes Construction Co. of Austin, repair and rehabilitation of the campus water distribution system.

An appropriation of \$30,000 was authorized for street repairs and \$1,500 was allocated for a feasibility study regarding construction of new housing facilities and renovation of existing dormitories.

More than \$50 million has now been authorized by the regents within the past 10 years for Prairie View A&M's building program — a

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Faculty and Staff Get Pay Raises

The emergency pay raise approved by the Legislature on January 29 will provide a 5.1 percent increase to all faculty and staff at the Prairie View A&M University and other

state employees throughout the state.

A minimum raise of 29 cents per hour or \$50.00 per month is provided beginning in February.

Sigmas to Hold Founders Day Program February 22

The Brothers of the Dove are proud to announce the celebration of their sixty-seventh Anniversary as a fraternity. This celebration will be in the form of an Annual Founder's Day program. The program will be held on February 22, 1981 at 3:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Auditorium.

The guest speaker, Dr. J. L. Brown, a Distinguished Educator, who has been a Convocation speaker at Prairie View A&M University. The undergraduate chapter, Delta Theta, and the graduate chapter, Alpha Sigma Sigma, of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. will be hosts for this annual affair. The general public is invited to share in this occasion. A reception will be held

immediately following the program.



Dr. J. L. Brown



Dr. Carl Settles
Gets State Board Certification

Dr. Carl E. Settles, Associate Director of Counseling Services and Assistant Professor in the department of Counselor Education and Psychology recently received certification as a professional psychologist from the Texas State Board who examiners of Psychologists.

Dr. Settles, who is a graduate of Prairie View A&M University and the University of Texas in Austin, is a Counseling/Clinical Psychologist.

His office is located in the Teacher Center Building.

The Irish are a fair people; they never speak well of one another. —Samuel Johnson

Ag Student to Intern in U.S. House of Representatives

Dr. C. L. Strickland, Dean of the College of Agriculture announced that Miss Karla I. Talley, Sophomore and Animal Science major from Portland, Oregon will begin duties as an intern in the U.S. House of Representatives Washington D.C. Miss Talley is an honor student. A combination of scholarship as an Animal Science major and competence in her on-the-job assignments in the Research Unit won for her this honor. Dr. Ocleris Simpson, Research Director at Prairie View A&M University, recommended Karla to the Agriculture Committee in the House of Representatives.



Karla I. Talley

Some of her duties will consist of research and evaluation of legislative proposals, attendance at Committee hearings, attendance at business meetings and preparation of memoranda or reports pertaining to her assignments. The faculty and students of the College of Agriculture wish Miss Talley well in this first for an Agriculture (Animal Science) major at Prairie View A&M University, a producer of productive people.

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Safety and Security Department

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The members of the campus safety and security department wishes to express their appreciation to the faculty/staff members and members of the student body who have cooperated with us by registering their vehicles and obeying the University traffic and parking regulations.

Unfortunately, some members are not cooperating and are in violation of the University policy, board regulations and the Legislative mandate governing the registration and operations of vehicles owned, and operated or parked on campus at any time.

The officers in the safety and security department have been instructed to tighten up on the enforcement of the University traffic and parking regulations. They will be especially concentrating on vehicles parking on grass areas, (Fuller Hall between Alexander Complex and Holley Hall, in front of Hobart Taylor and reserve areas, and vehicles without proper identification).

Anyone needing further information may pick up a brochure at the residence Hall or the Security Department.

Regents —

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program surpassed by few institutions in the state and designed to build on the national strengths of the unique school with a predominately black enrollment.

The regents also authorized Prairie View A&M officials to apply for a \$500,000 grant under the U.S. Department of Education's program for strengthening developing institutions.

Prairie View A&M received similar grants for \$2,150,000 in 1974 and \$1,200,000 in 1978.

On February 14, the eighth national salute to hospitalized veterans will bring sports and entertainment stars and top government officials to Veterans Administration medical centers for first-hand contact with veteran patients.

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VISITING BRASS — Colonel Small of Ft. Riley, Kansas talks with PV AROTC Cadets about activities at summer camp.

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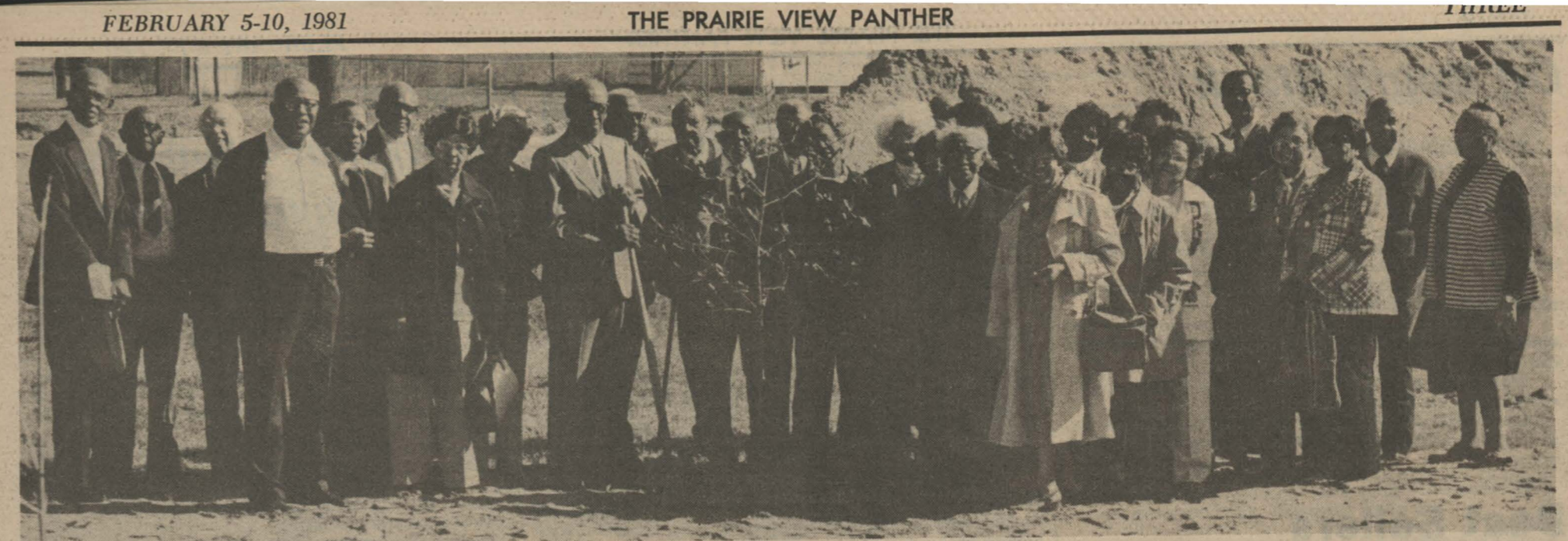
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RETIRED EMPLOYEES — The large and active group of retirees are shown during tree planting in tribute to Ms. Anne C. Preston, recently deceased colleague and organizer of The PV Retired Teachers Association. The location is St. Francis Episcopal Church, regular meeting place for the group.

Six Months Deadline Set By Federal Compliance

The U.S. Department of Education has told Texas it has six months to comply with federal civil rights statutes and provide minorities with better college opportunities or lose \$300 million in federal funds. The feds said they found racial imbalance in enrollments in most Texas schools and a lack of minority members on university governing boards and academic jobs. Officials cited "vestiges" of dual education systems, particularly the Texas A&M University system, which includes the predominantly black Prairie View A&M. Texas Attorney General Mark White apparently stopped the feds from launching a lawsuit against the state by working out a compromise which includes the Legislature providing additional funding for mostly black schools this session.

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On Being Black

by Hedy Ratcliff

Blacks are proud people of the American Land; We helped to develop it, protect it, cultivate it, and make it appropriate for every child, woman and man. Blacks are leaders, inventors, and pioneers of the Arts and Sciences;

In regard to any opposing force, we till have ambitions to fulfill and we aspire to reach them all with diligence.

Being Black, is unique let theeloquence of your existence be reflected with potential meaning.

Being Black, respect and recognize the power of the Almighty God, whom has brought us far from where we were, to where we are.

Being Black, do good with a kind heart and strive to be a consistent achiever here and afar.

Being Black, provide a path for the upcoming generations of the future to enhance their opportunities for success in life by caring.



BIRTHDAY PARTY — President Thomas hosts birthday parties monthly for students with birthdays during each month of the academic year. He is shown posing with a few of his guests during a recent celebration.

Best Sellers

FICTION

1. **The Covenant**, by James A. Michener.
2. **The Key to Rebecca**, by Ken Follett.
3. **Answer As A Man**, by Taylor Caldwell.
4. **Firestarter**, by Stephen King.
5. **Come Pour the Wine**, by Cynthia Freeman.
6. **Lone Lake**, by E. L. Doctorow.
7. **Unfinished Tales**, by J. R. R. Tolkien.
8. **Masquerade**, by Kit Williams.
9. **The Fifth Horseman**, by Larry Collins and Dominique Lapierre.
10. **Rage of Angels**, by Sidney Sheldon.

NON-FICTION

1. **Crisis Investing**, by Douglas R. Casey.
 2. **Side Effects**, by Woody Allen.
 3. **The Sky's The Limit**, by Wayne Dyer.
 4. **Peter The Great**, by Robert K. Massie.
 5. **Betty Crocker's International Cookbook**, by (Random House).
 6. **American Dreams**, by Studs Terkel.
 7. **Cosmos**, by Carl Sagan.
 8. **Craig Claiborne's Gourmet Diet**, by Craig Claiborne with Pierre Franey.
 9. **The Coming Currency Collapse**, by Jerome F. Smith.
 10. **Goodbye, Darkness**, by William Manchester.
- Century II Book Review Committee
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New York Times Book Review, January 25, 1981, p. 28.

Letters to The Editor

I was very happy after reading an article in the Houston Chronicle dated November 18 regarding the "Powerful Voting Block" that Prairie View A&M University students possess. Reading that article really made me proud that after much legal maneuvering and abridgment of individual civil rights by some official, justice prevailed.

Many students while attending the University in the past expressed their feelings in attempting to secure their recently granted privilege, and today, with that privilege becoming a reality, I hope the students presently enrolled and who will be enrolled in the future exercise their rights to the apex of the law.

There are many productive people responsible for this achievement and it will take productive people to fully utilize the power of the ballot box.

Willard Mays
Class of '68
Missouri City, Texas



Vonnie Washington-Hopkins
"A Winner"

Alpha Phi Omega Says Thanks

Service to humanity is the way we pay our rent on this earth. We the Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega would like to thank the students, staff and administration of Prairie View for their cooperation in our effort to aid those in need of blood. This blood provides help for many black victims with Sickle Cell and Sickle Cell Anemia. At this time, we would like to say "Thank you!" The blood drive was very successful. We will continue to seek your support as we serve the needs of the campus and the surrounding community.

"Alpha Phi Omega"
"Brothers of the Rising Sun"
Marcus Mathis, President

Highlights of

Governor Clements Legislative Program

Here are the highlights of Gov. Bill Clements' speech to the Legislature regarding state spending:

— Proposed appropriation of \$26.2 billion from all funds for the next two years, 18.5 percent above the present business period, but below the \$26.7 billion recommended by the Legislative Budget Board.

— Recommended use of an estimated \$300 million surplus for direct tax relief; or, as an alternative, set up reserve funds to meet future needs caused by population growth and depletion of oil and gas resources.

— Two-year increase of 24 percent in state employees pay as a "high priority," plus 10 percent increase in retirement benefits. — Increase public school money by \$1.2 billion, including a 22 percent pay increase for teachers over the two years, with increased retirement benefits.

— Increased funding of \$945 million for state colleges and universities, including special attention to Texas Southern University and Prairie View A&M, a 28 percent pay raise for teachers over two years, decreased enrollment limits for medical and dental schools, and \$10 million for tuition grants to students in private colleges.

— An increase of \$455.9 million to health and human service programs, including \$24 million to upgrade starting salaries, more attention to cost containment in nursing home development and other care for the aged and disabled. He recommended against the addition of 642,000 individuals for new and existing welfare programs recommended by the Department of Human Resources, a saving of \$300 million.

— More than \$215 million increase for improvement of the state's prison system, including \$97 million for sites and construction of three new prison units. Also more than \$19 million to improve adult probation through community-based systems. The Department of Public Safety would get more than \$57 million for growth in traffic safety and narcotics control programs.

— Appropriation of \$33 million for a new state office building in the Capitol complex.

that they were offered scholarships to attend The Graduate School at Southern Methodist University by officials of The Acting Program.

C. Lee Turner, assistant professor of Drama, served as coach and sponsor of these outstanding students for this history making occasion.

CAMPUS INTERVIEWS FRIDAY FEBRUARY 13,

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SBEC Examines Nursing Education Throughout South

Demonstration programs in restructured nursing education at PVA&M and 21 Southern institutions and state agencies will be evaluated by the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) under a one-year extension grant of \$164,725 from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation of Battle Creek, Michigan.

The Kellogg Foundation in 1976 appropriated \$435,745 to SREB for four years to implement recommendations of the National Commission for the Study of Nursing and Nursing Education.

The Commission called for improvements in nursing education including better definition of levels of nursing preparation, clarification of goals, and refinement of specific skills needed to best serve different patient needs.

The Foundation also provided \$2.1 million to support the 22 demonstration programs in restructured nursing education in selected Southern institutions and state agencies (listed on page three) which grew out of the recommendations. The demonstrations have been coordinated by SREB.

The demonstration programs have reflected concern that nurses by prepared to assume expanded roles, have greater career mobility, and understand the competencies expected of them at each level of career preparation. Today's highly diverse and complex health care system calls for a range of nurses who perform at different levels.

Several of the test programs at the participating nursing schools and state agencies sought to refine a specific segment of nursing education, such as baccalaureate curricula, which could then function smoothly as part of the larger system.

"No single program can hope to encompass the whole



HAVING A BALL — PV student club "Z-28" sponsored the dance at Simmons Inn, which provided these "in-the-groove" poses of action shots.

Dramatic Production Presented By Los Angeles Cultural Group

The Division of Student Affairs presented C. Bernard Jackson's "Iago" at 8:00 p.m., Monday, February 2, in the Hobart Taylor Recital Hall.

A Prairie View A&M University education is unique because it is an academic personal-social and career-oriented education. Each student is provided experiences that extend beyond the classroom and that expand the breadth and depth of the student's life experience. We should be especially proud of our students when they elect to

bring cultural artists such as the Los Angeles Inner City Cultural Center (LAICC) performers to the campus.

"Iago" is a dramatic production based upon Shakespeare's Othello, a classic in dramatic literature. Please give each student a copy of the attached synopsis of Othello. Review the synopsis with the students in order to acquaint them with the context of "Iago." The play has been modernized. However, its artistic quality has been preserved and made more appealing to contemporary society.

Mr. Larry White, a Prairie View A&M University graduate who has distinguished himself as a dramatic artist is a Los Angeles Inner City Cultural Center Artist, appeared here in the Monday night performance in Hobart Taylor Hall.

Institutions included are:

Dillard University (Louisiana); Emory University (Georgia); George Mason University (Virginia); Manatee Junior College (Florida); The Medical University of South Carolina; Mississippi University for Women; Northwestern State University of Louisiana; Prairie View A&M University (Texas); Santa Fe Community College (Florida); St. Petersburg Junior College — Clearwater Campus (Florida); St. Petersburg Junior College — St. Petersburg Campus; Texas Woman's University; University of Alabama — Birmingham; University of Maryland; University of North Carolina at Greensboro; University of South Florida; University of Tennessee — Knoxville; Virginia Commonwealth University.

State Agencies
Arkansas State Health Department; Georgia Board of Regents; Kentucky Council on Higher Education.



The first Black college, Lincoln University, was founded as Ashnum Institute at Oxford, Pa., in 1853.

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

1. **The Official Preppy Handbook**, edited by Lisa Birnbaum. (Workman, \$3.95.) Making the grade: humor.
2. **The Next Whole Earth Catalog**, edited by Stewart Brand. (Point/Random House, \$12.50.) Ideas for the 80's.
3. **Godel, Escher, Bach**, by Douglas R. Hofstadter. (Vintage, \$8.95.) Computer scientist's theory of reality.
4. **Still Life with Woodpecker**, by Tom Robbins. (Bantam, \$6.95.) A sort of love story: fiction.
5. **A Field Guide to Birds East of the Rockies**, by Roger Tory Peterson. (Houghton Mifflin, \$9.95.) Revised classic.
6. **Garfield at Large**, by Jim Davis. (Ballantine, \$4.95.) Wit and wisdom of comic strip cat.
7. **Jailbird**, by Kurt Vonnegut. (Dell, \$2.95.) One man's life from Harvard through Watergate: fiction.
8. **Smiley's People**, by John le Carré. (Bantam, \$3.50.) British masterspy versus Russian counterpart: fiction.
9. **The Dead Zone**, by Stephen King. (NAL/Signet, \$3.50.) Terror tale of a man who sees into the future: fiction.
10. **Executioner's Song**, by Norman Mailer. (Warner, \$2.95.) A true-life novel about Gary Gilmore.

Compiled by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* from information supplied by college stores throughout the country, February 2, 1981.

New & Recommended

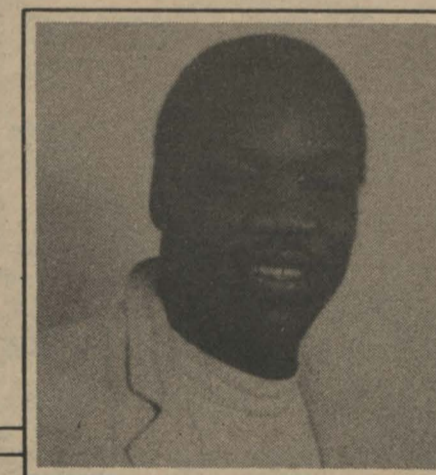
MacDoodle Street, by Mark Alan Stamaty. (Congdon & Lattes, \$6.95.) Cartoon strip about a bohemian poet.

Problems and Other Stories, by John Updike. (Fawcett/Crest, \$2.95.) Twenty-three stories about middle-age.

The Brethren, by Bob Woodward and Scott Armstrong. (Avon, \$3.50.) Behind-the-scenes at the Supreme Court.

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4. There are no restrictions on form or theme. Length of poems up to fourteen lines. Each poem must have a separate title. (Avoid "Untitled"! Small black and white illustrations welcome.
5. The judges' decision will be final. No info by phone!
6. Entrants should keep a copy of all entries as they cannot be returned. Prize winners and all authors awarded free publication will be notified immediately after deadline. I.P. will retain first publication rights for accepted poems. Foreign language poems welcome.
7. There is an initial one dollar registration fee for the first entry and a fee of fifty cents for each additional poem. It is requested to submit no more than ten poems per entrant.
8. All entries must be postmarked not later than the above deadline and fees be paid, cash, check or money order, to:

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Former PV-ite Retires After Outstanding Military Career

Col. Milton deRouen Jr., deputy director, Center for Systems Engineering and Integration, CORADCOM, was honored on retiring after 27 years of service, at a ceremony in the Field House.

A native of Raywood, Texas, deRouen was graduated in 1953 from Prairie View Agricultural and Mechanical University with a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and industrial engineering. In September 1953, he entered the Army and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Infantry.

His initial assignment was as platoon leader in Heavy Weapons Battalion, 31st Infantry Division, Camp Polk, LA. Assigned to the Southern European Task Force, First Missile Command, Vicenza, Italy he served as intelligence and executive officer of the Hq. and Hq. Company.

In 1959 he received a Regular Army appointment in the Signal Corps and a year later, he attended the Signal Officer Advanced Course at Fort Monmouth where he remained after graduation as an instructor in the Officers' Department, teaching field radio communications and as company commander, Company M, Student Brigade, Army Signal School. This was followed by an assignment to Korea as operations officer of the 51st Signal Battalion.

In May 1966 he was assigned to Headquarters, Allied Forces Center Europe as chief of Wire Engineering Division, Joint Communications Agency, Fountainsbleau, France. After telecommunications engineer-

ing plans and facilities were completed, he was relocated to the new home of the Allied Forces Center Europe, Brunsum, the Netherlands.

In August 1968, he was assigned to the 1st Signal Brigade in Vietnam, as director of the Joint Cutover Integrated Working Group responsible for the planning and implementation of the Southeast Asia Automatic Telephone System. Upon completion of his Vietnam tour in August 1969, he attended the Army Command and General Staff College, and after graduation in June 1970, he was assigned as a battalion commander at the Army Signal School, Fort Gordon, Ga.

In December 1971, he was assigned to the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Communications Headquarters, Department of the Army, as DA representative to TRI-TAC at Fort Monmouth.

In December 1974, he was assigned to SATCOMA as director of test and evaluation, and later as deputy commander/project manager. Last February, he received his final assignment as deputy director, CENSEL.

His military decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, Medal Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster; Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

He is married to the former Erma Jean Angerson of Beaumont, Texas. They have three sons, M. Gregory, 25; Roderic, 22; Mark, 20; and a daughter, Pamela, 19. After



Col. Milton De Rouen, Jr.

retirement, he and Mrs. deRouen will live in Mannheim, Germany.

PRAIRIE VIEW REORGANIZATION RECOMMENDED

The Coordinating Board has recommended a reorganization of Prairie View A&M University that would strengthen its academic program, add two new colleges and create new degree programs.

The board Friday also recommended a pay increase for faculty at Texas colleges and universities and increased tuition rates.

The board's recommendations for a faculty pay raise resulted from a six-month study by an ad hoc committee, which reported the threat of faculty unionization would increase if faculty salaries are not raised.

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Place: Education Building-Room 303

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Three Young Black American students visit Africa to study their cultural origins to compare the similarities and differences with the situation in the United States.

Film II: A Well Spent Life
Date: February 11, 1981
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Education Building-Room 303

Film Description

This film is a deeply moving tribute to a Texas songster Mr. Mance Lyscomb, considered by many to be one of the greatest guitarists of all time. The film captures Mance's music, sets it off with scenes of his hometown Mavavota, Texas and combines it all with the miracle of his love.

Film III: Harriet Tubman and the Underground Railroad
Date: February 20, 1981
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Education Building-Room 303

Film Description

Harriet Tubman grew up as a slave in the Pre-Civil War South, after she escaped to the North, she became one of the most daring conductors on the Underground Railroad to carry fleeing slaves to freedom. The cast includes Ethel Waters, Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis.

Film IV: Black History: Lost, Stolen or Strayed
Date: February 25, 1981
Time: 11:30 a.m.

Place: Education Building-Room 303

Film Description

Bill Cosby Reviews the Achievements of Blacks that have been omitted from our History Books and shows how the Black Race has been denied recognition of its contribution to our culture.

For Further information contact:

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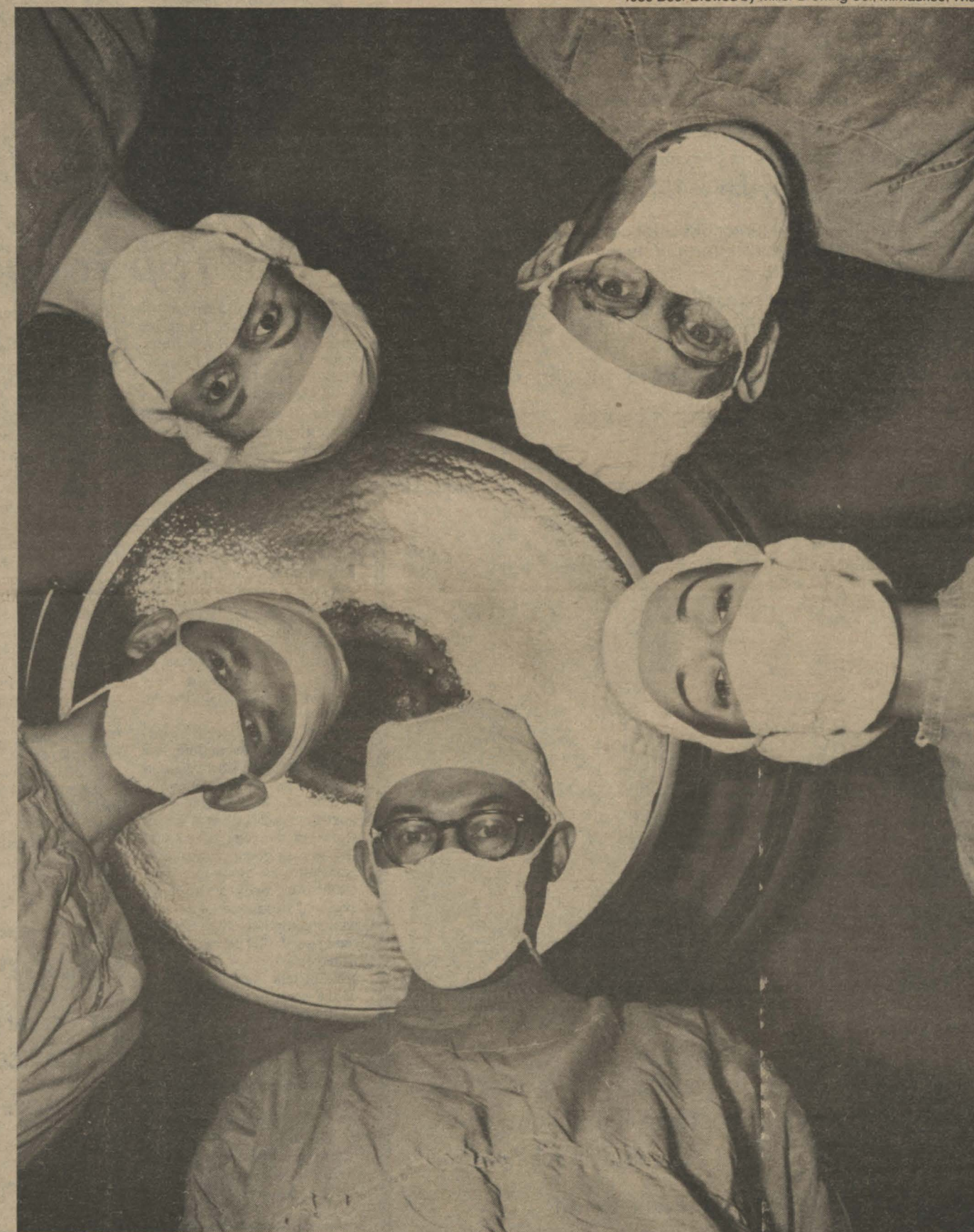
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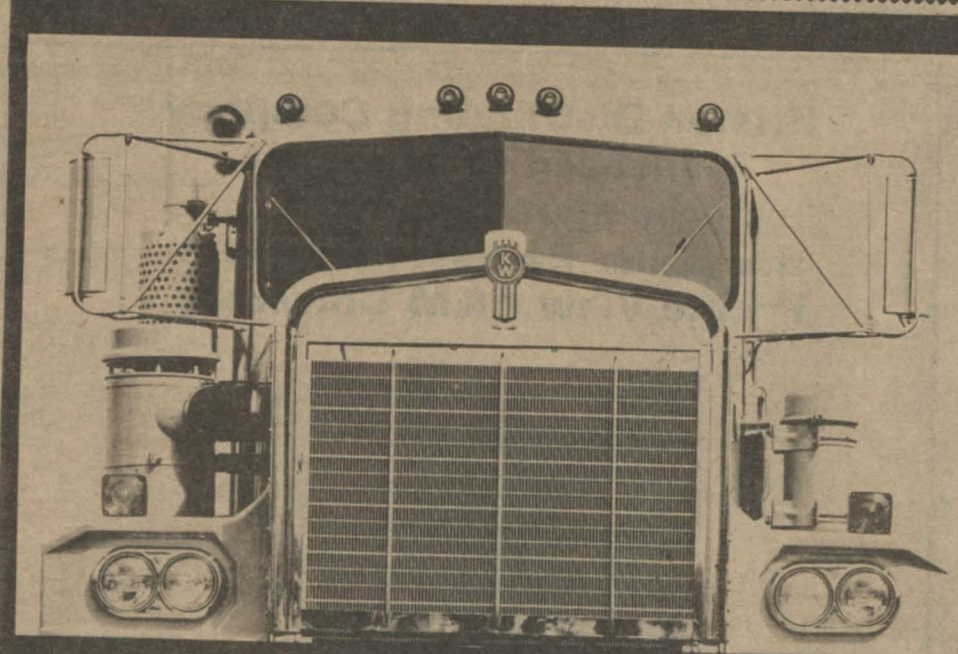
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Just A Thought

by Matthew A. Castille
The cost for attending Yale, Cornell, Harvard or any of the institutions of higher learning around the country is enormous. But the difference in their curriculum is not that much greater. The great difference will be found in the sincerity of the student body. They are there because they want to be there. Just think of how wonderful it would be to be here, if each of us could say the same.



WORKING THE GAME — Student writers and statisticians are pictured at work during recent basketball game in Little Dome. They are (L-R) David Wells, Leonard Woodard, Michael Hearn and Jean Pierce.

Engineering and Science

The Top Technological Fields

Engineering and science will be the fields of the future job market, reports Black Enterprise Magazine in its February 1981 annual Jobs issue.

Black participation in these fields is miniscule at a time when there is renewed interest in engineering and science throughout the United States because of high technological competition from foreign countries, high production costs, the energy crisis, and environmental concerns. High salaries and unequalled employment opportunities in these fields are due to the acute shortage of technically trained manpower and great public demand for such expertise as the U. S. enters a new high-technology age during the eighties.

According to recent statistics, blacks are seven times less likely to become scientists and 12 times less likely to become engineers than whites. Department of Labor figures show an average of 37,000 engineering openings available from attrition alone this year. Computer programming is expected to grow 29.6 percent while computer analysts will see a rise of 37.4 percent. Black Enterprise reports that blacks are still less than five percent of the country's engineers. In 1970 blacks represented two percent of the new engineers; in 1979 they made up six percent. By 1972, nonwhites made up five percent of all the computer specialists and by 1979 they comprised eight percent.

The shortage also occurs in virtually all health fields. Although blacks with M.D.

degrees rose from 0.2 percent in 1970 to 2.4 percent of the total number of M.D.'s in 1978, black representation in medical school is still below 6.6 percent.

Nonwhites make up twenty percent of the population but receive less than two percent of the Ph.D.'s in science and engineering. Aside from discrimination, other reasons are proffered to explain why there are so few blacks in these fields. Lucius Walker, Dean of Howard University's School of Engineering, believes "there is a mystique associated with technical and abstract subjects. Some of us (blacks) fell we can't do math or science or succeed in quantitative fields." One black engineering student points to the low visibility of black engineers while another emphasizes the inadequate high school curriculum of black students disqualifying them for entering quantitative areas.

Black Enterprise focuses on the programs that have been established to increase the number of minority engineers

and health specialists such as the Minority Engineering Education Effort (MEE) and "Dual Degree" programs.

"There remain some vestiges of discrimination, but for the most part, engineers have overcome these problems," comments Dean Walker. A black female engineer disagrees. "It's very hard to move up. Engineers face the same stumbling blocks in their job arena as any other black person in America," she says adding, "The system can be death with and the technically skilled have a little more bargaining power. We can always find another job." Another black engineer feels that the technical fields are discrimination-proof. "Demands are so high for some kinds of expertise that color barriers have to come down. Look at all the yellow, brown, and black engineers and scientists that have been imported from other countries. The US has got to keep technological advances on par with its French and German competition!"

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Deltas Close Out 1980 with Service to Others

ETA BETA Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., had a very rewarding year serving others.
During the month of April 1980 sorors helped to raise funds for the Mental Health Association. August 1980 sorors sponsored a seminar for freshman of "Tips on a Successful College Life!" Dur-

ing September the sorors awarded Connie Guice a scholarship for the Freshman female having the highest G.P.A. for Spring 1980. A voter registration drive was sponsored, alerting students to the November elections. We also participated in the Greek march for Black Colleges month. October, the chapter made a presentation to Soror Dr. June Brewer a founder of Eta Beta who was Guest Speaker at the University Book Review. During December a Seminar on "Successful Black Women" was presented. Guest speaker was soror Coss who

presented a very interesting discussion. The sorors also gave their annual Christmas party to the ladies of the Brenham state home for girls. At the end of the party gifts were given to the ladies adopted by the chapter.
The personal gratification receiving by serving others made 1980 a memorable year, and 1981 something to look forward to.

by Andrea Webb
"Chocolate Sensation"

There are about two and one-half times as many cattle in Argentina as there are people.



Lt. Frank D. Jackson
Lt. Jackson Gets Top Navy Honor

Lt. Frank D. Jackson, Naval Instructor at Prairie View A&M University, has been recommended for the Colonel Leo A. Codd Memorial Award, given to the top Naval instructor in the United States. Lt. Jackson teaches navigation and Naval operations courses.

Lt. Jackson is also faculty adviser to the midshipmen Trident Society. Lt. Jackson has focused Trident Society activities on morning CIC simulator training and afternoon seminars into campus history and literature clubs. Popularity of the Trident Society has made it an invaluable retention and recruiting asset for the Navy and Prairie View.

He frequently devotes his off duty time to assist the unit recruiting officer in canvassing small towns within a 300 mile radius of Prairie View. This effort has resulted in groups of high school students being hosted for a "day on campus" at university expense complete with briefings on Navy Officer programs by the Professor of Naval Science and participation in midshipmen activities. Lt. Jackson has also organized and chaperoned recruiting field trips for Prairie View students not in the NROTC program. These trips, funded by the university, take students to Naval ships and stations for an inside look at Naval day to day responsibilities.

One of the many innovative projects he formulated and completed at Prairie View was a surface combatant Combat Information Center (CIC) Simulator. He converted an unused classroom into a CIC simulator complete with status boards, plotting tables, sound powered phones, and dummy tactical radio circuits with volunteer help. An adjoining problem control and communications room is manned by staff members for disclosure of tactical information and transmission of tactical signals. Students learn fundamentals or radar piloting, tactical communications, and employment of ship weapon systems in mini-battle problems in the facility.

Lt. Jackson's reputation for professional instruction spread to the university faculty and resulted in his nomination to represent Prairie View at a state conference on teaching effectiveness in higher education. He put together a special display complete with cassette tape narration which was voted one of the best displays in competition with colleges and universities across the state.
The PV Naval officer is a

Jenkins Selected Miller's Campus Representative

Mark Kristen, General Manager, Kristen Distributing Company of Bellville, Texas is pleased to announce the appointment of Quinn Roderick Jenkins as the Miller Campus Representative for Prairie View A&M University of 1981. Mr. Jenkins is a Junior Architecture major from Terrell, Texas. He currently serves as President of the Junior Fellow and Junior Managers Association and Historian of the Eta Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
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PV Cadet Earns Coveted Air Assault Badge

During the semester break, January 4-16, 1981, Cadet Earl Jones from Prairie View A&M University's Army ROTC Program, earned the highly coveted Air Assault Badge at Fort Campbell, Kentucky home of the famous 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault).

The Air Assault School is a physically demanding and challenging 10-day program designed to build student's self confidence and teach them air assault techniques and tactics.

Cadets under Army contract for the advanced ROTC program are permitted to attend Air Assault School at the 105,397 acre military post straddling the Kentucky-Tennessee border. Participation in the school is usually scheduled so as not to conflict with their regular college curriculum.

The Air Assault Badge resembles the familiar Airborne wings worn by paratroopers, but the parachute-like action taking place in

combat or training—is replaced by a helicopter. The badge and the school originated as "Airmobile" in early 1974 and was changed to "Air Assault" in October 1974.

The ten-day course is not easy as indicated by the 30-45 percent attrition rate per class. About 15 percent fail to complete the gruelling 10 mile force road march in under two hours and 20 minutes while wearing full rucksack, steel helmets, load bearing equipment weighing approximately 25 pounds and carrying a simulated M-16 rifle.

The course is highlighted by numerous rappels (gliding down a vertical surface using a nylon rope wrapped through a metal ring which is attached to the wrist) from a 30 foot tower; day and night rappels from a helicopter hovering between 80-100 feet; and climbing up a suspended ladder into a CH-47 "Chinook" helicopter.

The most challenging tasks



Cadet Earl Jones

for many students proved to be the Australian Rappel from the 30-foot tower. The Australian Rappel calls for students to run down the tower fall-to-the-earth (face first) rather than sliding down backwards.

While students are required to strengthen their muscles through various "motivating" exercises such as: push-ups, chin-ups, and double timing everywhere, the course is not strictly physical. There are classes covering such areas as: air craft safety and familiarization, pathfinding techniques, air force support in combat, helicopter versus tanks on the battlefield, rigging and slingloading equipment to helicopters, medical evacuation by helicopter and the concept and history of the

Air Assault Division. With all of these demands on the students, they must pass two written and three practical application exams during the course to earn their badges.

Cadet Jones, a senior (MS IV) cadet from Chicago, Illinois, is a Business Management major. His graduation from the Air Assault School places him in a very select group of cadets who have demonstrated the perseverance needed to be successful. He is to be highly commended for his efforts.

Kappa Alpha Omega News

The Brothers of Kappa Alpha Omega Fraternity are sponsoring a Black History Month Seminar on the Black family, February 9, 1981 at 9:00 a.m. in the Hobart Taylor Seminar Room. Session I which will be lead by Mrs. Elizabeth Martin, Professor, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work, will concentrate on such areas as "Factors Influencing Divorce among Blacks," and Changing Marriage Patterns among Blacks. Session II, which will be lead by Mr. Bobby Haliburton, Acting Head, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work, will address the area of "Variant Sexuality Among Blacks." Recently, an article appeared in major newspapers about the closing of Prairie View A&M University. As you know, such a successful endeavor would be very detrimental to the majority of students on this campus. We, the brothers of Kappa Alpha Omega Fraternity would like to urge all students to write to their Congressman protesting such a move.

Michael Love "ZEUS"



NEW TRACK — Men's track coach Hoover Wright is ready for track season to start on the recently installed all-weather track around Blackshear Field. The track, just recently completed with lanes and numbers painted. "This gives us one of the best facilities in the state," Wright said. "It will definitely be used as a showcase of the fine track stars we have here at Prairie View."

Army ROTC Faculty Member Promoted

Santa paid a late visit to Captain (P) Daniel Gutierrez, Assistant Professor of Military Science for the Prairie View A&M University, on Wednesday, December 31, 1980 when he was promoted to the rank, Major, US Army, Field Artillery.

Major Gutierrez is a 19-year veteran who has been assigned to Prairie View since January 1978. His previous assignments include tours of duty at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; Giessen, Germany; Greece; Korea; Fort Meade, MD and Fort Bliss, Texas.

Major Gutierrez has been awarded the Silver Star Medal,

Purple Heart Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal and the National Defense Service Medal.

He is a native New Yorker who enlisted in the Army in 1961. In 1974, he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in History from Cameron University, Lawton, Oklahoma, and is currently enrolled in the MBA program at Prairie View A&M University. His military education includes the Basic and Advanced Field Artillery Officer Courses.

Major Gutierrez, his wife Carole, and their two children reside in Houston, Texas.

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Three PV Athletes to Be Honored

Two former track stars and an outstanding football player will be Prairie View's three honorees at the Eighth Annual World Championship Toast and Roast Monday in Houston.

The two tracks stars — Essie Kelley, of Spur and Debra Melrose of Austin, paced the Prairie View women's team to the Southwestern Athletic Conference Indoor title, the TFA-USA championship and numerous records over their four-year careers at Prairie View.

Norfleet, the football star from Baytown, was named to the first team All Southwestern Athletic conference team, the NAIA All District 8 team two years in a row and picked to play in the Sheridan Black College All Star Football game in Jackson, Miss.

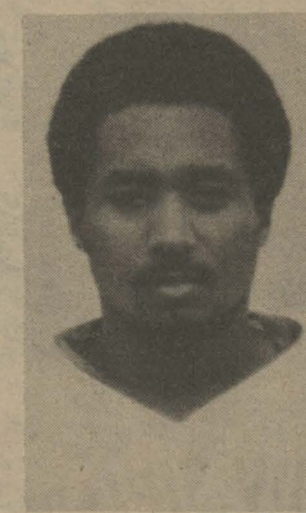
It will be the third straight honor for Kelley, who has etched her name in the Prairie View record book a number of times. Melrose, too, has her name in the Prairie View record book but her versatility was her strength.

In last years SWAC Indoor meet Melrose finished first or second in four events in addition to running on relay teams. "It will be a long time before we get anyone as versatile as Melrose," Ms. Jacket said. "Of course Eddie is a world class runner and will be hard to replace."

"Norfleet was our most consistent performer," said Panther football coach Cornelius Cooper. "He was one of our bright spots this season and helped tremendously with the young players!"



Essie Kelly



Harold Norfleet



Debra Melrose



Captain Daniel Gutierrez Promoted to Major

Baseball Team Opens '81 Season This Week

The 1981 Baseball season opens Saturday for Prairie View as they take on Huston-Tillotson in Austin, Texas eleven starters return under head coach John Tankersley.

Charles Hudson, who forged a 5-3 record last year, is listed as the top hurler for the Panthers this season. Kenneth

Carter, Darryl Phillips and Perry Crenshaw are other top returning pitchers as the Panthers open the season.

After the Saturday game Prairie View will be off for two weeks before hosting Huston-Tillotson and Wiley on February 20 and February 21.

Basketball

Men and Women Host Grambling Monday Night

The Little Dome will be the scene for a doubleheader between the Panther and Pantherette basketball teams and Grambling Monday night.

Prairie View enters the contest 2-19 overall and 1-8 in Southwestern Athletic Conference competition, while the Tigers are 14-5 for the season and 5-2 in SWAC play.

Al Reynolds and Reginald Spivey continue to lead the Panthers in points and rebounds. Reynolds leads the Panthers is points through 21 games averaging better than 14 points per game. Spivey, the leading rebounder, averaging better than ten per game, has also contributed 255 points.

The Tigers are lead by the trio of Robert Williams, Sylvester Jones and Kenneth Simpson. Williams is the team leader in both points and rebounds with 370 and 213 respectively.

Dana Watts and Audrey Pruitt are the women's

basketball team leaders thru 14 game. Watts continues to be the sparkplug averaging 16.1 points per game, and Pruitt better than ten points a game. Elora Faye Lee leads the team in rebounds with 129 and more than 10 per game and third in individual conference statistics. The Pantherettes ar 5-1 in home and 9-5 overall.

Gramblings Tigerette's are 17-5 for the season, and are lead by Toni Jackson who averages better than 26 points per game with 523 points.

Grambling will also face Texas Southern Saturday before meeting the Panthers.

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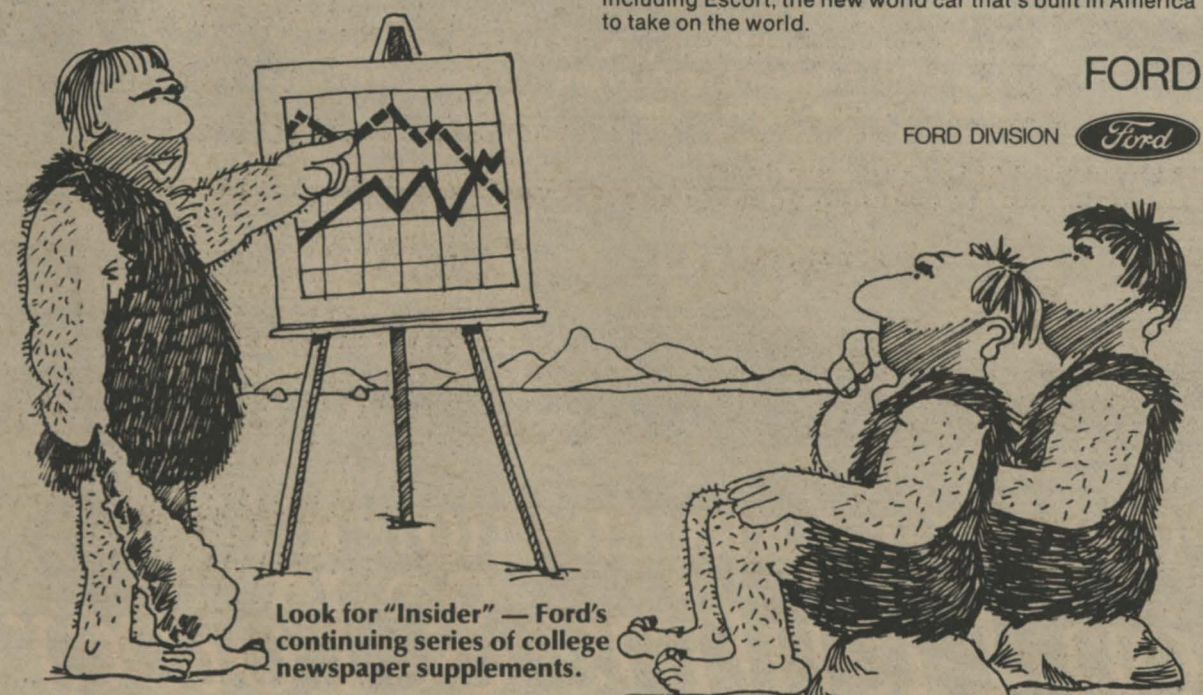
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