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## I Feel Fine

"There are many senses in which you as graduates of this University should be able to say "I feel fine" today despite the perils of this particular time in history," Congressman Albert Gore, Jr., told over 600 graduates at the 68th annual commencement.

"Certainly if you consider what is likely to happen to those who are entering the job market just now without the knowledge and training you have you should feel fine, personally," he continued.

Representative Gore stated that many



## FREEZE

Governor Lamar Alexander announced a temporary freeze on State Hiring and equipment purchases early in the spring. On March 20, 1980, Chancellor Nicks made the freeze applicable to all units of the State University and Community College System of Tennessee.

This action was necessary because of the uncertainty of State revenue collections for the current year, projections for 1980-81, and the possibility of reductions in federal funds to the State. This reduction in federal funds includes State revenue sharing, CETA, vocational education, and transportation.

The interpretation of the Chancellor's memorandum is that:

- (1) No vacant positions will be filled except those positions considered absolutely crucial to the support of the institution. To fill an unfilled position will require justification and prior approval of the President.
- (2) Equipment not purchased as of March 14, 1980, has been frozen unless of an emergency nature. To purchase equipment of an emergency nature requires a letter of justification and approval of the appropriate vice president.

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of the graduates would have conflicting feelings at this time because this event marked an ending and a beginning.

"It is a symbolic point in time, set aside by ceremony to formally recognize your acquisition of a body of knowledge to certify the successful completion of a course of studies which our society values highly and to mark the formal beginning of a new stage in your lives," he said.

Even more significant, Gore pointed out that this particular moment in our history was troublesome and is a special moment in the lives of the graduates. He said that America had suffered a grave international injustice and that our national pride had been hurt.

"Here at home, we have witnessed this week the official beginning of the long-heralded recession, with unemployment soaring quickly upward in the latest figures," he stated.

Gore said that this is a time of paradox and change and that new opportunities are opening in fields unheard of a few years ago.

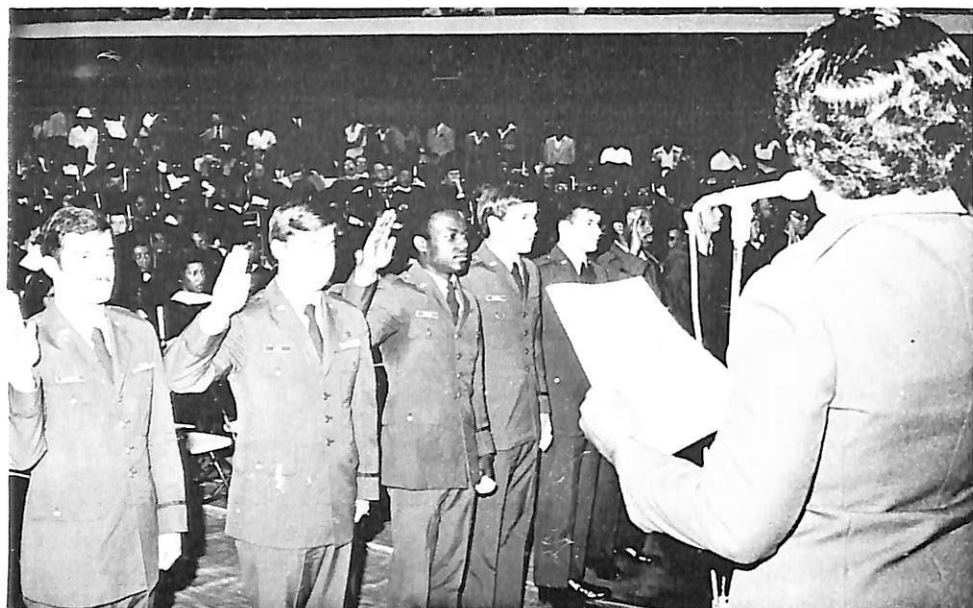
"We stand on the edge of almost unbelievable advances in health care, energy sources and other fields," he stated. "The current economic crisis may be a transition period on the way to new methods of productivity, new industrial processes and new patterns of work. It is a moment of great promise and peril."

"The solution to all our paradoxes and problems must come from talented young men and women who have acquired the kind of education you receive here," he continued.

He then advised the graduates to go one step further and make a commitment inside themselves to live their lives with integrity and seek to make a meaningful contribution toward solving common problems.

Gore received the Highest Achievement Recognition Award during the  
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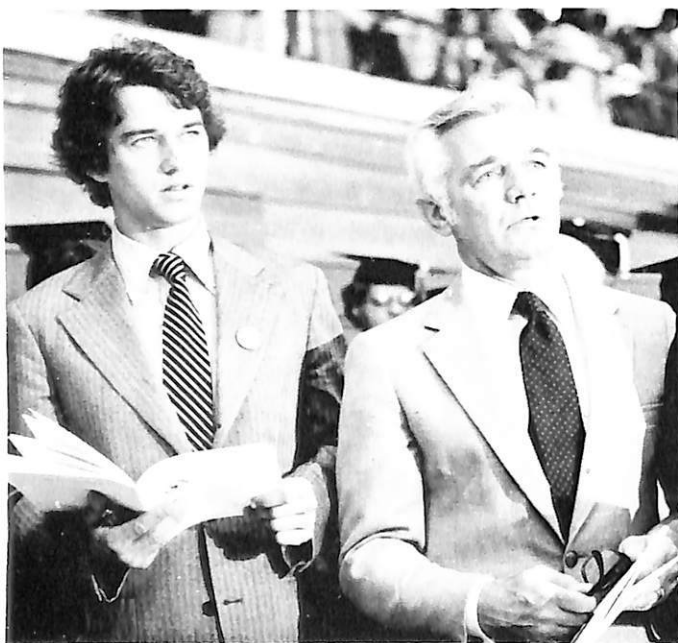
# Commencement Highlights



United States Air Force Officers Being Commissioned.



University retiree Marion Roberts receiving special proclamation.



Special guests [left to right] Robert Kennedy, Jr. and Mayor Richard Fulton.



Seniors Chandra Norman and Wanda Moses with special awards for leadership.

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commencement. Charles Kane, chief executive officer of Third National Bank, and Paula Rucker, Metro schools psychologist and president of the TSU National Alumni Association, received

Outstanding Service Awards from the University.

Jesse H. Turner, a Memphis civil rights activist, received the University's Distinguished Achievement Award.

## Call For Papers

Two professors at Georgia State University, Atlanta, Ga., have issued a call for papers and works of art in conjunction with a conference to be held March, 1981, entitled "A Fabric of Our Own Making: Southern Scholars on Women."

The conference is a major part of a project funded by the Women's Educational Equity Act Program, U.S. Department of Education -- "A Model for Gender-Balancing the General Curriculum in Higher Education."

Interested TSU educators and artists are requested to submit proposals for papers, workshops and works of art pertaining to women and sex- or gender-related differences or similarities on four broad topics (psychomotor development; societal roles; politics, law and society) from five general areas of knowledge (humanities, social sciences, math and natural sciences, health and career development).

The project directors are Drs. Diane Fowlkes and Charlotte McClure.

Proposals for papers, workshops and works of art must be received by the directors no later than May 30, 1980. For complete details please write or call WEEA Project, Box 673, Georgia State University, University Plaza, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 658-3152.

## Enrollment

Nearly 84,000 students enrolled in the 16 State Board of Regents institutions this spring, marking an increase of 6400 students or 8.2 percent over the colleges' and universities' enrollments at this time last year.

The released figures show that a total of 83,999 students enrolled in the spring 1980 term at the 6 state universities and 10 community colleges, compared to 77,602 in the spring of 1979, and officials say the increase is significant.

"We are seeing the effects of basically two factors," said Roy S. Nicks, Chancellor of the State Board of Regents, "the low state of the economy and success of campus efforts to improve student retention rates."

According to Nicks, more students generally will enter or continue their higher education during a down-turn in

the economy to improve their employability. However, he noted that this may be only a partial reason for the current enrollment increases.

"Faculty and staff at the institutions have been working to reduce the traditional loss of students between the fall and spring terms," Nicks said. "More effective programming, counseling and scheduling of courses had a definite and positive impact on better serving student interest and demand this spring."

TSU's spring 1980 enrollment of 8,331 represents a 64.8 percent increase over the University's spring 1979 enrollment, prior to its merger last summer with UTN. Excluding TSU from all system-wide comparisons, the Regents institutions' spring 1980 enrollments total 75,668, a 4.3 percent increase over this time last year.

Officials said that the spring enrollments indicate an upward trend in student growth and retention that will have a positive effect on the colleges and universities' enrollments next fall.

\*Taken from News Release, April 26, 1980, issued by Chancellor Roy S. Nicks.

## CARP Schedule

Research projects at TSU, that are administered by the Cooperative Agriculture Research Program (CARP) and funded through the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will be discussed in a series of weekly seminars.

The CARP seminars are scheduled for each Thursday at 3 p.m. in Room 218, Lawson Hall (Agriculture Building). The seminars are a forum for each agricultural researcher at the University to exchange research findings and to share these findings with other members of the TSU community. They are open to the public free of charge.

For more information on the seminars, call Charles Yoder at 320-3353.

### THE SCHEDULE

May 15 - Robert Boone will report on a study of rural landownership, control problems and attitudes of minorities toward land in Tennessee. Boone is director of the Public Service Center, Division of Extension and Continuing Education.

May 22 - Dr. Ozie L. Adams will report on a study of nutrient intake and plate waste of school lunch participants. Adams is health and nutrition specialist, Agricultural Extension Service.

May 29 - Dr. Neal McAlpin, Sr., will report on two studies. One project concerns the breeding of ornamental peaches to enhance rural and urban environments. The other is a study to select aesthetic ornamentations for the home grounds of Tennessee families.

June 5 - Dr. Troy Wakefield, Jr., will discuss a regional project assessing the nutritional health of adolescent females in the rural South. Wakefield is assistant professor of nutrition.

June 12 - Dr. Constantine L. Fenderson will discuss his experimental feeding and management systems for maximizing pounds of beef per acre on limited resource farms. Fenderson is associate professor of animal science.

June 19 - Everett Homes will discuss the effects of sulphur and molybdenum yield and quality of Ladino clover growth in coastal Bermuda grass. Holmes is instructor of plant science.

June 26 - M. R. Paruchuri will discuss his findings on an analysis of local response to Federal Revenue Sharing in rural Tennessee. Paruchuri is assistant professor of economics.

## How To Manage

In a time of inflation, volunteer services and gift donations can make the difference between life or death for an organization.

A seminar on managing volunteers and obtaining the big gift will be held May 15, 1980, Thursday, on the Downtown campus. Guest speakers and professionals from Don Elliott Associates will discuss such topics as locating, managing and evaluating volunteers on how to land the big gift. The \$55 registration fee covers refreshment breaks, lunch, parking and instructional materials.

For more information, call the Department of Conferences and Institutes, 251-1523.

### ACCENT'S SCHEDULE

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### FREEZE

E. J. Junior, vice president for business affairs, said that "all out-of-state trips for the remainder of the year must also be approved by the appropriate vice president and the President."

He further stated that "these acts to conserve funds are crucial to the future of our institution" and that "the freeze is limited to unrestricted funds only."

## TSU Professor Dies



Dr. Elizabeth C. Reed, 65, an associate professor and director of pre-service field experience and professor of education, died Wednesday, May 7, in Park View Hospital.

Dr. Reed began her thirteen year career with TSU in 1967 as an assistant professor in history and political science. Later she worked as professor of graduate and undergraduate administration and supervision in the School of Education. She also designed and coordinated the Competency Based Teacher Education Program at the University.

Dr. Reed, a native of Fayetteville, North Carolina, received her early education in Fayetteville, and received a B.S degree in elementary education from Fayetteville State University; an M.A degree from Columbia University, New York City; an Ed.S in supervision and secondary education from Peabody College, and the Ph.D degree in education administration from Peabody.

Dr. Reed also studied at Columbia University and the University of North Carolina as an H.J. Reynolds Fellow.

## NEWS BRIEFS

Madhusudhana R. Paruchuri, economics, has been elected president of the 250 member Pan American Association of Tennessee. Paruchuri is state coordinator for Tennessee Partners of the Americans, whose 200-plus members and many more contributors annually send 25 Tennessee teenagers to Venezuela for summer. They recently brought the governor of Caracas, Venezuela, and 15 community leaders to Nashville and TSU as part of their ongoing professional exchange program.

The success of this recent trip of Venezuelan dignitaries to Nashville led to plans for 500 to 600 additional Venezuelans to visit Memphis for that city's May celebration.

Paruchuri is also a board member of the United Nations Association of Nashville, an organization of more than 500 people.

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Dr. Charlene Harb McDonald, music, recently presented a lecture-recital "Spanish Piano Music of the Twentieth Century," at the regional convention of the College Music Society at Florida State University. Dr. McDonald was also elected to the executive board of the society's southeastern chapter.

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Dr. Franklin B. Jones, educational administration, chaired the visiting evaluation team of the Southern Association for Accreditation of Secondary Schools and Colleges for Father Ryan High School on April 24.

She was involved in many activities. Nationally, Dr. Reed served on the Budget commission of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society and the research committee of the Association for Teacher Educators. In Tennessee, she served on the executive board of the Tennessee Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

She was the author of seven publications and research articles, as well as the recipient of several civic and educational awards.

Survivors, in addition to her husband, William Reed, Jr., include a son, Waymon L. Reed, Los Angeles, and a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Sarah Vaughn Reed, Los Angeles.

Drs. James and Rena Ellzy, business, recently completed articles in a publication entitled **Business Education for the 80's**. Dr. Rena Ellzy's writing was in the area of psychology of learning skilled subjects and Dr. James Ellzy's writing was in the career education area. The Ellzys also attended the National Business Education Association's annual convention held in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Drs. Jamye and McDonald Williams attended the annual meeting of the Southern Regional Honors Council (SRHC) held recently at Memphis State University. Students attending were; Tonia Estes, Frances Noel, Carolyn Piphus, Sharon Stover, Michael Carn, Michael Harris and Michael Thomas. Dr. McDonald Williams served as one of the co-moderators of workshop #18, "Open Forum with Honors Directors."

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Dr. Crystal L. Partridge, curriculum and instruction, spoke on "Implementing Multicultural Components into the Elementary Social Studies Curriculum" at the 1980 Tennessee Council for the Social Studies State Convention. Dr. Partridge serves as an executive committee member of that organization.

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Bruce D. Rogers, public administration, published an article, "The Taft Institute: A Catalyst for Meaningful Educational Change," in **Synergy: International Journal of Involvement in Social Studies Education**, Vol. 4, No. 2, Fall/Winter 1979.

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Susan L. Meisels, nursing, will present a media program entitled "The Jewish Way of Death and Mourning: A Grieving Process" at the 1980 Biennial American Nurses Association Convention in Houston, Tx., June 13. Meisels' presentation illustrates the psychological implications that the Jewish religion and culture have incorporated to form an effective grieving process.

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Greg Ridley, art, after appraising the artifacts of the late Aaron Douglas (dean of the Harlem Renaissance painter) has found some valuable old sketches, notes, brochures and an oil painting, "Boy with the Cap," in the collection. Any interested persons who would like any object from the artifacts should contact, Gloria Brooks Ridley, 327-0551.