

## To Announce New Building

# Governor Alexander Visits TSU

"I'm delighted to be at Tennessee State University," said Governor Lamar Alexander, in a small gathering of University faculty, administrators, students and news reporters.

Gov. Alexander said he was here to announce a \$3.6 million dollars appropriation for a new engineering building for TSU. Alexander also plans to request funds to renovate

the Administration Building along with the general appearance of the campus.

Dr. Frederick Humphries, president of the University, expressed his appreciation to the governor. "It is a great moment in our history and a great recommendation on your part." The president said the School of Engineering lacked the facilities needed to compliment its quality

academic program.

In a brief session following, the governor stated he thought the Peabody-TSU consolidation was important but that he was undecided. "It's hard to make a decision," he added. Alexander said that he would not make a decision until he could evaluate the entire proposal and see how much it would cost the state.



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### School of Education

## Accreditation Received

Tennessee State University's School of Education has received word that its graduate program in Teacher Education has been approved by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education for all programs submitted.

The accreditation will affect some 800 students as well as programs on the graduate level such as, Guidance and Counseling, Physical Education, Psychology, Education, and many others.

"This means that the University has received a stamp of approval by a national accrediting body, which says it's graduate program meets certain standards," says Dr. Everette L. Witherspoon, Dean of the School of Education.

In order to be accredited several qualifications were needed for acceptance by the Council such as: 1) a significant number of Ph.D.'s teaching the courses 2) expertise in all areas 3) adequate library holdings 4) proper admission procedures 5) support of the administration and 6) capable students on the graduate level.

Being evaluated on a national standard and having received information that the program is qualified on a graduate level, "leaves no question about our faculty, our library holdings, the curriculum and any other instructional resources," added Dr. Witherspoon.

## President Outlines New Budget

"I'm not cold this year. I even have hot water in my office," said Dr. Frederick Humphries, president of the University in a faculty staff meeting last week.

The president pointed out that it had been a most enjoyable year for him.

The new budget for next year will be near \$11.6 million. He also stated that the tuition could increase for next year, and there was nothing definite about the 7% increase in salaries.

In updating the faculty and staff on the UTN-TSU merger, Dr. Humphries said the UTN Building still belongs to the University of

Tennessee. He added that he hopes to continue things as they are, having the evening courses at the downtown facility and all others on the main campus. The president pointed out that the thirteen committees have structured what they need to function under the merger.

The Peabody-TSU situation is not a merger but a consolidation, said Dr. Humphries. Peabody has an enrollment of 1,500 students, 850 in the graduate level and 650 undergraduates. The college operates on a -13 million dollar budget per year—\$8 million for instructional, \$4 million in restricted and \$1 million in Auxiliary Enterprises.

If the consolidation should be put into effect, the name will be George Peabody College for Teachers at Tennessee State University.

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## A Tribute to Eddie T. Goins

"God's finger touched him and he slept."

Infinite Heart of Love, on this day which is hallowed and sacred and filled with so many memories of past years, years in the long ago, in the



yesterday of life, it is most acceptable that we pay tribute to the memory of the valor and courage of one we all loved.

In 1949, Dr. Eddie T. Goins joined the faculty of Tennessee State University as an associate professor in the Music Department and Director of the University Choir.

He received his bachelor's degree

## An Open Letter From Peabody

*An open letter from the Peabody Faculty to the Faculty Senate and officials of Tennessee State University, the Tennessee Board of Regents, the news media, and all other concerned parties.*

Peabody Faculty Members Welcome the opportunity to explore the possibility of merging George Peabody College for Teachers with Tennessee State University. We believe there are numerous exciting possibilities for working with faculty colleagues at Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee Nashville as part of higher education in Tennessee.

We appreciate the foresight and leadership of officials in higher education in Tennessee which provide the opportunity to explore affiliation with T.S.U. Their recognition that Peabody College is a highly valued asset to this community increases our interest in this challenging possibility.

We believe it would serve the best

from Knoxville College, his master's degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York City, and his doctorate from the State University of Iowa, Iowa City.

He was a member of Clark Memorial United Methodist Church, where he was director of the choir for more than 20 years and active in the Methodist men's organization.

A widely known baritone and much sough after soloist throughout the state, he developed and directed the Meharry Singers at Meharry Medical College. A member of many local, state and national organizations.

He was buried, February 24th in Nashville.

## University Retiree Donates Books to Library

Dr. F. J. D. McKinney, a retiree from the University after serving 40 years, has donated five hundred books to the University Library. Dr. McKinney initiated the graduate program of Guidance and Counseling in the fifties. In addition, he was the Registrar at the University and a faculty member of the department of History and Geography. Many of the books and papers donated, contain historical significance in documenting the growth of guidance and counseling in the United States.

Dr. Evelyn Fancher, director of the University Library, Dr. Pearl G. Dansby, Head of the department of Psychology, and all of the members of the Departments are thankful and appreciative to Dr. McKinney for his remembering the department is such a generous way.

interests of the community, the state, our region, and the nation to retain strong programs of preparation for teachers, administrators, the researchers for the nation's children and their schools. We believe with full support and endorsement of the state and allocation of appropriate resources this objective can be achieved in cooperation with T.S.U. and through merger, Nashville can retain the cultural, social, educational, and economic benefits that George Peabody envisioned when he endowed the college which still bears his name.

We cherish the opportunities we have to live and to work in the Nashville Metropolitan area and to contribute to and benefit from the richness and diversity of this thriving and unique community.

We solicit the support and understanding of our colleagues, friends, and neighbors as these explorations continue. We look forward to continuing opportunities to live in, to work with, and to serve the Metropolitan Nashville Community.

## Three Named to CARP Staff

Dr. Handy Williamson, Jr., recently announced the hiring of three new staff members of the Cooperative Agricultural Research Program (CARP), at the University. CARP administers more than one million dollars annually to University researchers and according to Williamson, the expanding research budget necessitated the staff expansion to include an assistant director, a superintendent of research properties and an accountant. CARP administers special USDA research funds for Agricultural Research at the University, known as 1890 Institutions.

Among the new members of the CARP core staff are an Assistant Research Director, Carter Catlin, Jr., who left another similar position at Alcorn State University, in Lorman, Mississippi, also an 1890 Institution. Catlin earned the B.S. degree in Natural Resource Development and Management at Alabama A&M University in 1973, and later received his M.S. degree in Food and Resource Economics at the University of Florida in 1975.

Catlin's duties include conducting advanced planning activities for the overall research program. He will also stimulate development and review of research projects consistent with program goals, priorities, and available funds; monitor the development of program reports; and work with the CARP staff and the University community in the development, promotion and maintenance of a viable research program.

McDawson Lee Burton, Jr., Superintendent of Research Properties, is from Tuskegee Institute, where he was planning and managing development specialists for Tuskegee's Community Development Agency, which is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Burton is a graduate of Indiana University, where he earned the A.B. degree in Sociology in 1965, and M.A. degree in Sociology from Howard University, in 1974. Burton has also studied at Tuskegee Institute and attended the Management Academy of the University of Michigan.

His responsibilities are overall management and maintenance of agricultural research field plots and laboratory research facilities. He will also be responsible for maintaining records on properties purchased under the research program and for insuring that equipment is in proper working order. Burton will also be responsible for supervising research technicians and for maintaining the appearance of research properties.

The new accountant is Elease

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# Merger Update

## Academic Programs

JAMES E. HANEY, Coordinator of Merger

The *Plan for Merger* called for an examination of the academic programs of Tennessee State University and the University of Tennessee at Nashville. The five sub-committees of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, and Nursing are to "separately prepare detailed plans to unify the academic units represented into separate schools in the expanded TSU." This plan will be given to the Staff Director to be submitted to the Chancellor by May 1, 1979. The sub-committees begin their review process in February, 1979, and six months later, begin planning procedures to unify the academic programs of the two universities.

Space does not permit a discussion of the five academic sub-committees involved in the process, but a glimpse at the academic programs at the two institutions will give some indication of the sub-committees' responsibilities in merging them.

The University of Tennessee at Nashville offers seven undergraduate degrees through six divisions, according to its 1977-78 *Catalogue*. These degrees are the B.S. in Business Administration, B.S. in Education, B.A. in Arts and Sciences, B.S. in Arts and Sciences, an Associate Nursing degree and the B.S. in Nursing. These degree offerings allow for a broad based approach to a particular discipline. For example, for a student at UTN to get a concentration in History, he or she would take a baccalaureate degree in the Humanities. History is only one of the several disciplines at UTN under the Humanities umbrella. The others are art, music, philosophy, English, journalism, speech, and foreign language. These degrees are offered through six Divisions (Arts, and Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Nursing, and Public Service) which are supervised by Deans and Coordinators.

Tennessee State University, on the other hand, offers forty-four undergraduate degrees through six professional schools, excluding the graduate school, supervised by Deans. These Schools are: Agriculture and Home Economics, Allied Health Professions, Arts and Sciences, Business, Education and Engineering and Technology. Students may take specialized degrees in programs ranging from Animal Science to Transportation and Technology. Each degree program is supervised by department chairpersons who

coordinate the activities of the faculty under their charge.

Thus there is quite a difference in the number of degree programs offered by the two universities as well as the way each institution is organized for the delivery of educational services. Tennessee State University has a *School of Arts and Sciences*, for example, while the University of Tennessee at Nashville has a *Division of Arts and Sciences*. TSU has a departmental structure within its School of Arts and Sciences and UTN carries out its activities through disciplines and coordinators.

A comparison of the staffing patterns in the School of Arts and Sciences at TSU and the Division of Arts and Sciences at UTN also reveals a difference in the number of instructional personnel devoted to the implementation of the curricula of the two institutions. According to the respective catalogues of each institution, the School of Arts and Sciences at Tennessee State University has 119 full-time faculty engaged in classroom instruction while UTN has 58 full-time faculty teaching comparable areas. A closer examination reveals that some departments at TSU are larger than comparable areas at UTN, and consequently require a large number of instructional personnel. For example, the Department of History, which is a free standing, degree granting program at TSU has 16 full-time teaching faculty while the discipline of History at UTN has 4 full-time History faculty teaching under the umbrella of the Humanities; the English Department at TSU has 26 full-time faculty compared to 10 full-time faculty in the discipline of English at UTN; the Biology Department at TSU has 19 full-time faculty members compared to 6 full-time faculty members in the discipline of Biology at UTN. Similar comparisons can be made between the department and discipline in other areas.

Thus, for TSU the merger of the two academic programs will allow for an increase in the number of faculty in almost all departments. Equally important, it will give students at UTN an opportunity to concentrate more of their academic efforts in a specified degree granting discipline rather than the large umbrella approach the University is offering at present.



# OSU President Makes Fruitful Visit to TSU



"This has been a very fruitful visit to a very distinguished institution and I am impressed with the forward thrust Tennessee State University exhibits in every aspects," noted Dr. Robert McVicar, president of Oregon State University, Corvallis, Oregon. He was a guest of the University, Friday, February 16. He met with various academic units in a first step towards establishing a cooperative

relationship between OSU and TSU. "We have a strong desire to have an inter-institutional relations with an institution in the South with a substantial Black faculty and student body," he said. He added that TSU was his institution's first choice. Dr. McVicar is shown above with TSU president, Dr. Frederick S. Humphries.

## School of Agriculture and Home Economics Held Exhibit

University faculty and staff members of the School of Agriculture and Department of Home Economics presented a display in the Ayeni Room of the Student Union Building. The display illustrated basic nutrition principles and nutrition research on the campus with brochures, posters and slide shows. The exhibit was held in conjunction with National Nutrition Week, March 5-11, which coincides with the University's mid-semester break.

Ms. Pauline James, Acting head of the Department of Nursing and some of the nursing students, administered free blood pressure tests. Also, Ms. Elzer Chandler, Director of the Dental Hygiene program and students conducted controlled dietary screening.

The exhibit was coordinated by Dr. Troy Wakefield, a researcher for the Cooperative Agricultural Research Program (CARP), with the assistance of Dr. Maggie Tennant, Ms. Lyda Johnson of Home Economics, and Dr. Ozzie Adams.

## Financial Management Seminar Sponsored

The University's Division of Extension and Continued Education, and School of Business along with the National Association of Accountants, co-sponsored a Financial Management Seminar for Small Businessmen and Non-Profit Organizations, on February 28, for all interested community persons, 6:00-8:30 p.m.

The seminar included Accounting and Financial Reporting, Financial Statement Preparation, General Funds, Special Funds, Cost Behavior and The Relationship of Cost to Products.

The resource persons for this seminar included Certified Public Accountants for Ernst & Ernst Accounting Firm Businessmen and University professors.

## News Briefs

Dr. McDonald Williams served as consultant to the committee setting up the Honors Program at Dillard University, on February 28, in New Orleans, La.

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Dr. McDonald Williams, and wife, Dr. Jamye Williams, attended the Third Annual Conference of the Tennessee Honors Council, February 17,

## Mrs. Harriette Pleasant Retires

Mrs. Harriette Davis Pleasant retired from her job in the Business Office on February 15, after 31 years of employment at TSU.

Mrs. Pleasant has been affiliated with the University since the late 1930's, first as a student and later as an employee.

"I majored in Business Education, though it had another name then," Mrs. Pleasant said. As a student she also worked for Mrs. George Gore.

After her graduation, Mrs. Pleasant was named secretary to Dr. George W. Gore, who was dean of the faculty.

Mrs. Pleasant worked here from 1941 to 1946, then returned in 1953 and continued until her retirement this month.

"My years at TSU were enjoyable, both as a student and an employee," she said.

Mrs. Pleasant said her retirement plans are "to do whatever I want to do."

She is married to Gilbert Pleasant, former director of the Print Shop, who retired last year.

## Three Named to

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Wright Jolley. Jolley comes to CARP from across the campus where she was a program specialist in the Office of Student Financial Aid. In that office her responsibilities included writing procedures and guidelines for work study and guaranteed student loan programs, and maintaining and implementing the work study payroll and applications for guaranteed bank loans. Her new duties include maintaining a system of financial management and control of all expenditures against funded research projects and to keep the Research Director abreast of such spending. Jolley must also maintain detailed expenditure logs for each research project, and keep balanced sheets for each project on a bi-weekly basis. Her records include information on payments, authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, outlays and income.

Jolley is an alumna of the University, where she earned the B.S. degree in Business Education in 1970 and the M.S. degree in Agricultural Sciences in 1975.

at Middle Tennessee State University, in Murfreesboro. Tony Lyons, president of the Honors Program at the University, participated as a panelist on "A Viable Honors Program: The Student's Role."

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An annual meeting of the Credit Union will be held March 2, at 7:30 p.m., in the Faculty Cafeteria. At this time new members will be allowed to join and free gifts will be drawn.