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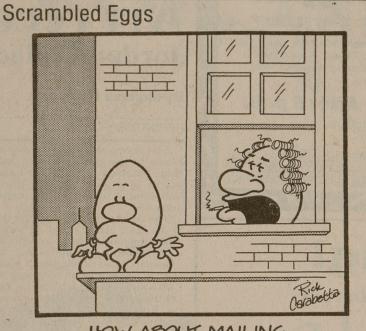
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Edwards

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and that the only result of the situation is the gradual elimination of op-portunities blacks have of landing decision-making roles in society.

"The result of this situation in

both sport and society has been the establishment of what is, in effect. a plantation system of occupational arrangements, with whites commanding a virtual monopoly of power and decision-making roles," he said.

He said a good example of this is that even blacks are beginning to accept their roles in society

"Institutionalized racism has been so careless and rampant that many in both black and white society, without any consciousness of being afflicted with the disease, have come to believe that blacks are better suited for some occupational roles and less suited for others," he said.

Edwards predicted that within 10 years the majority of collegiate and professional sports will be domi-

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years, basketball on most of the collegiate and athletic levels will be all black for all practical purposes," he said. "Football will be precisely where basketball is now — 70 percent to 80 percent black, and baseball will be made up of a majority of minorities, because it is the black underclass that is producing the gladia-

Edwards called for society to stand up and take action against racial discrimination in sports and elsewhere, because if it is not done now, future generations will find it harder

"The challenges in sports facing us today are like those facing us in society," he said. "The only question for those on all sides of the racial issue in sports and society is if they have the courage, the wisdom and the will to meet the challenges that confront us.

"Otherwise, our subsequent generations will have to fight battles that we should have fought and won, rather than moving ahead to meet the challenges spawned both within and beyond the sports arena by the dynamics of their own historical her-

McCloud

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cause it's not necessarily where we are, but where we're willing to go," she said. "It's not what you have, but what you're willing to do with what

society learn to balance its morals with its desire to excel, because today society is led to believe that being unethical sometimes helps you achieve what you want.

excellence and ethics," she said. can do. "The ethical choice may entail peran ethical dilemma in America, where wrong is masqueraded as right, and the press has made us believe that is the way it should be."

McCloud predicted that unless come decision-makers. things change, a college education will mean little in the near future.

the year 2000) will require a college degree," she said. "The other day I was listening to a full-time worker and he said, 'My brother has a Ph.D.,

She stressed the need for people to reach out and break any prejudices they have against others, and said racism is one of the most dangerous diseases known to man.

'We have guided missiles and misguided men and women," McCloud said. "We're willing to go across this world and defend this nation but we won't go across the street to speak to

"Racism has lifted its ugly head on college and university campuses. You say racism may not be on your campus. I say racism is like rain —it's ou have." either falling or it's somewhere gathering, and anywhere south of Canada, there's a problem in America.

She said the day students realize they are the ones who will be the leaders of tomorrow, is the day racism begins to diminish, because stu-The balance must come between dents today know the damage racism

"Monday is coming," McCloud sonal cost, and the wrong alternative said. "It is the discovery of self, may have a higher price tag. There's awareness and cultural awareness. You have a responsibility to know that the competitive edge depends upon you. Monday comes for you to become those leaders who will be-

She stressed the need for students to rise up and take the problem of 'Only five percent of the jobs (in racism in hand. Ideas, she said, are the true path to power, and students are more than capable of creating new ideas.

"Remain those who are willing to my sister has an M.A., and my father lecture not only by example, but to set an example," McCloud said. "Be those who are willing to say what you mean and mean what you say. Everyone knows that an idea can take you to the top faster than anything else, but if you wait for an idea already to be accepted, it's too late."

Fraternity

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Parks said. "I think that will help me handle what people might say. I think it's evident we have a problem with racism. I hope we can break down this wall we have at A&M."

Thomas doesn't agree with a white student's attempting to reactivate a chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha.

"That's like someone who's not Jewish trying to start up a Jewish chapter," he said. "That's wrong."

Fraternities may become a little less segregated in the future, but

there may never be an equal number of blacks and whites, Thomas said. "Maybe as society becomes a little less segregated, then fraternities might be a little less segregated," he

Eric Jefferson, president of the A&M chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi, a traditionally black fraternity, also believes society has an influence on the

segregation of fraternities.
"There has always been that undertone of segregation," he said. Kappa Alpha Psi has two Hispanic

members in the A&M chapter. "It's an open idea," Jefferson said. "Some of our most active brothers are the Hispanic brothers

Jefferson agrees with Duncan that a major difference in the historically

black and historically white Greek organizations is the emphasis placed on service projects.

'When we're looking at pledges, we look for a willingness to participate in service activities," Jefferson said. "It's a big part of our fraternity

and sorority life."

Kappa Alpha Psi also looks for young men who can mold together and create what they call brotherhood — a feeling of depending on one another. Jefferson said that neither his fraternity nor Alpha Phi Alpha ever have had restrictions in their constitutions allowing only black members.

"I have mixed feelings about what Burney is doing in New Mexico," he said. "Alpha Phi Alpha stands for a lot of good things. If he sees that in the fraternity then I see no problem with the reactivation

th the reactivation.
Charles Goodman, Interfraternity Council adviser at A&M said, hope what Burney is doing succeeds."

Goodman said he has noticed a large percentage of interracial relationships at A&M, particularly with the Hispanic community, which may influence A&M's Greek system.

'I think the historically white Greek organizations need to do a better job of going out and recruiting those kinds of people," he said. I certainly believe in Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream and would love to see the Greeks united in races.'

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