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Greetings -

We are now beginning the first pages of the Fifty-fourth Chapter in the history of Prairie View State College, Prairie View, Texas. I extend cordial greetings to you, my children and colleagues, and wish for you a fruitful and helpful year, resulting from our doing our best at our best.

President Hughes, Iowa State College, left these significant words with his teachers last month in his opening address:

"Much is said among college teachers to the effect that their private lives are their own concern and in no way the concern of the college, provided they do their teaching properly. I have always held the exactly opposite view. If a bank wants its employees to be men of character and blameless conduct, how much more important is it that all members of a college staff be men and women whose lives are examples of righteous living?

"It is safe to say that our students model their lives more on our practices than our teaching, and that the college will attain distinction only through alumni of noble and virtuous habits of life. Let us do our best to live in such a way as to be worthy of the students who work under us, and each do his best to give them an example of an honest life."

-- President Hughes, Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Things to keep in mind:

- 1. Every student must have his text book.
- 2. No student must be in class without being duly assigned there.
- 3. Everyone must be in classes on time.
- 4. No class is to be dismissed before the hour is up.
- 5. The roll call is to be taken and absentees reported promptly.
- 6. Thorough preparation of all assignments should be insisted upon.
- 7. Saturday classes are under observation.
- 8. A teacher is physically and mentally and spiritually unfit for class who has kept late hours the night before.

Education Building -

Have you visited the Education Building? It is a thing of beauty. Go to the library and look around and let your memory drift back to four years ago. We are thankful and happy.

Policy -

There is a policy governing smoking by employees on the immediate campus. Kindly observe.

Athletics -

Coach Taylor and his assistants are developing a splendid football team for this year. We play Langston University on our grounds October 10. Let every person who has Prairie View's interest at heart witness this game and give our team encouragement and support. This is to be one of our hardest games and WIN WE MUST: ALL ABOARD to Dallas, October 19, to see Prairie View beat Wiley College.

Halt -

The employees of Prairie View have called a halt on the following things:

1. Buying new suits this year

2. Buying new dresses this year

3. Useless expenditures of money, just to keep up with the Joneses

We must adjust our expenditures to our income and an intelligent program of saving. Let us see how much we can save and how long we can do without some things we think we must have. The man or woman who is constantly nagged by unnecessary debts cannot teach on the highest level of efficiency and, besides, makes a poor example of a citizen.

And, finally, my colleagues, let me commend these golden words to you:

"CONCERNING LITTLENESS

Let not the littleness of people disturb you. Remember that if you have been made big enough to do big things in life, you have been made large enough to overlook little things. So do not imagine you are great, so long as by sifting yourself you find jealousy, hatred, malice, or even the spirit that frets, in your heart. Greatness and these things sleep not in the same Soul."

--JOHN TROTWOOD MOORE

Prairie View State College, Prairie View, Texas.

P. S. The wives of our employees are invited to our Workers' Meeting, at 7:30 o'clock, Tuesday evening, October 6, 1931. W.R.B.