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## I CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY AND MARCH 1941 -

## A February - 1941

## 1 History Discussions -

- (a) Professor H A Bullock ..... February 6
- (b) Dr R P Perry ..... February 7
- (c) Mr L C Phillip ..... February 13
- (d) Miss E C May ..... February 14
- (e) Miss A L Campbell ..... February 21
- (f) Dr E M Norris ..... March 13

- 2 Vocational Conferences - (Miss May and Mrs Potts)  
February 20-22
- 3 NFA State Basket Ball Contest ..... February 22
- 4 Texas Basket Ball Contest AA High Schools Feb 28-March 1

## B March - 1941

- 5 Post Graduate Medical Clinic (Dr A K Smith) ... March 3-6
- 6 State Conference of Librarians (Mr O J Baker .... March 6
- 7 Twelfth Educational Conference ( Dr E B Evans) .. March 7
- 8 Houston Symphony Orchestra (Dr E B Evans) ..... March 9
- 9 State Association of Negro Musicians (Mr N L Gerren)  
March 14-16
- 10 Presbyterian Leadership Institute  
(Mr R W Hilliard) March 17-19
- 11 State High School Band Fete (Mr W H Bennett) ... March 22
- 12 Skills Examination (Messrs Abernethy, Potts and  
Miss May) ..... March 24-26

## II GOLF -

We have been pleased to observe that in recent months interest in Golf has been on the increase. Mr Perkins is to be congratulated for his persistent efforts in developing a playing field, making available equipment and instructions. Those who desire further information regarding this popular sport may talk with Mr Lee Perkins.

## III DRAFT -

The National Council on Defense is making an effort to determine the necessity of calling Staff Members of colleges for training camps. It is not the purpose of the government to disturb the program of education any more than it is necessary. Consequently, I have asked Mr Hilliard to get the names and draft numbers or classifications of the enrollees on our staff, so we can give sound reasons for deferment. Kindly give Mr Hilliard within the next five days this information.

#### IV CAUTION!

It is said that rural people and teachers are the easiest victims on earth for salesmen to inveigle into buying anything. I am sorry that this is true! People who have a steady income like the employees of Prairie View are constantly bombarded by salesmen to purchase every conceivable thing. Just recently, I am informed that several people here were decoyed into buying a commodity which afterwards caused them much embarrassment. Always be slow about buying. Never sign an instrument under any circumstances before carefully reading it. C-A-U-T-I-O-N!

#### V SUMMER SCHOOL

Plans are now in the making for the operation of the Summer School for 1941. We have enough experience at hand to say that it will not be possible to carry all the present members of the staff in the Summer School. The very definite shift in the Summer enrollment from Freshman and Sophomore to Junior and Senior, Graduate and Special students, will make adjustments necessary. We must give first consideration to those staff members who are away at present and those who went to school last summer in the matter of employment.

#### VI TRAINING -

We should be pleased to have those who contemplate going away to school the Second Semester, this summer and next year, to let me know in writing on or by March 1. We are asking the Directors to hand the names of those who have not been to school, within the last five (5) years, for the purpose of determining their plans for going to school. Those who are eligible for out-of-state aid for attending school, should contact Dean T D Brooks, A and M College, College Station, Texas, within the next ten (10) days.

#### VII COMMITTEES -

For the purpose of facilitating handling of the several activities for February and March, the following committees are appointed:

##### A Judging Contest - February 20-22

Mr O J Thomas	Mr John Williams	Mr Eristus Sams
Miss Louisa Taylor	Mrs J O A Conner	Miss A C Preston
Mr B S Luter	Mr H S Estelle	Mr L A Potts
Mr C H Waller	Miss Hazel Tatum	Miss E C May

##### B Post Graduate Medical Clinic - March 3-6

Dr A K Smith	Mr R W Hilliard	Mr Lee Perkins
Dr J M Franklin	Miss M E Suarez	Mr N L Gerren
Dr X A Hill	Miss E E Griffin	Mrs D B Bryant
Mrs C A Estues	Miss M A Watson	Miss K Walls
Mr G A Hayes	Miss Alma Pannell	Mr H W Carter
Miss M L Hood	Mr F G Fry	Mr T W Jones
Mr C W Lewis	Mr C L Wilson	Dr R P Perry

C Conference of Librarians - March 6

Mr O J Baker	Major Vernon Punch	Miss T L Cunningham
Dean M E Suarez	Mr H W Carter	Miss Z B Stokes
Mr C W Lewis	Miss C M Bradley	Mr F G Rhone

D Educational Conference - March 7 -- Houston Symphony Orchestra - March 9

Dr E B Evans	Mr J M Wilson	Mr E J Johnson
Mr J M Alexander	Mr C L Wilson	Mr E E O'Banion
Mr R W Hilliard	Mr W H Wiggins	Mr O J Baker
Mr J J Abernethy	Mr N L Gerren	Miss Z B Stokes
Mr H W Carter	Mr H E Fuller	Mr C W Lewis
	Mr R W Cole	

E Texas Negro Musicians - March 14-16

Mr N L Gerren	Mr R W Hilliard	Mr C L Wilson
Miss N C Allen	Miss M E Suarez	Dr J M Coruthers
Mr W H Bennett	Mr Lee Perkins	Dr E L Sasser
Miss W J Roberts	Mr F G Rhone	Mr W M Booker
Miss Ruth L Martin		Miss Z B Stokes

F Committee Bulletin Boards

Mr R W Hilliard	Dean M E Suarez	Mr Roland Adams
Mr C L Wilson	Mr H E Fuller	Mr W H Wiggins

H Committee Annual Meheagris - April 11

Mr C L Wilson	Mr F G Fry	Dr E B Evans
Mr L A Potts	Miss E C May	Mr R W Hilliard
Mr J J Abernethy	Dr R P Perry	Dr A K Smith

VIII THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND -

- A Join the Prairie View Faculty Credit Union
- B Pay your Poll Tax before the end of January
- C Pay Community Chest dues as early as possible
- D Remember that the Faculty Entertainment, number 2, will be March 27, 1941

IX A LETTER -

November 15, 1940

Principal W R Banks  
Campus

Dear Principal Banks:

The following information is taken from our records of Student Employment as of November 15, 1940:

- 1 Total number of students working ..... 324
- 2 Part-time students ..... 272

3	Contract students .....	52
4	Students employed from school funds ....	142
5	Students employed from NYA funds .....	130
6	Female students employed .....	127
7	Male students employed .....	197
8	Total expenditure for student labor	\$ 4,662.00
9	Expenditure from school funds for part time students .....	1,279.00 per month
10	Expenditure for contract students ...	1,976.00 per month
11	Expenditure for part time students from NYA funds .....	1,407.00 per month

The above is for your information. I am

Yours very truly,

/s/C L Wilson, Chairman  
Student Employment Committee

X ANOTHER LETTER -

November 15, 1940

Principal W R Banks  
Campus

Dear Principal Banks:

In your News Letter of November 1940 you called our attention to the necessity of conserving our electrical energy and water supply. Carrying that idea a little further I have taken from our records and compiled the total water consumption for the College during the months of September and October 1940. This I am presenting to you enclosed.

You will note that in some instances the water consumed was well over 300,000 gallons per day and in others seldom was it less than 200,000 gallons per day. When you compare this with the generally accepted standard which allows 100 gallons per day per person it is readily apparent that our consumption is excessive. Figuring on a campus population of 1500 we should not use more than 150,000 gallons per day. You will bear in mind that the figure of 100 gallons per day is based on a set standard for the average industrial city.

I am merely presenting this report for your information and guidance. I believe it will be to our advantage to take every possible step to reduce the water consumption at this Institution.

I am

Yours very truly,

/s/ C L Wilson, Superintendent  
Buildings and College Utilities

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE  
Prairie View, Texas

REPORT OF COLLEGE WATER CONSUMPTION FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 1940

<u>Date</u> <u>September</u>	<u>Gallons of Water Pumped</u>
1	232,000
2	199,000
3	199,000
4	232,000
5	281,000
6	232,000
7	248,000
8	199,000
9	215,000
10	298,000
11	265,000
12	315,000
13	110,630
14	281,000
15	284,000
16	281,000
17	331,000
18	298,000
19	281,000
20	298,000
21	215,000
22	182,000
23	182,000
24	199,000
25	215,000
26	199,000
27	215,000
28	182,000
29	199,000
30	215,000
Total for month	<u>7,082,630</u>

October

1	265,000
2	248,000
3	232,000
4	298,000
5	232,000
6	265,000
7	315,000
8	248,000
9	265,000
10	232,000
11	232,000
12	248,000
13	232,000
14	199,000
15	215,000
16	215,000

October (Cont'd)

Gallons of Water Pumped

17 .....	248,000
18 .....	215,000
19 .....	248,000
20 .....	232,000
21 .....	265,000
22 .....	232,000
23 .....	265,000
24 .....	281,000
25 .....	248,000
26 .....	199,000
27 .....	199,000
28 .....	199,000
29 .....	381,000
30 .....	199,000
31 .....	<u>182,000</u>
Total for month .....	<u>7,551,000</u>

Very truly yours,

/s/ C L Wilson, Superintendent  
Buildings and College Utilities

XI AND FINALLY -

"Democracy must inculcate in its children capacities for living and assure opportunities for the fulfillment of those capacities. The success of democratic institutions is measured, not by the extent of territory, financial power, machines, or armaments, but by the desires, the hopes, and the deep-lying satisfactions of the individual men, women, and children who make up its citizenship."

Yours truly,



W R Banks  
Principal

P S - Meeting usual time and place  
WRB