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Prairie View Congratulated on Health Week Program

President W. R. Banks  
Prairie View College  
Prairie View, Texas  
My dear Pres. Banks:

The judges in the National Negro Health Week contest awarded the prizes to Cincinnati, Louisville and Atlanta, but they requested that Prairie View should be included for splendid report which was submitted.

May I express our congratulations to you and also entertain the hope that you will see that another report is sent in next year.

I hope that you are going to be able to attend the next annual session of the Business League. We are hoping to have a splendid meeting in St. Louis.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the last edition of the Business League Bulletin.

Yours very truly,

Alben L. Holsey, Secretary

Prof. R. B. Atwood Talks of Exhibits at State Fair

Prof. R. B. Atwood who attended the recent State Fair held in Dallas, Texas, is loud in praise of the exhibits in general and of those of Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College in particular.

Speaking to the Editor of the Standard, Prof. Atwood stated that in his judgment Prairie View had a better exhibit than ever before; that Prairie View had more space, more varied and better products. On Dallas Day, Prof. Atwood said 176,000 people saw the college exhibit and were unstinted in genuine praise.

associated with Prof. Atwood at the fair were Mr. C. B. Miller, instructor in carpentry, and Mrs. M. E. V. Hunter of the extension service in home demonstration.

The Administrative Council

The Council met Wednesday morning September 21, 1927, in the office of the Principal at 8:30.

The meeting holding regular meeting of the council was taken under advisement.

Prof. J. J. Abernethy, director of the division of mechanic arts, was requested to make a survey of the

college with the view of making needed repairs.  
Dean Will H. Evans was requested to see that the orderlies make a check on student absentees from their duties.

Students coming to class not in complete uniform without a permit from the Commandant or Dean of Men are not to be allowed to remain.

The Principal called attention to the organization of a Junior College for Colored in Houston, Texas, and said Prairie View College would cooperate.

Division meetings were encouraged and authorized by the Principal to be held.

The following members of the council were present:

Prof. W. R. Banks, principal; Prof. R. B. Atwood; Prof. J. J. Abernethy; Prof. F. S. K. Whittaker; Mrs. G. W. Collins; Miss E. C. May; Mr. C. W. Lewis; Mr. N. B. Edward, secretary.

Prof. F. S. K. Whittaker

Prof. F. S. K. Whittaker, formerly associate professor of science, has become Registrar and head of the department of education.

Prof. Whittaker is broad and liberally educated and is rich in experience in school affairs. He is a graduate of Fisk and Harvard universities, holding a B. S. degree in science from the former and a L.L.D. degree from the latter. His superior training in the classics and in the law admirably fits him for the position he now holds and the Standard looks forward to improved conditions in all phases of his work.

THE STANDARD

The Prairie View Standard should be the Saturday visitor to every home in Texas interested in the proper development and training of the youths of our group.

The Standard not only takes the name of Prairie View College everywhere it goes, but it stands solid as an educator. It believes in preparing young men and women to function in the communities where they must live; that all forms of labor undertaken with the high standards of ethics are honorable; that whether one is rich or poor honorable labor honors the man as well as the job.

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F. S. K. Whittaker, Registrar

#### PRINCIPAL W. R. BANKS MAKES PLAIN TALK

At the meeting of teachers and employees of the college held in the auditorium September 27, 1927, among the main features thereof were the reports of directors, deans, professors and the fatherly admonitions of Principal W. R. Banks.

The Principal took the teachers and employees in his confidence and talked to them with unusual frankness and candor discussing the obligations of the college, the duties of the students, and the responsibilities of the teachers and employees.

Standing erect and in a voice thrilling with earnestness and Christian fervor and which was heard with rapt attention by every employe that sat before him, Principal Banks reasoned, encouraged and admonished his co-workers for more than thirty-five minutes. He explained the principles of economy and emphasized the necessity of saving a part of their earnings. He admonished the teachers to make studious preparations of the lessons they must teach and urged caution in conduct both public and private.

Among other things the Principal said, "Color, religion and family connections weigh nothing in considering applications for positions," emphasizing the importance of character, of the noble and simple life. The Principal made it plain that mere intellectual brilliance would not suffice and made a plea for refinement in life as well as in dress.

He was left to the leaders at college, the teachers and employes to set the pace.

#### Prairie View Panthers Football Schedule—1927

By Louis Jones

Saturday, Oct. 15, Beaumont High School, Prairie View.

Wednesday, Oct. 19, Langston University, Langston, Okla.

Friday, Oct. 28, Wiley College, Prairie View

Thursday, Nov. 3, Paul Quinn College, Waco.

Friday, Nov. 11, Bishop College, Marshall.

Friday, Nov. 18, Samuel Huston (Home Coming), Prairie View

Thursday, Nov. 24, Texas College, Tyler.

Monday, Dec. 26, Wiley College, Beaumont.

Eight games played; eight games won. We expect this to be the record of the Panthers for the current football season. Of course Beaumont High will give us a little practice and then we will invade the sooner state to take our revenge on Langston. Coming back to the state the Panthers will begin the conference struggles.

Coch Law is buoyant with hopes for a winning team. Having carefully trained a bravely group of men which is in the pink of condition. With the old varsity crew, Captain Mark, Bates, A. Davis, N. Davis, Bass, Mosely, Turner, Ewell, and Singleton together with Fisher, Love, Prince, J. R. Johnson, White, Dallas Turner and Mason last year's men who are making a good showing this season and a large group of recruits of which Marion Lewis, Elmo Franklin, and Willie Johnson deserve creditable mention in the back-field; our team ought to be well high invincible.

With a sturdy immovable line of old veterans and our fleet-footed hand kicking Oil City star, Jap Turner and the coaching of the re-

#### doubtable "Jimmie" Law assisted in the back-field by Coach McMorries, one time star end and half-back of Lincoln University, Pennsylvania, the Panthers ought to make the Southern Conference and the State at large "sit up and take notice."

#### Prairie View Holds Religious Exercises

Religious exercises are held at the college every Sunday.

The Y.M. and Y.W.C.A. have been organized by electing their official cabinets and campaigns for larger memberships have been launched by both organizations.

The college as a whole heard Rev. John B. Boyce, archdeacon of the Episcopal church, preach Sunday morning at 11 a. m., September 25.

Music was rendered by the college choir. Miss Doris Reita Novel, director of music, was at the piano. Prof. James C. McMorries, chaplain, presided. Directed by Prof. Z. W. Carroll, an offering was taken for Miss Willie B. Walker by Mr. L. C. Phillips, Mr. S. H. Hennington, Miss Lucie Bell Madison, Miss Tommye Collins, Miss Eliza Thompson and Miss Maggie Brown.

Rev. Boyce preached for one hour taking his Text from Gen. 1:26, "Let us make man in our own image." Among other things Rev. Boyce said, "The physical part of man does not value as much; but it is in the spiritual that he is lifted high and above the plane of the brute, the power of conscience, of righteousness, to be able to think and reason."

"Man was made in the image of God," said Rev. Boyce, and like Him, we should be honest, faithful, and be able to stand firm and true and not be moved by the glittering things of this world. Stand firm and we will be able to do all things through Jesus Christ our Lord and Redeemer."

#### Mr. Max Yergan and Mr. Frank T. Wilson

Mr. Max Yergan, Christian Missionary serving in South Africa, told the story of his work and the conditions that confront the natives on that continent in an address to the college that brought both hope and falling tears from men and women that sat before him on Tuesday morning October 4.

Mr. Yergan was introduced to the college after the choir had sung, "I Aint going to Study War No More," by Mr. Frank T. Wilson, national student secretary of the Y.M.C.A. for the western region.

Mr. Yergan spoke of the new Africa, of its economic, political, social and religious status and told in tears of the work of the Y.M.C.A. for the natives of South Africa.

#### The Interscholastic League of Colored Schools

The Texas Interscholastic League of Colored Schools under the leadership of Principal W. R. Banks has already taken steps to enlarge its program for this year.

Prof. C. H. Waller, leader of farm extension work among Negroes of Texas will again head the general program for entertaining and arranging for the district winners who will assemble for the final contests in literary and athletic events at the college Friday and Saturday, April 20 and 21, 1928.

The records in the office of Principal W. R. Banks, state executive secretary of the Interscholastic League, show that 413 schools, Class A, Class B, Ward and Rural, joined the league, and took part in the various county and district meets held over the state last year. The time for enrollment this year has begun and there is every assurance that the enrollment will be more than 400 before the district meets are held in April 1928.

The membership fees have not changed and are to be sent to Principal W. R. Banks before the schools shall be eligible to enter any of the contests. The fees are as follows:

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| Class A Schools..... | \$4.00 |
| Class B Schools..... | \$3.00 |
| Ward Schools.....    | 2.00   |
| Rural Schools.....   | 1.00   |

#### Y. W. C. A. NOTES

(By Miss Jeannie Johnson)

Messrs. Max Yergan and Frank Wilson will be the guests of Prairie View on Sunday October 2.

In sympathy with the young ladies of the Y.W.C.A. cabinet gave to this worthy cause, nine dollars.

On Friday morning September 23, the members of the Y.W.C.A. cabinet took charge of the chapel exercises at which time the President, Miss Lula B. Madison, saw fit to introduce her willing workers of the cabinet. They are as follows: Lula B. Madison, president; Madge Chatman, vice-president; Olivia McKenney, secretary; Malinda Terrell, treasurer; Artimickie Henry, U. R. girl; Alvesta Baker, chaplain; Jeffie Mae Johnson, reporter. The chairmen of committees are Lucile Ball, recreation; Josie McCullough, finance; Frankie Hall, reception; Eloise Hines, housekeeping; Inez Young, entertainment; Evelyn Kelley, religious; Maggie Brown, student honorary advisor; Mrs. Evelyn Johnson Rucker, supervisor.

A very enjoyable and inspirational talk was given by Miss Edna Kinchen, formerly a graduate of Paul Quinn College and a member of the National Council of the Y.W.C.A., Sunday evening September 25, in the college auditorium. She is en route to the University of Pittsburg to begin her graduate work.

May we continue to make this plea, "Join the Y."

#### The Workers Meeting

The first Workers meeting of the regular session of the college for the year 1927-28 was held in the auditorium Wednesday evening September 14 at 7 p. m., Principal W. R. Banks in the chair.

The meeting was opened by singing.

#### Prairie View College Opens With More Than 1000

Formal opening exercises of the regular session of Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College of Texas was held in the college auditorium Thursday morning September 15 before a crowd of students that overflowed the big auditorium and overtaxed the available accommodations.

According to the estimates made at the college, more than 1000 students applied for admittance on the opening day. It is impossible to supply homes for all applicants and at least 400 students will be denied admittance before the middle of the first quarter.

The main features of the opening exercises were the educational address of Principal W. R. Banks and the introduction of his force of teachers and employes.

The address of Principal Banks was replete with educational sagacity and bristled with sound doctrine for student body and teaching personnel. The Principal's address made a profound impression and he was given an ovation on taking his seat.

The personnel of the faculty is exceptionally strong, the departments will be represented by professors holding master's degrees from leading colleges and universities.

#### Commandant William Banks

The Commandant of the college cadets, William Banks, has organized and systemized the military status of the cadet corps and hopes to be able to show better results this session along all lines of his command.

Commandant Banks is a hardened, seasoned soldier and has the confidence of the cadets and the college.

#### PADDLE ON

By Napoleon Bonaparte Edward

I

In this strange and changing world,  
Things will not go right always,  
Times will find you in a whirl,  
There'll be awful cloudy days.

II

Friends will change without a cause  
Love will fade and turn around,  
Enemies will pick their flaws,  
Oft you'll flat be on the ground.

III

Birds will never sing forever,  
Children cease sometime to play,  
Conditions will change the weather,  
Night is long in turning day.

IV

Though the days may linger long,  
And the clouds may hover low,  
Keep your heart a happy song,  
Paddle on to yonder shore.

Mr. Leo M. Favrot and Mr. D. B. Taylor

Both Mr. Leo M. Favrot, field agent of the general education board, and Mr. D. B. Taylor, state supervisor of colored schools of Texas, were at the college October 7.

The two educators were met by Principal W. R. Banks and other employes of the college on their arrival. They held a conference with Principal Banks on educational affairs and made an inspection of the dormitories and other main features of the institution.

There were 62 teachers in attendance upon the institute and the three days program dealt with practical school affairs and was enthusiastic from beginning to end.

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