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# ALUMNI AND EX-STUDENT ISSUE THE PRAIRIE VIEW STANDARD

Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College, Prairie View, Texas, April, 1935

# CLASS OF 1885 TO HAVE REUNION ON ALUMNI

## On Anderson Hall **Project Mapped**

Plans have been completed for the final drive on the Anderson Hall Project Fund. Several groups have pledged to buy pieces for the lobby. Quite a number of ex-students have not contributed and have inquired regarding this. Prof. J. M. Alexander states that funds are coming in from individuals and clubs. It is hoped that the contributions will be sent in before May 25 in order that purchases may be made and placed in the building before Alumni Day.

### Contributors To The Anderson Hall **Project Fund**

The following is the list of contributors to the Anderson Hall Project Fund. This list is continued from the last Alumni and Ex-Student pa-

#### (Summer School) \$1.00

Mr. T. Johnson, Mrs. Myrtle B. Mrs. Stanley, Mr. T. N. Watts, Mr. C. L. Brewer, Miss Bernice Porter, Mr. E. A. Johnson, Mr. L. A. Smith, Mr. E. L. Winston, Mr. E. A. Styles, Mr. B. L. Johnson, Mr. J. T. Washington, Mr. A. B. Alexander, Mr. D. C. Dansby, Mrs. Minerva Jackson Jones, Mr. I. L. B. Toliver, Miss Ruby Nichols, Miss Mable Boone, Miss Oneita Pigford, Mrs. K. E. Porter, Miss Lucinda Denny, Prof. E. O. Smith.

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Miss S. Montgomery, Mrs. C. Mayfield. Miss Gladys Shields, Mrs. C. H. Banks, Mr. C. H. Banks, Mr. J. Greg- been assigned. Second, the fact that ory Sanders, Mr. I. A. Reese, Mr. L. E. Fry, Mr. W. H. Houston, Mrs. H. G. Dickerson, Mrs. J. M. Colter, Mrs. Grady Terry, Mrs. C. L. Wilson (\$2), fered to the youth of Texas. Mrs. W. R. Harrison, Mrs. W. E. D. Freeman, Mr. A. Jessie Banks, Miss Elizabeth Kilpatrick, Mrs. Mable Mc-Gowen, Mr. H. R. Turner, Mr. James O. Mason, Mr. S. G. H. Glascow, Mr. I. J. Collier, Mr. J. C. Jenkins, Mr. L. B. Cash, Mr. L. T. Allen, Mr. Martin Curtiss, Mrs. L. E. Lusk, Mrs. E. H. Gilmore, Mrs. J. M. Jeters, Mrs. E. H. Wallace, Mrs. L. T. Allen.

Mexia P. V. Club (\$1.00) Each) Prof. S. O. Parrish, Mrs. S. O.

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## Plans For Final Drive PRAIRIE VIEW GRADUATE IS CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE



DR. F. D. PATTERSON

## Principal W. R. Banks Gets Important Appointment

In a letter dated October 18, 1934, from the State Department of Education, Curriculum and Text Book Division, Principal Banks received the following to consider: "I should like for you to serve as General Chairman for the Colored Teachers of Texas during the time the study program is being carried out." As usual, our Principal accepted the privilege and was thus appointed Chairman of State Committee of Curriculum Study and Revision for Negroes in Texas.

Alumni and Ex-Students consider this appointment one of great significance. First, it reveals general realization and acknowledgement that Principal Banks is competent and equal to the task to which he has Colored persons are actively engaged in the curriculum revision program, indicates a change in the opinion I. W. Rowan, Mrs. T. C. Hill, Mrs. that we are not capable of doing Thelma S. Wells, Mr. G. O. Sanders, meritorious work. Finally, it means Sr., Mr. B. F. Thomas, Mr. H. T. that we have a chance to prove our Griffin, Mr. O. A. Mason, Mrs. C. W. efficiency in the matter of consid-Lewis, Miss A. E. Chatman, Mr. ering what education should be of-

have attempted to present knowledge without the bridge of experience and in terms of recipients. We have accepted for the elements of immediate experiences as a basis for our curriculum, the organized material received from educational authorities without adapting it to the apperceptive background of the pupil. This Parrish, Prof. J. R. Farris, Mrs. N. has made our education for the most O. Pigford, Mrs. O. T. Wirdlow, Prof. part formal, stereotyped, discipli-

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TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala .-Dr. Frederick Douglass Patterson is the new president of Tuskegee Institute. The trustees, meeting in their annual session here last Saturday, selected the 34 year old director of Tuskegee's Agricultural Department to head the school made famous by Booker T. Washington as one of the most important and unique educational institutions in the entire world. He has been connected with Tuskegee for seven years serving as Veterinarian and instructor before being promoted one year ago to the directorship of the school's Agricultural department. Dr. Patterson was born in Washington, D. C., the son of William Ross Patterson and Mrs. Mamie Patterson. William Ross Patterson was a school teacher and lawyer in Washington, D. C. Frederick was taken as a child to Texas, remaining in the State until he completed his elementary and secondary education which he secured at Prairie View College. Graduating from graduating class-June, 1885. Prairie View College where he spent at Ames, Iowa, where he spent four years, earned the degree of Doctor ment on the old "stamping" grounds of Veterinary Medicine in 1923. He of Prairie View. Let us know the obtained the degree of Master of day and we will get busy to get the Science from the same institution in members there. The living members 1927. His Doctor of Philosophy de- are: Prof. P. A. Stamps of Marlin, gree was conferred by Cornell Unithe field of Bacteriology.

## Appointee Directs The Entire District

VALLEJO, Calif.—Announcement of the appointment of A. Wayne Amerson, former department director at Langston university, to the position of budget director of the Contra Costa and Solano district of the State Emergency Relief Administration, was made known here.

In his new capacity Mr. Amerson prepares work orders for the entire district case load and is the only member of his Race employed in the administrative force in the district, as well as one of three employed in an administrative capacity throughout the entire Northern California.

### Leaves Other Job

That this marks the beginning of son has completed considerable grada new day for the Negro in education, uate work at the Universtyi of Arithere is no doubt. Heretofore we zona and it is understood he is now and "A" student registered at the San Francisco Institute of Accountancy. His new appointment took him away from another recent appointment accepted by him on the Northern California staff of representatives of The Investors' Syndicate, the largest security company in the United States.

It is expected that following his present connections with the F. E. guest speakers at the meeting closed

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## Celebration of Class 'A' Rating And Reunion Main Feature

The re-union of the class of 1885 and the celebration of A rating will occupy the attention of the 1500 persons who are expected to be on the college campus May 25, 1935 for the annual Alumni Day activities. Chairman G. W. Buchanan announces that Mrs. L. M. Hughes will be the main speaker for the celebration. Dr. Armstrong has not announced the choice for the class speaker but will quite likely do so within the next few days. Dr. Armstrong's letter to Principal W. R. Banks follows:

> Route 7, Box 207 Dallas, Texas March 24, 1935.

Principal W. R. Banks Prairie View College Prairie View, Texas. Dear Sir:

I am desirous to remind you that this coming June 50 years ago the then Prairie View State Normal School issued Diplomas to its first

Six of us were in the class. Five four years in agricultural study in are still living. It it meets your ap-1919, he entered Iowa State College proval I would be delighted to meet the survivors at your next commence-Texas, Prof. Nat Q. Henderson of versity in 1932 and was received in Houston, Texas, Mrs. Nettie Burford of Houston, Texas, Mrs. Katie Clay of Houston, Texas, and myself.

Yours truly, S. W. Armstrong, M. D.

#### THE SIXTH EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

By Mrs. Rosa B. J. Isaacs

For the sixth time in as many years, white and colored educators met at Prairie View College, March 29, to continue their study of Negro problems in Texas.

This session concerned itself with the economic status of the Negro in Texas. No attempt was made to condone the ordinary practices of the Negro in the business world, but every effort was made to find the weak places in his economic structure, to expose them, and to find Since leaving Oklahoma, Mr. Amer- means for re-enforcing this structure. This was done through statistical reports given by Mr. Charles Shaw, insurance manager of the Watchtower Mutual, Houston, Texas, and Principal L. V. Williams, Booker T. Washington High School, Dallas,

> No less effective were the whimsical reminiscences of Dr. Willis J. King, president of Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, a current visitor on the campus and one of the

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AIM-To maintain the bond of friendship between all who have attended Paririe View State College.

#### VARIETY

(The spice of life)

By Roby W. Hilliard, '30

The Executive Committee of the Alumni & Ex-Student Association adopted an Alumni Day program that will cover a variety of interests. Indications are that there will be more than 1000 ex-students and friends of the institution back on the "Old Hill."

The spirit exemplified by Dr. Armstrong, '85 is what every school feels provide of. They want to return to their Alma Mater for their one-half century re-union. It will be an inspiration to our student body and to the younger graduates to see men and women who walked these same grounds fifty years ago and laid the foundation for what has followed. What we enjoy is a result of what those who came before us did. Five of the six members of the class are within a radius of 200 miles and will return May 25, 1935.

Prof. O. A. Fuller, Prairie View's very competent music director, will give a 45 minute band concert on the lawn at 4:00 p. m., Alumni Day. Prof. Fuller is one of the busiest members of the faculty yet he always finds a place on his program to help any progressive move.

The 5:00 p. m. program is conducted by Mr. G. W. Buchanan and as we 38 now. If you have not organized day. The "A" rating and the 50 ters at Prairie View and get the tion, with an enrollment with less original thinking; that education, year re-union of the class of 1885 necessary information and organize than half the present. will be the theme for the program. that club. Mr. Buchanan will secure outstanding ex-students to speak. Last year Miss Hazel Tatum of Paris, Texas was guest singer. Another prominent graduate will be selected for gram leading up to their 1940 rethis year.

are working to equal or surpass the the campus Alumni Day are asked to program of 1934. (That will be a do so. All are asked to comply to rather difficult task) Mrs. G. C. the letter sent out.

## ALUMNI DAY PROGRAM

May 25, 1935

1:30-3:30-Business Meeting-Chapel 3:30-4:00-Free Period also Group Meetings

4:00-4:45—Band Concert—Lawn

4:45-5:00—Free Period

5:00-6:00-Celegration of A Rating and Re-Union of Class 1885 (Open Air)

6:00-6:30-Free Period

6:30-8:15—Banquet—College Dining Hall

8:15-9:00-Free Period

9:00-12:00-Alumni Soiree-College Dining Hall

#### LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Prairie View College Prairie View, Texas April. 1935

Dear Club Members:

April 23, 1935, Prairie View clubs all over the United States will celebrate Prairie View Day. Our local club is going to have its entertainment, in the form of a banquet at which all the speeches, place cards, announcemnets and everything will center around the growth and development of Prairie View.

The Bryan-Prairie View Club is sponsoring a "Go To High School," "Go To College" and a "Back to School" campaign. I am enclosing some facts which might be suggestive in the course of the meeting.

May 25th will be general Alumni Day. The program will center around the "A" rating celebration. Come, let us make merry over the achievement of our Alma Mater, the institution that has done much for us as individuals and as a race.

Yours for a better P. V., Lee C. Phillip, Executive Secretary

Peters and Mr. J. C. Davis will head those committees.

It is hoped that those ex-students who have not given on the Anderson Hall Project will do so by May 25, 1935 in order that this drive may be closed. The amount needed is slightly more than \$550.00. Individual or group contributions will be appreci-

Since our last meeting we have received notice that the ex-students at Columbus, Texas have organized a club. Prof. James Robinson is president. He has always done his best in any undertaking and we predict that the Columbus club will be one of the strongest in the state.

Even though the Los Angeles-Prairie View club is unwilling to release Miss P. W. Henry the Bryan-Prairie View ex-students elected her president of their club. Congratula-

The Prairie View Clubs number all know will be the feature for the you should write Alumni Headquar- institute a small plant was in opera- at a premium, but the capacity for

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A representative number of the members of the class of 1930 will meet to work out a five year prounion. It was thought best to have a semi-reunion for this purpose. The banquet and dance committees Those who can conveniently come to

#### TEXAS MAINTAINS INSTITUTE PRAIRIE VIEW AND BISHOP FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

AUSTIN, Texas.-The Texas Deaf and Blind Institute for Colored Youths is the largest institution of its kind in the world, maintained for our Race by the state. It is managed and directed under the personal supervision of John D. Martin.

Mr. Martin has served this noteworthy institute with the capable assistance of his wife, Mrs. Lulu Lambert-Martin, for 14 years. He has headed this work under the administrations of Governors Hobby, Neff, Ferguson, Moody, Sterling and the present Governor Allred. His term has set a precedent for service as he has been held there longer than any other superintendent, without the slightest opposition.

The Texas Deaf and Blind Institute is the second largest institution for our race supported by the state of Texas. It has an annual appropriation of approximately \$200,000. During the 14 years he has served, Mr. Martin estimates that the state of Texas has expended more than two and one half million dollars.

The plant is located a half mile from the city limits of Austin on a 106 acre tract of land in the foothills overlooking the scenic Colorado River; and is valued at \$600,000. It is composed of nine modern fireproof pressed brick buildings suitably located on a spacious shaded campus. The administration building erected in 1925 at a cost of \$72,000. which houses the executive offices, auditorium seating 600, and classrooms, etc. The student enrollment is 281 boys and girls ranging from 6 to 21 years of age.

#### Faculty and Training

This institute is very unique, and very few of its kind are to be found, in that it not only serves as a home and hospital for the deaf and blind but is an educational high school and junior college. Last year the school was so rated by the state department of education.

There are 26 instructors, most of whom hold degrees from the leading class A colleges. It is interesting to know that former inmates and students of the institution are pursuing advanced scholastic training at Wiley, Prairie View, Tillotson, and Guadaloupe colleges. This record has seldom, if ever, been equalled. Incidentally, one of the most unusual cases is a blind graduate, William Catley, and instructor of Southern university, Baton Rouge, La., who is also a candidate for his masters.

#### Native Texans

Mr. Martin and his wife are both Texans by birth. He is a graduate of Prairie View State College, while to spend as much time as you can Mrs. Martin completed her education at Samuel Huston college. Before coming to the D. and B. institute post on the footpath to peace. they both taught in the public schools together at Georgetown, Taylor and Fort Worth, Texas.

to take up their official duties at the

successfully under the guidance of will develop that inquiring mind sympathetic hands, being liberally which means, at least, opportunity. supported by the legislature and the state board of control.

-The Chicago Defender.

"Our minds are like certain vehicles, when they have little to carry and his "up to the minute" organizathey make much noise about it, but tion for having on hand, and allowwhen they are heavily loaded they ing us to use, the cut of Dr. F. D. -Elihu Burrett Patterson. run quietly."

## EXCHANGE DRAMAS

#### Taken from the Bishop Herald

Bishop College students and citizens of Marshall are looking forward to enjoying "Through The Keyhole". a delightful play by William Davidson which will be produced on the evening of March 8th on Bishop College campus by members of the Gilpin Dramatic Club of Prairie View

Some thing new and interesting is being introduced this year between the dramatic groups of the two colleges in this exchange of productions.

Members of the Harrison Dramatic Club of Bishop College are rehearsing lines at the present time for a play that they will present the first week in April at Prairie View.

The plays were received well at Bishop and Prairie View.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF TRANSACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ANDERSON HALL PROJECT

Money collected and deposited by May 28, 1934.....\$429.46 Money collected and deposited through March, 1935... 193.64

\$623.10

Disbursements ..... .\$588.50

Balance on Hand.....\$ 34.60

#### Value of Furnishings

Purchased by committee.....\$588.50 Nautilus Club-1 chair...... 37.50 A Friend-1 table..... 12.50 Mrs. W. M. Teal-1 lamp..... 12.50 Mr. Charlie Thomas-2.50

1 picture.....

A 10 per cent and 10 per cent discount was given on cash payment.

#### THE FOOTPATH TO PEACE

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and manners, and to fear nothing except cow ardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ; and with body and with spirit, in God's out-of-doors these are little guide

-By Henry Van Dyke

. . . Those who will not be starving When they came to Austin in 1921 in the years after graduation know that it is not a diploma which is now while it may not assure one in ad-The institution today has flourished vance a white collar job and a salary,

-Syracuse Daily Orange

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Thanks to Editor C. F. Richardson

## HERE AND THERE

#### WHAT THE COLLEGES ARE DOING

Ginn and Company sent out letters to college executives asking the following question:

"What has the colleges learned from the depression?"

The following is a group of an-

#### President Kenneth C. M. Sills Bowdoin College

In the first place, the college has learned from the depression that it is part and parcel of the larger American community and that what affects the country inevitably affects the college. In the second place, it has learned to be more careful with its financial expenditures, and in particular has had it impressed upon it the folly of large building programs without adequate funds for maintenance. In the third place, the college has perhaps learned from the depression that there is a great deal to be said for return to simpler methods and simpler living. There has been undoubtedly a tendency in college life toward too much luxury, and this tendency has been wisely checked of late years. Finally, the college has learned that older people are much more affected by change than is youth. Youth can face even revolutionary policies and very real changes in our social order with equanimity, and youth is always full of hope.

#### Dean H. E. Hawkes Columbia University

I think one can sum the matter up by saying that, in the first place, when one has little or no money one only spends that money in directions that seem abundantly worthwhile. Consequently the present depression oblidged us to make an analysis of values in collegiate education which has not been necessary for many years. It seems unlikely that the same conclusion as to values should be reached in all institutions. Local conditions vary so much that an interprise that is of prime importance in one place may well be curtailed in another. At the same time, the depression has required all of us to examine our personnel, our equipment, and the direction of which expansion is taking place in order to be perfectly certain that everything fits together in the development of the kind of institution that is most useful and effective.

#### Chancellor H. W. Chase, New York University:

In brief answer to your request for an opinion as to what the colleges have learned from the depression I should say that they learned:

The necessity for a careful review of existing setups and practices and relative values in the attempt to meet diminishing incomes with as little sacrifice as possbile of the really fundamental educational values. In some cases the thinking through of this sort of prolem has proved of immense value to the institution concerned.

I think out of the depression is coming an increased realization of ing the social order. To do this, the and universities, the responsibility, I mean, of paying more attention to

#### President James Rowland Angell, Yale University:

The colleges have for one thing learned from the depression how to make a dollar, even a depreciated dollar, do sustantially what two dollars had done before, and they have also been aroused to new conscoiusness of the various forms of public service which educational institutions can render under the pressure of acute public need.

#### President Alexander G. Ruthven, University of Michigan:

The college seems to be learning from the depression that one of the principal functions has been too much overshadowed and suppressed during the orgy of material expansion in American life in the period preceding the year 1929. The neglected function is character building through the molding of personality in socially desirable ways.

#### Vice President J. L. Morrill, Ohio State University:

A land-grant institution such as Ohio State University has learned these things from the depression:

- 1. That it is indispensible to the social order.
- 2. That it must recognize and somehow meet the obligation and opportunity for adult education.
- 3. That its traditional curricula and subject-matter approaches are not intelligently adequate to meet present day needs for economic understanding, social understanding, preparation and motivation for sensible citizenship.
- 4. That although the university must remain the stronghold of scholarship and specialization, its work is undoubtedly more significant, in the large, in the area of social orientation than in the field of scholarship per se. In other words, the depression must have opened the eyes of colleges and universities to the fact that the phenomonen of so-called mass education in America is not a calamity to be deplored but an opportunity to be embraced.

#### APPOINTEE DIRECTS THE ENTIRE DISTRICT

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R. A., Mr. Amerson will turn his activities toward the business world, however he has repeatedly refused to publicly make announcement of such a decision. Because of the recognition he has received as a teacher such a move will be considered as quite a loss, yet the representatives of the Investors' Syndicate feel find has been made in their appointment of Mr. Amerson.

-The Chicago Defender.

Mr. Amerson graduated from Prairie View in 1926.

### EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE

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the morning session with the suggestion that above all, it is the duty of the school to prepare an intelligent group who, on the basis of this preparation, will be able to aid in reformthe social responsibility of colleges school should stress for its students a knowledge of world affairs. This study should include not only a basic knowledge of world economics but a ent organization of industry.

#### PRAIRIE VIEW GRADUATES AND EX-STUDENTS IN ANDERSON COUNTY

By Mrs. Geo. F. Jones, '31

Since space in this issue will not permit me to write of the number of Prairie Viewites found in the educational and business field in Anderson county, I shall write only of a few, hoping to have the opportunity to continue the article in the next issue.

Mr. F. J. Robinson, B. S., '31 has entered into his fourth year as County Demonstration agent. Under his leadership much improvement is seen among the farmers in the county. Mr. Robinson is also president of the Prairie View Club which is fostering a scholarship for worthy boys and girls, and director of the Colored Citizen's League of Palestine, Texas.

Mrs. F. J. Robinson, who is also a Prairie Viewite, is principal of the Pine Hill School, which is said to be one of the best organized one-teacher schools in the county. She is also secretary of the Prairie View Club.

Miss Alice Shields, B. S., Prairie View; M. A., Columbia, New York, is the conductor of the Wiley Extension School. Miss Shields is proving a very efficient and satisfactory di-

A recent addition to our Prairie View group is Miss Sophia Montgomery, B. S., '33. Miss Montgomery has been appointed as Jeans Supervisor over the Anderson County schools, and she is attacking her new work with a spirit that bespeaks success for herself and credit for her Alma Mater.

Mr. J. H. Raibon, B. S., '29 is Funeral Director and Mortician of the Updack & Raibon Undertaking establishmnet, secretary to the County and Home Demonstration agents, chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Citizen's League and vice president of the Prairie View Club.

Mr. J. A. B. Strain, a graduate of Prairie View, is principal of the Banks Ward School of Palestine. He is also president of the Colored Citizen's League, and an active member of the Prairie View Club.

Mrs. Lelia Butler Beacon, B. S., '31 is doing effective work as principal of the Mound Prairie School.

Mr. Wm. Dailey, B. S., '34 has been appointed as one of the CWA teachers of Anderson County, and is said to be doing a fine peice of work. He is also an assistant in the Updack & Raibon Undertaking establishment.

Mrs. J. D. McClelland, head of the Home Economics department in the Palestine Public School, is one of the oldest teachers in point of service in the school system. She is a loyal student of Prairie View and an active member of the Prairie View

Miss Inell Walker, B. S., '30, is holding a very important Government position as Itinerant teacher in

is head of the Primary Department teacher of Spanish in the Rosenwald School, Kilgore. Miss Robertson is coach of one of the best girl's basketball teams in these parts.

Mr. Willie Singletary, B. S., '34 is principal of the Lost Prairie School. He has won the respect of the people of his community.. The trustees and patrons speak in the highest terms of his work.

In the fall of 1933, Mr. Paul Rutledge, B. S., '31, was elected head of the attempt to make their graduates thorough acquaintance with the pres- Anderson County. This school is the largest of the three over which Mr.

Rutledge supervises. The school has made such wonderful progress that it has recently been given a high school rating by the State Department at Austin, Texas, making it the only colored rural high school in Anderson County. Mr. Rutledge is also district director of District No. 14 of the State Interscholastic League.

Mrs. Johnie Cephas Rutledge, B.S., '31, the wife of Mr. Rutledge, is head of the Home Economics Department and derector of Music. Mrs. Rutledge has one of the best groups of singers in the county. She is also pianist for the Prairie View Club.

Mr. Joel Harris, B. S., '31 heads the Mathematics and Science Departments. He is also director of the Anderson County Interscholastic League, and a member of the Board of directors of the Anderson County Teacher's Association.

A new addition to the faculty this year is Mr. Hulen Smith, B. S., '34. Mr. Smith is head of the Intermediate Department and Coach of Athletics. Anderson County is fortunate to have one of Prairie View's best all-time track and football stars in one of its schools.

Heading the Primary Department is the writer of this article. A new feature added to this department is a thirty-piece Rhythm Band, which brings down the house whenever it appears.

There are many other Prairie Viewites in Anderson County that are doing creditable work that I shall take up in another issue.

We love our Alma Mater Our Dear old Prairie View, For her we'll stand, a united band, With hearts ever loyal and true.

## Open Letter To Varsity "P" Members

Re: Prairie View Track Team to Tuskegee Relays

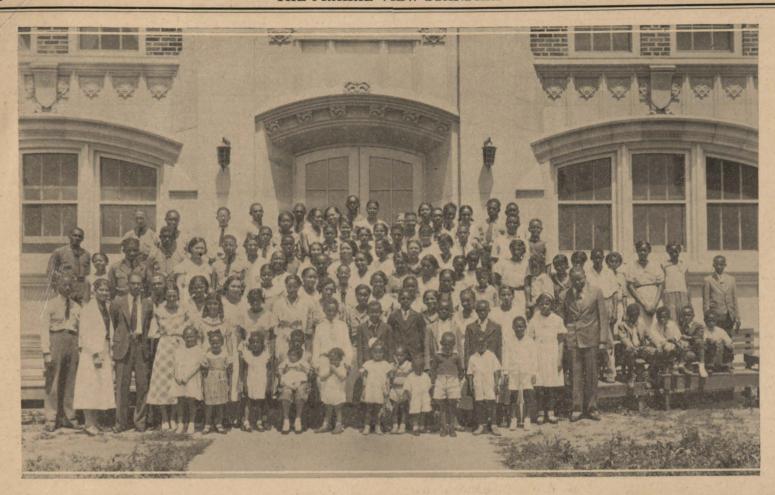
Dear Co-Worker:

If you will recall, a meeting of former Prairie View athletes was called on "Home Coming Day" in November, at which time, a state-wide organization was formed. The purpose of this organization included assisting in the program of athletics at our Alma Mater. Therefore, this letter is sent to advise of a coming event that is in need of our assistance. For two years our track team won the Southwestern championship at the Prairie View Relays. By a drive among the students last year, we managed to get part of the team to the Tuskegee Relays. Every event in which they participated was won by them.

In the absence of an appropriation for this phase of athletics, it is up to Dallas, Ft. Worth, Waco, and Austin. us to see that our team is sent to the Miss Velma Robinson, B. S. of '32 Tuskegee Relays. It was decided in a meeting that we give a minimum fee of \$1.00 each. If you are in accord with this organization and interested in the promotion of athletics at Prairie View, we should be pleased to have your remittance not later than April 29th.

> Thanking you for your immediate attention and cooperation in this matter, we are

Very truly yours, THE VARSITY "P" CLUB L. C. Mosley, President



#### THE CONTRIBUTORS TO THE ANDERSON HALL PROJECT

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G. L. Jones, Prof. A. R. Forman, Mrs. A. R. Forman, Prof. L. C. Kirven, Mrs. U. G. Hill, Prof. A. E. Alton, Mrs. A. E. Alton, Mr. A. L. Collins, Dr. S. M. Pollock, Mrs. S. M. Pollock. Dr. J. A. Chatman, Miss V. E. Pigford, Mas N. M. Blocker, Ruth Cox, Mr. Gus Jones, Miss Allene James, Mrs. L. V. McBay, Miss Willie E. Mc-Bay.

Denison P. V. Club, \$1.90, Grady Terry, \$1.00.

A number of persons gave less than \$1.00 and the total on this classification is \$102.74.

#### PRINCIPAL W. R. BANKS GETS IMPORTANT APPOINTMENT

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nary, and even mystical as one writer says. Happy are we to believe that such will not remain with the revised curriculum. Perhaps the re- man, Vera Dial, Lilliand DuVall. vised curriculum will emphasize educating through shared experiences, needs of the individual and also to those of his community. We expect Sue Henderson, Amanda Henry, Roit to inculcate in children the necessary habits, attitudes and skills for complete social living and cooperative social activities.

to make for bigger and better edu- dys Kirby, Joe Larkin, George Larcational opportunities for the race. kin, Lelia Landry, Chilton Lee. Already various departments of the college have met, discussed in gener- John C. Madison, John Marion, John al the revision program, and submit- Mayo, Earnestine Meridith, Sidney ted reports of same for filing, refer- Millard, Ethelbert Millard, Eula M. ence, and informational purposes. Muckleroy, Gwendolyn McDonald, als re lating to currie ulum construction are being ordered for study. C. G. McDaniel, Nelson urtiss, Ben- Friendship Church, Miss A. A. Oakes, Information regarding curriculum nie Owens, Theressa Pratt, Grace Mrs. Mary Bell, Mr. E. MacMillan. construction has been and will continue to be sent to the District mer, Serena B. Porter, Eula M. Pow-Chairmen. March 9, 1935, the first ell, Grant Prater, Jewel Price, Nora general meeting of District Chairmen was held at Prairie View. Much worthwhile information and many received by those attending.

This is a rare opportunity and the very capable committee will make the most of it.

THE PRAIRIE VIEW GRANDCHILDREN CLUB (Composed of students whose parents, one or both, have at one time attended Prairie View)

There are 94 college students who are members of this club. This is an increase of 28 per cent over last school year.

The club numbers 94 in the college THE HUNTSVILLE P. V. CLUB department. They are students whose parents, one or both, have at one time attended Prairie View. The officers of the club are: Joseph Larkin, '35, president, L. 'M. Catchings, '35, vice-president, Cornelia Branch, '35, secretary, Irene Holley, '37, assistant secretary, Ben Foreman, '35, business manager, Merle Anderson, '35, treasurer, Velma Edwards, '35, reporter, and George Larkin, '35, chaplain. The members are:

Edison Anderson, Merle Andeson, N. A. Archer, James Austin, Earnest Bailey, Estelle Bartlett, Flossie Bradford, Cornelia Branch, Helen Carpenter, L. M. Catchings, Terry Charlton, Charlie B. Chatman, Arthur Cleaver, Cornell Cleaver, Emuel Cleaver, Jewel Cleaver, Barney Cole-

Mabel DuVall, Velma Edwards, Gertie E. Evans, Ben Foreman, Matwhich are congruent both to the tie M. Foster, Rogenia Goldthwaite, James Guinn, Beatrice Hardin, Emma bert Henry Willie M. Henry, Jewell Hilliard, Damon Hill, C. H. Hogan, Irene Holley, Marelyn Johnson, Marion Johnson, Varrie Johnson, Cat-All Prairie View shares this chance cherine Justice, Freddie Keller, Gla-

Fred D. Love, Luther G. Luper, G. McDonald, Illene McDonald, Perrino, Lee Perkins, Agnes Plum-C. Price.

Mamie Reed, Talmadge Rippetoe, timely suggestions were given and Irvin Rutledge, Lorenzo Rutledge, Virginia Sayles, C. F. Sayles, Lloyd Scott, Eddie Scott, Etholia Shirley, Malissa D. Simmons, John L. Si--Mattie B. Whiting, '32. mond, Arthur Smith, Myrtle Sorrell,

Huntsville, Texas.—The following aims of the Local Alumni and Ex-Student Prairie View Club are being carried out by the members:

1. To support school and alumni association projects.

2. Support and sponsor any community project which is for the welfare of the community.

3. Give tuition to or assist some outstanding high school graduate.

The following named persons and groups assisted in making a \$25.00 loan to a worthy student who is now attending Prairie View:

Mr. Alex Holt, Mrs. M. W. Clark, Mrs. Rachel Carroll, Mrs. Odessa Holt, Mrs. Rachel White, Mrs. Jussica C. Justice, Mr. Lonnie Edward, Dr. W. A. Richardson, Mrs. O. P. Louie, Mrs. B. A. Sheffield, Mr. James Anderson, Prof. O. C. Davis, Mrs. Rachel Hall, Mrs. Adice E. Reese.

Mr. Kermis Davis, Mrs. Rosanna Rigsby, Mrs. C. M. Gorden, Mrs. Phyllis Allen, Mr. K. L. Malone, Miss Katie Ross, Mrs. Leola C. Louie, Mr. George Boone, Mrs. Ora Wiley, Mrs. Wilma Pace, Mrs. Mary Oliphant, Mr. George Oliphant, Miss Lenora Rhone, Miss M. L. Pennington, Miss Hazel Scott, Mr. Leo Hubbard, Prof. S. W. Houston, Mr. R. E. Thomas, Musical, First Baptist Church, -Reporter.

Leona E. Spigner, Lorraine Sprott, Seth O. Sparks, Dorris Tamplin, Charmaine Taylor, E. Toliver, Eddie Thomas, Charles Y. Thomas, Lillian Tyler, Eddie M. Thompkins, D. M. Williams, Carrie Rhone, Freda Rhone.

R. W. Hilliard is Sponsor.

#### THE ANNUAL RELAYS AND TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Dr. E. B. Evans has received entry blanks from practically all of the leading colleges in the south for the Annual Relays and Tennis Tournament. The last blank recived was from Coach Cleve Abbott of Tuskegee. In addition to bringing one of the best track teams hat Tuskezee has had Coach Abbott is bringing an all-round tennis squad. Franklyn Jackson ranking number four nationally and Miss Lulu Ballard, the ladies number two ranking star, will compose the mainstays for the tennis squad.

Coach S. B. Taylor has the largest track team yet recorded here. As to how they will compare to the team of 1934 which took practically all of the honors at Tuskegee and Alabama State remains to be seen. It is known that Captain Gentry Lee Powell, Hulen "Flathead" Smith and Batts will be missed.

Coach C. W. Lewis has a temis squad numbering twenty-one very competent players. Nine of these gre ladies and twelve compose the men's squad. Lloyd Scott is the number one singles player while John Foster may hold down number two. The doubles team will be made from the following: D. M. Tamplin, Tommie Walker, E. W. "Bim" Millard, A. G. Cleaver, Clyde Sanders, Frank Morris, or Hobart Thomas.

Miss Velma Edwards, southwestern champion and champion of Tuskegee Tournament of '34 will be Prairie View's number one singles player for the ladies, while Miss Em-Knights of Pythians, Courts of Ca- ily Hardin will get the call for numlanthe, Household of Ruths, Benefit ber two. The ladies doubles will be d by Misses Louise Gaines and Osia M. Joiner, or Misses Malissa Simmons and A. L. Barrett.

All in all it seems that the sport fans will have an interesting program for April 26 and 27.

The high objective of the independent college is liberal education, primarily of its students; but as a means to that end it desires, too, the continuing liberal development of its teaching faculty.

-President Dixon Ryan Fox, Union College