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OCTOBER - 1941

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

A CALENDAR -

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| 1 | Prairie View-Texas College - Football - Tyler | October 4 |
| 2 | Prairie View-Wiley College - Football - Dallas | October 13 |
| 3 | Prairie View-Xavier College - Football - Here (Home Coming) | October 18 |
| 4 | Prairie View-Arkansas State - Football - Pine Bluff | October 25 |
| 5 | Homemaking District Conference | October 25 |

B ENROLLMENT -

The enrollment, thus far, this year has exceeded that of any year since 1928, when Prairie View State College reached an all time record. There is every indication of a total enrollment this year of 1500 students in all Departments. Already, we have had to deny more than 200 students entrance to the college because of a lack of room.

C FACULTY SPONSORED PROJECTS -

- 1 The Prairie View Faculty Federal Credit Union - has more than a hundred members. It is rendering a distinct service to those members of the staff who find the opportunity to save and also to borrow money to relieve financial embarrassments. It is our hope that this activity will be progressively expanded this year.
- 2 The Faculty Community Chest - has more than demonstrated its merits in the light of the financial report hereto attached. It has been indeed gratifying to observe the fine way the staff has cooperated in this most worthwhile movement. The suggestion has come to the point that it would be better to let each person in charge of a Division or Department collect of his members. This seems to be a good suggestion. Unless you hear from me to the contrary, the Heads of Divisions and Departments will collect each person's quota and turn the same over to Mr G W Buchanan, Treasurer. Let us begin payments in November.
- 3 The Annual Faculty Entertainments - will be this year, December 9 and March 24. The records reveal that 153 people participated in the Faculty Entertainments last year. Such wholesome fun, fine fellowship and splendid recreation, will contribute much to a satisfactory year's work. It has been demonstrated during the past two years, that Prairie View Faculty has sufficient resources within themselves to profitably entertain themselves.

D STATE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION -

The Texas Association of Teachers' in Colored Schools will hold its Annual Session at Dallas, Texas, beginning on Thanksgiving Day - the last Thursday in November, 1941. This occasion will bring together hundreds of teachers and their friends, and, the citizens of Dallas are going to great pains to make it pleasant for everyone who attends. We want to see the faculty at the College enroll 100% this year. Professor G W Reeves, our official collector, is now ready to receive memberships.

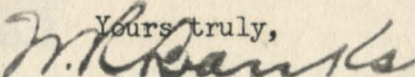
E DEFENSE TRAINING -

We are pleased to announce that within a short time, there will be 200 or 300 men in training here for Defense. Already, we have nearly 100 men in Engineering Courses, and, plans are underway to bring 150 men by November for other courses. This is going to involve an outlay of approximately \$25,000 in equipment and machinery.

F AND FINALLY -

Dr H C Koch, of the University of Michigan, is responsible for this timely and significant statement -

"LIFE for millions in America is frustrated. The significance of this fact for society has at last stimulated corrective action so that the community idea has emerged. Everywhere communities are being urged to organize in some form or other to promote a more equitable way of life. Citizens are being encouraged to discover how, under local leadership, community resources can be used for richer living. The undertaking embraces every aspect of life: health, recreation, vocation, religion, education, family relations, and all the rest. "

Yours truly,


W R Banks
Principal

P S - Meeting usual time and place
WRB

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF PRAIRIE VIEW COMMUNITY CHEST FUND
SEPTEMBER 1, 1940 - AUGUST 31, 1941

Departments

Disbursements

Brought forward - Sept 1, 1940 \$428.99

Administration	12.88
Registrar's Office	7.26
Business Department	25.30
Arts and Sciences	34.43
English	17.76
Physical Education	8.13
Science	13.64
Social Science	28.01
Language	3.00
Mathematics	7.57
Music	8.25
Library	9.30
Home Economics	39.03
Agriculture	58.29
Health	19.02
Mechanic Arts	52.38
Building-Grounds-Utilities ..	51.05
Extension Service	21.23
College Exchange	5.40
Student Personnel	12.83
Refund Money	<u>55.22</u>
Total	<u>\$918.97</u>

Donations to speakers	\$ 80.00
Donation to singing program ..	178.90
Donation to charitable causes	160.00
Floral offerings for deceased	
members	35.58
Floral offerings to friends ..	37.95
Expenses for accompanying de-	
ceased members and attend-	
ing funerals of friends	53.84
Clerical help	3.00
Expense of Band - Houston	43.24
Donations to Track Team	50.00

Total

Total income	918.97
Less Disbursements	<u>642.51</u>
Balance on hand	<u>\$276.46</u>

W R Banks
W R Banks, Principal

G. W. Buchanan
G W Buchanan, Treasurer
Community Chest Fund

C S Wells
C S Wells, Auditor

Note: This is the revised report of Community Chest Funds handled during the fiscal year - 1940-41.

— W R Banks

ATTENDANCE RECORDS OF SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS BY STAFF MEMBERS
 PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE
 Prairie View, Texas

1940-1941

No	Name	White	Negro	Total
1	Dr A K Smith	0	50	50
2	Mr A W Randall	0	100	100
3	Dr R P Perry	0	110	110
4	Mr A C Lamb	6	300	306
5	Mr L C Phillip	10	340	350
6	Miss A H Tatum	15	377	392
7	Dr E M Norris	10	590	600
8	Mr B S Luter	12	638	650
9	Mrs C A Estues	200	500	700
10	Dr F G Davis	0	700	700
11	Miss D I Burdine	4	796	800
12	Mr R W Hilliard	16	784	800
13	Dr J M Coruthers	10	890	900
14	Mr J J Abernethy	30	970	1,000
15	Mr W H Bennett	0	1,200	1,200
16	Mr H A Bullock	25	1,475	1,500
17	Mr W P Terrell	0	1,500	1,500
18	Miss M E Suarez	35	1,480	1,515
19	Mr N B Edward	5	1,600	1,600
20	Mr L A Potts	24	1,647	1,670
21	Mrs G V Banks	50	1,900	1,950
22	Mr C A Harrison	320	1,880	2,200
23	Dr E B Evans	800	1,700	2,500
24	W R Banks	125	2,670	2,795
25	Miss A C Preston	85	3,400	3,485
26	G W Reeves	300	4,200	4,500
27	Mr N L Gerren	1,790	3,225	5,015
28	Mrs I W Rowan	0	6,434	6,434
29	Mr J H Williams	100	8,900	9,000
30	Mrs J O A Conner	1,555	7,710	9,265
31	Mrs L E Smith	7,850	30,150	38,000

SUMMARY REPORT OF FACULTY SYMPOSIUM

This report is a running account of the high points of the symposium discussions. It does not attempt to go into great details about those discussions.

BACKGROUND

For the purposes of orientation, we were informed that we live in a world today where there is a life and death struggle going on between totalitarianism and the democratic way of life. The United States, because of its preeminence in many ways, is in a position to take the lead in helping to establish the type of world in which we wish to live.

Land-Grant Colleges have a definite role to play in preparing and conditioning the people they influence for effective participation in this new relationship as well as for more effective living among themselves. These schools are the outgrowth of certain educational ideas as expressed by such men as Thomas Jefferson and Jonathan B Turner - ideas that were later given expression and interpretation in a series of legislative acts dating from 1862 and extending up to the present.

The acts enumerated and discussed set forth three fundamental functions of a Land-Grant College. These functions encompass activities listed under such categories as:

- 1 Resident instruction and military science
- 2 Extension Service
- 3 Experimental Station (Research Activities)

Only the first group of activities has been appreciably developed in connection with services of Land-Grant Colleges to Negroes.

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE

Prairie View State College, as a Land-Grant institution must attempt to perform the functions noted above for Negroes in Texas. It is doing this through its academic program divided for purposes of this symposium into fields covered by the humanities and technology. The humanities include the social studies, education, psychology, the languages, and music. The technological subjects include technical and general agriculture, home-making, health and physical education, mathematics, engineering, chemistry, physics, biology, geology, and, minerology, meteorology, and nutrition.

Prairie View is performing these functions through its service activities, divided for convenience into those of informational value for adults and those of inspirational value for young people. These services are sponsored by the school as a whole, by various college divisions and departments, by special committees, and by other special groups.

SUMMARY REPORT

Prairie View is performing these functions through its extra class activities. These activities sponsored by various student clubs and societies, literary