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A CALENDAR -

1 July - 1942

- (a) Second Term of Summer School July 10
- (b) Coaching School July 12-16
- (c) Boy Scout Camporal July 18-24

2 August - 1942

- (a) Institute for Agricultural Extension Agents and
Farm Leaders August 9-15
- (b) Closing of Summer School August 15

B BOY SCOUT CAMPORAL -

Mr James Fitch, Regional Director, Boy Scouts, has given the information that the Camporal to be held here July 18-24 will be the largest in its history. Scout Troups are scheduled to come from as far as the Panhandle and Oklahoma. In spite of the rubber shortage, the attendance is predicted to reach upward of 800.

C INFORMATION -

Mr William M Collins, Principal of the school at La Grange, Texas, writes from Cornell University, where he is in attendance this summer, that he has been admitted to the Graduate School without any difficulties to work for his Ph D degree in the field of Agricultural Education. It is to be remembered that Mr Collins earned his degree of Master of Science at the regular Commencement in May, 1941.

D AND NOW - MR LUTER -

Mr Buckner S Luter, who was awarded his degree of Master of Science in May, 1942, has been admitted to the Graduate School of Cornell University, Ithaca, N Y, for the regular session 1942-1943. He will study for his Ph D degree. Mr Luter has been granted a Fellowship by the General Education Board, New York City, to study next year. Congratulations.

E ALSO MISS FREIDA RHONE -

Miss Freida Rhone has returned to Chicago University to resume her studies this summer toward the Ph D degree in the field of Education. Miss Rhone made a splendid record at the University last summer. It is to be recalled that Miss Rhone is one of the first to receive the Master of Science degree from Prairie View.

F SENIOR ROTC -

Plans have been completed for the beginning of next regular session for the ROTC Unit of Senior Rank. Already the War Department has assigned to Prairie View three officers of splendid training and long experience in the United States Army.

G DEFERRED INDUCTION -

Male students who desire to complete their education at Prairie View State College and who may be drafted for military service can arrange through the College to defer induction. A student who has been called to services may notify the College at once so that deferment can be arranged.

H DEFENSE CLASSES -

At this time there are nearly 300 men and boys at Prairie View State College taking Defense Courses under the sponsorship of the Federal Government. We are pleased to announce that some of these trainees have been employed by industry at good wages - at \$8.00 a day. It is the plan to have several hundred men ready for placement in the ship yards at Houston, New Orleans and Mobile within a short time.

I COMMUNITY CHEST -

Most of the employees at Prairie View have paid their Community Chest dues. Mr Buchanan has given the information that only a few people have not paid to date. Those who have not paid we are certain that it is due to a "slip of the memory" and not a desire to deliberately not pay their quota. Already the College Staff has been given credit for contributions to such worthy causes as:

- 1 Red Cross
- 2 Chinese Relief
- 3 Navy Relief
- 4 U S O
- 5 Track Team
- 6 Dr Thurman, Dr Horace, Professor Allen
and Etta Moten

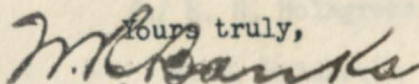
J A FREE MAN'S DUTIES -

"The four duties of the people's revolution, as I see them today are these:

- 1 The duty to produce to the limit.
 - 2 The duty to transport as rapidly as possible to the field of battle.
 - 3 The duty to fight with all that is within us.
 - 4 The duty to build a peace - just, charitable, and enduring.
- The fourth duty is that which inspires the other three."

- Vice President Henry A Wallace -

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Yours truly,


W R Banks
Principal

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Office of the Business Manager

A & M COLLEGE
COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

June 29, 1942

To the Deans and Directors:

We have received a communication from the State Highway Department which quotes a letter they received from College Station. This letter pertains to State employees having out-of-state license plates, and is substantially as follows:

"On our campus now is a -- teacher who bought his license in Oregon when he went home for Christmas --. Three men ordered their license plates by mail from Louisiana. Another is from California. -- another from New Jersey. -- parking lots around the Triple A building and the Experiment Stations are dotted with out-of-state license plates."

This report may or may not be correct.

State law is definite on this matter and permits a person entering Texas to stay as long as 120 days without registering, provided a permit is secured within 25 days.

Any person accepting employment and salary from the State Institutions can hardly justify the purchase of out-of-state automobile licenses, or otherwise fail to comply with this State law.

I would suggest, therefore, that this matter, with appropriate instructions from you, be brought to the attention of employees under your jurisdiction.

We would appreciate a copy of any communication you may send to the various members of your staff. It is possible that the Highway Department will make some sort of follow-up check within a short time.

Very truly yours,

/s/ E. N. Holmgreen

E. N. Holmgreen
Business Manager

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE
Prairie View, Texas

THE TEXAS INTERSCHOLASTIC LEAGUE OF
COLORED SCHOOLS

The Texas Interscholastic League of Colored Schools had its beginning as a separate organization during the latter part of the school year 1920-1921. Prior to that time, a number of Negro schools in several counties had been organized and working under the auspices of the University Interscholastic League of the University of Texas. The officials of the University Interscholastic League realizing that it would be difficult to carry on the work in the Negro schools, turned the administration of the League of Negro schools over to the Negro School Division of the State Department of Education to assist in its development and extension.

In April 1923, Professor L. W. Rogers, First Assistant State Superintendent of Education, turned the active control of the League over to Dr. J. G. Osborne, who was then Principal of Prairie View State College. Principal W. R. Banks, the present incumbent who succeeded Dr. Osborne as Principal of Prairie View State College, likewise became the Executive Secretary of the League.

The Texas Interscholastic League under the direction of Principal W. R. Banks has grown from about 300 to more than 1000 public schools representing 44 districts, and 115 counties.

The League was organized for the purpose of promoting better conditions in the Negro public schools of Texas by bringing the schools together in county, district and state meets, encouraging the study of declamation, debating, spelling, arithmetic essay-writing, solos, bands, quartets, piano, encouraging the development of school and community fairs and promoting track and field athletics as a means of stimulating interest in the development of better physical conditions. The League was organized also for the express purpose of cooperating with the local authorities for better school conditions in the towns and rural communities. Principal W. R. Banks has ever kept these objectives in view and works incessantly for their consummation. The athletic events are football, basketball and the following events for track and field:

Track

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| 1. 100 yard dash | 6. 220 yard dash |
| 2. 880 yard dash | 7. 1 mile run |
| 3. 220 yard low hurdles | 8. Sprint medley Relay |
| 4. 120 yard high hurdles | 9. Mile relay |
| 5. 440 yard dash | |

Field

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| 1. Pole Vault | 5. High jump |
| 2. 12 pound shot put | 6. Broad jump |
| 3. Discus throw | 7. Tennis |
| 4. Javelin throw | |

During the next fiscal year beginning September next, Principal Banks will no doubt introduce to the schools belonging to the League the proposition of organizing Victory Physical Fitness Clubs as represented by Mr. Roy Bedichek of the University of Texas. These clubs, through physical fitness programs, would develop stamina and morale in such ways as would eventually aid in the defense programs.

Also as a means of promoting interest in the various activities of the League, trophies and awards are given each school year to the winners in the contests held in the county, district and state meets. At the state meets held at Prairie View State College in April and May of this year, trophies costing more than \$1,200.00 were awarded among the winners in the literary and athletic contests. These trophies are secured with funds paid for membership and event fees received from the schools enrolled during the fiscal year.

In the state football contest for the year, Booker T. Washington High School of Dallas led the field for championship. The championship for the basketball trophy was captured by Phillis Wheatly High School of Houston. Central High School of Galveston won easily over Class AA contenders in the band contests.

No extra-curricular activities have been of more interest and inspiration to the Negro public schools of the State than those of the Texas Interscholastic League of Colored Schools. There are but few Negro public schools in Texas, if any, that have not through the years participated in the activities of the League. Reports over the State indicate that its services and influences have been wholesome and beneficial to the public schools in general.