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NEWS LETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

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C THE HAND BOOK -

For several years we have been able to put i to the hands of all staff members in September the Hand Book. Due to difficulties beyond our control, it will be several weeks before the valuable booklet will be ready for distribution. In the meantime, we are giving important items that would claim our immediate attention under Index and Calendar in this News Letter.

D THIRD BOND DRIVE!

It has been encouraging to note from reports that the Prairie View people are responding in a most magnificent manner. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for this fine cooperation in this worthy movement.

E FACULTY -

Due to the draft and conditions incident to the present emergency, it has not been possible to complete our staff by October. This true throughout the Country in both colleges and public schools. We may expect upsets throughout the year because of war conditions.

F ENROLLMENT -

The enrollment is now "all out of bounds." We had not anticipated such a large number of boys and girls. Already the enrollment has gone beyond the high record of last year in spite of the fact that many were denied entrance. Applications are now coming for February, the second semester.

G AND FINALLY -

"For every right that you cherish, you have a duty which you must fulfill. For every hope that you entertain, you have a task that you must perform. For every good that you wish to preserve, you will have to sacrifice your comfort and your ease. There is nothing for nothing any longer."

---Author unknown---

I am

Yours truly,

W R Banks
W R Banks
Principal

WRB:bt

P S: Meeting the usual place and time. WRB

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO
The Department of Education

August 20, 1943

President W R Banks
Prairie View College
Hempstead, Texas

Dear Sir:

I am taking this opportunity to write to you concerning the work of Earl S Sasser who has been making a study of reading problems under my direction during the past six weeks. It has been a real pleasure to know Mr Sasser and to catch some of his enthusiasm for the problems in which he is interested. I have been impressed with his broad understanding of high-school and college problems, his ability to work constructively on their solution, and his capacity to organize and present his materials clearly.

I have just read one of his reports entitled, Proposals For The Development of a Reading Program at Prairie View College. It reveals a broad understanding, on his part, of the issues involved in improving reading at the college level and a recognition of the fact that progress must be made slowly and with the cooperation of the entire staff. As you will gather from the report which he submits to you, two possible approaches to the problem may be made. I trust that the broader approach will be approved by the administration, and that Mr Sasser will be permitted to put into operation many of the ideas which he has acquired during the summer.

I have been particularly interested in his proposal for tying together the work in English with some of the content fields, such as psychology and the social sciences. This is a unique plan and has great possibilities. The fact that the same instructor would teach the student in a content field and in English would enable the instructor to study the reading, writing, and speaking needs of the student in a normal college situation, and to provide in a subsequent period the kinds of help and guidance the student needs most. I recommend heartily that Mr Sasser's plan, in this connection, be given a genuine trial.

You are fortunate in having in your institution a man of the calibre and insight of Mr Sasser. In my judgment he may be safely delegated large responsibility both for promoting an improved reading program in your college and for stimulating cooperative effort among high-schools in your section of the State. I shall be keenly interested in the progress of your institution, in this connection, and hope that I may have a report from time to time of your achievements and problems.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ William S Gray
William S Gray

WSG:PBN

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL & INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE
 Prairie View, Texas

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF FACULTY ENTERTAINMENT FUND
 FOR THE YEAR 1942-43

9/1/42	Balance on hand	\$ 41.97	9/16/42	Donation Faculty Entertainment	\$7.50
	Collection from 114 persons (\$1.00 each)	114.00	10/3/42	Donation Faculty refreshments	7.00
	Collection from 4 persons (50¢ each)	2.00	12/9/42	Miss Thresa Hill Clerical service	2.00
	Total balance & collections	\$157.97	12/9/42	Dining Hall Banquet Dinner	38.40
			12/9/42	Programs	10.00
			12/9/42	Candles	.60
			12/9/42	Candle holders	.60
			3/3/43	H E Fuller Faculty Dance	62.20
				Total paid out	\$128.30

BALANCE ON HAND SEPTEMBER 1, 1943 \$29.67

G W Buchanan, Secretary-Treasurer
 Faculty Entertainment Fund

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE NORMAL & INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE
 Prairie View, Texas

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF PRAIRIE VIEW COMMUNITY CHEST SEPTEMBER 1,
 1943

INCOME		DISBURSEMENT	
Balance on hand 9/1/42	\$106.89	10/9/42	California Flower Shop Dr Evans' father \$ 6.44
Delinquent collection	4.25	10/21/42	Hempstead News for receipt books 4.50
Administration	14.88	12/3/42	California Flower Shop Dr Coruthers' father 3.74
Registrar's Office	13.78	12/3/42	California Flower Shop J B Watson 10.48
Education Department	38.80	1/3/43	H A Richardson 33.00
English Department	20.85	2/8/43	H D Carmichal for Infantile Paralysis 4.00
Science Department	11.20	2/7/43	S B Taylor on L Smith's trip 25.00
Social Science Department	19.18	2/7/43	Miss Theresa Hill clerical work 5.00
Foreign Language Department	4.48	2/25/43	California Flower Shop W J King's wife 12.04
Mathematics Department	7.98	2/25/43	Eldon Flower Shop Mr C W Lewis 3.50
Business Department	32.15	3/18/43	Gordon Worley for Entertainment 15.00
Music Department	8.00	3/25/43	California Flower Shop W D King 6.57
Library	12.38	4/12/43	Rev Horace White 25.00
Home Economics Division	29.97	4/22/43	R P Perry 5.00
Agriculture Division	52.19	4/28/43	Truck Operation 5.16
Health Division	6.00	4/24/43	M E Suarez 7.00
Mechanic Arts Division	94.65	4/28/43	C M Mickens 5.00
Extension Service	35.15	6/11/43	Giddings Flower Shop Mrs J A Green 2.50
Dining Hall	24.39	6/11/43	H E Doyle 7.62
Personnel	9.38	6/16/43	S B Taylor 15.00
R O T C	25.00	7/1/43	Youra Qualls 16.00
College Exchange	5.62	6/16/43	Houston Informer 25.00
N Y A	<u>6.88</u>		
Total	\$584.05		Total \$242.55

BALANCE ON HAND SEPTEMBER 1, 1943 \$341.50

G W Buchanan, Secretary Treasurer
 Prairie View Community Chest

