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Dr Theo K Lawless of Chicago, one of the famous dermatologist of today, who has been one of the guest Lecturers at the Post Graduate

Medical Assemblies at Prairie View State College, gave out of his interest in the work \$1,000 in cash to be used as an endowment, the accrued interest applied to some worthy project at the institution. We want to take this occasion to thank Dr Lawless for this tangible expression of his interest in the work here.

FACULTY USE OF THE LIBRARY -E

The records of the library disclosed this interesting information:

- 1. Forty teachers employ a technique which requires their students to use the Library constantly.
- 2. Four teachers bring their classes to the Library for supervised reading and study. One of these is included in the forty mentioned above. 3. Nine teachers use the Library frequently for professional
- improvement or for course preparation.
- 4. Twenty-seven may be classed as using the Library occasionally for professional improvement and course preparation.

F CLOSING -

The time honored custom of closing school will be drastically characteristically characteristically characteristically characteristically characteristical characteristical characteristical characteristic characterist this year. On Sunday, May 14, the following activities will be observed -

- 1. Parents Day
- 2. Baccalaureate Exercises 11:00 o'clock A M
- 3. Commencement Exercises 2:30 o'clock P M

Final examinations for Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen will begin Monday, May 15 and end Wednesday, May 17. There will follow a two weeks Intersession, May 18- May 31, 1944.

G ANNUAL LEAGUE MEET -

April 22 has been designated for the Annual Texas Interscholastic League at Prairie View State College with all classes of schools participating. This occasion will bring the usual large crowd of teachers and student contestants to participate and witness the events. All staff members will be used in some capacity that day in assisting with the various contests.

H LIBRARY BUILDING -

We are happy to announce that the plans for the New Library Building are nearing completion. The building is estimated to cost approximately \$200,000. Its appointments have been carefully considered and planned in anticipation of every need. If we can get priorities lifted, the construction should begin in June.

I THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND -

- 1. Plant a Victory Garden.
- 2. Keep lawns mowed and flowers growing.
- 3. Faculty Entertainment on April 25. A most interesting program has been planned. Let us all come out and enjoy a fine evening of recreation. See Mr Buchanan.
- 4. Some have not paid Community Chest dues. Most of the staff members have already paid.

J AND FINALLY -

An Unknown Author left this beautiful thought -

"This truth comes to us more and more the longer we live, that on what field or in what uniform or with what aims we do our duty matters very little - or even what our duty is - great or smallsplendid or obscure. Only to find our duty certainly and somewhere, or somehow, to do it faithfully - will make us good - strong- happy and useful men- and tune our lives into some feeble echo of the life of God".

-----Author Unknown

I am

Yours truly,

Principal

WRB: who

P S: Meeting the usual time and place. WRB

FISCAL DEPARTMENT

TO HELDS, OF DEPARTMENTS Campus

Gentlemen:

The State Comptroller of Public Accounts has advised us that hereafter he will not accept pay roll vouchers for services during a month until the last day of the month. This means that all pay roll checks will be delayed until approximately the 10th day of the following month.

However, payrolls for monthly salaries should be submitted to the Fiscal Department on the 10th day of the month for which pay is due.

It is very important that the Fiscal Department be notified immediately of any changes due to termination of employment. <u>Any</u> <u>changes during the last three days of the month should be reported</u> by telephone, followed by the usual written notice.

Every effort is being made to hasten the preparation of pay roll warrants, and should we be able to deliver the warrants for the month of March prior to April 10, you will be notified.

This change in the pay roll date will affect not only the delivery of State Warrants, but also the delivery of local fund checks.

Respectfully,

Treasurer's Office per

/s/ H R Turner

HRT/fvc

PRAIRIE VIEN STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE Prairie View, Texas

March 28, 1944

TO: ALL TEACHERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE COLLEGE

FROM: C. L. Wilson, Director of Mechanic arts

The telephone system, owned and operated by the college, was provided primarily to serve the institution, the members of the staff, and the students. It is the duty of the telephone operator to provide these services as promptly and efficiently as conditions will permit. Because of the fact that the present system is greatly overtaxed and at the same time under staffed, it is not possible for us to render the type of service that we desire. Through our connections with the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, long distance service is available. Charges for long distance calls are computed by the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company and not be the college.

Prairie View College does not have telegraph connections. Neither is the college an agent for the Mestern Union Telegraph Company. For the conveniences of the persons at Prairie View, we telephone messages to the branch office of the Mestern Union at Hempstead, Texas; also we receive incoming messages over the telephone from the Hempstead office and transmit them to persons on the campus. FOR THESE SERVICES, THE COLLEGE RECEIVES NO PAY OR COMMISSION. The messages telephoned from Prairie View and received collect from Hempstead are charged to the college which makes it necessary that we bill the senders in order that the company is paid. We cannot assume any responsibility on telegrams beyond that of telephoning them to the Hempstead office. In other words, when a telegram has been telephoned to Mestern Union in Hempstead and the office acknowledges receipt of it, our responsibility ends. If the message then fails in transmission or delivery, it is a matter between the sender and the Telephone Department at Prairie View College. If the college is charged for the messages, then our only recourse is to collect from the senders.

In the case of incoming telegrams, every effort is made to locate the addressees promptly by telephone and other means at our disposal. There are no funds available for the employment of messengers. Since it is a function of the Telephone Department to provide <u>telephone</u> <u>service</u>, telephone calls must necessarily take precedence over telegrams. That accounts for the fact that we do not accept telegrams over the telephone.

I have written the foregoing, outlining the conditions under which telegrams are handled, for the benefit of all persons at Prairie View and I trust that each and every person will understand and cooperate with us in our effort to provide this type of communication.