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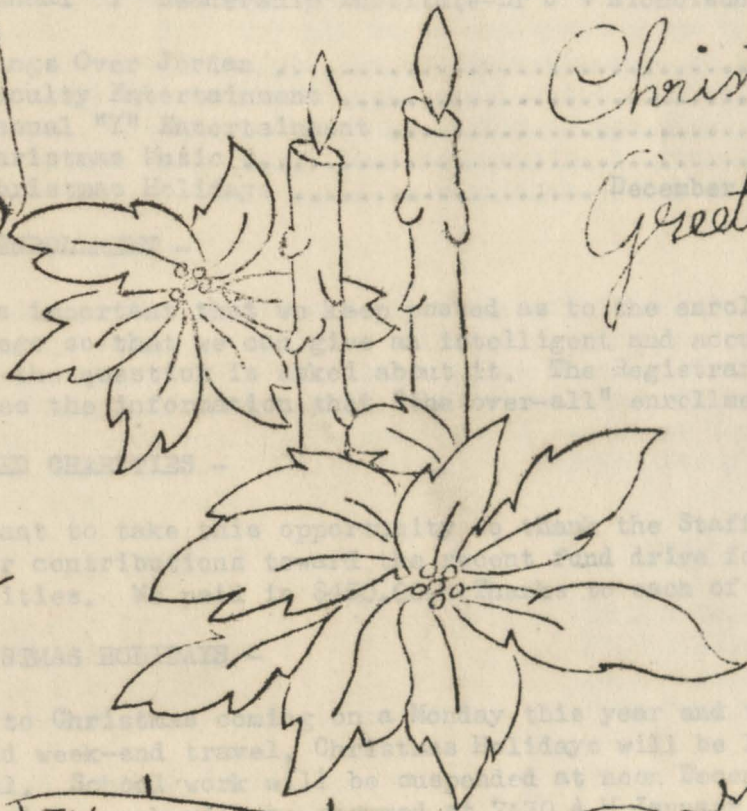
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College Library

Christmas  
Greetings



T.W.

PRAIRIE VIEW STATE COLLEGE  
PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

## A. CALENDAR -

1. Football- Prairie View vs Southern- Here..... December 2
2. Special Sermon - Dr B J Smith, Kansas City, Mo ... December 3
3. Annual "Y" Leadership Institute-Dr J W Nicholson-Atlanta, Ga -  
December 8-10
4. Wings Over Jordan ..... December 11
5. Faculty Entertainment ..... December 12
6. Annual "Y" Entertainment ..... December 16
7. Christmas Music ..... December 17
8. Christmas Holidays ..... December 21 - January 3

## B. THE ENROLLMENT -

It is important that we keep posted as to the enrollment at the College so that we can give an intelligent and accurate answer when the question is asked about it. The Registrar's Office discloses the information that "the over-all" enrollment is 1427.

## C. UNITED CHARITIES -

We want to take this opportunity to thank the Staff Members for their contributions toward the recent fund drive for the United Charities. We paid in \$450.00. Thanks to each of you!

## D. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS -

Due to Christmas coming on a Monday this year and the desire to avoid week-end travel, Christmas Holidays will be longer than usual. School work will be suspended at noon December 21, 1944 and class work will be resumed at 7:30 A M January 3, 1945.

## E. SIXTH WAR LOAN -

The Federal Government is asking each citizen to buy bonds in the present drive to help carry on the war. This is not a gift but it is Aid with interest. This, in fact, is a form of saving. Prairie View again is asked to participate in the Waller County quota which is \$215,000. Professor J J Abernethy is our official representative.

## F. "Y" LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE -

Prairie View State College began the sponsorship of a "Y" Leadership Institute about nine years ago, bringing here the faculty and student leadership of the High Schools and Colleges in Texas. It

has been the practice of the College to furnish entertainment free to the delegates and also to provide an outstanding minister as discussion leader. We are fortunate this year in securing the services of Dr Joseph W Nicholson, Professor of Christian Ethics, Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Georgia for guest speaker. Dr Nicholson is one of the foremost scholars and ministers of our day.

#### G. CHRISTMAS PAY DAY -

It has been the long standing custom of the State to make the December Pay Roll for all State employees on or by December 20. Since the new ruling of the Attorney General, to the point a pay roll cannot be notarized before all units of work are done, it is doubtful, therefore, that the custom of "pay day" before Christmas will obtain this year. This information is given so that we might be in the position to plan in the light of it.

#### H. FACULTY DEBATE -

The Annual Faculty Debate will come off as scheduled on Sunday Evening, January 21, 1945. The participants are now busy and the college will have a most stimulating debate. The subject selected is - "Resolved That the International Peace Organization Set Up by the United Nations Be the Present League of Nations with Increased Power Over Member States to Enforce Peace". Team assignments are as follows:

##### AFFIRMATIVE

Mr J L Brown  
Mr R W Hilliard  
Mr S W Spalding  
Miss Eunice Jones, Librarian

##### NEGATIVE

Dr J M Drew  
Dr T R Solomon  
Mr A W Randall  
Miss Doris Neal, Librarian

#### I. THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND -

1. The first Faculty Entertainment is scheduled for Tuesday evening, December 12, 1944. It is the sincere hope that every staff member and his wife will qualify and be present. This occasion is usually one of the high lights of the school year. Come and let us be there 100%.
2. The Faculty Community Chest is an important and worthwhile endeavor. The College is in the lead of other colleges in the question of faculty sponsorship of events and activities falling outside of fiscal regulations of the College. It avoids passing around the hat whenever a worthy cause demands our attention and support. Let us enroll 100% this year. It is just two and one half per cent of one month's salary.

J. A GOOD LETTER -

GENERAL EDUCATION BOARD  
(Incorporated 1903)  
49 West 49th Street, New York 20

W R Brierley, Secretary

October 27, 1944

My dear Principal Banks:

I am pleased to inform you that at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the General Education Board on October 27, 1944, the sum of \$30,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, was appropriated to Prairie View State Normal and Industrial College for equipment of the new library building and for books and periodicals estimated to cost \$60,000, payment by the Board to be on a dollar for dollar basis as funds are provided by the College for the same purposes, the appropriation to be available through December 31, 1949.

The appropriation was voted pursuant to your letter of request of July 7th, in which you state that the cost of equipment for the library building is estimated at \$40,000 and that at least \$20,000 is required for book purchases during the next five years. Of the Board's appropriation approximately \$20,000 will be available toward the equipment and approximately \$10,000 toward book purchases.

As funds become available for the purposes mentioned please inform us and arrangements will be made for payment of the sums called for. Any part of the appropriation not called for by December 31, 1949, will revert to the Board.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ W W Brierley

K. AND FINALLY -

I commend to you, Reader, the spirit of The Prayer of A Man

Great God, make me decent, appreciative, useful, courageous,  
and kind in the work of this day!

Let me not weaken myself by anger, cheapen myself by  
boasting, or play the fool by lying.

Give me to remember that there are others in the world beside  
myself and that they are men like unto me.

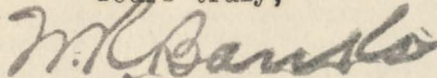
Teach me to observe the rules of the game; to come through  
defeat victorious and out of victory -- unspoiled.

Let me not be unmindful of the gift of friend or foe, for  
both are much of my own making.  
For my sake and for the sake of my comrades keep me whole-  
some and cheerful; but if the devil of error grip me  
at times, grant me the good sense to go quietly until  
the impulse to act wrongly shall have passed.  
And at the end of each day bring me to my bed with the  
knowledge that greed and malice and envy and hatred  
have played a lesser part in my thinking:  
That my weariness is the result of well-doing, .... Amen

- - - - Author Unknown - - - -

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Yours truly,



W R Banks  
Principal

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P S: Meeting usual place and time. WRB