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NEWS LETTER

PRAIRIE VIEW UNIVERSITY

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

VOLUME XVI

NOVEMBER - 1945

NUMBER 3

A. CALENDAR --

1. November 1945

- (a) Football game - Prairie View vs Tillotson, Austin ... November 3
- (b) Southernaires ..... November 5
- (c) Football game - Prairie View vs Texas, Houston ..... November 9
- (d) Dr J L Horace, Chicago ..... November 17-18
- (e) Homecoming - Prairie View vs Langston, Here ..... November 24
- (f) Senior Musical Recital - Miss Bernice Payne ..... November 25
- (g) Thanksgiving Holiday ..... November 29
- (h) State Colored Teachers Association, Austin. November 29-December 1

2. December 1945

- (a) "Y" Leadership Institute, Dr William H Borders,  
Guest Lecturer ..... December 1
- (b) Football game - Prairie View vs Tillotson, Here ..... December 8
- (c) Faculty Entertainment ..... December 11
- (d) Annual "Y" Entertainment ..... December 15
- (e) Christmas Music - Music Department ..... December 16
- (f) Holiday - Christmas ..... December 25

B. VICTORY BOND DRIVE --

The Victory Bond Drive is now under way in Waller County in an effort to raise the quota allotment of \$155,000. This promises to be the last bond campaign incident to World War II. Prairie View has been requested to give the usual liberal cooperation subscribing for E Bonds. The Directors and Heads of Divisions and Departments will follow the usual practice of collecting from their members. Reports should be made to Mr Lee E Perkins.

C. UNITED CHARITIES --

We want to take this opportunity to thank the staff members for their contributions to the recent national drive for United Charities. We were assessed \$425.00; we reported \$426.47. Thanks!

D. HOMECOMING --

The chief features of the Annual Homecoming, November 24, 1945 will be

- (a) Football game between Prairie View and Langston
- (b) Floats from every department of the institution
- (c) Parade - Cadets, band and floats
- (d) "Miss Prairie View"



This event will bring to the campus many friends, patrons and ex-students. We shall be host to this fine group of interested people.

#### E. SOUTHERNAIRES -

The Southernaires is the favorite singing group on the American stage. We are happy to announce their appearance in the Auditorium Gymnasium Monday evening, November 5. In an effort to make it possible for a great many people to hear this popular musical organization reasonable charges are made:

Adults ..... \$.60  
Students ..... \$.35

#### F. DR J L HORACE -

The National Fraternal Council of Negro Churches sent Dr J L Horace, Chicago, to the World Conference at San Francisco as representative and delegate. We are pleased to announce that he will be the guest of the institution December 15,16,17 and 18 as lecturer on observations at that Conference. He will also preach Sunday morning, December 18. The Department of History and Political Science, Professor G W Brooks, Sponsor, will have charge of the lectures and seminars; Rev L C Phillips the religious exercises. Dr Horace is an able speaker and a splendid preacher.

#### G. STATE TEACHERS MEETING -

The Annual Meeting of the Texas Colored Teachers will convene in Austin, Texas November 29-December 1, 1945. The local citizens are making elaborate plans to make the attendance both pleasant and profitable. We shall follow the custom of excusing those of our staff who are members to attend these sessions. It is the hope that the usual large number will take out membership. Mr George W Reeves is the official representative to accept membership payments.

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

1. Pay Faculty Entertainment dues of \$1.00 each to Mr G W Buchanan. The Second Faculty Entertainment for the year will have as guests the delegates of the National Association of Deans and Registrars of Negro Colleges.
2. The Faculty Community Chest -  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  of one month's salary is required of all staff members. Mr Buchanan is the treasurer for this fund.
3. Poll Tax -- Every citizen of Texas is required to have a Poll Tax receipt to vote in state and county elections. Many important matters will be determined next year by the ballot. This makes it important



that each person here pay his or her Poll Tax as a necessary requirement for voting in state and county elections. Also, it must be kept in mind that our income is from Tax money.

I. ATTACHED!

Attention is being called to some important attachments to this News Letter, to wit: -

1. Committee Assignments
  - (a) First Faculty Entertainment - December 11, 1945
  - (b) Second Faculty Entertainment - Deans and Registrars -  
March 1, 1946
2. Assignments for Faculty Debate - January 20, 1946
3. Findings Committee Report  
Conference of Deans of Southern Graduate Schools on "Facilities for Graduate Courses in Negro Colleges"

J. AND FINALLY -

"Approached from the standpoint of governmental interest, education is of inestimable value. It is not to be measured by its cost because dollars and cents are not the true gauge to its worth. While the individual is the beneficiary when he or she partakes of educational opportunities, society as a whole is principally benefited. The greater the number to be broadened in their outlook and sharpened in their mental processes, the more will the citizenry as a whole be benefited."

- Governor Herbert R O'Connor of Maryland -

I am

Yours truly,



W R Banks  
Principal

WRB:c

P S: Meeting in Auditorium Gymnasium Tuesday evening, 7:30 P M.



# COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

## FIRST FACULTY ENTERTAINMENT

December 11, 1945

H E Fuller, Chairman  
Miss Dorothy Burdine  
Mrs J M Drew  
Mrs Delia M Ellis  
Miss Clara Torry  
Lee E Perkins  
Mrs J M Coruthers  
Miss LaCleda Smith  
Mrs J R Phillips

A W Randall  
G W Brooks  
Mrs J R Ross  
E D Sheen  
R S Byrd  
Mrs I W Rowan  
Mrs B J Jordan  
Mrs H D Patton  
Dr A N Poindexter

G W Reeves

## SECOND FACULTY ENTERTAINMENT

March 1, 1946

G L Smith, Chairman  
W H Bennett  
J H Windom  
Mrs J M Hall  
Mrs E E O'Banion  
Captain J R Reaves  
M V Brown  
Mrs J O A Conner  
W L Watson  
Mrs W J Nicks  
Mrs R W Rayford  
Maurice Jones  
C L Brewer  
Miss A C Preston  
Miss W H Carroll  
Miss Maxine McBrier  
Mrs Sophia Hilliard  
Miss S E Chase

Miss R C Lane  
Miss Clarena McDonald  
A W Randall  
Miss Jacqueline Brown  
Haskell Houston  
R S Byrd  
Mrs H A Bullock  
Miss E C May  
Lee E Perkins  
Miss M E Suarez  
I T Nelson  
Compton H Johnson  
A Van Irvin  
R B Jefferson  
C E Carpenter  
R von Charlton  
Dr T R Solomon  
Mrs A L Pendergraft

G R Woolfolk

## FACULTY DEBATE

January 20, 1946

Dr J M Coruthers, General Chairman

### Team I

Dr J M Drew  
A W Randall  
Miss A L Campbell  
S W Spalding, Alternate  
Miss L M Pleasants, Librarian

### Team II

Dr T R Solomon  
Miss Dorothy Burdine  
J H Windom  
O J Thomas, Alternate  
Mrs Estella White, Librarian



CONFERENCE OF DEANS OF SOUTHERN GRADUATE SCHOOLS  
GRADUATE COURSES FOR NEGROES  
AUGUST 24-25, 1945

PREAMBLE

New issues and new conditions constantly arise making it impossible to solve for all time the problems of education. In these problems of education, if properly understood, we might find the origin, progress and future promotion of civilization. Education is a continuous pioneering process. Society imposes conditions and limitations upon education, particularly graduate education. Graduate schools develop their programs in relations to powerful social forces.

In this region (Texas and Oklahoma) the fundamental laws (the Constitution) of the states provide for separate schools. The separate schools are to be equal in that they are to provide equal educational opportunities to each race. The decision of the Gaines case of 1938 merely reiterated what these state constitutions provide: that there shall be equal educational facilities for Negroes and Whites within the states. It was obvious to everyone that these states had not provided educational facilities for Negroes comparable to those provided for Whites. The Gaines decision merely said provide the facilities in question for Negroes or open to them the facilities already provided for whites.

We, the committee on findings, submit the following for the consideration of this conference:

1. It is the responsibility of the state to provide equal educational facilities in quality as well as quantity for all citizens regardless of race, creed or color.
2. The separate schools or dual systems of education are expensive. If the system is to be continued, then the minimum appropriations of the states for all education should be proportionate to the ratio of Negroes and whites in the total population.
3. Graduate work in the Negro colleges must be based on sound educational preparation on all levels.
4. Whatever is done in the field of graduate work should be educationally sound and approved by the best rating agencies.
5. The following temporary expedients have been used:
  - a. OUT-OF-STATE AID - So long as equal educational opportunity is not provided within the state, out-of-state aid should include the educational fees, tuition, travel expense and an amount sufficient to cover the difference in living costs.
  - b. USE OF WHITE INSTRUCTORS - White instructors, if used, should be on the same basis as they are used in their respective white institutions - teaching loads, conference hours, enthusiasm for the work and the like.
  - c. Further parallel developments of the dual system on graduate and professional level should be equal in quality.

COMMITTEE

Dr T R Solomon, Chairman  
Dr J M Drew  
Dr G L Harrison

Mr Allen Norton  
Mr O L Price  
Mr E W Woods