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*Happy New Year*

PRAIRIE VIEW UNIVERSITY  
Prairie View, Texas

**A INCREASE IN STUDENT MONTHLY MAINTENANCE -**

Due to the increase in cost of living, the University finds it necessary to make a \$2 increase in the monthly maintenance of students beginning January. The cost of food and dormitory care has increased to the extent that we have been faced with the alternative of reducing our standards or increasing the cost. Since a lower standard of maintenance was not advisable, the increase was inevitable.

**B POLL TAX -**

During the coming year many political issues will come to the front for public attention. This, along with other interests of citizenship, will encourage a large expansion of the Poll Tax list. It is hoped that all employees of the institution will, as in the past, respect these rights of citizenship by paying Poll Tax on time. The rate for this County is \$1.75.

**C CONGRATULATIONS -**

- (a) Those responsible for the development of the Faculty Dinner are to be congratulated for the fine type of entertainment that resulted. The affair was beautifully arranged, and every one in attendance had a splendid evening of merriment.
- (b) The production of the "Messiah" was one of the finest we have had. We are all thankful for the care and ingenuity the students and faculty of the Music Department must have put into this program to make it the excellent type of entertainment that it represented.
- (c) The Dramatic Club has presented "Icebound" here and in other areas. Wherever they have played, they have been met with great applause for their fine performance. Mr. Davis and his associates are to be congratulated for this high class of entertainment.
- (d) The Christmas Reception sponsored by the campus "Y" organizations was an indication of the great influence these organizations are wielding on our campus. The activity was well planned, well attended, and richly wholesome entertainment. The roles played by students in the development of this program are signs of a new avenue through which individual leadership can be developed. Mrs. Jones and Mr. Phillip, together with their associates and student members, are to be congratulated for their program and the confidence they have in the ability of their students to take responsibility in planning wholesome things for themselves.

- (e) The "Y" Leadership Institute was an overwhelming success. Dr. Brown and the members of his committee did a splendid job. Many Negro youths will derive benefits from contacts made while here.

D COMING EVENTS -

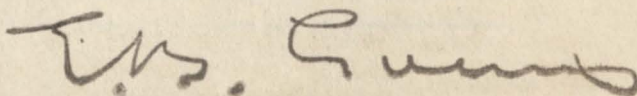
- (a) Annual New Year's Day Classic.....January 1  
(b) Varsity Football Entertainment.....January 9  
(c) Open Collegiate Basketball Tournament.....January 10-11  
(d) Civilian Protection Institute.....January 17-18  
(e) Shakespearean Players.....January 20  
(f) Extension Agent's Conference.....January 21-23  
(g) Coronation of Miss Prairie View.....January 25  
(h) Final Examinations—First Semester.....January 24, 27,  
28, 30  
(1) First Semester closes January 31; Second Semester begins  
February 1.

E COMING EVENTS -

- (a) Mrs. Catherine Moton Patterson will be presented in piano recital at Prairie View, February 11. Mrs. Patterson is an outstanding artist, and a very large audience is expected to greet her on the occasion of her recital here.  
(b) In keeping with the Community Health Education movement in Texas, there will be held here on February 14 a Health Education Conference. Announcements as to the nature of the program will be made later.  
(c) Each year we look forward to a visit from Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, outstanding scholar and lecturer. This year Dr. DuBois will visit us some time in March. A definite announcement as to date will be made later.

May the New Year bring you health, happiness and prosperity.

Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans  
Principal