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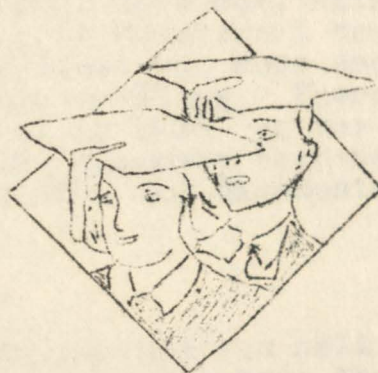
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A. CALENDAR -

May

1. Physical Education Demonstration.....May 5
2. Annual Alumni Reunion.....May 21
3. Commencement, Baccalaureate and Parents' Day.....May 22
4. Final Examinations.....May 23-27

June

1. Opening of Summer School.....June 6

B. VOCATIONAL CONFERENCE -

On April 2 there was a Conference of Teachers of Vocational Education held at Prairie View A. and M. College, with an attendance of over 200. This was, without a doubt, a most significant gathering of Vocational teachers and the discussions were most helpful to those who were seeking greater understanding about their particular problems. There have been many requests for another Conference as early as the time will permit. Professor T. L. Holley deserves commendation for the very constructive way he directed the discussions.

C. HOUSING CONFERENCE -

The Second Housing Conference was held at Prairie View April 25 and 26. The attendance was large; the discussions were stimulating and informative; and, the outcome of the Conference was helpful. Some of the prominent speakers who participated were Mr. Walter (Chief) Aiken, Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. E. W. Morrison of Detroit, Mr. S. J. Danley of Washington, D. C., Mr. A. Maceo Smith and Mr. John W. Rice of Dallas, Mr. Nelson Jackson and Mr. George Washington, Atlanta, Georgia. There were several other participants who made valuable contributions to this Conference.

D. IN-SERVICE TRAINING COURSE -

The Texas State Board of Health sponsored the Second In-service Workshop for graduate nurses at Prairie View A. and M. College, April 4-6. There were, in attendance, thirty-six nurses and ten lecturers. This group of nurses came from a wide area of Texas which means that the training and inspiration received will touch most of our State. This is a most helpful and vital service the Institution is making possible to the citizens of Texas.

E. COMMENCEMENT SEASON -

The Annual Commencement period will be observed May 21-22.

1. Alumni Reunion

The Annual Alumni Reunion will be observed on Saturday, May 21. Elaborate preparations are being made for the return of several hundred ex-students to the Institution. In connection with this Exercise there will be a reunion of the classes of 1909, 1919, 1929 and 1939. President J. R. Farris has given the information that a program has been made which will make the day profitable for all those who attend.

2. Parents' Day

For a number of years, Prairie View has observed Parents' Day in connection with the Annual Commencement exercises. This arrangement has brought, annually, to the Institution upward of 600 or 700 parents who represented a large segment of Commencement visitors. We are happy to announce that Parents' Day will be observed again this year in connection with the Commencement Exercises.

3. Commencement Speaker

We have been very fortunate, indeed, to secure Dr. J. F. Drake, President, Alabama State A. and M. College, Normal, Alabama for our Commencement Speaker. Dr. Drake is an outstanding educator and he heads one of our largest Negro Land Grant Colleges and is an outstanding citizen.

F. CONGRATULATIONS -

We wish to extend congratulations as follows:

1. The Faculty of Prairie View A. and M. College for the donation of \$110 to the World Student Service Fund.
2. A contribution for Prairie View to the Red Cross Fund of nearly \$500. Our quota was \$400. Mr. C.A. Wood and his students deserve much credit for the fine way in which this activity was handled.
3. Mr. and Mrs. George R. Woolfolk on the birth of a son, George, Jr. Both the mother and son are doing nicely.
4. We are sure that our students and faculty members have observed the lights that have been installed in front of the library. These lights were made available as a gift to the Institution, through the Class of 1936.

G. SUMMER SCHOOL -

The Regular Summer Session will begin June 6 and will have two terms of six weeks each. Inquiries indicate that we will have more students than we can possibly house. Dr. J. M. Drew, Director of Summer School has selected a very able faculty. Work for in-service people will be made available in several areas -

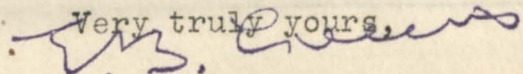
1. Principals' Workshop
2. Librarians' Workshop
3. Resource-Use Workshop
4. Hot Lunch Workshop
5. Short Course in Forestry

H. COMMUNITY CHEST -

In checking the roll it was revealed that a great many faculty members have not paid their Community Chest obligations. We wish to strongly urge that this matter be taken care of immediately. A list of all those who have not paid will be passed to their respective Directors and Heads of Departments for the purpose of reminding those who have not paid their Community Chest to do so at once.

I. We wish to leave with you the thought coming from the beautiful words of Claire Tree Major -

"Would you set your name among the stars?  
Then write it large upon the hearts of children.  
They will remember!  
Have you visions of a finer, happier world?  
Tell the children!  
They will build it for you.  
Have you a word of hope for poor, blind, stumbling human  
kind?  
Then give it not to stupid, blundering men.  
Give it to the children.  
In their clear, untroubled minds it will reflect itself  
a thousandfold  
And some day paint itself upon the mountain tops.  
Somewhere a Lincoln plays and learns and watches with  
bewildered gaze  
This strange procession of mismannered souls.  
Have you a ray of light to offer him?  
Then give it, and some day it will help  
To make the torch which he will use  
To light the world to freedom and to joy."

Very truly yours,  


E. B. Evans, President

P. S. Meeting at usual place and time.