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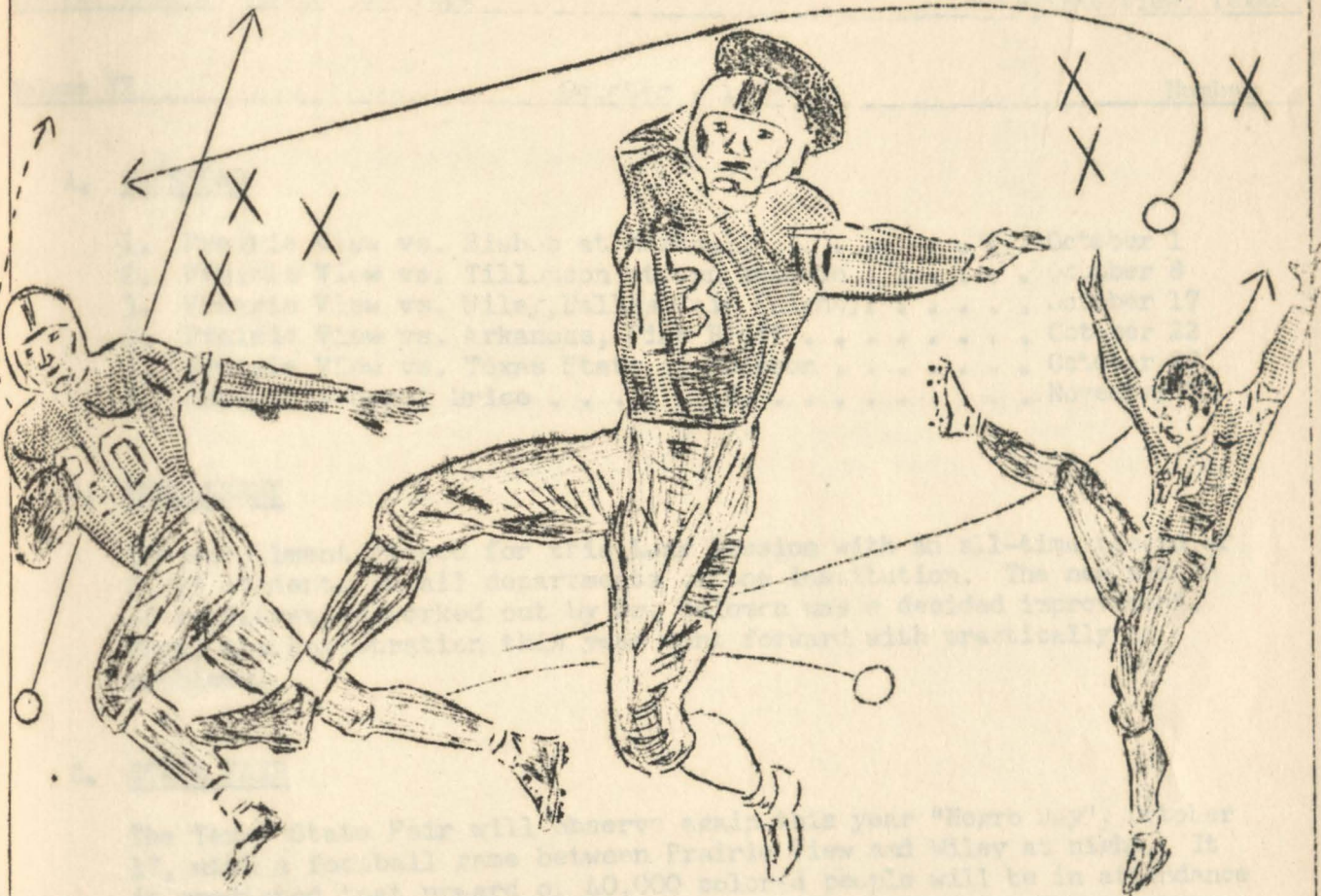
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Prairie View A & M College
Prairie View, Texas

A. CALENDAR

1. Prairie View vs. Bishop at Marshall October 1
2. Prairie View vs. Tillotson at San Antonio October 8
3. Prairie View vs. Wiley, Dallas Fair (night) October 17
4. Prairie View vs. Arkansas, Pine Bluff October 22
5. Prairie View vs. Texas State at Houston October 28
6. Concert - Carol Brice November 7

B. ENROLLMENT

The enrollment closed for this Long Session with an all-time record of 2,225 students in all departments of the institution. The new system of registration worked out by Dr. Solomon was a decided improvement. Thus, the Registration this year went forward with practically no problems.

C. STATE FAIR

The Texas State Fair will observe again this year "Negro Day", October 17, with a football game between Prairie View and Wiley at night. It is predicted that upward of 40,000 colored people will be in attendance on the 17th.

The State Fair is not to be classed with the usual carnival. It is an institution of learning. It has been the practice of the Institution to permit any employee to attend this Fair on Negro Day, provided regular assignments are satisfied. Those who desire to be excused to go to Dallas, will kindly let the Directors know on or by October 10, so that provisions can be made for your duties.

D. DEGREES

It is not only interesting to know, but valuable information to have, in the matter of the number of degrees awarded to graduates by Senior Colleges in Texas at both the regular and summer sessions. The State Department of Education is responsible for the following information on this question:

<u>College</u>	<u>Number</u>
Jarvis College	26
Samuel Huston College	146

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<u>College</u>	<u>Number</u>
Wiley College	142
Tillotson College	170
Paul Quinn College	176
Texas College	226
Texas State University for Negroes	302
Bishop College	305
Prairie View A & M College	410
Total	<u>1903</u>

E. LIBRARY VS RECREATION CENTER

Curiosity and interest prompted a check to be made of students present at the Library and Recreation Center for a period of two and a half days in the regular session in December of last year. These illuminating facts were revealed:

	<u>Counted in the Library</u>	<u>Counted in the Recreation Center</u>
1. December 9, 1948 (9:00 - 5:00)	294	909
2. December 10, 1948 (8:00 - 5:00)	94	567
3. December 11, 1948 (Saturday) (8:00 - 12:00)	89	425
Two and a half days' Total	<u>432</u>	<u>1901</u>

It is crystal clear that the Recreation Center is winning in that it is claiming too many of our students' interest and time.

F. ROADS AND WALKS

It is gratifying to know that contracts have been signed to pave more than a mile of roads and walks on the campus. This work is scheduled to begin at an early date. It is the program of the institution "to take the people out of the mud."

G. AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING

The rough draft of the plans for the Animal Industries Building is now in the hands of the architect, who promises to have them ready to take bids by December.

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The building is to cost \$325,000 and will include every modern facility for Animal Husbandry.

H. COMMUNITY CHEST

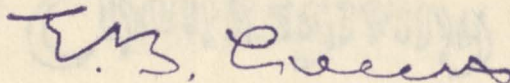
The Faculty at Prairie View, for more than twelve years, sponsored what is known as the "Faculty Community Chest." The last issue of the Newsletter carried a financial statement of the last fiscal year's activity. It is a pleasure to announce that this noble activity will be continued this year. The amount of the contribution is figured on the basis of 2% of one month's salary, less the deductions for Federal Tax and Retirement contribution. It is the hope that we shall get this obligation out of the way early this year.

I. Your thinking is directed to these words of Winston Churchill, spoken in Boston, Massachusetts, this spring:

"If we are to bring the broad masses of the people in every land to the Table of abundance, it can only be done by the tireless improvement of all our means of technical production, and by the diffusion in every form of education of an improved quality to scores of millions of men and women."

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Very truly yours,



E. B. Evans
President

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P. S. Workers' Meeting, Tuesday, October 4 at 7:30 P. M., Administration Building Auditorium.