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## A. CALENDAR

1. Religious Emphasis Week . . . . . November 29 - December 3
2. Football-Prairie View vs Florida A&M (Orange Blossom Classic) . Dec. 5
3. "Y" Leadership Institute . . . . . December 4 - 6
4. Annual Faculty Banquet . . . . . December 8
5. Foods Show (School of Home Economics) . . . . . December 9
6. Christmas Cantata . . . . . December 13
7. Training School Christmas Program . . . . . December 16
8. Christmas Holidays Begin . . . . . December 19
9. Prairie View Open Basketball Tournament . . . . . December 30-31
10. New Year's Day Football Game (PV Bowl) . . . . . January 1, 1954
11. Classes Resume . . . . . January 2

## B. EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION

Perhaps few experiences with the use of language are more taxing than that of trying to put into words the gratefulness one has for endeavors which are meaningful to one and all. Nevertheless, appreciation is expressed to all persons who contributed to the success of the Homecoming observance on November 14. It is understood that many hours of thought, planning, and physical labor were expended in making our campus a better setting in which to observe the Homecoming festivities. For these contributions which were made by our students and employees, we are deeply grateful.

## C. RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK

Already in progress is Religious Emphasis Week which began November 29. "Achieving the Abundant Life," theme of the program, is fitting in these times of indecision and personal maladjustments.

Impressive and penetrating speakers have been gathered to provide a program of assemblies, personal conferences, and classroom visitations designed to focus attention on the importance of religion in the lives of all persons, if these persons are to live abundantly.

Employees and students are asked to take advantage of the program activities, and lend their support to the very worthwhile plans that have been made.

## D. "Y" LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

"Peace In A Troubled World" is the theme of the 18th Annual "Y" Leadership Training Institute, convening December 4 - 6.

Conference Director, Dr. J. L. Brown, anticipates that approximately 400 boys and girls from the Southwest Area (Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana) will be in attendance during the Institute.

To keynote the Institute, the services of Dr. Frank T. Wilson, Dean of the Chapel, Howard University, along with other prominent speakers, have been secured.

The three-day conference will require that the campus personnel extend itself in its usual hospitable fashion in order that our guests will have a pleasant and profitable visit.

#### E. ANNUAL FACULTY BANQUET

For several years, one of the highlights of the Fall season, on our campus, is the Faculty Banquet. This year, the occasion takes place, Tuesday, December 8. The entertainment provided on the event is dependent on the extent to which the total staff participates. It is hoped that the banquet this year will surpass previous occasions - a very hard feat to accomplish, and possible only with the full cooperation of each employee.

The Faculty Recreation Committee asks that the banquet fee of \$2.00 be paid immediately in order that plans may proceed on schedule. All employees will be contacted by a representative from the department or from the committee.

#### F. HOME ECONOMICS FOOD SHOW

Annually, the School of Home Economics sponsors a Food Show. This year, the show is scheduled for December 9. Token awards are made for the best food entries in each division. The show is a worthwhile experience, and all persons are asked to participate.

#### G. CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

The Christmas holiday season is one which seems to be filled with programs and other activities designed to capture and portray the joy of the yuletide ceremonial. Campus activities and programs will include:

1. The Sunday School sponsors the Vesper Hour on December 6.
2. Christmas Cantata - During the Vesper Hour, December 13, the Department of Music will present its annual Christmas program.
3. Christmas with the Training School - An integral part of the College community's pre-holiday activities is the Christmas program presented by the Prairie View Training School. Wednesday, December 16 is the date of the program this year. The time and place of the activity will be announced soon.

4. Christmas Brighten-Up - The community's Garden Club encourages all members of the college community to participate in their fifth annual Brighten-Up Campaign. It is hoped that the campus will become transformed into a "Christmas Wonderland" as the result of participation this season.

H. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

The Christmas Holidays will begin at noon, December 19 and will end January 2, 1954. Classes will be resumed Saturday morning, January 2 at 8:00.

I. FOOTBALL SEASON NEARS END

As the end of the 1953 football season ends, this opportunity is taken to congratulate the very fine Panther squad and their coaches for a most successful year. Faculty men recently expressed this sentiment in a special observance for our football celebrities - team and coaches.

Lest we forget, the current season's record is as follows:

|                 |    |              |    |
|-----------------|----|--------------|----|
| 1. Prairie View | 21 | Fort Hood    | 6  |
| 2. Prairie View | 40 | Bishop       | 19 |
| 3. Prairie View | 61 | Jackson      | 0  |
| 4. Prairie View | 32 | Wiley        | 0  |
| 5. Prairie View | 27 | Morris Brown | 15 |
| 6. Prairie View | 34 | Arkansas     | 6  |
| 7. Prairie View | 32 | Grambling    | 0  |
| 8. Prairie View | 27 | Langston     | 0  |

J. CONGRATULATIONS TO -

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Work who became proud parents of Debra Ann, November 2.

Dr. and Mrs. Emory Owens whose daughter, Rosalyn Eugenie, was born November 20.

K. PRAIRIE VIEW BOWL GAME

On January 1, 1954, the powerful Prairie View Panthers will meet the Texas Southern University Tigers, in the 26th annual Prairie View Bowl at Buffalo Stadium, Houston, Texas. Throughout the football season, both teams have been recognized as formidable. This game is very important to our college, and your participation as a spectator is urgently requested.

L. POLL TAX

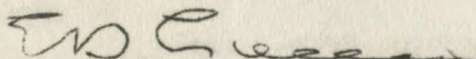
Members of the College staff have a civic responsibility to exercise in the community in addition to strict educational functions. In this regard, the State of Texas requires that Poll Tax be paid in order that one may be qualified to vote. It is urged, therefore, that each of us pays his poll tax in order to qualify to vote in all elections. Payments may be made in Mr. O. J. Thomas' office, Old Agricultural Building.

IN CLOSING

May we approach the Holiday Season with maturity of attitude, purpose, insight and understanding. As H. A. Overstreet in The Mature Mind says:

"Here is the clue-insight through which all the other insights may, in the end, be brought to their realization; the clue-insight without which all the others are lost: the psychological growth of man must keep pace with his physical powers; every increase in power must be matched by an increase in understanding."

Very truly yours,

  
E. B. Evans  
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Attachment - 1

P. S. Workers Meeting, Tuesday, December 1, 7:30 p.m. , Administration Auditorium. All employees are urged to be in attendance.  
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PRAIRIE VIEW AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE  
Prairie View, Texas

December 1, 1953

To all Members of the Prairie View Family  
Campus

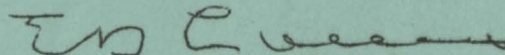
Dear Friends:

We wish to convey our deepest appreciation to the members of the Prairie View Family for the exquisite silver service set presented to us at Homecoming time.

It was a gift of sterling from a sterling Prairie View Family.

We shall always keep this evidence of your goodwill in our treasure chest of pleasant memories.

Sincerely yours,



Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Evans