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It is our hope that all members of the Prairie View family will work together in making this year's Homecoming one of the best observed at Prairie View. The November Standard and the Prairie View Week will both carry a complete schedule of activities for this three-day celebration.

C. VETERANS'DAY

The R.O.T.C. Unit at the College will sponsor a special program on November 11, Veterans' Day, which will feature an important appearance and address by former PMS&T, West A. Hamilton, Retired Colonel, U. S. Army, of Washington, D. C.

D. AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

National observance of American Education Week is scheduled November 11-17. The purpose of this observance is- -

- to achieve a deeper and more widespread public understanding of American higher education's fundamental contributions to a free society;
- to secure a wider public appreciation of the important opportunities ahead of the colleges and universities; and
- to encourage more widespread support of the essential programs of education and service at individual institutions.

E. ENGLISH EMPHASIS WEEK

There is not a more pressing need among our young people than a better and full command of the English Language. This fact makes the annual observance of English Emphasis Week one of the most important among our special activities. It is hoped that all departments and services will co-operate with the English Department in activities planned for this special week. Newsletter Page 3

F. NATIONAL BOOK WEEK

In keeping with its tradition, the W. R. Banks Library will observe National Book Week, November 25 through December 1. This year's theme is "It's Always Book Time." All students, faculty and residents of the community are urged to participate in the many Book Week activities.

G. THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY

The Thanksgiving Holiday will be observed on November 29, in keeping with the Texas observance. This year the holiday will be extended through the week end, running from November 29 through December 2. Classes will be resumed at 8 o'clock Monday, December 3.

H. REMEMBER

THE PRAIRIE VIEW COMMUNITY CHEST THE STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION THE BOY SCOUT DRIVE

I. NEW ARRIVAL

The college is happy to welcome its newest family member, a baby boy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hall. Mr. Hall is an instructor in Carpentry, Division of Industrial Education.

J. SPECIAL COMMENDATION

The attached communication concerns an unselfish act performed by one of our fellow staff members, Mr. Morgan Maxwell. Both Mr. Maxwell's kindness and the letter of commendation are significant in view of the selfishness and ingratitede which seem to permeate the world today. May we all take advantage of the opportunity to render service whenever and wherever we can. Newsletter Page 4

K. IN CLOSING

The following Thanksgiving prayer by Robert Lewis Stevenson is

very fitting for our closing statement in the month of November:

Lord, behold our family here assembled. We thank Thee for this place in which we dwell; for the love that unites us; for the peace accorded us this day; for the hope with which we expect tomorrow; for the health, the work the food, and the bright skies, that make our lives delightful; for our friends in all parts of the earth, and our friendly helpers. . . Let peace abound in our small company.

Very truly yours,

E. B. Evans

President

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P. S. Workers' Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 6, 7:30 p.m., Administration Auditorium.

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FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Paul R. Fullerton, Minister

Bryan, Texas

October 15, 1956

The President Prairie View A & M Prairie View, Texas

Dear Sir:

May I take a moment of your time to highly commend one of your fine members upon prompt resourcefulness and immediate personal command of a crucial situation.

On the night of October 13, at a point near Waller on the Houston highway there was a head-on collision, resulting in the injury of five persons.

Mr. Morgan Maxwell, of Prairie View A & M, came upon the scene very shortly after the collision and aided tremendously in the care of the injured. He expertly rendered first aid and made the victims as comfortable as possible until the ambulance arrived. After that he travelled to the County Hospital in Hempstead to inquire after their welfare.

Four of the men involved and injured were personal friends of mine here in Bryan. On their behalf, and out of personal admiration and appreciation, I heartily commend Mr. Maxwell.

If by some chance this is sent to the wrong office, will you see that it reaches the proper personnel for their attention.

> Sincerely, /s/ Paul R. Fullerton

Incl: Mr. Morgan Maxwell