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Oscar John Thomas Papers

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Title of Collection: Oscar John Thomas Papers

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Abstract: Oscar John Thomas was an educator and the director of the Prairie View Interscholastic League and College Placement offices at Prairie View A & M University. The Oscar John Thomas Papers documents the professional activities of John Oscar Thomas from 1936 to 1967. The collection consists mostly of general correspondence and correspondence of the Prairie View Interscholastic League.

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Biographical Note: Oscar John Thomas was an educator and the director of the Prairie View Interscholastic League and College Placement offices at Prairie View A & M University. Born on July 10, 1896, to Isaac and Emma Thomas in Nacogdoches County, Texas, grew up rural community in which he was born. After completing the ninth grade he passed a state examination and at the age of 17, taught a one teacher school. He entered Prairie View State College in the sophomore normal class and graduated from the normal department in the spring of 1920. He received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture in 1927. He first taught at schools in Nacogdoches and Shelby Counties, and also at Texas College in Tyler, Texas as teacher of General Agriculture and the Farm Manager.

While at Texas College, he married Bessie Aleda Hardaway of Ponta, Texas. After working at Texas College for three years, he accepted the position of Principal and Teacher of Vocational Agriculture in Cameron, Texas, where he served in these two capacities and taught high school mathematics for eight years. He served as principal and teacher of mathematics for seven additional years.

On July 13, 1938, Thomas became the State Itinerant Teacher Trainer in Vocational Agriculture at Prairie View State College. In addition to his regular duties as Teacher Trainer, he worked as the state adviser to the Texas Association of New Farmers of America. His professional activities included service as the President of the Teachers State Association, Regional Vice President of the American Teachers Association, and First Vice President of the American Teachers Association. He also served as President of the Prairie View Alumni Association for a period of six years and as Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Texas Interscholastic League of Colored Schools.

While studying at Prairie View State College, in 1944, he conducted a study of successful practices and procedures used in the best cooperative teaching program, which evolved into his master's thesis in Agricultural Education. His research was later published as a monograph titled *Suggested Principles and Practices for Cooperative Teaching with Special Reference to Vocational Agriculture*. Dr. Oscar John Thomas died on January 10, 1977, in Prairie View.

Scope & Contents: The Oscar John Thomas Papers documents the professional activities of John Oscar Thomas from 1936 to 1967. The collection consists mostly of general correspondence and correspondence of the Prairie View Interscholastic League. Materials include memos, conference programs, meeting minutes, programs, brochures, financials, speeches, by-laws newsletters, and photographs. The collection is particularly strong in documenting his activities with the Texas Interscholastic League during his tenure as director and which most of the correspondence concerns. Researchers will find letters concerning player eligibility and financial records, and meeting minutes. Of note are also documents on the Teachers State Association of Texas including their annual conference, a run of the Association's publication the *Texas Standard* between 1939 and 1966. Materials in the collection are not related to his tenure as a principal and teacher in Cameron School District.

Arrangement: Collection is arranged into eight series with 4 of the series further arranged into subseries.

Series 1: Prairie View A&M University, 1945-

This series contains the university history and administrative files during his tenure at the university. Includes committee records, photographs of mostly student athletic events, printed materials related to student and faculty activities, and speeches, and addresses given by Dr. Thomas. Several issues of *Prairie View Standard*. This series is divided into 4 subseries.

- Series 1.1 History and administrative materials
- Series 1.2 Committee on Home Development, 1945-1956
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Series 2: Alumni and Ex Student Association, 1946 -1961

Contains operating and minimal financial records of the Alumni and Ex Student Association including the by-laws and constitution and work of several committees including the Board of Directors & executive Committee, Nominating Committee, Elections committee, Homecoming Vespar Committee.

Series 3: Prairie View Memorial Park Association, 1946-1961

Contains administrative files including the constitution, articles, meeting minutes, notes and membership lists and correspondence.

Series 4: Correspondence, 1949-1966

Contains faculty and staff correspondence concerning the daily activities on campus. Also includes correspondence between President Bertram Evans and O.J. Thomas along with letters to him as chairman of the community chest committee.

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Series 6: Texas Association on New Farmers

Contains meeting minutes, programs, progress reports and reports related to agriculture in Texas.

Series 7: Prairie View Interscholastic League Records. 1941-1967

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Contains funeral programs, obituaries and voting and poll tax materials.

Administrative Information

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