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EXTENSION DEPARTMENT OF JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY.

Ninety-six teachers of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County have enrolled in the Extension Department of Johnson C. Smith University. The work of this Department is conducted by the Division of Negro Education of North Carolina.

The State Department of Education reports that the teachers of this community are showing by their interest in the extension courses that the minimum professional and academic requirements for elementary school teachers throughout the country shall be surpassed in North Carolina. The elementary certificates of class B held by teachers of this section have been changing rapidly into grammar grades and primary certificates, classes B and A. As we remember that the latter certificates signify that our teachers have done work equivalent to three and four years beyond high school training, we are forced to admit that North Carolina is making progress in the teaching process.

The efforts and enthusiasm manifested in the extension courses by the teachers of the State have been responsible for the adoption of Negro History as a course of study by the State Department of Education. We are all proud of this work of achievement, and we are certain that our children will learn more about the Negro Race as a result of this course.

THE MATTOON LITERARY SOCIETY.

By Joseph A. Jones

The Mattoon Literary Society extends a hearty welcome to all members of the College and Theological Departments. We also appreciate the visit of any member of the faculty on any or every Friday evening. We feel that with the cooperation of every member of the College and Theological school and members of the faculty we can make this year one of the greatest and most progressive years in the history of this society.

We realize that the society is progressing. In view of the fact that the members are doing their bits to increase membership, power and interest within the society, we know that the society is going to do greater work. The new administration with Messrs. A. W. Waddell and L. L. Blakeney as President and Secretary respectively has already shown success. In the effort to stimulate interest the President has authorized each member to wear the society colors, "white and purple," on Friday of each week. The programs rendered in our meetings are very interesting.

We know that the performers as well as others present are benefitted by being criticized by two men, both of whom have an eye of scrutiny and an ear which is very attentive to sound and technic. Each performer receives constructive criticism.

In the fall election of officers the following men were elected:

- A. W. Waddell, President.
- E. A. Evans, Vice-President.
- L. L. Blakeney, Secretary.
- J. A. Squire, Assistant Secretary.
- A. A. Jones, Treasurer.
- Wm. S. Brinkley, Chaplain.
- R. E. Jones, Sergeant-at-Arms.
- W. W. Jones, Critic.
- H. L. Marshall, Assistant Critic.
- J. A. Jones, Reporter.



The President's Thanksgiving Proclamation

Under the guidance and watchful care of a divine and beneficent Providence this Country has been carried safely through another year. Almighty God has continued to bestow upon us the light of His countenance, and we have prospered. Not alone have we enjoyed material success, but we have advanced in wisdom and spiritual understanding. The products of our fields and our factories and of our manifold activities have been maintained on a high level. We have gained in knowledge of the higher values of life. There has been advancement in our physical well-being. We have increased our desire for the things that minister to the mind and to the soul. We have raised the mental and moral standards of life.

We have had the blessings of peace and honorable and friendly relations with our sister nations throughout the world, disasters visiting certain of our States have touched the heart of a sympathetic nation, which has responded generously out of its

abundance. In continuing to remember those in affliction we should rejoice in our ability to give them relief.

Now that these twelve months are drawing to a close, it is fitting that, as a nation and as individuals, in accordance with time-honored and sacred custom, we should consider the manifold blessings granted to us. While in gratitude we rejoice, we humbly pray that we may be worthy of a continuation of divine favor.

Wherefore, I, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, do hereby set apart and designate Thursday, the twenty-fourth day of November next, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, and recommend and urge that on that day our people lay aside their usual tasks, and by the family fire-side and in their accustomed places of public worship give thanks to Him who holds us all in the hollow of His hand. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

By A. W. Waddell, '29

The Y. M. C. A., under the leadership of the President, G. W. McKeithan, is making rapid progress. The meeting held on last Sunday morning was largely attended. Mr. McKeithan made a brief talk in which he outlined the work of the Y. M. C. A. He stated how the "Y" had been handicapped at the beginning of the school term, as the former President did not return. Since the "Y" has made some adjustments with reference to the cabinet, the Y. M. C. A. is in a better position to make this school year a successful one.

The Young Men's Christian Association now has for its Vice-President Mr. James A. Squire. Mr. Squire is a very energetic young man, and has always worked hard in all forms of Y. M. C. A. work.

Through the interest of Dr. H. L. McCrorey the Y. M. C. A. has been given a Y. M. C. A. room. Dr. McCrorey has always been interested in the work of the "Y" and is constantly present at the meetings. He has made it possible, with a little work on the part of the members of the Y. M. C. A., to have one of the best "Y" rooms in the State. This is a new feature that has been added to the Young Men's Christian Association here. The room will consist of a store in which school supplies will be sold to students at reasonable prices.

This room will be one of the great centers on the campus for news, as it will contain periodicals and some of the leading papers. This will be a stimulus for students and at the same time acquaint them with the happenings of other schools and with current events.

We hope that more students will join the "Y" and help in the program for this year, in order that we may show our appreciation for these facilities by making this year the banner year for the Y. M. C. A.

SENIOR EVENTS

By Thos. A. Jenkins

On the campus one comes in contact with certain boys who have gained among the students wonderful influences, leaderships and outstanding positions in extra-curricula activities and if a copy of "Who's Who" at Smith were read it would be found that many of these boys would be listed as present seniors. But for fear copies would not be distributed soon "Who's Who" among the Seniors will be in the next edition of this paper.

It is rumored that the class is anxious to meet any team in the school on the grid-iron in a post-season game. Whether it be the Freshmen or the varsity, victory seems sure to come. There are, at least, seven letter men to depend on and then some more.

Our friend Jones must be solving some social problem secretly, for he is really keeping the campus boys guessing and the city folks wondering.

We miss our old friend, "Jim" Pope much these days. We are sorry he failed to return this season.

A certain Senior is said to be visiting a certain section of the city just about as often as the writer who lives therein. We are sure it is either Alston or Perry.

In a discussion of the Demiurge on a certain highway a few nights ago there were different opinions as to Plato's view, but when the "Lincoln Light Four" capsized all were with one accord saying, "All works are good." This trip to Rock Hill will always be remembered by Scales, Foster, Belton and Scott.

L. M. Massey can always be seen going toward First Street when he is at leisure off the campus. Since he is never seen elsewhere we are compelled to wonder.

Joe Davis would be pleased if some one would give him a little advice as to where he should spend the coming holidays. Pop says come on to New York.

THE THEOLOGICAL CORNER

By C. H. White

The Theologs of Johnson C. Smith University have a wonderful opportunity that greatly benefits the recipients of it. It is natural that we are thankful for the same. This opportunity enables the members of the Theological Department to receive both theory and practice in their course of training.

The Theological Department feels proud of the fact that the following members of this Department have received and accepted calls to supply the pulpits of the following churches:

Mr. H. O. Walker, '28, is supplying Edward Webb Memorial Presbyterian church at Mt. Airy, N. C.

Mr. A. E. Fortune, '29, is supplying the Second Presbyterian church at Lincolnton, N. C.

Mr. S. C. Van Landingham, '29, is supplying the Presbyterian churches at Morganton, N. C., and Marion, N. C.

Mr. J. L. Brewer, '30, is supplying the Presbyterian church at Darlington, S. C.

Rev. J. C. Corrothers is still supplying the flock at St. Peters A. M. E. Zion church, Gastonia, N. C.

SCROLLERS.

By C. Cardosa De Vane

On Tuesday evening, November 15th, the Scrollers Club had its first initiation of new members for the year. The number of students at Johnson C. Smith this year is greater than ever, and out of this number we have selected some of the best. There were five who pledged allegiance to the organization: namely, Roseboro E. Jones, William Little, Edward Jenkins, M. W. Wise, L. L. Blakeney. They show wonderful possibilities of becoming good workers. Our motto is: "We weigh men, not count them."

As a new enterprise at Johnson C. Smith University, the club has already mobilized its forces to work wherever duty necessitates. It is this organization that acts as a feeder to the great Clan, Kappa Alpha Psi. Activities of the Scrollers' Club are progressing favorably under the supervision of Dean J. H. Alston and Prof. T. S. Jackson, who are veteran representatives of Kappa Alpha Psi. In the event of a formal initiation in the near future, great things are anticipated.

Organization signifies cooperation, a working together for the perfection of certain ideals. It was solely from this idea that the Guide Right Movement was originated. The Scrollers Club and the Guide Right Movement bespeak the foundation on which the noble Order is so firmly established.

The officers are:

- T. A. La Saine, President.
- Osborn L. Wilson, Secretary.
- A. S. Brewer Assistant Secretary.
- E. M. Pressly, Treasurer.
- P. R. McCorkle, Sergeant-at-Arms.