

COLLEGE GLEANINGS

Arthur J. Clement, Jr.

We wonder sometimes if the pleasure of the end does not equal the pleasure of the beginning; for the boys seem to be as desirous of the arrival of vacation time as they are to return to school in the Fall.

A large number of the graduates were seen on the campus and at the game Easter Monday. It makes us here in school feel good to see those who have gone on return to us for a visit. May they always remember their Alma Mater.

A Surveying Committee from the National Negro Business League was on our campus some weeks ago. Messrs. Bolton and Harmond made brief but very interesting talks in our refectory. Both stressed the value of the development of the Negroes' material possibilities, for it was only on this kind of development could we as a race build a firm cultural structure. The school appreciates their being here.

Prof. and Mrs. George Brown, with their baby daughter, motored to Washington, D. C., for the Smith-Howard game. Before going to Washington Prof. Brown stopped long enough in Greensboro to officiate at the A. & T-Va. State Debate. A. J. Clement and R. E. Avant accompanied them on the trip.

Mr. V. H. Chavis has been called home on account of the illness of his mother. We trust that she will soon regain her health and that Vance will soon return to school. We need him here for more than one job.

Dr. A. B. McCoy, of Atlanta, Ga., was a recent visitor to our campus. Also Dr. Stewart Nelson, of Howard University. Both spoke at our devotional exercises on the morning when they were here.

Professor and Mrs. J. C. Bryant spent their Easter season at Orangeburg, S. C. There they gave their annual play at S. C. State College. We are delighted to know that talents here can be recognized at such distance from us.

Misses Julia B. Gilliard and Marie M. Marshall, of Sumter and Cheraw, S. C., respectively, were recent week-end visitors on our campus. We have noticed that since these ladies' departure, their brothers here have had their (the brothers') list of friends doubled.

Mr. H. O. Walker accompanied Rev. and Mrs. Mayberry to Charleston, S. C., last week. We are sure the trip was a delightful one.

Judge W. Drewrey Scales visited the old home hamlet a few weeks ago. We understand that the entire populace turned out to welcome this old war-horse back to its folds.

MUSIC AND ART

Henri Louis Marshall, '29.

In the Easter edition we attempted to epitomize what we have presented to you during the year 1927-1928. Our Lyceum course has ended; however, the recitals remain with us as tales that were told. We cannot help but cherish them.

The 1928-1929 Lyceum course promises programmes which bear already much appreciative criticism. Shall we not look forward to many good things in store for us?

Prof. W. S. Peyton and Mr. George McKeithan are cognizant of the fact that this commencement will be one of the greatest in many years; therefore, they are stretching every nerve in order that the Choral Club and Quintet might produce any number of good and enjoyable selections.

Music is in the very soul of the Negro. Even in the days when slavery and super-

stitution hung heavily around almost every door post, there might be seen groups of idle Negroes lying beneath the shade of an old oak tree, or upon a meadow or near the bank of some cooling water, who could "suck melancholy out of a song, as a weasel sucks eggs." This may be observed, at this day, and on a hot, springlike day the singing might be heard within the walls of a college.

William H. Fletcher is an artist. A great future awaits this lad. His imagination and artistic touch of the brush were demonstrated by a recent painting of the Sphinx upon the sandy soil of the Orient.

THEOLOGICAL CORNER

By C. H. White.

Johnson C. Smith University's School of Theology is pleased to announce that Mr. H. O. Walker, of Mt. Airy, N. C., is the valedictorian of the Senior Theological class of 1928.

We feel that Rev. C. M. Thorpe of Union's Theological class of 1922, is connected with our department by means of association and cooperation, theological achievement and interest, and a common purpose and the divine "Pilot." Mr. Thorpe is one of Johnson C. Smith's candidates for the degree of A. B. in June.

The Theological reception will be held on Friday, May 25th, 1928. Every so-called "Sky Pilot" is awaiting with anxiety the evening of the 25th of May. Mr. H. O. Walker is the selected toastmaster for this grand occasion.

Mr. Chas. H. Shute, Jr., who graduated from our college department last June, is at Washington, D. C. On Thursday, April 19, 1928, he crossed "The Line of Matrimony," causing Miss A. M. Cunningham's name to be changed to Mrs. A. Cunningham Shute. Mr. Shute, Jr., is the eldest son of Rev. C. H. Shute, Sr., D. D., the head of the Department of English Bible at Johnson C. Smith University. The recent Mrs. Shute is a former teacher of Second Ward High School, of Charlotte, N. C. We wish for them much peace, success and happiness.

We extend a cordial invitation to the following Senior College men, who are candidates for the ministry: Messrs: J. M. Alston, F. M. Beavers, A. C. Caviness, A. R. Dawson, T. A. Jenkins, R. J. Johnston and H. E. Williams.

THE MATTOON LITERARY SOCIETY.

By S. H. Travis.

While the report of the activities of the Mattoon Literary Society were not carried in the last edition of this paper no one, I trust, will presume that it has sunken into lethargy or a state of inactivity, for the actual condition is quite to the contrary and like a candle that often becomes brightest just before being extinguished. the society approaches its evening with determination and tenacity that will be satisfied with nothing less than success, ending well its history for the year which is marked with colorful events combined with constructive work.

During the present month the society has been favored with some elevating programs rendered by its members. The intelligence tests, conducted by Mr. H. L. Marshall, have proven very interesting and cultural, which encourages the members to support the society by lending their presence regularly to the meetings.

As we come to the end of this scholastic year our hopes are that the society has accomplished some good; if it has not it was our intention, and lament not over what might not have been achieved but rejoice over the good that can readily be seen to be the fruits of our labor.

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