

NCC CLOSES MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Dr. Anspacher Delivers Great Address

An address entitled "The Achievement of Happiness" which was delivered by Dr. L. K. Anspacher, noted playwright and philosopher, brought to a brilliant close the most successful year in the history of North Carolina College for Negroes with the holding of the commencement exercises at 10:30 Tuesday morning.

Fully eight hundred spectators thronged the B. N. Duke auditorium while still thousands of others listened to the program as it was aired over local station WNCN and also station WPTF, Raleigh.

The unorthodox subject permitted the speaker boundless latitude, and it was interesting to trace the style Dr. Anspacher employed in delivering an essay which might well have been titled, "The Achievement of Success."

Assuming that success and happiness are synonymous the speaker inferred that the life must be the happy life, and that by achieving happiness, one invariably achieves success.

"However, Dr. Anspacher continued, "Happiness does not come naturally it must be earned. But in doing this never aim for happiness. Consider it as a by-product."

His deliberations on work were practical. "Since work can be defined as doing anything that we don't like to do, there is no virtue in work as work." All achievement is dependant upon it, yet one must not so wrap himself up in his work to the extent that he excludes the finer things from his life.

Gold nuggets of thought flowed freely from the speaker's lips as he enlightened the candidates on "Intelligent Neglect." "What can't be cured," said Dr. Anspacher, "ought to be enjoyed. The ability to do without things is the first step in the achievement of happiness."

Continuing the speaker said, "Fear is the enemy of all joy. We therefore must face our fears and then overcome them."

Warning the candidates again at following "ambitions unrelated to capacities," Dr. Anspacher concluded his address by saying, "The greatest happiness comes in doing things, being things, and not so much in having things."

Following the address, the college choir under the direction of Mrs. Nell Hunter sang Sanctus from Gounod's "St. Cecilia Mass."

The graduates were presented to President James E. Shepard by Prof. J. T. Taylor. Doctor R. L. Flowers, chairman of the board of trustees, conferred the Please turn to page eight.

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NEW SECURITY BILL VITAL TO NEGRO RACE

SCENES OF N. C. COLLEGE FINALS



The North Carolina College is Dr. L. K. Anspacher, noted playwright and philosopher noted many to have been the best in the school's history. At the top is Dr. Anspacher, noted playwright and philosopher noted many to have been the best in the school's history. At the bottom Dr. Shepard, N. C. College president is delivering the parting word to the graduating class just before awarding them their degrees.

Reorganization Set up Becomes Effective June 24

WILL PATTERN FOLLOW THAT OF CCC WITH FEW NEGROES IN KEY POSITIONS DESPITE PRESIDENT'S AND DIRECTOR'S POLICY OF NO DISCRIMINATIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Two weeks from Saturday, on June 24, the federal reorganization program becomes effective. In one of the groups under this new setup, the Social Security administration, the Negro's interests are vitally concerned since it will contain the Bureau of Public Health, U. S. Employment service, Office of Education, Social Security, NYA and CCC.

These bureaus touch every phase of Negro life. Policies of the SSA are now being made, obviously on precedents established by the old agencies. A survey of a representative department, the CCC, shows that if previous practices are to be continued, there will be few positions in the higher brackets going to Negroes despite full qualifications for these jobs.

The CCC is considered especially fitting for comparison because it is in an agency which specifically ban discrimination. Both President Roosevelt and Director Robert Fechner have stated repeatedly that "merit shall be rewarded" each enrollee will have an opportunity to rise as high as his qualifications permit. There have been "discrimination based on race." This policy has been followed to the fullest in white camps, but it has been ignored in the 150 Negro camps.

Except in a few isolated instances, such executive positions as reserve officers called to active duty, special representatives of the director, assistant corps area educational advisers, district educational advisers, camp superintendents, civil engineers, job foremen, mechanics, clerks and agronomists do not go to Negroes.

It is known there are enough

BREAKS ENGAGEMENT



REV. TYCEE NELSON, pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian church, whose engagement to Miss Mabel Eloise English of Camden, South Carolina, has just been broken by mutual agreement of the parties involved.

Rev. Nelson And Fiancee Break Engagement

CAMDEN, S. C.—An engagement, which was the culmination of a childhood romance, was broken today with an announcement by Mr. and Mrs. Scipio English that their daughter, Miss Mabel Eloise English, would positively not marry Rev. Tycee Nelson of Durham.

Rev. Nelson is pastor of the Pine Street Presbyterian church and a very popular member of the younger social set. He is also a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University and a member of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

The intelligent and charming girl in the country for queen of the fiesta.

The club announced prizes totalling \$1,000 in connection with the beauty contest, with a first prize of \$500, second, \$300 and third \$200.

SHE MADE BRILLIANT RECORD



MISS MARGUERITE ROGERS, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Rogers, of Wilmington, North Carolina who graduated from Shaw University last week. Recently, Miss Rogers was made a member of the Alpha Omicron Honor Society of that school, having made an average of B for seven semesters. Miss Rogers was president of the University YWCA and represented Shaw University for the past two years at the student interracial conferences held at the University of North Carolina, Duke University, and the North Carolina College for Women. She is anti-basilian of the University chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

No Action Yet On Virgin Island Relief Bill

WASHINGTON, (ANP)—The bill for the relief of the Virgin islands revenue troubles, introduced two months ago, has not been considered, and no consideration for it is yet scheduled, according to information received from the House Ways and Means committee as June arrives.

In the meantime, the Negro farmers and merchants of the islands, denied the advantages of their sister possession, Porto Rico and the Philippines, face the prospect of a new fiscal year without the small deficiency appropriation needed to carry on the simplest functions of government.

Since 1867, the United States government has wanted the Danish West Indies, now the Virgin islands, for a first line defense against aggression that might threaten from across the Atlantic. Not since the early days of their colonization have any of the countries who have temporarily held them looked upon these islands as a source for revenue. To the European countries as to the United States, these islands have meant the control of the Caribbean.

Because America control the Caribbean to maintain the Monroe doctrine, the army has created the department of Porto Rico. Because America must control the Caribbean, the Fleet's winter manoeuvres this year were held in Caribbean waters, with the president on hand to lend emphasis to the event. Because America must control the Caribbean, we bought the Danish West Indies for \$25,000,000 in 1817 renaming them the Virgin islands of the United States.

The United States did not talk then about the size of the islands or their small population. The American press of 1936-37 talked about the strategic importance to America's commerce and her international relations. We bought the islands and started our relationship with them by making our new Americans good and mad, displaying pictures of native thatched huts, but none of the pretentious tropical homes that overlook one of the world's finest harbors.

When America bought the Danish West Indies, they were not self supporting and had not been self supporting since the days of the buccaners. Denmark had to contribute to their support, and having no interests in the New World, was willing enough to sell to America, which was anxious to buy as a defense measure.

A committee of Virgin islanders headed by Linoel Roberts Negro vice-chairman of the legislative assembly for the islands is before congress.

Southern Rail Man Wins 6 Year Fight

CHICAGO, (CN A)—Emmet Smith's innocence, and it is difficult to understand how an opposite conclusion could have been reached.

The Negro dragged on for six years due to the maneuvering of the railroad company, declared the board.

The victimized fireman's case fought out for him by the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers.

The board ruled that a conspiracy existed of some furloughed white firemen to terrorize the Negro firemen "out of their positions by shooting them on the trains." A number of Negroes were killed and others wounded, it added.

EVIDENCE CLEAR
Said the board, "The evidence just as clearly shows

Robinson Celebrates Birthday

NEW YORK—Bill Robinson, accredited "Mayor of Harlem" and the World's most noted tap dancer, celebrated his 61st birthday last week with a full calendar of festivities which ended early in the morning at his Mingo Club.

He started the day out right by tap dancing 20 blocks from Central Park West and 61st street to the Broadhurst theatre on West 44th street, where he is appearing in the Hot Mikado, making the journey in 30 minutes. He was accompanied by a police escort.

Other celebrations besides the one at the Cotton Club where he appeared in a revue, took place during the night. He appeared also in his annual benefit showing at the Light House Association for the Blind then went back to the Broadhurst theatre where a party was held until 3 a. m. He wound up early bright at the Mingo club, where his many Harlem friends had gathered to help him celebrate.

Author Passes

NEW YORK—Garland Anderson, former waiter who leaped to fame several years ago when he wrote "Appearances," a book based on his experiences in serving socialite members of the "400" aristocracy, passed away here last Thursday shortly after returning to America from England.

With the author at the time of his death was his attractive wife, famous in her own right as an English novelist, who

COAST GROUP TO HOLD FIESTA IN SEPTEMBER

OAKLAND, (CNA)—The California Business Boosters' Club of Oakland this week announced plans for a Western Fiesta in this city during the week of September 3 to 10.

One of the high spots of the event will be a nation wide beauty contest for the selection of the most beautiful Negro girl in the country for queen of the fiesta. The club announced prizes totalling \$1,000 in connection with the beauty contest, with a first prize of \$500, second, \$300

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