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PRES. PATTEN PREACHES BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Dr. Gilbert T. Rowe Delivers Graduating Address

LOUISBURG COLLEGE HAS INTERESTING CLOSING EXERCISES

Rev. A. P. Brantley Delivers Y. M. C. A. - Y. W. C. Sermon; Many Attend Banquet, W. H. Yarborough Delivers Address; Many Graduates; Certificates Issued

President Patten Cites Challenge In Life Trust

"God has created the universe that thinking, moral human persons may accept their trust and create dividends for the oncoming generations," said President Patten in his baccalaureate sermon at the Methodist Church on Sunday morning, May 23.

These dividends he explained to be in terms of "knowledge, inventions, beauty, righteousness, godliness." "The rich and high appraisal of the individual" he attributed as a tremendous factor in man's upward struggle.

In emphasizing the concept of Jesus as to the worth of the individual, he cited the fact of the low evaluation upon human life at the time of the birth of Jesus, when seventy per cent of the population of Rome were slaves. The idea of the worth of the individual was linked with that of man's relation to God. The educator's task the speaker affirmed to be the awakening of the souls of men and the recognition of that fact to be a major experience in the individual's life, working toward adjustment, happiness, and achievement.

"We spin the cocoon in which we are to live," he graphically commented, adding, "The earth affords ample material and opportunities for the noblest life."

He set forth three principles for noble living. First, life is to be lived cooperatively. "We cannot effectively live isolated lives as individuals or as a nation. . . . We are not our own to do as we please, but we are bought with enlarged privileges."

Second, life must be lived creatively in the power of enlarged privileges. He spoke of the wise discontent with the past which selects the best.

"The whole realm of invention and research represent creative living," asserted the speaker. "Everywhere the situation is awaiting some creative mind to appear and improve the conditions. . . . The world is awaiting the dividends that shall issue from your life trust."

Third, the speaker said that life trust required adventurous living, not a safety-first policy. "The rich blessings of life," he said, "have cost much," and cited Grenfell, who "did not count the cost in privations and sufferings" when he chose his ministry in Yabador.

"What if we don't come back? The only dividends on our life trust are those of absolute loyalty to our awakened soul."

The music for the occasion included the processional of the Priests and "Grand March" respectively, by Mrs. O. Y. Yarborough; and two numbers by the college choir, "Break Forth into Day," by Simper, and "The Lost Chord," by Sullivan.

its varied lights and shadows. He stressed the importance of the job that lies ahead, by no means yet fully realized, he admitted. Affirming that he had no desire to discourage youth, he yet declared that they must face the future and make themselves useful in the midst of changing conditions. He spoke of the Romans attempt to conquer the world by crucifying Christ and of Hitler's trying to conquer it by wielding a mighty power. Then he said that Christ did overcome it, by choosing to go to the cross.

"The future depends upon what we choose," said the speaker. "It's no easy task, but the world is going to be what the next generation make it. You're going to have to live in it. You must have faith. God will remember the world."

The Reverend Mr. Brantley offered a prayer at the close of his message. The audience sang "A Charge to Keep I Have."

Final Music Recital Given
Three students of the Music Department of Louisburg College gave a recital in the college auditorium on Thursday evening, May 20, beginning the 1943 commencement program.

The students were Josephine Lassiter, Four Oaks; Jane Moon, Louisburg, and J. E. Norris, Jr., Columbia. Margaret White, Norlina, was the accompanist.

Josephine Lassiter sang "Arise Shine," by Spicker; "Florian Song" Godard; "Out of My Soul's Great Sadness" and "Dedication," by Franz; and "Sandman Is Calling," by Roberts.

Jane Moon included in her selections "Rose Softly Blooming," by Spohr; "Eye Hat Not Seen," by Gail; "Rose in My Garden," by Courtney; "Nocturne," by Deansmore; and "The Pipes of Fairland," by Vaughan.

J. E. Norris, Jr. sang "Rantin' Rovin' Robin," a Scotch folk song; "Magic of Your Eyes," by Penn; and "Sea Fever," by Andrews.

The three gave as trio numbers "America," by Carey; "Sleepy Hollow Tune," by Kountz; and "In Silent Night," a Subian folk song.

President and Mrs. Patten Entertain
President and Mrs. Patten entertained at tea in the president's home on Sunday afternoon, May 23, in honor of the graduating class, faculty, student body, and friends of the college. Guests were received in the garden and in the house by the hosts and members of the faculty. Miss Lula Mae Stipe presided at the punch bowl placed along with attractive cakes and candies on the dining table covered with lace cloth. College marshals—Eaton Holden, Louisburg; Elizabeth Harris, Louisburg; Thomas Helms, Scotland Neck; and Shirley Smith, Durham—served in the dining hall.

Just before leaving, each caller was led to the library to sign in the guest book.

The home, had a delightful charm with its soft, cheerful effect of Dorothy Perkins roses in attractive arrangement.

Class Day Program Given
The Class Day program was given on the west campus at four-thirty on Saturday afternoon, May 22, under the direction of Miss Julia Brown Hudgins, class sponsor.

The music of "Alma Mater" ("Fianlandia") was used as the processional. Sue Margaret Harris, Oxford, gave the salutatory. Other events followed in order: McNeil Ipeck, New Bern, gave the class history; Martha Ann Strowd, Louisburg, the class poem; the candidates for diplomas and certificates sang the class song written by William Andrews, Louisburg; Sara Hux, Halifax, read the class prophecy; and Claude Stainback, Henderson, read the last will and testament. Martha Ann Strowd gave the valedictory. The music of "Alma Mater" was repeated as the recessional.

FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR



JAMES Y. COOPER
Who completed his training at Bennettsville, S. C., recently and received his appointment as Army Flight Instructor and was assigned to duty with the 55th Army Air Force, at Bennettsville, S. C. Instructor Cooper spent the past week with his people in Louisburg.

Lions Club To Sponsor Playground

The Louisburg Lions Club voted unanimously at the regular meeting Tuesday night, May 25, 1943, to sponsor a playground for small children. It was recognized that there is a great need for a place where the smaller children of Louisburg can safely play. It was brought out in a general discussion that the present practice of colored maids allowing children to play on the sidewalks down town could result in a fatal accident if some child became so absorbed in his play that he walked into the street.

A committee composed of Edgar Fuller, Dr. R. L. Eagles, and Numa Freeman was appointed to work out the details. This committee will locate a suitable site and see what equipment such as swings, slides, seesaws, and sandboxes can be obtained at this time.

Dr. T. C. Amick, Head of the Department of Mathematics at Louisburg College, gave the club a very interesting talk on the old Jack and Jill nursery ditty. Dr. Amick brought out that man's progress down through the ages has depended on his intuition, action, cooperation, and risk; and like Jack and Jill a price must always be paid for achieving success.

Gasoline Remains Serious

Washington, May 26.—A prediction that the East Coast gasoline situation will become "progressively tighter" as the full impact of Mid-Western floods strikes Eastern deliveries came today from the Office of Defense Transportation.

First impact of the floods, ODT said, was reflected in a sharp reduction in tank car deliveries during the 24-hour period ending at 12:01 a. m. yesterday.

Arrivals at 25 Eastern terminals which receive about 30 per cent of the total rail movement of petroleum products numbered 3,229 cars (700,693 barrels) during the 24-hour period, a decline of 16.5 per cent from last week's daily average deliveries.

ODT said an earlier prediction that the flood temporarily will reduce Eastern deliveries of oil at least one-fifth and possibly as much as one-half "still appears to be a reasonable estimate."

Flood Threat
Rail transportation, according to ODT, remains disrupted in the flooded areas of the Mid-West and Southwest, with a threat that flooded tributaries of the already swollen Mississippi may endanger rail gateways on the lower half of that stream.

Memphis, New Orleans and Shreveport, among other Southern gateways, already are carrying a heavy load of diverted trains.

With resumption of flow through the 24-inch emergency pipeline, washed out by floods May 17, ODT has ordered tank cars returned to Norris City, Ill., Northern terminus of the line, and said it was hoped that tank car loadings, probably at the rate of 75,000 barrels a day, could be resumed today.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Franklin County Memorial Association
Sunday, May 30, 1943 at 2:30 Standard War Time
COURT HOUSE
Louisburg, North Carolina
Program

- Invocation Dr. T. C. Amick
- America Mills High School Band
- Directed by William Andrews
- Address of Welcome Dr. R. F. Yarborough
- Pres. F. C. M. A.
- Music Band
- Report of Nominating Committee and Election of Officers for 1943.
- Roll Call of Deceased Veterans C. C. Collins
- Taps Bobby Andrews
- Music Band
- Address Rev. S. E. Mercer
- Franklinton, N. C.
- Announcements.
- God Bless America Audience Standing
- Directed by Mr. I. D. Moon
- Star Spangled Banner Mills High School Band

LIST OF COMMITTEES AND GRAVES TO BE DECORATED

- Officers Franklin County Memorial Association**
President: Dr. R. F. Yarborough
- 1st Vice President and Chairman Arrangements Committee:** Mrs. Ben T. Holden.
- 2nd Vice President:** W. L. Lumpkin.
- 3rd Vice President:** F. A. Read, Secretary: Mrs. J. E. Malone. Treasurer: A. F. Johnson. Local Details: J. L. Palmer. County Flower Chairman: Mrs. H. C. Taylor, Sr.
- Township Chairmen and Committees and Graves To Be Decorated**
- Louisburg Township:** Dr. A. Paul Bagby, Chairman; W. L. Lumpkin, E. H. Malone, C. M. Howard, G. W. Cobb, Mrs. J. R. Earle, Mrs. W. P. Neal, Mrs. H. W. Perry, Mr. S. D. Harris, Mapleville, Mrs. O. W. Perry, Dr. D. T. Smithwick, Miss Alberta Davis, Miss Helen Smithwick.
- Graves:** Louisburg Cemetery: John Neal, Frederick Swindell, Jim Collie, H. C. Williams, Beull Cooke, John Glenn, S. P. Boddie, J. R. Earle, Jr., Wm. S. Person, T. C. Alston, Hon. T. W. Bickett, Wm. H. Ruffin, W. P. Massenburg, Ben H. Meadows, Sam S. Davis, Maple Springs Cemetery: Hugh W. Perry, Butler Fuller and Dr. Arch Perry, Green Hill Cemetery: Dr. Charles Davis.
- Dunn Township:** Miss Lucy Wiggs, Chairman; Mrs. Mary White Beddingfield, Miss Mary White Nash. (Others on this committee will be notified by Miss Wiggs).
- Graves to be decorated:** Clifton Powell, Upchurch burying ground, near Pilot, and Thomas Wiggs, Bunn Cemetery.
- Harris Township:** Mrs. M. C. Wilder, Chairman; Mrs. A. T. Lancaster, F. W. Justice, F. A. Baker, Mrs. Robert Wheelers, Mrs. J. D. Morris, Mrs. A. T. Harris, Mrs. Dollie Pearce, J. W. Perry.
- Graves to be decorated:** Tommie Frazier at Frazier's Home Place near Harris Cross Roads; Zollie Richards near County line at Ernest Richards; Joe Lafater at Baker's Home Place; Zollie Rogers at A. J. P. Harris burying ground; Robert Wheelers at family cemetery at John W. Wheelers; Johnson Baker at New Hope Church; A. T. Lancaster at Harris Chapel.
- Youngville Township:** Major S. E. Winston, Chairman, S. E. Tharrington, Mrs. B. H. Patterson, Mrs. F. A. Cheatham, C. E. Jeffreys, Miss Gertrude Winston, W. C. Perry, W. O. Roberts, Mrs. S. E. Tharrington, Mrs. E. M. Carter, Mrs. J. K. Tharrington.
- Graves to be decorated:** Louis W. Nowell, Hubert C. Layton, W. Herbert Cates and Wiley Jackson Frazier at Flat Rock Church; Archibald Pearce and Lonnie Perry at Oak Level Church.
- Franklinton Township:** H. C. Kearney, Chairman; G. B. Harris, J. O. Green, Mrs. C. S. Williams, Mrs. W. W. Cooke, Geo. L. Cooke, L. L. Preddy, Mrs. H. H. Utley, M. W. Hardy, E. J. Cheatham, all members of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary.
- Graves to be decorated:** Harold J. Holmes at Buff Holmes burying ground; Ruff Strother at Ebenezer Church, Wade H. King at Mt. Olivet Church; Grady Conyers at J. T. Conyers Home Place; Shemuel B. Cooke, Donald F. Cheatham, Eugene Gibbs, Jordan Henley, and F. E. Joyner at Franklinton Cemetery. Also Capt. I. H. Kearney, Thomas C.
- Tartie, Rufus W. Long and J. T. Moss, Spanish American War Veterans at Franklinton Cemetery.**
- Hayesville Township:** D. T. Dickie, Chairman; T. C. Gill, Mrs. R. H. Purnell, Mrs. J. S. Wilson, L. O. Frazier, J. T. Weldon, Mrs. Henry Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Z. Terrell.
- Graves to be decorated:** Willie G. Macon, Perry Ashley Wilson and E. B. Foster at Trinity Church, and David L. Foster at Dave Weldon's residence, and Dr. Jamie Dickie at Bethel Church.
- Sandy Creek Township:** M. E. Watkins, Chairman; Owen Tharrington, Mrs. Roy Gupton, Miss Irma Gupton, C. E. Edens, H. F. Marshall and Mrs. Sidney Hale.
- Graves to be decorated:** Nat Strickland, Wm. F. Tucker, Herbert Tharrington, John Sledge at Mt. Gilead Church; Sidney Burnette, residence near Alert; John Pernell, near Alert; Raymond M. Pernell, at Mt. Grove; Wm. (Buck) Thompson and Luther Dryden at Albert Pernell's grave yard near Alert; and Thomas Murphy at family cemetery at "Slug" Gupton's.
- Gold Mine Township:** Mrs. J. W. Neal, Chairman; Mrs. E. D. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Major Gupton, Mrs. W. D. Fuller, N. H. Griffin, Mrs. P. M. Sykes, Mrs. Arch Perry, Mrs. F. A. Read, Mrs. Alex Wester.
- Graves to be decorated:** Isaac Matthew Gupton at J. H. Gupton's near Gupton; James L. Innes, at residence near Mt. Gilead; Jessie Joyner, near Lawrence Gupton's home place; Jack Brewer, near Sandy Creek; Spruill Upchurch, at R. N. Gupton's and Cleveland Denton. Marjion B. Smith.
- Cedar Rock Township:** Mrs. T. H. Dickens, Chairman; Spencer Dean, Mrs. Peter Dean, Miss Eva Cooke, Mrs. C. T. Dean, Mrs. R. T. Daniels, Mrs. and Mrs. Jos. T. Insoce, William Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stone.
- Graves to be decorated:** Thomas E. Wilson at residence of Mrs. J. D. Harper near Cedar Rock; Harry Swanson, old Fulghum place near Cedar Rock; James C. Murray, White Level Church; Bryant Gilliam, St. Delight cemetery; Martin Wells, Robert Stallings old home place.
- Cypress Creek Township:** C. H. Stallings, Chairman; M. T. Lamm, Mrs. Ernest Wheelers, Mrs. C. A. Long, Mrs. B. D. Wheelers, Arthur Strickland, Fenner Moses, Miss Estelle Strickland, G. L. McGregor.
- Graves to be decorated:** John Norman Wilder at J. T. Wilder's residence; Elijah Wheelers, John Faulk and B. F. Wheelers at Justice; Cleveland Moses at Moses Old Home near Justice; J. C. McGregor and Dolphus Medlin at Duke Memorial Church.
- Not buried in county, but names honored by the Association: Albert C. Ayscue, Chas. D. Ellington, Alex Holmes, Frank Mitchell and Frank Timberlake.
- Casualties of World War II:** Malcolm Hedrick Leigh, William Aycocke, Robert Pernell. Reported missing in action: Nelson Percy Ingram.
- There are other names of both Wars which have not been handed in to the Memorial Association. Those interested will kindly get them on the list so that we may have an accurate permanent record.
- The Association is depending on the Township Chairmen and their committees to see that every grave in the County is decorated.

INCOME TAX BILL

Compromise Will Probably Become Law With Little Opposition

Washington, May 25.—Ending four months of bitter strife, a Senate-House conference committee approved tonight a pay-as-you-go tax plan which is virtually certain of final passage by Congress.

This compromise measure: Wipes out a year's income tax for those whose total bill for the year amounts to \$50 or less. Abates three-fourths of a taxpayer's obligations for all other tax years, the remaining fourth to be paid in two annual installments.

One-Fifth Pay Cut
Imposes a 20 per cent withholding levy against the taxable portions of wages and salaries, effective July 1.

Rep. Knutson (R-Minn.), a member of the conference, said "it was the general impression" among the conferees that the compromise bill will result in a "freezing" of the present individual income tax rates, precluding any rise in rates this year. President Roosevelt last January asked Congress to raise \$16,000,000,000 in additional revenue and savings this year.

Chairman Doughton of the House Ways and Means Committee announced the compromise. He expressed hope both houses will accept it this week and that President Roosevelt forthwith will sign it into law.

Knutson, who led three unsuccessful battles in the House for the modified Ruml plan to cancel a complete tax year, declared the Ruml bill will not be brought up again.

"The action of the conferees is final and the bill will pass," Knutson said, describing the compromise as "75 per cent of the Ruml plan."

Supported By Doughton
The vote in the conference was announced as 11 for the compromise to three against it. Doughton (D-NC) said he voted for it and estimated the measure wipes out \$6,000,000,000 of the approximately \$10,000,000,000 tax liabilities on one year's income.

Here's the way the abatement provisions of the compromise would work:

1. Persons with \$50 or less liability on the incomes of 1942 and 1943 would have 100 per cent of this abated on the one year in which his liability was the smaller. Tax experts said that 2,036,000 returns filed on 1942 income were returns where the obligation was lower than \$50.

2. Persons with liabilities over \$50 in 1942 and 1943 would have 75 per cent of their obligation canceled for the one of the two years in which they had the smaller taxable income.

3. The 25 per cent obligation remaining for those gaining three-fourths abatement would be amortized over two years, with half falling due next March 15 and the other half March 15, 1945. This would mean roughly a 12.5 per cent increase in the amount of taxes the taxpayers would remit in the two-year period.

"Notch" Provision
To iron out inequalities which would exist in cases where the tax liability for 1942 or 1943 is only slightly above \$50, the conferees said a "notch" provision will be added to the bill. Without such a provision, a man with a \$52 tax liability would have to pay 25 per cent of it, or \$13, while his friend across the street with a \$50 liability would see it all erased.

Today's actions broke a five-day deadlock in the conference committee, which was constituted to compromise the Senate's modified Ruml bill, opposed by President Roosevelt, and the House-approved measure which would have abated the six per cent normal and 13 per cent first bracket surtax on the 1942 income of all taxpayers.

WAR NEWS

London, May 26.—The Royal Air Force bashed the German arms center of Duesseldorf with nearly 2,000 tons of explosives last night while an American-led armada gave another "get-out-of-the-war" warning to Italy in a paralyzing attack eliciting cries of pain and anger from the weaker Axis partner.

A total of nearly 900 planes based in Britain and Africa struck the Axis in a violent general aerial offensive which authoritative sources said was just a foretaste of greater blows aimed at tearing out by the roots the enemy's war-making capacities.

Perhaps 500 British bombers, most of them four-engined giants packing two-ton blockbusters, left a carpet of flames to eat through cratered Duesseldorf in a saturation raid almost equalling Sunday night's record of destruction heaped upon Dortmund, 50 miles away.

The rolling sky barrage continued today as a strong force of Allied planes sped across the English Channel toward the invasion coast.

In the Mediterranean, nearly 400 Allied aircraft spearheaded by United States Flying Fortresses and Liberators, rocked Italy's invasion outposts of Sicily, Sardinia and Pantelleria in what officially was described as "a terrific hammering." Messina, Sicilian ferry terminus only a few miles from the Italian mainland, was a particular target.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, May 26.—Italy soon will be struck by aerial blows of such magnitude as to dwarf yesterday's terrific hammering in which nearly 400 planes blasted and burned the island outposts of Sicily, Sardinia and Pantelleria, authoritative sources declared today.

As the Allies' great North African aerial circus settled into its day and night routine of bombing and strafing Italy out of the war, optimism ran high. Yesterday's loss of 11 planes was described as "remarkably small in view of the large attacking forces, and proof of the superior tactics, equipment and leadership of the Allies."

The two-way pounding of the Sicilian ferry terminus of Messina by American four-engined Flying Fortresses and Liberators was believed virtually to have paralyzed the city's port facilities. The Fortress raid in particular was called "one of the most successful attacks of the North African campaign." The Liberator fleet alone dropped 175 tons of bombs on Messina.

Washington, May 26.—Japanese resistance on Attu Island today appeared to be crumbling fast, with one of the enemy's last three main positions in American hands and a second under violent assault.

Army air striking power in the western Aleutian Islands was supporting the assault by ground forces. A Navy communique said that Liberator heavy bombers, Mitchell medium bombers and Lightning fighters all joined the attacks on Monday.

Such heavy use of planes was the maneuver which authorities here had been hoping for. It undoubtedly resulted from a break in the weather. Tacticians had predicted that when planes could be brought into play in such force, the enemy would be done for in a hurry.

Chicago valley was the first of the enemy positions to fall since the Japanese forces were split last week into three groups. It was cleared of the enemy last Monday.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Forrest D. Hedden, pastor of the Louisburg Methodist Church announces that Rev. E. H. Davis will preach at the 11 o'clock Sunday morning service, and that there will be no evening service.

Sunday School will be held at 9:45, under direction of Mr. I. D. Moon, Superintendent.

Young Peoples Service will be held at 7 o'clock in the evening. All are invited to attend.

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, May 29th:

Saturday—Charles Starrett in "Law of the Northwest" and Noah Beery, Jr. in "Prairie Chickens." Also last chapter "G Men vs. The Black Dragon."

Sunday—Monday—Henry Fonda and Maureen Hara in "The Immortal Sergeant."

Tuesday—Allan Ladd and Helen Walker in "Lucky Jordan."

Wednesday—Burgess Meredith and Claire Trevor in "Street Of Chance."

Thursday-Friday—Jon Hall, Sabu, and Marie Montez in "Walter Wanger's 'Arabian Nights'."

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