

Weather

Partly cloudy and warm today. Low today, 60; high, in the low 80's.

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Dormitory Named For Late President Patten

The late Dr. Walter Patten, President of Louisburg College from 1937 to 1947, was honored Saturday afternoon in ceremonies naming the new men's dormitory the Walter Patten Hall. Three living College Presidents of the college participated in the ceremonies. Mr. Samuel M. Holton, Dr. D. E. Earnhardt and Dr. Cecil W. Robbins took part in the 6 p.m. event.

Professor I. D. Moon gave the Tribute honoring Dr. Patten and said, "He came here while the college was in a critical state financially. It was Dr. Patten who lifted the burden of debt." Mr. Moon added that Dr. Patten always had as his motto that no boy or girl would be denied admission to Louisburg College because of lack of funds. "His greatest joy," said Mr. Moon, "was to see young men and women go out with zeal and high purposes in life."

Dr. Patten came to the college in 1935 as Public Relations director. He died on March 8, 1947.

Mr. Moon referred to Dr. Patten as "A valuable promoter of impossible tasks within the Kingdom" and said for him, "No task was too menial to undertake."

Dr. D. E. Earnhardt, past President, told of the "depression days" when Dr. Patten first came to Louisburg. He stated he had a part in bringing Dr. Patten here. Dr. Earnhardt was president of the college when Dr. Patten first came.

Dr. James E. Hillman, Chairman of the College Board of Trustees, gave the declaration and Dr. Patten's son, Rev. Brooks Patten gave the response. "He would rejoice to see the dreams he shared come to life," Rev. Patten said of his father. "We see here an institution bearing fruit of earlier labor," he continued. He thanked the Trustees and others in the name of his family. Dr. Robbins made the closing remarks and delivered the closing prayer. Rev. Norwood Jones gave the invocation.

Members of Dr. Patten's family attending Saturday's ceremonies included in addition to Rev. Brooks Patten, his wife and two sons of Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Patten and a son from Mt. Olive, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Patten of Pennsylvania. Dr. Paul Patten is a son of Dr. Patten and Mr. Stanley Patten, a nephew.

Commencement Held At Louisburg College

Louisburg College closed its 180th year here Sunday by awarding ninety-eight Associates in Arts degrees, six Associates in Science degrees and twenty-four one-year Business Certificates. Twenty-two degrees were awarded at mid-year.

Bishop Earl G. Hunt of Charlotte spoke on "The Responsibilities of Maturity" before the capacity audience in the College Auditorium.

"You will not remember most of the subject matter," he told the graduates, "but you will remember a friend, a book or two and, perhaps, the impact one course had on your thinking."

"Responsibility of maturity is now almost upon you. The full-scale challenge of adult

living lies in front of you. The call is for understanding now," Bishop Hunt added.

He said the first responsibility of maturity is "understanding people and your world." "The second is balanced judgment—knowing real values," he added.

In expounding on the third responsibility, the responsibility for commitment, Bishop Hunt told the graduates, "It requires infinitely more courage to propose than to protest. Too many people analyze what's wrong with this earth and too few analyze what's right. I challenge you to still see goodness and beauty in human life."

Bishop Hunt praised Dr. Cecil Robbins for what he termed "almost miraculous progress

of Louisburg College."

Recipients of the Brantley Award were Barbara Jean Hawks and Howard Southerland Boney, Jr. Brenda Dunn and William Harles received the I. D. Moon Award.

Awards, certificates and degrees were presented by Dr. Robbins, assisted by Dean John York. Rev. Wade Goldston gave the invocation and Benediction. The Chapel Choir, under direction of Miss Sarah Foster, sang "Sanctus" from St. Cecilia Mass.

Sermon

Rev. W. M. Howard, Jr. delivered the commencement sermon Sunday morning at eleven o'clock in the College

Auditorium.

His topic "Before I Sleep," though borrowed he stated, was developed by recounting things one should be certain to do during his lifetime. Decisions, he said, have to be made. Each person, each graduate, will have many things in the future for which he must make choices. Determine to think carefully and make the right choices before "you sleep."

The Reverend Norwood L. Jones gave the invocation and benediction.

The Chapel Choir sang as an Anthem, "The One Hundredth Psalm" arranged and accompanied by Miss Sarah Foster. Also they sang the Anthem "Sheep May Safely Graze" by Bach.

Mrs. C. W. Robbins was organist and used as processional, "March of the Priests" by Mendelssohn and as recessional, "Pomp and Circumstance" by Elgar.

Alumni Banquet

Mr. Duffy Paul of Raleigh, President of the Alumni Association, presided at the banquet held Saturday evening in the Benjamin N. Duke College Union at 7 o'clock.

Following the invocation given by Chaplain C. Wade Goldston and the welcome by the alumni president, Mr. David Daniel, Director of College Relations, recognized the Golden Agers and presented 50 year certificates to three who this year become Golden Agers: Mrs. Walter E. Strange, Mrs. Maggie Taylor Wheelless, and Miss Sally Braswell.

Franklin County Alumni were recognized.

Dean John B. York presented the 130 graduates to the association. See COMMENCEMENT page 4



At Commencement Exercises

Watching the largest class ever march into the Louisburg College auditorium Sunday afternoon for Commencement are, left to right: Professor I. D. Moon, Dean John York, Rev. Wade Goldston, Bishop Earl Hunt of Charlotte and Dr. Cecil W. Robbins. Bishop Hunt delivered the Commencement address.

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Library Named For Dr. Cecil Robbins

Dr. Cecil W. Robbins, President of Louisburg College, was honored here Sunday afternoon following the graduation of the largest class in the history of the college. The new library was named The Cecil W. Robbins Library in his honor and a portrait was unveiled before a host of friends and associates.

Representing various groups interested in the naming of the building were Jean Simmons Perry of the Student Government Association; Duffy L. Paul, President of the Alumni Association; Mrs. Elsa Yarborough, Librarian,

speaking for the faculty and Mayor V. A. Peoples, speaking for the people of Louisburg.

Superior Court Judge Hamilton Hobgood represented the Board of Trustees and Rev. N. W. Grant, District Superintendent of the Methodist Church represented the church.

Bishop Earl G. Hunt of Charlotte gave the tribute to Dr. Robbins and spoke of his long friendship and admiration for the college president who came here in 1955. He termed Dr. Robbins, "A courageous citizen of a new era of history and stated, "He is a giant, in more ways than one, among men."



Dr. Robbins

Dr. Robbins' granddaughter, Faye Eloise Robbins, unveiled the impressive portrait of President Robbins which hangs on the east wall of the library entrance. Dr. James Hillman, Chairman, declared the library named and Rev. Wade Goldston gave the Benediction.

Dr. Robbins had headed an unprecedented period of growth at the local institution and has gained statewide acclaim for his accomplishments.

In his response Sunday afternoon, Dr. Robbins thanked all who had a part in the naming of the library in his honor and praised the three members of the library staff, the Board of Trustees and the faculty as well as the student body, which he referred to as the "best since I have been here."

He closed his comments with the statement, "I'd rather be here than any other place on earth."

General To Be Honored

General Edward F. Griffin, Defense for the State of North Carolina, will be honored in Wilson, N.C., on Sunday June 11 by those who served with him in World War II.

Harold Williams, local businessman announced this week there will be a dutch supper at Parker's restaurant in Wilson at 6 p.m. honoring General and Mrs. Griffin. Williams said all former members of the 113th Field Artillery and their wives have been invited and are urged to attend.

Reservations are to be made directly to the restaurant by postal card as soon as possible.

Williams is contacting former servicemen in Eastern Carolina and having them make similar announcements

in their areas. All men serving from September 15, 1940 in the 113th under command of General Griffin are being urged to attend.

Summer School

Registration for the Franklin County Summer School will be held Thursday, June 8, at 8:00 a.m. in the Louisburg School. Classes will begin immediately thereafter on the same day.

Courses are being offered on all levels for high school remedial English and there will be one new course of English 11. Math and French will be offered if there is sufficient demand.

Students should bring signed slips from their high school principals recommending their taking a particular course.

Bunn Lions To Sell Brooms

The Bunn Lions Club will hold a Broom Sale house-to-house Thursday night beginning at 7:30 p.m. Proceeds will go to help the Lions aid the blind.

Club president Gene Mallens said following the regular meeting of the club members will launch their canvass and asked everyone to help the Lions to help others.

Wrecks, Murder Highlight Weekend

Franklin County had an unusual amount of violence during the past several days, including a murder, a car fire and a number of automobile accidents.

An 18-year-old Negro youth of Franklinton Route 2 is lodged in the local jail charged with murder, a 20-year-old Negro was released Monday after being held in connection with the slaying and a 21-year-old Negro is dead. Elvis Gladstone Hicks, Jr. is being held without bond charged with the shotgun murder of James Crudup Sunday morning around 1:30 a.m. at Perry's Inn on the Louisburg-Franklinton highway. Richard David Perry was released Monday after being held in the crime.

Sheriff William T. Dement reports that the alleged murder weapon was found Monday hidden beneath an abandoned car about a mile west of Louisburg. The weapon was identified as a .410 gauge shotgun. Crudup died enroute to the local hospital, according to reports. Dement said SBI agent Billy Crocker and Deputy Lonnie House investigated the crime.

William Wayne Cash, w/m/20, received serious hand injuries when his Valiant automobile failed to take a curve on the River Road about two miles east of Franklinton Sunday afternoon around 5:45 p.m. Cash was riding alone at the time of the accident and no other vehicle was involved.

Two Wilson people were injured in a two-car collision near Alert Saturday night around 9 p.m. John Alphonso Joyner, w/m/44, Route 1, Wilson, N. C. and his wife, Mrs. Katie O. Joyner, 40, were taken to Franklin Memorial Hospital by the Centerville and Louisburg Rescue services following a collision between their 1965 Datsun pickup truck and a 1959 Ford, driven by William Henry Williams, Route 3 Negro. Williams was not hurt.

State Trooper J. E. Byrd reports the accident occurred when Williams attempted to make a turn in front of the Joyner vehicle. Williams has been charged with failing to see that movement could be made safely. The Ford was damaged at \$150 and the truck was estimated at \$600. The Joyner injuries were not believed to be serious.

The Louisburg Rescue Service answered a call to the Maynard "Baker" farm near

Mapleville to aid a man identified as David Neal Saturday afternoon. A 25-year-old Bunn woman suffered painful, if not serious injuries last Thursday afternoon around 1:30 p.m. when her late model Ford ran off the rain-slick NC 98 plowing into a nearby wooded area. Mrs. Mary Faye Driver was

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Alert Accident

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Bunn Accident



NC 39 Accident



Off NC 56 Accident