

**Badin School Commencement**

May 31 marked the close of the second school year in the new school building. The next day, most of the teachers left for their respective homes.

Despite interruptions occasioned by the influenza epidemic, the work outlined was completed successfully. A large percentage of the pupils received promotion to higher grades.

We here express our appreciation of the work done by the teachers. Not only do we commend their faithful performance of duty, but we are grateful for their untiring aid at the Emergency Hospital and in private homes, while influenza raged.

To those who will return, we extend a welcome, and our best wishes go with those who are to live elsewhere.

**ORDER OF EXERCISES**

I—*Exhibit of Work, School, Thursday, May 29, at 7.00 p. m.*

**I. Outdoor:**

Departments of physical education, playground, and school gardening.

1. Rhythmic Drill.
2. Vegetable Parade.
3. Swedish Exercises.
4. Swinging Motion Song.
5. Esthetic Exercises.

**II. Indoor:**

The grade work, manual training, domestic art, and mechanical drawing.

II—*Commencement Exercises of Grammar School, May 30, 1919, Badin Theater*

1. Invocation—Rev. E. G. Tate.
2. Song—"The Old North State."
3. Three representative readings or declamations by seventh grade boys and girls.
4. Chorus—"Spring Song"—seventh grade.
5. The Annual Address—Mr. H. W. Walker, Chapel Hill, N. C.
6. Chorus—"Joys of Spring"—by seventh grade.
7. Awarding Certificates to pupils passing to High School—Mr. R. H. Wake.
8. Awarding Certificates of Attendance.
9. Awarding prize for the best declamation.
10. Announcements.
11. Closing Song—"Star Spangled Banner."
12. Benediction—Rev. J. E. B. Hauser.

III—*Summer Festival, Badin School Grounds, Saturday, May 31, at 7.00 p. m.*

Cantata of the Queen o' the May.

1. Chorus—Tomorrow is Mayday.
2. Herald song.
3. Scatter Flowers—Flower Girls.
4. Crowning Song—Maids and Subjects.
5. The Promise of May—Queen.

The Subjects dance for their Queen.

1. Danish Dance of Greeting.
2. Morris Ribbon Dance.
3. Ox Dances.
4. Song of the Robin.
5. Greek Maidens Playing Ball.
6. Maypole Dance.

**Summer School Activities**

*Playground Work*

The child gains, thru play, strength, self-control, and power to think. He can be himself while being one of a community of workers, toward whom he assumes duties and obligations.

The Badin School Board, realizing the great physical, social, and moral values resulting from directed play, will continue the playground work thruout the summer. The morning sessions will be held in the park, from nine until eleven o'clock. The work will consist of story telling, games, handwork, and Swedish exercises. The afternoon sessions will be conducted on the school grounds from 6.30 to 8.30. The work will include playing on the equipment, folk dancing, and games.

On June 9, at seven p. m., the playgrounds will be formally opened. All Badin is cordially invited to attend the opening.

*Garden Supervision*

Our school gardens are our "peace plants"; their output, loyalty, patriotism, and good citizenship.

Gardens 8 by 12 feet were laid off, and every child desiring one was provided with tools for working and seed for planting. Under the direction of the garden supervisor, children from the fourth grade up made garden booklets. These booklets contained a plot of the child's garden, with vegetables selected for planting, and directions for raising the same.

During the summer, these gardens will be under the supervision of the playground director. The hours for work are: 8.30 to 9.00 a. m. and 7.00 to 8.00 p. m.

A garden festival will be given at the close of the summer's work, at which time prizes will be awarded the children of each grade having the best gardens.

*Summer Library Work*

On Saturday afternoons, the library will be opened for the exchange of books. All children are urged to avail themselves of this opportunity. A fine selection of new books will be added to the library with the funds netted from the entertainment given for its benefit by the Badin Branch of the American Red Cross. The School takes this opportunity of acknowledging this splendid gift.

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**Domestic Science "At Home"**

On Friday afternoon, May 9, the Domestic Science Department and the Piano Class had an "at home," for their parents and friends.

A piano recital by Miss Green's pupils provided the entertainment for the occasion, while Miss Robertson's class in cooking attended to the more solid part of the program.

The refreshments were lemon ice and cake.

The progress made in these departments was warmly commended by the guests.

**The Newest Badinites**

- To Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Gay, a daughter, 7 lbs.—Saidee Virginia, April 27.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Garfield Hutchison, 6½-lb. girl—Ruby Louise, April 30.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harmon, a daughter—Josephine, May 7.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Craven, 6-lb. boy, May 6.  
 Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Ross, April 7, girl, 8 lbs.—Helen.  
 Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lyerly, twin boys, 6 and 6¼ lbs.—James Rainey and John Bain, May 3.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Troutman, a boy, May 9.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peele, May 4, 8-lb. boy.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Funk, girl—Dorothy Arlene, May 10.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Irwin, 9½-lb. boy—James Daniel, May 16.  
 Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hyatt, May 16, girl, 7 lbs.  
 Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gabriel, May 19, 7½-lb. boy—Hal Bruce.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Lassiter, May 22, 7-lb. girl.