

Man creates himself
by his own activity.
—Kant

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Knowledge is in every
country the surest
basis of public happi-
ness.
—Washington

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SERVICE HONORS DR. DAVID D. JONES

Graduating Seniors Guests Of President

On Sunday morning, January 20 at eight, a group of seniors who have completed the requirements for their degrees from Bennett College, were entertained by Dr. Player at her home for breakfast.

The seniors who attended were Thelma Culbert, New York; Queen Farrish, Roxboro; Margaret Williams, Fernandina Beach, Florida; Sylvia Pretlow, Rocky Mount; Helen Frances, Lumberton; Shirley Moore, Jamaica, New York; Jean Moore, Rich Square; and Carolyn Crawford.

The setting for the breakfast was pleasant and informal and the girls enjoyed a menu including: melon balls, bacon and sausage, scrambled eggs, grape jelly and butter; cinnamon biscuits and toast and coffee.

The breakfast for all graduating seniors is a Bennett tradition. Each girl is entertained at the home of the President on a Sunday morning before bidding farewell to the familiar surroundings of Bennett College.

New Faculty Member And Students Arrive

Addition of one new faculty member was announced at Bennett College as the second semester began on Monday.

Mr. Roger L. Askew, of Kansas City, Kansas, has been added as an instructor in drama and speech. Mr. Askew, an A. B. from Fisk University, earned his M. A. in dramatic arts at Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio.

Three freshmen were accepted for the second semester. They are: Misses Alice Ingram, Guilford, N. C.; Barbara Smith, Atlantic City, N. J.; and Sylvia Byrd, Clarksville, Delaware. Miss Ingram is a sister of Miss Barbara Ingram, who enrolled in September, and of Miss Lois Ingram, who was graduated last year.

Seven former students have returned to the campus. They are: Misses Bettye Alexander, senior, of New York, N. Y.; Anece Faison, sophomore, of Dudley, N. C.; Mildred Plowden, junior, of Greensboro; Louise Pope, sophomore, of South Pittsburg, Tenn.; Laura Rowe, junior, of Goldsboro; Julie Rivers, sophomore, of Hilton Head, S. C.; and Mrs. Juanita J. McCain, senior, of Charlotte.

Musical Groups Perform

The Bennett College Quartette will sing for the Western District Conference of the Methodist Church on February 20th at Wells Spring Methodist Church in Forest City.

On February 1, the Freshman Choir sang for the Greensboro District Conference at the Celia Phelps Methodist Church at Red Hill.



METHODIST SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS — At the altar in Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel are five winners of scholarships given by the Methodist Church. From left to right: Delores Tonkins, junior; Jimmie English, junior; Helen Houston, freshman; Edna Jackson, sophomore; and Wilhelmina Bundy, sophomore.

Late President Given Tribute

Dr. David Dallas Jones, president of Bennett College from 1926-1955 and president emeritus from 1955-1956, was recently honored by some of the many students and friends who knew and loved him.

On Sunday, January 13, in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel at the regular vesper hour, a service of remembrance was held. The service which opened with the hymn "For All the Saints, Who from Their Labors Rest" and closed with "Now on Land and Sea Descending," featured as the principal speaker, Dr. Henry Hitt Crane, pastor of the Central Methodist Church of Detroit, Michigan. Dr. Crane, who had been a close friend of Dr. Jones presented a message of tribute to Dr. Jones. He spoke of the past, present and gave us an insight into hope for the future of our college and the world.

Dr. Crane said: "I think of Dr. Jones, first and foremost, as the finest example of a gentleman that I have ever known. He possessed all of the essential characteristics of a gentleman . . . patience, humaneness, absence of envy, humility, courtesy, unselfishness, self-control, and high-mindedness.

"He was as ideal an educator as I have ever known, a combination administrator-teacher who somehow incarnated the things he wanted to teach. He lived what he talked and had a rational clarity that enabled him to detach himself from the superficial and to get to the heart of a matter. He acted with a spontaneity that gave validity to his motives."

Dr. Crane further characterized Dr. Jones as a man who trusted in God and who had a quality of faith that he transmitted to others.

"He had a stubborn loyalty to his ideals and to his friends. He loved his fellow man, not with gushy sentimentality, but with a disciplined concern for his welfare. He was a great friend—your friend and my friend. He built his monument in the lives of others."

Mrs. Lydia Jetton Rogers, of Washington, D. C., a 1936 Bennett graduate, in her tribute to Dr. Jones, referred to him as a man who believed in giving freely of himself, who believed in the dignity of man and in the therapy of work well done.

"We see his creed living on these grounds and in the lives of every Bennett woman," she said.

During the service the College Choir rendered one anthem, Robert Elmore's "Out of the Depths." The text being taken from the 130th Psalm.

Progress in learning is dependent upon knowledge of results and it follows from this that the more complete, specific, and immediate the knowledge, the better will the learning proceed.

—Hollingworth.

Organist Heard



Virgil Fox, Organist of the Riverside Church in New York City, who recently presented a concert in the chapel.

Virgil Fox, distinguished organist of the Riverside Church in New York City, was heard in a concert on Tuesday, January 8, at eight o'clock. Mr. Fox has pledged many concerts here in the United States and in Europe.

For his concert, which was one of the highlights of our 1956-57 Lyceum Series, Mr. Fox chose familiar organ numbers by Bach to open his program. Among those were "Now Thank We All Our God" and the famous "Tocatta in F Major." Also included were the Prelude, Sicilienne and Tocatta from Opus 5 of a suite by the famous organist, Durufle, who Mr. Fox told of having known and worked with personally.

The concluding number was the interesting and colorful, "Fantasy and Fugue on the Chorale 'How Brightly Shines the Morning Star'" by Reger.

Mr. Allen Writes Magazine Article

Van S. Allen, biology instructor at Bennett College, is the author of "Creeping Paralysis" in the January issue of *International Student*.

The magazine, published by the Intercollegiate Association for the Study of the Alcohol Problem, Columbus, Ohio, is particularly concerned in this issue with the problem of the drinking driver.

Happiness lies not in the mere possession of money; it lies in the joy of achievement; in the thrill of creative effort.

—Roosevelt.

Mr. Whiteman Gives Full Organ Service

At 11 A. M. on Sunday, January 20, the college organist, Mr. Clarence E. Whiteman, presented what seems to be becoming an annual complete service of organ music.

Mr. Whiteman began with a prelude by the contemporary composer Noel George DaCosta. The invocation and the prayer heard later in the service were by the famous organ composer, Alexandre Guilmant.

The highlight of the service was the impressive and stirring, message consisting of Marcel Dupre's interpretation of the passion story, "Le Chemin de la Croix." Following the closing hymn, Benediction by Alec Rowley after which the audience went out to the strains of "Carillon-Sortie."

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- February 15—Birthday Dinner
- February 16—Y. W. C. A. Party
- February 23—I. R. C. Party
- March 1—Lyceum Program
The Curtis String
Quartette
- March 2—Kappa Phi Party
- March 9—Tomu Tacky Party
- March 25-30—Homemaking
Institute

Outstanding Vesper Speakers To Be Heard

Students at Bennett College will hear four outstanding Sunday vesper speakers during the month of February.

Dr. James S. Thomas of the Board of Education of the Methodist Church, Nashville, Tenn., spoke on February 3. Associate secretary of the Division of Educational Institutions, Dr. Thomas annually visits the campuses of the denomination's colleges and universities.

Speaking on February 10 was the Rev. Samuel H. Sweeney, pastor of St. Mark's Methodist Church in New York City, and on February 17, Miss Thelma Stevens of the Woman's Division of Christian Service, New York City, is scheduled to be heard.

Dr. Luther H. Foster, president of Tuskegee Institute, Tuskegee, Alabama, will speak on February 24.