

COMMENCEMENT NOTES

Dean Charles H. Boyer, who after forty years of service on the faculty of St. Augustine's was on leave of absence during the past session because of illness, was elected Dean Emeritus at the last session of the Board of Trustees. Dean Boyer spent the winter months in Florida, but returned to the campus in much improved health before commencement. Acting Dean Reginald L. Lynch will continue in that capacity.

Twenty-three of the 39 graduates from the college department are communicants—two were confirmed at St. Augustine's.

At the reception for the senior classes President Goold presented to Miss Mary Elizabeth Johnson, teacher in the high school and assistant to the Dean of Women, a beautiful leather-bound combination prayer book and hymnal, in marking the completion of her twenty-five years of service to the institution. At the same time, the twenty-fifth anniversary of President Goold, mentioned elsewhere in these columns, was observed as Acting Dean Lynch presented to him a fine pen and pencil set and a service size combination prayer book and hymnal, both gifts from the faculty and staff.

The American Church Institute for Negroes was well represented at the commencement exercises. Present were: Dr. Robert W. Patton, director; Rev. Cyril E. Bentley, associate director, and Dr. Wallace A. Battle, field secretary.

In addition to those who took part in the commencement exercises, other trustees present in the auditorium were: Rev. Henry G. Lane, of Richmond, Virginia; Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Rev. George M. Plaskett, D.D., of Orange, New Jersey, and Dean John W. Harrelson and Rev. J. McDowell Dick, of Raleigh. They were joined later at the meeting of the Board, by Rev. John R. Tolar, Mr. Joseph B. Cheshire, Justice George W. Connor, and Rev. Walter R. Noe.

ALUMNI NEWS

Rev. Bravid W. Harris, '17, was guest preacher on May 9th, at the conclusion of "St. Augustine's Week", a week devoted to fostering interest in the past and the future of our institution. A few days later it was announced that the Rev. Mr. Harris had been designated Archdeacon for Work Among Colored People of the Diocese of Southern Virginia.

In the graduating class of this year at the Bishop Payne Divinity School were William Turner, '34, and Bartlett Cochran, who was graduated from the Academic Department in 1928.

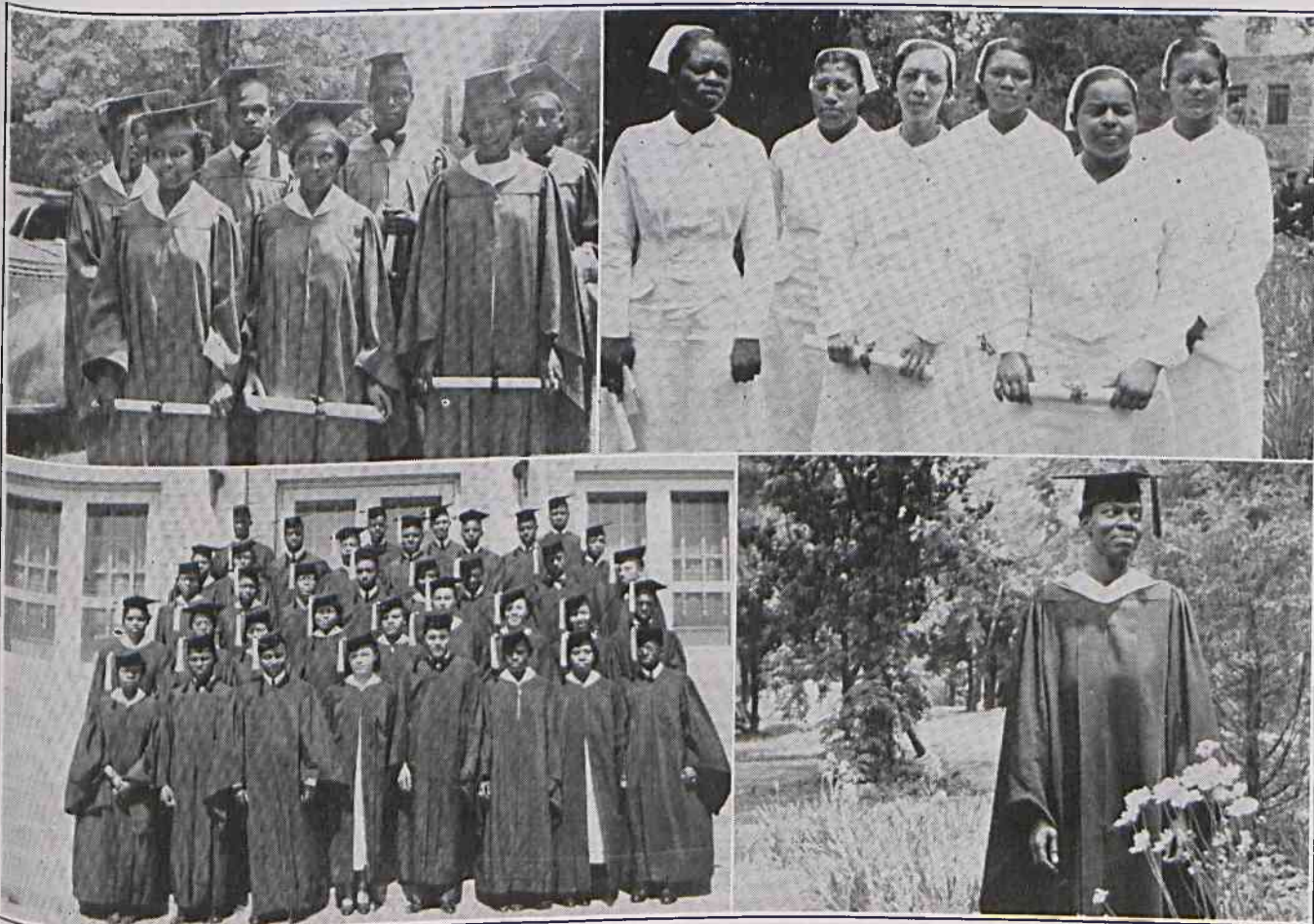
Rev. Lloyd M. Alexander, '33, was ordained to the priesthood, in St. James' Church, Portsmouth, Va., May 21st, by Bishop Thomson, of the Diocese of Southern Virginia. The Rev. Mr. Alexander has been serving on the staff of the Bishop Payne Divinity School. St. Augustine's was represented at the ordination by Archdeacon Harris.

The annual meeting of the Alumni Association of St. Augustine's College was held during Commencement Week in the Cheshire Building. At the annual Alumni Banquet addresses were delivered by Dr. W. A. Battle of the American Church Institute for Negroes; Rev. F. Ricksford Meyers, '21, St. Luke's Chapel, New York City; Mr. Edward Boyer, H. S. '23, North Carolina Welfare Division; Prof. R. L. Lynch, Acting Dean St. Augustine's College, and the Rev. Edgar H. Goold, President St. Augustine's College.

The business session of the Association was marked by the determination of the Alumni to boost the Alumni Scholarship Fund during the coming year, and a committee to recommend to the next session of the Association a method of operating the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

The Association submitted the names of Dr. E. E. Blackman, Rev. Jas. K. Satterwhite, and Rev. John W. Herritage, D.D., nominees to the Board of Trustees of the College for their selection of one alumni representative for the Board. The trustees elected to membership Dr. E. E. Blackman, '13, of Charlotte, N. C., President of the Alumni Association.

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GRADUATES 1937

(1) College Preparatory. (2) St. Agnes Hospital. (3) The College. (4) The Bishop Tuttle School