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## THE SENIOR CLASS

By Thomas A. Jenkins, '28.

When Smith opened her doors in the fall of 1924 more than 50 sons from Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia rushed into lower Gaul to enlist with the class that has since been referred to as "That class of '28." Due to hardships and difficulties many have fallen by the wayside on the journey through college. Yet 34 loyal sons are still treading and hoping to be among that number on the coming commencement day. The personnel of the class is as follows:

Justice M. (Monk) Alston, Oxford, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is a foot ball athlete and a member of the Philosophic Club.

Fred D. (Bullet) Battle, Warwick, Ga.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is a foot ball athlete and Treasurer of the class.

Frank M. (Fess) Beavers, Winnsboro, S. C.; received H. S. education at Brainerd; is member of Philosophic Club.

William E. (Joe) Bifton, Rock Hill, S. C.; received H. S. education at Brainerd; member of Philosophic Club and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Alvin C. (Lump) Caviness, Hot Springs, Arkansas; foot ball athlete; member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; Vice-President; of the class.

Joseph B. (Blake) Davis, Lynchburg, Va.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; class prophet.

Orlando R. (Pop) Dawson, Wilson, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; sports-writer.

George R. (Rudy) Dockery, Statesville, N. C.; President of class; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; has won foot ball letters and is member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Harvey L. (Shorty) Foster, Mocksville, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is member of Philosophic Club and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; class historian.

Thos. E. (Puss) Gilliard, Sumter, S. C.; received H. S. education at Morris College; is member of Alpha Phi Alpha and is class salutatorian.

Ernest L. (Count) James, Rock Hill, S. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is School Postmaster; foot ball athlete; member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Thos A. (Bub) Jenkins, Charlotte, N. C.; received High School education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; class reporter.

Robert L. (Pess) Johnston, Statesville, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Philosophic Club.

William W. (Deacon) Jones, Rome, Ga.; received H. S. education at Boggs Academy; member of Philosophic Club and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

George E. (Mack) McKeithan, Sanford, N. C.; received H. S. education at Albion Academy; has won honors in foot ball and base ball; is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and University Quintette.

Raymond P. (Tippy) McKenzie, Jacksonville, Fla.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

Leo M. (Thistle) Massey, Monroe, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

## SMITH UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

June 1-6, 1928.

Friday, June 1.

8:30 P. M. High School Exercises. Annual Address, Rev. H. C. Miller, Greensboro, N. C.

Sunday, June 3rd.

3:30 P. M. Baccalaureate Sermon. Rev. Wm. L. McEwan, D. D., LL. D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Monday, June 4th.

10:30 A. M. Meeting of Alumni Association, Y. M. C. A. Hall.

2:00 P. M. Meeting of Board of Trustees.

8:30 P. M. Junior Prize Contest. The Junior Prize speakers are: Messrs. T. M. Belton, V. H. Chavis, B. J. Hayes, G. F. Newell, A. S. Powe, and Leon Steele.

McKinley (Hess) Oglesby, Charlotte, N. C.; received H. S. education at Brainerd Institute.

William A. (B. B.) Perry, Brunswick, Ga.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; Secretary of class.

William D. (Father) Scales, Reidsville, N. C.; received H. S. education at Reidsville High School; is a member of Philosophic Club; Varsity Debater.

Raymond A. (Little Doctor) Shute, Charlotte, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; has won distinction as foot ball athlete.

Arthur (Papa) Scott, Blackstock, S. C.; received H. S. education at Brainerd Institute.

Terry A. (Mutt) Steele, Mocksville, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; has won foot ball letters; is member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and is class valedictorian.

Herman H. (Red) Thomas, Bennettsville, S. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

Charles M. (Yesir) Thorpe, New York, N. Y.; received previous education at Union University, Va., and Columbia University, N. Y.

Clarence E. (Shiek) Williams, Georgetown, S. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; is member of Philosophic Club.

Henry E. (Gum) Williams, Johns Island, S. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

David H. (Bloody) Woodbury, Georgetown, S. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity.

John W. (Leather) Woodson, Roanoke, Va.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

Leroy (Youngie) Young, Charlotte, N. C.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith; member of Philosophic Club and Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

John M. (Boob) Murphy, Ridgeway, Va.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

Benjamin L. (Bum) Glenn, Newnan, Ga.; received H. S. education at Johnson C. Smith.

Lee H. (Less) Edwards, Anniston, Ala.; received H. S. education at Anniston South Highland School.

Of the above number 8 will be ministers, 6 will enter business, 12 will teach, 5 will

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Tuesday, June 5th

4:00 P. M. Class Day Exercises.

8:30 P. M. Banquet and Annual Address to Alumni Association, Rev. H. Wilson, Concord.

Wednesday, June 6th

10:30 A. M. Commencement Exercises, College and School of Theology. The speakers of the School of Arts and Science are: Messrs. T. A. Steele, valedictorian; Mr. T. E. Gilliard, salutatorian. The speaker of the School of Theology is Mr. H. O. Walker, valedictorian.

Conferring of Degrees and Diplomas. Address to Graduating Classes, Rev. O. McCoy Franklin, Crossnore, N. C.

Mrs. Johnson C. Smith, of Pittsburgh, Pa., will attend the Commencement Exercises.

## A SHORT HISTORY OF THE FRATERNITY IDEA

By L. Steele, '29.

We are told that centuries ago, before the Nazarene came into this world, there lived in the little town of Tyre on the Mediterranean Sea a widow and her only son; this boy loved his mother with all his being and worked to provide for her. One day the thought came to Hiram's mind, "What if my mother should outlive me; then who should provide for her and cherish and protect her like I have done?" The thought maddened the boy. Gathering about him a few others who loved their homes, they launched on the sea of time the grand old order of Masons with the soul-lifting idea that instead of their loved ones being thrown on the cold world for friendship and protection, they would be left in the hands of brave and true men. This grand idea took hold very rapidly on the best hearts of the country, and these true and tried men were destined to preserve and give back to the world the true idea of God; Solomon with all his wisdom became a convert to the teaching of this noble band of men and his temple rose up as a monument of their friendship.

Again from 510 B. C. to 436 B. C., Syracuse had within her walls the greatest thinkers of the world at that time, Pythagoras, the philosopher and teacher. Among his students were two young men, Damon and Pythias. The pupils of this school organized the Paragonians and Pythagorians Order, which taught the philosophy of Pythagoras, their master. That philosophy, was in part, embodied in the following principles:

1. Measure men from the standpoint of truth.
2. The harmony of law in nature as analogy.
3. Man should study and do good in his boundary of life.
4. Man should so live that his life would be a success and not a regret to his friends.
5. Man can better the condition of himself as well as the world by fraternal brotherhood of men.

With this same idea in mind a group of students assembled in William and Mary College, in the year of 1750, and formed the first Fraternity in an American college. From that time until 1922, College Fraternities increased with great rapidity throughout the country, at which time fifty-five Fraternities had been formed in the various colleges of the country, with 2,000 active chapters and an enrollment of 60,000 active members. Each of these Fraternities took a Greek name, and has a grip, a ritual, and a code of principles. Admission to these fraternities was made a formal ceremony called initiation.

The aim of, and foundation upon which these Fraternities are founded, are greater, and, by far, more concrete, than is thought by most people. They are founded upon the principles of Scholarship, Manhood, Uplift, Chastity of Womanhood, and other ideals and principles which are portrayed in true American character.

Fraternities are uplifting to any college campus. To group together a selected number of men, with similar aims, and ideas, to unite them under the same band and principle, to have them live together each day of their lives, exchanging their thoughts and ideas is the greatest good that can be given to the life of any college campus.

## "THE BULL."

JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY'S FIRST ANNUAL.

Johnson C. Smith University's first Annual, "The Bull," is just off the press and is now ready for the purchasing public. For many years the student body and faculty and friends have yearned for a Year Book, and it is only now that this dream of many years has become a reality. In its march to become one of the greatest universities of the United States, Johnson C. Smith realizes that it must develop in all college activities, and the putting out of this Annual is but one more step in its climb to greatness.

And now that the Annual is ready for sale we are hoping that our many friends will not let this last phase of putting the Annual business over successfully fail, lag behind or be ignored. We are hoping that everybody will purchase the Annual immediately as we have only a few more days in school. Thus you see that it is very imperative that orders be sent in at once. The orders of students, faculty, members and alumni are earnestly requested. The cost is only \$3.25. Buy one and get a glimpse of the activities around and about the Alma Mater. Own one and have a pictorial review of "the good old college days." Pay \$3.25 and have another milestone in the development of Johnson C. Smith University. Get "The Bull." Own "The Bull." Pay \$3.25 and have "The Bull."

A. J. CLEMENT,

Chairman the Publicity Committee of "The Bull."

## THE QUINTETTE

Our Quintette, composed of Messrs. Curry, McKeithan, V. Jordan, A. Dusenbury and A. A. Jones, is preparing to make their annual pilgrimage to our General Assembly, which is to meet this year in Tulsa, Oklahoma. We wish for each member a very delightful trip.

Prof. S. H. Adams, after making a trip to Cleveland, stopped in Washington to meet Mrs. Adams. He reports a most pleasing diversion between Washington and Greensboro.