

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES TO BE MAY 24-26

Queens Chapter of Honorary Group Announced Wednesday Student Chapel

Academy Chapter of Sphinx Chartered on Campus; Members Announced

At the close of a year that is marked as being one of the most progressive Queens-Chicora has ever known has come the most progressive step of all—the founding of a national honorary scholastic fraternity. Instead of the various honorary clubs which have been on our campus there is to be a chapter of The Sphinx, a national honorary group which was founded at Emory and Henry University. Our chapter of The Sphinx will be the Academy Chapter, and the Dean of Emory and Henry, and members of their chapter will come here to install it.

To be a member of this group, a senior may have made one C, but all other marks must be Merit or over for her entire College course, a Junior must have made all marks of Merit in her College course. The girls who are charter members of the Academy Chapter of The Sphinx are primarily scholars of distinction, but among them we find also the leaders of our campus. On Wednesday morning in chapel Dr. Kratz announced the names of the members, who are: Ione Smith, who this year was President of Alpha Kappa Gamma of the Math Club, and a member of Phi Beta Chi and Iota Xi; Katherine Crowell, who was this year President of Kappa Omicron; Mary Francis Ehrlich, who was President of Phi Beta Chi and of the Inter-Honorary Fraternity Council; Betty Manning who was President of the Boarding Student Body and a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, Kappa Omicron, International Relations Club and Iota Xi; Margaret Trobaugh, who was President of the student body, a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, the Math Club and Kappa Omicron, and Salutatorian of the class of 1936; Roberta Kilgore, who was vice-president of the student body, and a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, I. R. C. and was vice-president of Kappa Omicron; Anne Batten, who was president of the Literary Society, a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, Iota Xi, Kappa Omicron and the French Club and is Valedictorian of the class of 1936; Eugenia Brumley, who was secretary of Alpha Lambda Mu and a member of I. R. C.; Thorburn Lillard, who is a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma and Iota Xi; Francis Query, who is a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, I. R. C., Kappa Omicron and President of the League of Evangelical Students; Margaret Calder and Helen West have been at Queens only one year, but have distinguished themselves in various ways. Helen is second vice-president of the boarding students for next year; Jean Kent Early is a member of I. R. C.; Sarah Hunsucker was vice-president of Alpha Lambda Mu and a member of Kappa Omicron; Adeline Kilgore is President of the Athletic Association and was secretary of the Boarding Students and a member of Phi Beta Chi.

"The answer of the old school of economics isn't the one. There must be something else, so we've got to go on searching. Now is it you young people who must find the answer." Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt speaks her mind to 1,000 NYU students.

Alumnae Luncheon To Be Held May 23

Mrs. Fred Helms Will Preside; Classes Hold Reunion

The Annual Alumnae Homecoming Luncheon will be held in Morrison dining room at one o'clock on May 23. Mrs. Fred B. Helms, President of the General Alumna Association, will preside. The processional played by Rachel Hamilton, and invocation by Dr. S. C. Byrd, will be followed by the singing of the Alma Mater. Dr. Frazer will welcome the alumnae and then there will be a welcome to the seniors. Mary Phillips, the senior president, will respond to this, after which the seniors will sing their class song. The honor guests will be recognized and several life memberships to the association awarded. Accompanied by Miss Mary Wharton at the piano, Miss Grace Robinson will sing "I Heard You Singing," by Coates. The members of the class of 1886 will receive fifty year diplomas. The secretary's report will be made by the Alumnae Secretary, the report of the nominating committee will be made and the baby show winners announced. The luncheon will be concluded by the singing of "Dear Q-C" and the Benediction. The classes of 1912, '13, '14, '15, '22, '23, '24, '25, and '32, '33, '34, '35 will hold their reunions at this luncheon.

At 7:00 o'clock, on the same evening, the class of 1934 will hold a reunion in a private dining room of the S & W Cafeteria.

Orientation Week Begins Sept. 9

Executive Council Plans Entertainment And The Orientation Classes

Executive Council has made plans for the Orientation Week for freshmen, beginning September 9, 1936. The plans follow the traditional entertainment and orientation. Schedules have been made for a picture show party; a party given by the Student Christian Association in the Y Hut; a picnic given at Dr. Frazer's farm; and a swimming party. Orientation classes and tours of the campus will be conducted by girls chosen by executive council. The office of Dean of Instruction will give placement tests.

Registration of upper-classmen is scheduled for Friday, September 11. A reception will be given for the entire student body and big sister day will be soon after the arrival of upperclassmen.

Jimmie Wagner, Dorothy Senn, Thorburn Lillard, Frances Smith, Mary Wilson, Mary Currie, Nancy McIver, Lillian Smith, Josephine Hackney, Martha Stewart, Martha Petteway, Rosalind Corbitt, Carolyn Wearn, Margaret Duckett, and Barbara Summitt will assist Executive Council in conducting Orientation Classes.

Rensselaer Polytech recently sponsored a world-wide alumni reunion by radio.

Rice Institute, Texas, gives an unofficial intelligence test to student campaigners before elections.

Valedictorian Salutatorian Are Announced

Batten Leads Trobaugh By Fraction In Valedictory Race

The office of Dean of Instruction announced late last week the Valedictorian, Anne Batten, and the Salutatorian, Margaret Trobaugh, of the class of '36. The Valedictory, the highest scholastic honor of Queens-Chicora, is awarded to the student making the highest average during the four years. The Salutatory is awarded to the student making the second highest average.

Anne Batten, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Batten of Charlotte, N. C., has showed outstanding ability as a scholar. During her freshman and sophomore years she made the highest grade in her class. Her junior year, she made the second highest average. Miss Batten has also participated in many extra-curricular activities. She is retiring president of The Literary Society. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Gamma, national leadership fraternity and of Kappa Omicron, English fraternity.

Margaret Trobaugh, Salutatorian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Trobaugh of Morristown, Tenn., has also showed outstanding scholastic ability. Her junior year she achieved the honor of Chief Marshall. Miss Trobaugh has had a brilliant career on the campus, having risen from president of her sophomore class to president of the student body. She has been president of Alpha Delta Pi, national social fraternity, and of Alpha Kappa Gamma, national leadership fraternity.

Miss Batten will make her valedictory address, and Miss Margaret Trobaugh will make her salutatory address on Class Day, May 25, at 4:30 o'clock.

Sorority Averages Announced Today

Chi Omegas Lead 3rd Quarter; Alpha Gamma Delta 2nd

The sorority average ending with the third quarter, March 28, has been given from the office of the Dean of Instruction as follows:

Chi Omega	87.05
Alpha Gamma Delta	86.02
Phi Mu	85.89
Alpha Delta Pi	85.88
Kappa Delta	85.72
Alpha Delta Theta	82.40

Class Elections Held by Freshmen

The rising sophomore class elected its officers Saturday morning, May 9th, in Pi Hall.

Helen Cumnock, of Davidson, North Carolina, will preside as president; Frances Marion O'Hair, of Rock Hill, South Carolina, was chosen to be Vice-President; Sally McDowell of Pacelot, South Carolina, and Jane Davis of Monroe, North Carolina, were elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

The retiring officers are Josephine Rankin, Ruth Knee, Marjorie Timms and Helen Cumnock who held the office of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer respectively.

Dr. Jackson To Deliver Sermon Judge F. B. Helms To Give Address

New System of Grading To Be Used Next Year

No Numerical Value For Reports

Dr. Althea H. Kratz, dean of instruction, announced to the student body, at a recent student assembly meeting, that a new grading system will be used next year. The office will issue reports at the end of each semester instead of sending them to the parents at the end of each quarter as has been done formerly. However, students failing work at the end of a quarter will be notified by a letter from the office.

The new grading system is as follows: distinction, merit, passing, condition, failure, and incomplete. This new system will eliminate the necessity of students striving for numerical grades. It has been adopted by many of the large colleges and universities which have found it very satisfactory. The faculty feels that this is an improvement over the old form of grading students as it gives the student an opportunity to do individual research work in collaboration with her regular work.

This new system will not affect the scholastic averages required by the national councils of the sororities on the campus. These averages will be accepted from Queens as they are accepted from the many other A-grade institutions that are using the system now.

The new system of grading is by far one of the most progressive steps that has been made on our campus, and the student body is very much in favor of the new move.

High School Day Considered by Students Success

Welcome Program, Lunch and May Day Impressive

On Wednesday, May 6, more than one hundred high school students were entertained at Queens-Chicora for High School Hospitality Day.

On their arrival they were registered in Burwell Hall and were given banners of recognition.

At 11:00 o'clock the guests and students assembled in the auditorium for a special program. Dr. Frazer, Dean Edwards, Dr. Kratz and Jean Orr cordially welcomed them, and Ruth Grover, Alumnae secretary announced the program for the day. Following the talks, a one-act play was presented by the seniors, Eugenia Brumley played a piano selection, "The Wind," and the Choral Club, under the direction of Miss Grace Robinson, sang "The Blue Danube."

Lunch was served in the dining hall at 1:00 o'clock and at 2:30 the guests were entertained at a lovely reception given by the faculty.

Everyone was invited to attend the May Day Festival at 4:00 o'clock and immediately afterwards the sorority houses were opened for visitors.

Prof. John Gamble Kirkwood, Cornell chemist, has been awarded the 1936 Langmuir award of \$1,000.

Mr. McAlister Carson To Present Awards at The Graduating Exercise

The commencement exercises of Queens-Chicora College will begin on Sunday, May twenty-fourth, and continue through May twenty-sixth. Dr. James W. Jackson, of the First Presbyterian Church of Columbia, South Carolina, will deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon. Judge Fred B. Helms, of Charlotte will give the commencement address.

Saturday will be alumnae day, Mrs. Fred B. Helms, President of the General Alumnae Association, will preside. At ten-thirty A. M., the alumnae baby show will be held in Burwell Hall. Babies up to three years of age are eligible, and will be divided into three groups according to age. At twelve-thirty, Mrs. Mason Wallace, President of Charlotte Alumnae Chapter will preside over a meeting of the Charlotte chapter in Gamma Hall. There will be reunion of the class of 1886—the fifty-year class, of which Mrs. Susie Wolfe De Armond of Charlotte is a member. Other classes having reunions are those of 1912-'15, 1922-'25, and 1932-'35. At twelve-thirty these Reunion classes will meet in Burwell Hall, and at one o'clock, the Home Coming Luncheon will be served in Morrison Hall Dining Room. On Sunday night, at eight o'clock, Dr. Jackson will deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon.

Monday, May twenty-fourth will be class day. From three o'clock until six o'clock there will be a Fine and Practical Arts Exhibit. This will include the work of Miss Bremer's Art Department, and the clothing Exhibit of the Home Economics Department. The class day exercises will begin at four o'clock. At this time, the Seniors will present to the College their parting gift, and the classes will exchange colors. The mascots of the Senior class are Sanny Beam and Genevieve Byrum, of Charlotte. The Annual concert will be presented in the college auditorium at eight o'clock. Pupils of Dr. Ninnis, Miss Wharton, and Miss Robinson will take part on the program. Following traditions, the Seniors will have their last class meeting in some secret spot at twelve o'clock on Monday night.

The graduating exercises, with Mr. McAlister Carson, President of the Board of Trustees presiding, will begin at ten-thirty on Tuesday morning. The Queens scholars, the two girls in each class who have made the highest grades will be announced. A prize will be presented to the girl making the highest grade in Sociology, and the Pan-Hellenic cup will be presented to the Sorority having the highest scholastic average. The QUEENS BLUES staff will present, to the member of the sophomore class who has done the best work on the paper, a prize of ten dollars, and to the member of the Freshman class, five dollars. Judge Helms will give the Commencement address, and Mr. Carson will present the diplomas to the Seniors.

Yale, Harvard, University of Wisconsin, and University of Buffalo men have leading positions on the new GOP brain trust.