

COMMENCEMENT SEASON OPENS AT G. F. COLLEGE

Exercises Begin Tonight With Address to Y. W. C. A. Class Day Exercises Monday—Principal Address by Dr. Merrill E. Gates, a Distinguished Educator.

With the anniversary of the Young Women's Christian association, which will be held in the college auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight, the commencement of the commencement exercises will be held at 10 o'clock tonight. The exercises will be held in the college auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight. The exercises will be held in the college auditorium at 8 o'clock tonight.

STATE FLAG PRESENTED

Children's Room of Public Library Will Be Decorated by State Emblem.

The assembly room of the public library was crowded to its capacity yesterday afternoon, when Prof. W. J. Smith presented the state flag of North Carolina to the children's room of the library. The exercises were unusually interesting and in his address Prof. Smith impressed upon the children the importance of always honoring and respecting the flag presented yesterday.

I am very glad to be here this afternoon and to say a word to the boys and girls of Greensboro about our state flag. Those of you who read the history of the state and history know that in these histories frequent mention is made of the state or national flag. It is spoken of with pride and affection and designated as an honored and glorious flag, the flag of the brave and the free, the emblem of hope, liberty, patriotism, honor and heroic deeds. Men and patriots are said to respond to the call of the flag to rally round the flag to follow the flag to draw their swords in defense of it and, if need be, to lay down their lives in protecting it.

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Municipal Court

Yesterday morning in Municipal court a negro named Calvin Lee was bound over to Guilford Superior court in a \$25 bond on the charge of embezzlement.

A case charging the Southern railway with blocking South Ash street crossing and with running in the opposite direction at the same time on South Elm street crossing was continued until next Wednesday.

In the case charging E. H. West with selling soft drinks, cigars and etc. at Lindley party on Sunday in violation of Barnes Sunday law, was continued indefinitely.

The Amuse Theatre

For the first time since the Amuse Theatre was an impromptu of more than ordinary ability. Bill entered the patrons of the beautiful little amusement place. Waterman jumped from Boston to make Greensboro this week. He is well spoken of by the eastern press and is expected to make good. De Fur and Eates will furnish a comedy act that will make a horse laugh, you even a bark horse. There will, as usual, be good pictures at each performance.

Mrs. Emma Bryan has returned home after a visit to Mrs. Irvin Melver, in Winston-Salem.

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Justice Collins' Court

In Justice D. H. Collins' court yesterday Pleas Fuller and R. J. Wood were given a hearing on the charges of not working the roads or taking township. Judgment was suspended upon payment of the costs.

FORECAST

Washington, May 14. For Virginia: Fair, continued cool Sunday. Monday increasing cloudiness and slightly warmer with rain by night, light north to east winds.

Vesper Service Today

Mrs. Della B. Foss will speak at the vesper service of the Young Women's Christian association this afternoon at 8 o'clock. There will be special music by Miss Lucyella Burns. All young women are invited to attend the service and to remain for the informal social hour following.

Emma Gray Society

The Emma Gray Memorial society of the Young Women's Christian association will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in the South Memorial building.

The Lesson of the Comet

Read the Comet and Star. The only Comet which will be visible to the naked eye at the time of the Comet is the Comet of 1910.

must go forward. You are its standard bearers; you are to take the place of those who have gone before. The greatness of a state is the greatness of its people; the hope of a state is its boys and girls. If you perform well your part, as did the men and women before you, then will this flag continue to wave over a happy, prosperous, united people—the Old North State forever!

That the boys were proud of their banner you may be sure. Under its folds in the years which followed, on the bloody fields around Roanoke, on the bloody shores of the Wilderness, Spottsylvania and Cold Harbor, they proved themselves worthy of their heritage. At Bratton Station the grays went into the battle 50 strong, only seven came out alive, and only three of these unhurt. All through the war, in fact, from April, 1861, to that last sad day at Appomattox in April, 1865, no braver sons of the south ever confronted the enemy than the 110 or more whose names were enrolled among the "Grays."

There were other companies from Guilford, and if I had time to tell you more about our boys and their services in behalf of the flag, but these are times of peace, and I must remind you that this flag of ours—emblematic as it is of the state of North Carolina—has its roots in peace as well as in war.

The flag of North Carolina waves over the capital of Raleigh. Under its folds gather our representatives from all over the state, charged with making laws for the protection, the welfare and the happiness of every citizen in the commonwealth, rich and poor, learned and ignorant, young and old, black and white, men and women, boys and girls. I enter it, and charged with the proper administration of state affairs, sits the supreme executive, the governor, the chief justice, the judges, the members of the public service, your agents and mine, pledged to the carrying out of the public's instructions as embodied in their law and constitution. It waves over our courthouses, a guarantee of equality before the law and of protection to life, property and human rights. It waves over our hospitals and asylums, speaking to us of the care exercised by a great state in behalf of its unfortunate, its helpless, suffering and distressed. It spreads its folds over our state universities, our Agricultural and Mechanical college, our Normal College for Women, reminding us that North Carolina believes in educating her citizens, in giving to each boy and girl the opportunity of becoming a well trained, enlightened, cultured and useful member of society. Citizens who shall be able to help themselves and render their state intelligent service.

For all these things our state flag stands a long and honorable history in peace and war, golden memories of an honored past as revealed in the lives of honest, God fearing, liberty loving men and women; for the support of right, defense of home and native land, opposition to tyranny and injustice in all its forms; for the preservation of law and order; aid for the distressed, support of school and churches and the encouragement of every intelligent means of promoting the health, happiness, education, self-support, comfort, protection and prosperity of the people of North Carolina.

It was a happy thought, this gift of a state flag to our boys and girls—to be placed here in a building dedicated to the promotion of intelligent citizenship. Here, in the books, magazines and papers, yes, in the very portraits that adorn the walls, you may study the past and present history of our state and nation, learn what has been done for your happiness and what you may do for the happiness of others.

I do not believe that there is, in all the world, a better place to live than North Carolina. There is no braver or better people than the people of North Carolina. No boys and girls have better reason to be proud of their flag and state than the boys and girls I see before me today. Let us learn to know and love the history of this flag, to do what we can to make its history known to others and by lives of honored usefulness prove ourselves worthy to live under its folds. This is a world of progress—this flag

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