

WITH THE CAROLINA COLLEGES

ERSKINE.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Due West, S. C., March 28.—The faculty has made out the middle term marks. The system of marking the grades in Erskine is as follows: 90 to 100, A; 80 to 89, B; 70 to 79, C; 60 to 69, D; 50 to 59, E; 40 to 49, F; 30 to 39, G; 20 to 29, H; 10 to 19, I; 0 to 9, K.

Friday afternoon the Philomathian Society elected the following named participants for the annual celebration at commencement: President, G. N. McCormick; debaters, J. A. Matthews and Frank Grier; senior orator, W. P. Grier; junior orator, Edgar Pharr; the Euphemians elected the following named: President, W. O. Wier; senior orator, W. A. White; junior orator, Y. M. Brown; debaters, J. W. Wideman and W. B. Ward; chief marshal, W. J. Catlin.

Rev. James A. Gordon, of Atlanta, has been invited by the seminary students to preach the closing sermon of the seminary. The seminary students of the Second Presbytery have requested a called meeting of this Presbytery to be held in Due West in order that they may deliver their trial sermons here, since the Southern has begun to issue its clerical permits in connection with the Southeastern Association, permits are no longer issued to theological students.

Rev. James Boyce and wife, who have been to the Pittsburgh convention, have arrived home. President Boyce took to the association of women's colleges at Winston-Salem on his return trip. Mr. S. J. Todd has bought and put up a new soda fountain, supplying a long-felt want in Due West.

Mr. J. E. McClellan, who has been quite ill for some days, is reported better and expects to be out in a few days. Rev. T. D. Cartledge is very sick with pneumonia, but is some better at present. Several cases of pneumonia are reported in the vicinity, but none among the students.

The Due West Railroad is doing much business these days and is clearing money. There is plenty of travel over it and much fertilizer and other freight are being hauled.

WINTHROP.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Rock Hill, S. C., March 28.—To-night the social committee of the Y. W. C. A. entertained in the North Dormitory parlors with a birthday party all those who made their advent to this life during the windy month.

Monday one of Miss Mulligan's sections of domestic science gave a most beautiful green pea luncheon. The table was decorated with white hyacinths and asparagus ferns. The candles and shades were also in green and white. The menu was most delicious and when possible was in green and white.

The March Journal is out. This is the fiction number and contains a number of interesting little stories. Quite a number of the stories is entered in the prize contest. The winner in this contest will be announced at commencement and will be awarded a medal.

DAVIDSON.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Davidson, March 28.—President Smith contributed to the editorial column of this week's issue of The Mecklenburg Progress an article of considerable length on the "Work and Aim of Davidson College." It is written in his usual vigorous style and will hold the interest of even the casual reader when once he has begun its perusal.

posed to manliness." The writer explains at length and with clearness, in an effort to correct a popular misapprehension, one very generally prevalent that the A. B. or B. S. degree conferred at a university is nothing more than a college degree bestowed on those who through four years have been pursuing undergraduate studies, and no matter from what institution such a degree comes it is not and does not claim to be university work. It is college work done at a university. Davidson is a strict college having no post-graduate courses. Her graduates she sends to a university proper to pursue their post-graduate studies.

President Smith returned to-night from Clinton, where yesterday he made an address as part of the exercises in the formal inauguration of Rev. Dr. Adams as president of the Presbyterian College of South Carolina.

TRINITY.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Durham, March 28.—Prof. and Mrs. William H. Wannamaker, erstwhile of their pleasant home last Friday afternoon from 5 until 7 o'clock the members of the "V. D. W." This organization is a recent one, and is devoted to the promotion of the work of the Woman's Building only to whom the mystic letters are known. The evening was very thoroughly enjoyed by all present, and the young women in a charming manner by Prof. and Mrs. Wannamaker. A most excellent luncheon, consisting of cakes, cream, fruits, etc., was served.

It is learned from the tennis authorities that there will be perhaps no other meets between this and other colleges this spring, and this fact is regretted by all here who enjoy the famous game. Last fall Trinity held several tournaments with other state institutions with good success. Quite a number of the students here played tennis and there is good material for an excellent team.

Mr. Wade H. Sanders, editor-in-chief of The Trinity Chronicle, left yesterday for Georgia, where he will be for several days, delivering a series of Biblical lectures.

Dr. Edwin Mims, of the department of English, has accepted an invitation to deliver the commencement address at Ward Seminary, Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. T. M. Grant, of the Junior class, is Trinity's representative at the Young Men's Christian Association convention in Columbia, S. C.

Dr. William D. Few, dean of the college, has returned from South Carolina, where he spent several days at his home.

Arrangements are being made for the annual inter-college debate between the Hesperian and Columbian Literary Societies to take place Friday evening, May 8th, in Craven Memorial Hall. At the meeting of the former society last Saturday evening, the preliminary for the purpose of selecting men to represent that organization in the final contest was held, with the result that C. R. Grant, of Wilmington, and C. S. Warren, of Lynchburg, Tenn., were selected as the speakers. The Columbia Literary Society will select its men to-night.

UNIVERSITY.

Correspondence of The Observer.

Chapel Hill, March 28.—Misses Annetta Glenn and Rosa Deane, of Winston-Salem, gave a delightful party in Gerrard Hall Thursday night under the auspices of the University orchestra. Both young ladies are of very graceful and magnetic appearance. Miss Glenn has a rich, dramatic soprano of remarkable power and entrancing sweetness, and the solo playing of Miss Deane is of the first order.

At a meeting of the Odd Number Club, which is a member of the Southern literary order, the sigma chapter held a meeting at the residence of Mr. W. L. Yelverton, which was held at Ashland, Va., with the Randolph-Macon chapter, March 28th-April 1st. Mr. W. L. Yelverton was chosen as the representative. He will leave for Ashland Monday morning.

Messrs. J. F. Harris and R. G. Rankin were initiated into the Phi Delta Theta fraternity Friday night.—Mrs. Carrie Anderson, of Richmond, accompanied by her little son, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Archer.

Mr. W. B. Hunter, of the medical school, had an operation performed Saturday for an internal trouble. The operation was performed by Dr. Royester, of Raleigh, assisted by Drs. Manning and Mangum. The patient is progressing nicely.

Prof. J. E. Latta, who was granted a six months' leave of absence and who has for the past month been doing advanced work in his specialty at Providence, R. I. and Hamilton, O., was, on account of the indisposition of Professor Gordon, called last week. He arrived Friday night.

A prize reading contest is to be given in the near future by the students of public speaking for the benefit of the University Dramatic Club. The contestants have been chosen and are working under the direction of Mr. Porter. The selections will be taken from the works of Murray, Kipling, Van Dyke, Dickens and Lord Lytton.

At a meeting of the Dramatic Club held in The Tar Heel office Thursday night C. D. Wardlaw was elected president for the ensuing year, C. W. Gunter was elected vice president and B. L. Banks, Jr., was re-elected business manager. He was definitely decided to present "The Rivals" no more. The members of the club thought at one time that a few more performances would be given this spring, but this is impossible.

Dr. Hubert A. Royester, dean of the medical school at Raleigh, lectured Saturday night before the medical association of the city. His subject was "The Scientific Attitude." Dr. Royester said that three things were necessary for the making of a student of medicine: Work, a good memory and the scientific attitude. Passing over the first two, he laid stress upon the last and made an excellent address.

For a number of years students from Carolina's department of geology have been securing positions in the United States government service through competitive examinations. One of the best of these men has advanced to more important positions. Eight of these men last week, in recognition of his painstaking efforts to prepare them, received their diplomas from Collier Cobb, with a birthday present of a beautiful gold watch and fob. On the back of the watch is "C. C." in monogram, and on the inside of the case, "Presented by F. H. H. B. G. N. J. S. W. E. H. A. W. M. T. D. R. J. C. S. R. A. W. March 21st, 1908."

The watch was brought from Washington by Mr. W. E. Hearn, who in making the presentation said: "Professor Cobb: Your boys in the soil survey, whom you found going through college without much purpose in life, are now doing good work, teaching them the joy of communing with nature, the sacredness of strenuous service, the worth of the man who labors in quietness, and the fact that he who has brought to a clearer vision of manhood and put in the way of achieving it, has sent you this token of their love on your birthday."

The work on the grounds has been hindered by the "procession" of weather, but will be resumed as soon as the earth will permit. The gymnasium has found a very much needed and quite respectable wagon shelter at the horse barn. Superintendent Henly is straightening things up in the rear of Founder's Hall.

The campus club met in the men's parlors at New Garden Hall, the president, Mrs. Davis, in the chair. It was decided by unanimous vote to request the monthly meeting to allow the posts on the lot adjoining Memorial Hall to be removed in order that Professor Wilson may carry out his plan of putting the whole in grass. The plot in front of Memorial Hall is a guarantee that if he sets his hand to the plow and rake and will be present and deliver the address for the occasion. Besides this address there will be other interesting features of the meeting consisting of music, refreshments, etc. The affair will take place in the Ashbury Building of the Park School. Invitations have been issued and it is expected that a large crowd will be present at the time.

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R. N. Wilson will sum up the character of Hamlet, and others will discuss certain other characters of the play.

It is a great satisfaction to Guilford people to see the elegant high school building at Jamestown and learn of its successful operation. The principal, Mr. L. Lea White, is a graduate of the college, who also won the Haverford scholarship and subsequently graduated from that institution. Miss Linnie Shamburger, another teacher, is also a graduate of Guilford.

The Calhoun Society, the literary club of the Guilford graded school, gave a public entertainment in Memorial Hall Saturday evening. The young people acquitted themselves with honor. The prize for the best speaker was awarded to Miss Eleanor Fox and consisted of several volumes of poetical works.

The library is still receiving contributions, the last coming from the Friends' meeting of Greensboro. Miss Pearl Idol and Miss Reid were at the college recently visiting Misses Annie and Pearl Gordon.

Whitsett Institute. Correspondence of The Observer. Whitsett, March 28.—At a joint meeting of the literary societies Tuesday, Mr. E. G. Norwood, of Chapel Hill, of the senior class, was elected chief marshal for commencement. The other marshals for this occasion will be selected next week.

The junior debates this spring are attracting much attention among the students. The Athenians hold their to-night with the following programme: Declaration: "The Superiority of the American Nation," S. G. Burgess, Old Trap.

Declaration: "Patriotism," E. F. Knight, Whitsett. Debate: "Resolved, That capital punishment should be abolished." Affirmative: C. E. Brown, Belcross; C. K. Burgess, Old Trap.

Negative: S. J. Worthington, Ayden; T. B. DeLoach, Conway. The Y. M. C. A. has elected special speakers and is preparing quite an elaborate musical programme for the special celebration to be held this year on Easter Sunday. The music will be under the direction of Professor Joyner and Miss Rankin, of the department of music.

Rev. Shford, preacher of Greensboro, and Rev. J. D. Andrews, of Burlington, will be here all the coming week conducting a meeting in the Reformed church. Whitsett's oldest citizen, Mrs. Livia Foust, who is now in her 89th year, has been unwell for some weeks, but is much improved at this writing.

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