

ALL OVER AT DAVIDSON STUDENTS GET THEIR HONORS.

Six Members of the Ongoing Class Deliver Their Orations, the Society and Other Medals Are Awarded, Degrees Are Conferred, and the President's Address is Given to Every Student—Honorary Degrees Given to Three Men—A Number of Class Reunions Held at This Commencement—President of Board of Trustees Makes a Most Agreeable Talk, Commending the Work of the Past Session.

Special to The Observer. Davidson, May 27.—An unseasonable commencement has no existence in history or fiction, no place in authoritative or in imaginative records and hence to-day's programme must be written down as like all other graduating occasions a fine exhibition of what the old college, over past threescore and ten, is doing for its young men, while it renews its own strength and is becoming rejuvenated in its ever increasing numbers, widening curriculum and growing power and influence. To-day the crowd was somewhat smaller than usual, owing no doubt to the fact that yesterday's election, the best of the right, the right Assembly in Greensboro, the college commencement in Statesville and other like events caused many to remain away who would otherwise have been here. But the big auditorium in the Chambers Building was full enough to satisfy any one but the rank and file and the exercises were all fine enough to inspire everybody with hope for the future of Davidson College.

On the south side of the rostrum was the large Forest Hill Band from Concord, on the rostrum to the right, President Smith; to the left Chief Marshal Phipps, adorned with the handsome insignia and badge of his office, a beautiful regalia; in the front row of chairs, the six speakers from the senior class, and to their right prominent visitors who were to take part in the exercises of the hour. Among these were Rev. W. M. Hunter, of Virginia, who made the invocation; Rev. Dr. W. L. Lingle, president of the board; Prof. W. Gilmer Perry and Mr. Howard A. Banks. Just back of these were the members of the faculty.

To-day's orations justly claim a place with the best that were heard on the college rostrum. They were rhetorical, but not inordinately ornate, chaste and polished, but not lacking point and precision. The six young men, three being the class honor men and three selected for special speaking gifts, represented five States, Virginia, North and South Carolina, Alabama and Texas.

The salutatory oration (second honor) was delivered by L. R. Scott on "The Spruce in History," a philosophical oration (third honor), H. L. Moore, "The Brother's Blood," a strong indictment of the reckless and lawless disregard of the sanctity and safety of human life in the United States; "Texas in History" was presented by E. M. Munroe; J. K. Parker discussed "Public Opinion in Democracy"; S. G. Stokes asked with stirring voice "The Southern Nation"; J. W. Pratt, who later also delivered the valedictory oration (first honor), described "The Age of Romance"; the committee of award later on announced that Mr. L. R. Scott was entitled to the orator's medal, offered by the faculty as a prize in this contest.

CONFERRING OF DEGREES. The degree of A. M. was conferred on five men; that of A. B. on seventeen; that of B. S. on nine. Their names follow: Master of Arts—Robert Hammond Adams, A. B. Laurens, S. C.; Robert Allison Fetzer, B. S., Concord; John Lacy McLean, A. B., Maxton; John Alexander McQueen, A. B., Morven; Jesse Carlisle Nixon, B. S., Stanley.

Bachelor of Arts—Oliver May Anderson, Jackson, Miss.; John Hall Axford, Seema, Ala.; Andrew W. DeLoach, Crowell, Taylor, Miss.; Charles Ernest McLean, Dillon, S. C.; Henry LeRoy Moore, Union Springs, Ala.; Henry Figurnoy Morton, Rocky Mount; Edmund Marshall Munroe, Milford, Tex.; LeRoy Tate Newland, Chadbourne; Joseph Kenton Parker, James River, Va.; Walter Wellington Pharr, Jr., Charlotte; Charles Henry Phipps, Greensboro; Julius William Pratt, Marion; John Daniel Robinson, Ivanhoe; Leigh Richmond Scott, Statesville; Herman Summer Shaw, Kernanville; Neil Graham Stiles, Kennesaw, Ga.; Samuel Quincy Stukes, Manning, S. C.

B. S.—Robert McDowell, Charlotte; John McSwain, Jr., Timmonsville; Jesse Carlisle Nixon, Stanley; Ralph Colvert Sadler, Charlotte; Everett Alanson Sherrill, Statesville; Robert Morton Stimson, Climax, Ga.; William Barrett Taylor, Jr., Winston-Salem; John Calvin Turner, Jr., Camilla, Ga.; Ernest Davidson Tate, Cleveland, N. C.

Honorary degrees—D. D. Dunbar H. Ogden, Knoxville, Tenn., and L. Rank Price, Dongshang, China, P. R. D. Rev. John W. Davis, D. D., South Chow, China.

The presentation of the society medals was made in a graceful speech by Professor Perry, of Atlanta, as follows: Eumenean Society—Declaimer, D. A. Lynch, debater; E. M. Munroe, essayist; H. L. Moore, Philanthropic Society—Declaimer, C. B. Craig, debater; H. S. Shaw, essayist; A. S. Crowell.

Bachelor of Science—K. Parker. The orator's medal for the junior contest of last night was presented to S. A. Linley. The Bible medal was won by L. R. Scott, whose honors are thus multiplied, his history and geography was explained by Dr. Stukes. The presentation was made in a good speech by H. A. Banks, of Charlotte, who made it plain that he believes implicitly both in the Bible and its study. Two other young men, Messrs. Moore and Parker, were close seconds in the contest for this prize.

The football championship, won by the sophomore class, was formally announced by the presentation of the alumni trophy cup to the class captain, George E. Wilson, Jr. The juniors won the baseball trophy, which is as yet "non est," but will be formally presented by the class of '09 to the student body next year as gift to the athletic association. Capt. R. D. Dodge was the representative recipient today of this as yet imaginary cup, Captain Fairly, of the track team, the juniors being the winners, was presented with a loving cup, the beautiful gift of a generous alumnus. The presentation of all of these was made by President Smith.

The punctuality roll is: Senior class: H. L. Moore, J. E. Evans, K. Parker; sophomore class: J. E. Evans, freshmen class: A. L. Bramlett (since Christmas), S. C. Farrior, W. B. Parker, J. T. Simmons, J. R. Webb.

Honor roll (representing an average of 95 or more for the entire year): Senior class, Moore, E. L. Alb., 92.72; Scott, L. R., N. C., 93.34; Pratt, J. W., N. C., 92.28; Parker, J. K., Va., 92.17; Stokes, S. G., S. C., 92.22; Newland, E. T., N. C., 92.78; Robinson, J. D., N. C., 92.52.

MR. CANNON IS PLEASED HE HAD A STRENUOUS DAY

The Chair of the House Yesterday Got Busy to Keep Currency Bill From Being Put to Death, and He Succeeded in His Work—Burton Said to Have Been Brought to Sign the Conference Report Through Influence of Secretary Taft—Bill Passed the Lower House and by Monday Night Will Probably Be Through the Upper House—Note of Vote in Craig's and Kitchin's County Taken at Washington.

BY H. E. C. BRYANT. Observer Bureau, Congress Hall Hotel, Washington, May 27. This has been a strenuous day with Speaker Cannon, the Chair of the House, but he is all smiles to-night, at noon to-day the currency bill was in entremis after the effort of the Speaker to revive it. It was rumored about that Burton, the mighty debater from Ohio, would not sign the report of the conference. This story may not be true, it could not be verified, but it seems plausible. Any way Cannon became agitated about an hour after the House convened and sent messengers flying here and there for persons known to be close to him. His secretary was called and that bony red fist of the Speaker was popped in the other hand in Bussey's face. Cannon was giving hurry orders. Bussey, the secretary left on the run. Two seconds later Mr. Cannon called some one to the chair and dodged on the back way. It was easy to see that the old Tar Heel was in bad humor. Something had gone wrong.

Burton will not sign the currency bill unless some. This report became current in the House. Later, however, after Mr. Cannon had thrown several fits, the name of Burton was written there. "Taft was sent for to appeal to Burton," declared Democrats. As a matter of fact, Secretary Taft was seen in the neighborhood of Cannon's room, with his hat in his hand, just before Burton is said to have affixed his signature.

The bill came around. It passed the House and is now in the Senate. The speaker will open the debate tomorrow with a speech of forty minutes, said this afternoon that the minority was going to discuss the bill until Monday night and then let it pass. This is about the course it will take. Cannon has won this far.

The showing made in the prohibition election interests a few people here. Some have gone so far as to have hats to the different results in the counties of the two leading candidates for Governor. Mr. Craig's county is the banner "dry" county and Mr. Kitchin's county went "wet." These remarks are based on reports that reached here to-day.

THE MEETING OF PUBLISHERS. A Joyous and Profitable Occasion—Charlotte a Fine City of Hospitable People. Knoxville, Tenn., Sentinel.

The sixth annual meeting of the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association began at Charlotte, N. C., on May 19th. For the last six years it has been the custom of the leading editors and managers of the Southern and Southwestern newspapers to assemble in the city of Charlotte for the purpose of discussing topics of interest to the business and editorial departments of their papers. These meetings have been held in Atlanta, Nashville, Richmond, Montgomery, Richmond and Charlotte.

The hospitality shown the visiting newspaper men in each instance has been very marked, but at no meeting since the inception of the Southern Newspaper Publishers Association has the entertainment provided been more interesting or complete; nor has the hospitality been more generally extended than was the case in Charlotte, tended that was the case in Charlotte.

The visiting newspaper men began to arrive on Monday night, the 18th, and true to their promise the Charlotte newspaper men immediately began to dispense their hospitality. It was the continual round of pleasure and the social feature predominated to a degree that the business sessions were necessarily cut short. Particular credit for the splendid entertainment was due to Messrs. J. P. Caldwell and John R. Ross, of The Charlotte Observer, and W. C. Dowd, of The Charlotte News. During the progress of the magnificent banquet Wednesday night, resolutions were read which endorsed the Charlotte meeting as one of the best if not the best of any of the previous annual sessions and the editors as a unit extended cordial good wishes and thanks to those who had made their stay in Charlotte so entirely satisfactory and pleasant.

Charlotte is a thriving city of about 35,000 population, is surrounded by fine natural resources, and its people are of the most hospitable to be found in all of the South.

Va., 92.47; Foreman, K. J., N. C., 92.94; Cartledge, G. H., S. C., 92.99; Bridgforth, A. C., Miss., 92.04.

H. N. Alexander, of the sophomore class, and J. H. Caldwell, of the freshman class, were given the stock news from standing certain examinations which no doubt explains why their names do not appear in the above lists.

At the close of the exercises to-day Rev. Dr. W. L. Lingle, of Atlanta, Ga., president of the board of trustees, was introduced and made a most agreeable speech in which he most heartily, warmly and with unstinted praise expressed the satisfaction of the board with the work of the college during the past year. His tribute to faculty, students and the fair librarian was very pleasing to the entire audience, as evidenced by the generous applause with which his remarks were received. Several class reunions were held at this commencement. Members of the class of '88 were present in much larger numbers than any other. They were handsomely entertained by Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Martin, he being a member of this list of graduates. The class of '93 had quite a good representation and that of '82, while not as numerous as it should have been, was quite sufficient to enjoy a big and hearty and long handshake.

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