

ADDRESS DELIVERS DR. HICKMAN

TO LOUISBURG COLLEGE GRADUATING CLASS

Rev. E. L. Hillman Delivered Sermon to Y. W. C. A. Y. M. C. A. and Dr. Walter Patten Delivered The President's Message; List Of Those Receiving Diplomas and Awards Follow

Louisburg College's annual commencement was held Sunday and Monday, May 21 and 22 with 16 students receiving their degree of Associate in Arts and 31 receiving the certificate in Commercial Science.

The President's message was delivered on Sunday morning by Dr. Walter Patten. His subject was "God's Crusaders". He emphasized that in better world, peace and a better world, the youth of today are God's Crusaders, serving in fields where there is need for intelligent labor, proportionate opportunity, and a sense of godliness.

The YWCA-YMCA sermon was delivered Sunday evening by the Reverend E. L. Hillman, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Rocky out. Dr. Hillman, also, spoke of the great task before the young people today—a task which must be approached with reason, resourcefulness, and a sense of responsibility. He stressed a need for loyal citizens of the home, community, and nation.

The commencement exercises for the senior class was held on Monday morning, May 22. The address was delivered by Dr. Frank S. Hickman, of the Duke University Chapel, who reviewed the various philosophies of God and the universe, particularly, the pantheists, and the deists. He then discussed the philosophy of the personalized universe presided over by a personal God. He admonished the graduating class, "Every meaning of God in the universe is reflected in you. Get a magnificent perspective of the destiny of the universe and get a look at yourself. You have a destiny that no one can change but you yourself."

The following received diplomas: Lois Asbell, Belvidere; William Corwin, Aoheskie; Colleen Gillis, Raleigh; Virginia Anne Goldston, Goldston; Agnes Harris, Oxford; Elizabeth Harris, Norfolk, Va.; Mary Elizabeth Midgette, Middletown; Edna Mope, Goldsboro; Ida Marie Parker, Eure; Ruth Pegram, Winston-Salem; Annie Louise Sherlock, Elizabeth City; Shirley Smith, Durham; King Moore Willis, Sea Level; Daphne Winstead, Elm City; Kathleen Wooten, Grifton; Jessica Womack Selma.

Annie Louise Sherlock, Elizabeth City, graduated magna cum laude; Shirley Mae Smith, Durham, graduated cum laude. Annie Louise Sherlock, Elizabeth City, and William Corwin, Aoheskie, received the Brantley medals for being the best all-round seniors. Josephine Lassiter, Four Oaks, received the Greensboro College Scholarship; Charlotte Usher, Asheboro, was awarded the Louisburg College scholarship. President and Mrs. Patten were at home to the graduating class and friends at the President's home on Sunday afternoon, May 21. The college marshalls assisted in serving.

Recorder's Court

Franklin Recorders Court held regular session on Tuesday and disposed of cases as follows:

Louise Harris pleaded guilty to larceny and was given 30 days in jail, suspended upon payment of costs.

Jack Leonard, unlawful possession of whiskey for sale, costs and fine paid, and discharged.

David Evans pleaded guilty to no drivers license, to be discharged upon payment of costs.

Edd Perry pleaded guilty to forcible trespass, given 60 days on roads, suspended upon payment of costs.

The following cases were continued:

Lena Brodie, no drivers license.

Robert Haley, no drivers license.

Irving B. Gilliam, non-support.

James Hayes, assault with deadly weapon with intent to kill.

Jim Dunston, failure to comply with judgment.

Max Parrish, failure to comply.

John Ervin Baker, motion to execute payment.

Sales Tax Removes State Tax From Land

Speaking to the dries in the courthouse last Saturday afternoon, Mr. H. A. Faulkner said that "the voters now know that Dr. McDonald and Mr. Lumpkin are politicians who are only trying to advance their own 'careers'". This is proven, he said, by the following facts:

(a) They champion only the issues which they think would give them votes.

(b) They have claimed to be friends of the schools and school teachers; while their records show that both of them deserted the schools during the depression and opposed the sales tax which saved the schools.

(c) They claim to be opposed to state tax on land and yet their records show that they have always fought the sales tax which took state tax off of land and saved many a farmer's home during the depression.

(d) Dr. McDonald claims to know all about the tobacco farmers' needs; but his record shows that he is a native of the Middle West and has gained all of his knowledge about tobacco and tobacco farmers since he came to North Carolina some years ago.

(e) They claim to be opposed to the tobacco companies, still the record shows that Dr. McDonald was sent to the General Assembly by the voters of Forsyth County—the home of one of the largest tobacco companies in the world.

(f) They claim to be against big business. The record shows that they were in the General Assembly when a law was passed allowing delinquent taxpayers a 10% discount from their principal amount of their tax and all penalties if paid within a designated short period—the big fellows were the only ones who could take advantage of this law, while the little fellow had to pay his tax in full with all penalties and in addition paid the thousands of dollars given to the wealthy by this unjust law.

"The voters," said Mr. Faulkner, "want men whose records support their claims."

Lions Club

The Louisburg Lions Club held its regular luncheon meeting at the County Agricultural Building Tuesday night. Thirty-three Lions and two guests were present for the occasion. Lion Numa Freeman presided in the absence of President Gaither Beam. This being the first meeting Lion Beam has missed since the organization of the Club in January, 1942.

Lion Willie Lee Lumpkin extended the Club an invitation to hold the next meeting at his cabin at Mitchiner's Lake. The Club unanimously accepted the invitation and decided to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 1944.

Several committees reported on the work that is being done and the progress that is being made on the various Lions activities.

Mr. Howard Cash was a guest of Lion Joe Tonkel for the meeting.

Lions Moon and Hedden had charge of the program. Lion Hedden entertained the Club with two stunts. Lion Moon led the group in the singing of several Lions songs and then sang "On the Road to Mandalay."

LOUISBURG BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at both hours—11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m. The topic for the morning hour will be "Pre-Invasion Prayers." Would it not be worth our while to consider the matter of worship in connection with this war? Who is the loyal American? Can one disregard the call to worship and be loyal to American ideals? Attend church Sunday.

9:45 a. m.—Bible School. 11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. 8:00 p. m.—Evening worship.

—On Pay Day, Buy War Bonds—

PROGRAM AT THE LOUISBURG THEATRE

The following is the program at the Louisburg Theatre, beginning Saturday, May 27th:

Saturday—Chas. Starrett and Arthur 'Arkansas' Hunnicutt in 'Riding West' and Arthur Lake, Bob Haymes and Jane Lawrence in 'Sailors Holiday.' Also Chap. 14 'Captain America.'

Sunday-Monday—Maria Montez, Jon Hall and Sabu in 'Cobra Woman.' Also new 'March of Time.'

Tuesday—Robert Paige, Louise Albritton and Robert Benchley in 'Her Primitive Man.'

Wednesday—Ann Miller and Jess Barker in 'Jam Session.'

Thursday-Friday—Errol Flynn, Paul Lukas and Jean Sullivan in 'Uncertain Glory.'

MEMORIAL DAY

TO BE OBSERVED SUNDAY, JUNE 4th

Hon. Stanley Winborne, of Raleigh, To Deliver Address; Service at Court House at 2:30 O'clock; To Restore Calling Roll Of Deceased Veterans; List of Committees

The Executive Committee of the Franklin County Memorial Association held a meeting Friday afternoon, which meeting was presided over by Stephen L. Tharrington, president, of Youngsville.

James E. Malone, Chairman Arrangements Committee reported that a speaker had been secured, who was well recommended as being an interesting speaker: Hon. J. Stanley Winborne, of Raleigh—June 4th at 2:30 P. M., having been set as the day for the Memorial service, and the Franklin County Court House, being the place.

A motion prevailed that T. K. Stockard have membership cards printed at once and distribute same to the various townships to put in operation the permanent five year plan, to raise funds for the operation of the association. W. F. Shelton, who is Treasurer of the Association, and T. K. Stockard, were appointed by the president to put this plan into operation.

H. C. Kearney, Hill Yarbrough and T. K. Stockard were appointed a nominating committee to report at the general meeting. J. E. Malone, Chairman of the Arrangements Committee, Mrs. H. W. Perry, and Capt. Hill Yarbrough were appointed by the President as a Program committee, to make final arrangements for the program.

It was unanimously passed by the meeting, that the practice of calling the roll of all deceased veterans of both wars be revived, in as much as this is a Memorial Service in their honor.

A motion prevailed that the Association purchase the flags for use in decorating the graves, so that everyone in the county will feel that they have a part in this tribute to their War dead. These flags have heretofore been purchased by the Franklin American Legion Auxiliary and Legion and the Louisburg Legion Post.

Mrs. H. H. Utley extended an invitation to attend a Legion and Legion Auxiliary sponsored Memorial Service to be held in Franklin Sunday night, May 28th, which is being held in accordance with request from National Headquarters. This was the best attended executive meeting held in years—the only members being absent were Mrs. Hazel Robertson, County Vice Chairman of Flowers, who was sick and Frank A. Reed, Second Vice President, who could not be reached over the phone, his line being out of order. The committee hopes this is an indication that the general meeting will be better attended than it ever has been and that chairmen all over the county will see that the graves in their jurisdiction are decorated and that people from their townships are informed of the meeting and invited to attend.

Please hand in a list of any names of deceased veterans whose names were not on the list previously called. Don't wait until the day of the Memorial Service, but hand them in at once so that they may obtain the proper recognition. Names may be handed to T. K. Stockard, J. E. Malone or A. F. Johnson.

Chairmen and their committees are as follows: Dunn—Miss Lucy Wiggs, chairman, Mrs. Mary White Beddingfield, Miss Mary White Nash, and others named by Miss Wiggs. Harris—Mrs. M. C. Wilder, chairman; Mrs. A. T. Lancaster, F. W. Justice, P. A. Baker, Mrs. Robert Wheelless, Mrs. J. D. Morris, Mrs. A. T. Harris, Mr. Dollie Pearce, J. W. Perry, and others to be named by Mrs. Wilder. Youngsville—Major S. E. Winston, chairman; S. E. Tharrington, Mrs. B. H. Patterson, Mrs. F. A. Cheatham, Miss Gertrude Winston, W. O. Roberts, Mrs. S. E. Tharrington, Mrs. E. M. Carter, Mrs. J. K. Tharrington, J. K. Tharrington.

Franklinton—H. C. Kearney, chairman; G. B. Harris, J. O. Green, Mrs. C. S. Williams, Mrs. W. W. Cooke, Geo. L. Cooke, L. L. Preddy, Mrs. H. H. Utley, M. W. Hardy, E. J. Cheatham, all members of the American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary. Hayesville—D. T. Dickie, chairman; T. C. Gill, Mrs. R. H. Purcell, Mrs. J. S. Wilson, L. O. Frazier, J. T. Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. L. Z. Terrell, Mrs. Bessie F. Duke, Mrs. Jennie Ayscue. Sandy Creek—M. E. Watkins, chairman; Owen Tharrington, Mrs. Roy Gupton, Miss Irma Gupton, Mrs. C. E. Edens, H. F.

Americans Astride Road On Each Side of Cisterna

On the Anzio Beachhead, May 24.—A veteran U. S. armored formation smashed through the German flank on the Rome side of Cisterna today, pouring a threatening steel avalanche closer upon the fortress town astride the Apennine Way to Rome.

Americans in the opening day of their assault, had blasted through Nazi defenses and cut a 2,000 yard sector of the Apennine Way just southeast of Cisterna. The bitter fighting German garrison still has its escape route to Rome open, and the Germans delayed committing large forces against the swarming American tanks which control the Apennine Way into strategic sections flanking the city.

"It's mighty good after four months in this blasted beachhead to have a chance to kick the hell out of the Boche," said the commander of the formation which punched into the German line on the Rome side of the town in a display of super-coordination of artillery, tanks, and infantry.

A German battalion commander and his staff were among the growing hundreds of prisoners captured.

Following their tanks continually, the American armored infantry had a very small number of casualties in proportion to the square miles gained on the strongly-prepared enemy positions.

At least half the tanks knocked

out by mines yesterday were repaired and running again today.

But the Doughboys driving directly at Cisterna from Dead Woman's Corner along the bloody mile of the Ranger battalions' tragic memory had to fight for every German pillbox and casualty were high.

Cisterna is a town where revenge is to be won, for the Americans have not forgotten the two U. S. Ranger battalions who spearheaded an attack upon the town last January 30, and were trapped with only a few stragglers making their way back—men who vowed then that "there will be a sequel to it."

The assaulting Americans today found "the Krauts were all dug in, and our doggies had to dig 'em out," in the words of Lt.-Col. Lionel C. McGarr, Phoenix, Ariz., whose men erased the Ponte Rotto defenses near Cisterna and captured a pair of 88-millimeter guns.

The Germans, however, succeeded in pulling back most of their artillery from a railroad embankment line before it fell.

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Marshall, Mrs. Sidney Hale. Gold Mine—Mrs. J. W. Neal, chairman; Mrs. R. D. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Major Gupton, Mrs. W. D. Fuller, N. H. Griffin, Mrs. P. M. Sykes, Mrs. F. A. Reed, Mrs. Alex. Wester, Mr. Wm. L. Pierce, Cedar Rock—Mrs. T. H. Dickens, chairman; Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Dean, Mrs. Peter Dean, Miss Eva Cooke, Mrs. R. T. Daulies, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Insoce, William Boone, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Stone, Mrs. C. T. Dean.

Cypress Creek—C. H. Stallings, chairman; M. T. Lamm, Mrs. Ernest Wheelless, Mrs. C. A. Long, Mrs. B. D. Wheelless, Arthur Strickland, Mr. Finner Moses, Miss Estelle Strickland, G. L. McGregor.

Louisburg—Dr. A. Paul Bagby, chairman; W. L. Lumpkin, C. M. Howard, G. W. Cobb, Mrs. J. R. Earle, Mrs. W. P. Neal, Mrs. Hugh W. Perry, Dr. D. T. Smithwick, Miss Alberta Davis, Miss Helen Smithwick, E. H. Malone, S. D. Harris, Mrs. W. O. Perry, Mrs. Ben T. Holden, W. D. Egeron, Commander of Legion Post and Legionnaires and their wives, J. H. Boone and Mrs. H. C. Taylor.

All chairmen are asked to revise their committees to meet the circumstances. Add new members and ask assistance and cooperation from everyone in your respective communities.

Farmers throughout the country are urged by the War Food Administration to use more nitrogen fertilizer on corn and forage crops to increase yields of feed for livestock.

Charming Off-Duty Dress Chosen by Wacs

Here's Corporal Margaret Snyder of Duluth, Minn., in the new dress just added by the War Department to the authorized uniform of the Women's Army Corps. Ready before mid-summer, it will be purchasable at cost from the Quartermaster Corps which developed it after getting the views of the Wacs themselves.

Proud of being in the Army, they were all for a dress with military aspect as this new washable rayon shantung, shirtmaker type one-piece costume of flattering creamy shade called "military beige" shows.

Corporal Snyder wears the "summer" dress; the "winter" off-duty uniform will be of lovely soft-finish all-wool crepe in a shade called "horizon tan," same design.

Alike for enlisted and Army personnel, this dress is part of a new and attractive ensemble, including new WAC garrison cap of matching material; brown shoes of commercial design with closed toe and heel, and regulation cotton chamois gloves.

You'll soon be seeing members of the Women's Army Corps in these charming dresses during times when they can relax from vital Army jobs.



Poppy Day

Poppy Day, May 27th, this year will be observed with greater reverence than it has ever been before—Everyone knows the significance of the little red flower and all are glad to wear it in memory of the men who have died in World War I and II—they are also glad to wear it to help the men who have been disabled in both wars. The poppies sold on the streets this year in North Carolina are made by disabled Veterans in the hospital at Fayetteville who are not as yet receiving compensation for their disabilities and need the little spending money that is provided from their labors—the American Legion Auxiliary donates the material and pay the man to make the poppies—they are being made by veterans of both wars, this year as there are a great number who have been discharged from this war disabled and are hospitalized at this time. The poppy making industry provides a number of things—first it gives the men something to do to take their minds off their troubles—second it gives them some spending money—third, when the poppies are sold, the proceeds are used entirely to help the children and families of disabled veterans who must have emergency help—and fourth, but largest of all, it is a tribute, a memorial which we pay those who have given their day that we might live and prosper. Wear your poppy proudly, wear it with love and reverence, wear it with a determination that we will do all in our power to hasten the end of this war. When you pin it on, do so with a silent pledge in your heart that you will cooperate in every way to hasten Victory.

Mrs. Hugh W. Perry, Louisburg Poppy Chairman.

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U. S. Army Pierce Jap Defense

Chinese Stop Jap Attacks at Myitkyina, Trap Enemy in Salween River Sector

Advanced Allied Headquarters, New Guinea, Thursday, May 25.—U. S. Sixth Army units battling toward the airfields of the Japanese near Sarmi, Dutch New Guinea, have crossed the Tor River, headquarters reported today.

The Americans are advancing on Maffin Bay, a region which embraces one of the two airfields. Today's communique also reported a strike by southwest Pacific planes at Truk in the Carolines during which two of 40 enemy interceptors were shot down and 84 tons of bombs were dropped by attacking Liberators.

One Liberator Lost. The big bombers, one of which was lost in the madday assault, engaged the interceptors in a 30-minute fight.

The raiders, which flew to Truk from the Admiralty Islands, probably shot down three more interceptors and damaged others. The crossed Tor River flows into Maffin Bay about 10 miles west of the Wakde-Toem area of Dutch New Guinea, invaded May 17-18. The Japanese along the river had put up a bitter defense until blasted out of their positions by artillery and shells of off-shore destroyers.

In another invasion sector 250 miles southeast, an American outpost 30 miles below Aitape, British New Guinea, broke up a sharp attack by bypassed Japanese.

On Bougainville in the northern Solomons, where Japanese garrisons have been without a supply line to Rabaul since February, head quarters reported the discovery of 70 abandoned enemy dead and the graves of 500 others.

ST. PAUL'S EPICOPAL CHURCH

Whitsunday is next Sunday and services at St. Paul's Episcopal Church will be as follows:

Church School—9:45 a. m. Holy Communion and sermon—11:00 a. m.

Whitsunday is observed as the "Birthday of the Church" and all members are expected to be present at one of the morning services and make their communion, observing the day on which we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit both disciples in the Upper Room.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church is now open daily for private prayer. This is in accordance with a request from the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church and also President of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America. Leaflets as a guide to prayer, at this time of the expected invasion of Europe, and perhaps increased activity in other theatres of war, will be found in the pews. This is a nation wide call to all people to stop for a while, at whatever time of day most convenient, for private prayer thought or rest in the holy hush of a house of worship.

WAR NEWS

Allied Headquarters, Naples, May 24.—Canadian tanks broke the before—the Hitler Line today and swept up the Liri Valley to the Melfa River, 13 miles from Cassino; American troops recaptured Terracina on the coast, and an American armored avalanche burst from the Anzio beachhead and cut the Apennine Way barely 25 miles from Rome.

The Canadians, thrown into the Italian fighting as a separate army corps for the first time, smashed through the Hitler Line at its strongest point and raced on five miles beyond Pontecorvo, threatening to trap German garrisons there and at Aquino, two of the most powerful fortress towns in the enemy defense belt.

Supported by tanks, American troops fought their way back into Terracina after an hour and a half battle early today, in which they crushed German defenses in a hillside cemetery before the coastal town. American patrols first entered Terracina last Sunday, only to retire when Nazi reserves were rushed against them.

London, Thursday, May 25.—Berlin experienced an air raid alert early today as RAF night bombers apparently followed up a record American-led daylight assault of 7,000 sorties against Fortress Europe, hitting during the day by six Allied air armies.

A target of Flying Fortress bombs Wednesday, the German capital was warned by the Nazi radio of the approach of night raiders shortly after midnight. It was the 11th American raid on Berlin.

From the Atlantic Wall to points deep in the Balkans, more than 5,500 tons of explosives were dropped by British-based and Italy-based squadrons in the daylight attacks.

77Nazis Downed. Seventy-seven German fighters were shot down in fierce sky battles along the route to Berlin, which was attacked by a strong force of Flying Fortresses from above a cloud cover, while from all British-based operations 32 bombers and 13 fighters were missing, a U. S. Air Force communique said tonight.

A Liberator wing pounced on the Paris area, undefended by the over-matched Nazi air force, and hammered enemy airfields at Melun and Orly to the south and Creil to the northeast, making its bomb runs against light to moderate flak.

In a gigantic coordinated assault, Allied bombers and fighters from bases in Italy, flew 2,700 sorties, striking in the vicinity of Vienna, at rail links in northern Italy and at other targets in Austria and Yugoslavia.

CARD

Hon. A. F. Johnson, Editor Franklin Times, Louisburg, N. C.

Dear Sir:

On account of the death last Sunday night of Mr. John T. Insoce, his older brother, Mr. Joseph T. Insoce has been unable, during this week, to conduct in person, his campaign for the State Senate. I am requested to state that Mr. Insoce is indeed grateful to his friends who are carrying on this campaign with such fine loyalty. He has been deeply touched by the many assurances of success which are coming to him from all parts of the County and desires me to express his sincere appreciation to the voters who he hopes will make that success possible.

Sincerely, G. B. H. STALLINGS.

LOUISBURG METHODIST CHURCH

The Rev. O. W. Dowd, pastor of the Divine Street Methodist Church in Dunn, North Carolina, will preach at the 11:00 o'clock service Sunday morning. Mr. Dowd is a former pastor of this church, having served here a good many years ago.

Sunday evening service 8:00. Sunday School meets at 9:45, led by Prof. I. D. Moon.

The Intermediates and the Young People of the Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet in their respective places at 7:00.

A new 4-H contest to enlist young people in protecting farm lands from further disastrous losses of fertile soil has just been incorporated in the club's program.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

In keeping with the paper shortage government program we will have to begin soon cutting off some of our subscribers. We now have many on our lists who are a year or more behind. We ask you to pay up soon, or we may be forced to stop your paper. Read your label, and attend to this at once. Don't delay.