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## CLASS EXERCISES ASHEBORO HIGH

Number of Papers Read At The Final Exercises Are Reproduced in This Issue.

An account of the commencement exercises of the Asheboro high school appeared in last week's issue of The Courier. However, at that time this paper was unable to get copies of the various papers read by members of the class in their exercises held Tuesday evening, June 2nd, in time for publication last week. This week we have been able to obtain the most of them and reprint them herewith.

Pictures of the senior class and another containing most of the members of the faculty arrived too late for last week and these are published in this issue.

The people of the town were well pleased with the commencement exercises following upon a most successful school year and demonstrated their appreciation by their large attendance at the finals held at the school building.

### STATISTICIAN'S REPORT

(Walter Hammond)

In the days of Ancient Greece people could, by traveling weary miles, consult the Delphi. The Romans trusted with implicit faith their Sibylline books. Saul consulted the witch of Endor for information; and today our poet may listen to the inspiring voices of the Muses, and enrapture his listeners with songs of poetic frenzy.

Our prophet can dip into the future farther than the human eye can see, and while we breathlessly listen, tell us all the wonders that will be.

I, the statistician of the class of '25, am denied all this, and must deal with facts alone.

Facts are prosaic things: reports, an abomination; as, some of this class will testify; but we have agreed that this last report concerning the class should be made.

Our class numbers 27, 15 girls and 12 boys.

The boys of this class have been noted for their interest in athletics.

Out of 16 members on the football squad this year, 8 were from our class. Out of 15 members on the basketball squad this year 6 were from our class. Out of 16 members on the baseball squad this year 6 were from our class. This year was at least half the boys of our class on every team. The boys of our class played a total of 81 seasons of football on Asheboro High School's team, a total of 17 baseball and a total of 11 seasons of basket ball.

Our girls prefer the gentler arts, only two of them going out for athletics; Mabel Ingram making the girls basketball team and Henrietta Underwood making the track team.

Our class also starred in the track meet, winning a total of 22 points for Asheboro H.

In a class of so many pretty girls it was hard to select the prettiest but it was put to a vote of the class and decided that Frances DeMarcus was the prettiest girl. Not content with this honor, however, she also captured the prize of being the most popular girl in this class.

Wallace Moore was voted the best looking boy in the class. He was also voted the most popular boy.

When we voted for the most original at Worth Parks was chosen for the boys and Lois Smith for the girls. These two are famous for their numerous original sayings, which are the delight of the students and the vexation of the teachers.

Mabel Ingram was voted the homeliest girl in the class. The reason for her homeliness is probably due to the worry over trying to get to school on time. In spite of all this endeavor, however, Mabel was late 47 times; the total of all the time she was late being 4 hours, 23 min., and 49 sec.

Besides this dubious honor, Mabel was voted the most athletic girl in her class.

Theron Willis was elected the homeliest boy by acclamation. It is rumored, however, that the boys voted him the homeliest boy because of pure envy of his good looks.

Out of 27 in the class Anne Lesley Ferree was voted the wittiest girl and James Cox the wittiest boy. Although James is an excellent student it is probable that if he had spent some of the time in study that he has in combing his hair in school he would have been the star of the class. Anne Lesley was also given the honor of being the most attractive girl in the room. Troy Gaddis was also voted the most attractive boy. Troy also claimed the honor of being the most athletic boy in the class.

When it comes to the best all around boy, however, John T. Humble is it. Lucy Davis was voted the best all around girl.

These honors are all very well in their way but the real honor, falls to Elizabeth Bulla and Siebert Lynch—that of being the most studious pupils in the class. Wallace Moore ran Siebert a close second, however. He would have been voted the most studious except for the minor fact that he doesn't study.

Although the two traits do not usually go together, Siebert was also voted the most foolish boy. Henrietta Underwood was voted the most foolish among the girls and she was also the shakiest of the girls. Joe Parrish was voted the shakiest of the boys.

Francis Shelton was voted the largest—because a nose means the largest nose. The nose means the largest nose.

## AN IMPORTANT AGENCY IN HOME OWNERSHIP

Building and Loan Associations Help To Cut Down Number Of Rented Homes.

Fifty-two per cent of the homes of North Carolina are rented. In this respect North Carolina ranks 28th among the states of the union. But the State ranks above all the states south of her. In Georgia 69 per cent of the homes are rented; South Carolina, 68; Maryland, 60 per cent; and Virginia, 49.

North Carolina made some improvement from 1910 to 1920. During this period the State was one of three in the union showing a decrease in rented homes.

An Important Agency One of the most important agencies in helping people build their own homes is the building and loan, and the growth of this agency in North Carolina during this ten-year period had something to do with the decrease in the number of rented homes.

From a small beginning in Philadelphia less than a century ago, the building and loan has grown until today there are more than 10,000 associations with assets of over three billion dollars.

Nature Of The Building And Loan There are two outstanding characteristics of the building and loan; first, they are local in scope. There are no national building and loan associations. Second, they are purely co-operative. There are no stockholders to make profits. The associations are usually administered economically.

Functions of Building and Loan These associations perform two distinct functions. They afford a convenient method for people to make small systematic savings at intervals of a week or month. A "member" may elect to pay in an amount most convenient to him. They are usually in multiples of twenty-five cents. These payments—or deposits—are credited to him and interest is paid on them. At the end of a stipulated time, the member draws out what he has paid in plus the interest thereon, usually at six per cent.

The other function is lending money to those who have bought a lot and wish to build a home. The association will lend the money securing themselves by a mortgage on the property. At the time the loan is made the borrower becomes a member of the association and begins making weekly payments into a savings fund as previously described. This constitutes a sinking fund and his monthly payments are so fixed that they together with the interest on them will amount to the loan by the time the loan is due. Interest in the meantime is paid on the loan and this is paid in monthly installments also.

### FARMER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Skeen and daughter, Mary Lewis, and Miss Linnie Dorsett spent Friday in Greensboro.

Miss Jaunita and Mr. Alton Kearns are attending the commencement exercises at N. C. C. W., this week.

Rev. G. W. Clay returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Lenoir, and will go this week to Duke University to attend a summer school for ministers of the M. E. church, South.

The cottage prayer meeting at Mr. J. R. Hammond's on Wednesday night last was well attended. It will be held this week at Mr. A. L. Hill's.

Miss Marnie Lackey, of Jackson Creek, spent the week-end with Mrs. F. A. Piquett.

A group of Farmer young people spent Tuesday evening of last week picnicking at Willamore Springs. They were chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hammond.

Miss Sue Morgan spent last week in Asheboro as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Colin Byrd.

Mrs. Z. V. Wright was called on Friday of last week to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Freeman, who lives near Central Falls.

Employees to Become Stockholders The Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company, which has a chain of 12000 stores and operates 27 warehouses, has given its employees an opportunity to become stockholders in the corporation. Those who have been with the company for five years are eligible to participate in the purchase of stock.

The corporation has a store in Asheboro, opened about a month ago. Mr. P. D. Duck is the manager of the Asheboro branch. The company does a business of more than \$50,000,000 a year. In one year the A. and P. sells 67 million pounds of coffee, 225 million pounds of flour, 39 million dozens of eggs, and 90 millions cans of milk.

For Winter Eggs The poultry extension department of State College in answering inquiries as to how to get more eggs this winter advises that the heavy breeds should be hatched in February, March and April so that they will begin laying by the first of October. Proper care and feeding of the growing chicks is necessary during the summer months. The smaller breeds may be hatched between March 20th and April 20th, since they mature earlier than the heavier breeds.

The cockrels and other chicks that do not grow out to suit should be sold for fryers. It will save feed and room. The chicks and the grown stock must have clean dry quarters and must be kept free from lice and mites. Proper feeding, both growing and mature, is also necessary.

We are all trying to be half way white and realize that we are beginning to feel the influence of modern civilization. But we still contain un-

## 1925 Senior Class Asheboro High School



Left to right-top row: John T. Humble, Siebert Lynch, Troy Gaddis, W. J. Faucett, high school principal; Joe Parrish, Hardy Moore, Theron Willis. Second row: Early Hughes, Eugene Lewallen, Worth Parks, Wallace Moore, Walter Hammond, James Cox. Third row: Henrietta Underwood, Grace Burrow, Annie Lesley Ferree, Frances Shelton, Bon Phillips, Mabel Ingram, Lois Smith, Lucy Davis. Bottom row: Aleta Pressnell, Carrie Cranford, Elizabeth Bulla, Ada Shaw, Frances DeMarcus, Nell Moore, Fannie Tyson.

### CLASS POEM OF '25

(By Theron Willis)  
Here's to us who have reached the goal,  
Who've climbed the rocky road,  
Who've here at last attained a scroll  
That pays for all our load.

Blest be the members of this class,  
Fine were the times we've had,  
Now that we are parting at last  
It makes our strong hearts sad.

We have but lived the best of life,  
Enjoyed its bubbling youth,  
Right soon we go into the strife  
Of upholding honor and truth.

"Vincit qui se vincit",  
"He conquers who conquers himself".  
Our motto, may we keep it  
Always next to our hearts till death.

May we very happy be  
In any task that we perform.  
May each his duty see  
And to all of life's rules conform.

May each of us be true  
To our colors—light blue and gold.  
Goody, Goody, Adieu,  
There's work for all the true and bold.

Theron A. W. Willis,  
Class Poet.

### CLASS PEDIGREE "25"

(By James Cox)  
Everything in the world worthy of mention or consideration has a pedigree, but the class of 1925 of the Asheboro High School is worthy of more than a mere consideration. Then why should we, the class of '25, not have a pedigree? As all of you know the pedigree of a person or thing starts at the very beginning. But who of us is able to trace events back to their origin of who knows just how and when things happen to be?

If we could look back into the ages past, we might see the Gods as they met on Mt. Olympus placing the destinies of the human race. We might even see the day being planned when in this hall, characters as we, should meet to graduate from this High School. We might trace ourselves in our constant changing of environment; from Primary school to Elementary; from Elementary to High School; from High School to College and on.

On the other hand we might consider each individual member, compile a Family tree that would reach to the vertex of the heavens, of which each might boast and be proud. But this is very small to us who can trace our antecedents back to the Garden of Eden and write ourselves the sons and daughters of unpeopled progenitors of the human race, Adam and Eve.

Nevertheless we, the class of '25, have our pedigree and in the revelation of characters that come to light from day to day, it would be easy to compile a class tree if we felt so inclined.

Our gain through High School has been much like the progress of the human race from the pastoral age to the age of commerce and industry. In our debating and oratory we are like statesmen of ancient Rome; in science like philosophers of Athens. The young maidens of the class as you can see, are as fair as the goddesses of Beauty herself, yet there seems to be a few with barbaric blood flowing in their veins who take great pleasure in seeing rough games of football as did the matrons in medieval times take pleasure in seeing the knights in tournaments.

We started into High School fresh and verdant but willing to be molded into something that would be an asset to the school and country. As we have passed upward through the grades of this school, we have come thus far as the progress of man. In much of our wisdom, seen in secret hidden implies given examinations traces the influence of Egyptian and Hindoo philosophy upon the mind of the modern student, we feel that we have outlived the worst of our warlike inclinations, although Nomadic principles which have been marked in our lives during the past will be marked in the future.

We are all trying to be half way white and realize that we are beginning to feel the influence of modern civilization. But we still contain un-

ibalistic tastes which often assert themselves. We leave you to figure this out by your own personal observations, as modestly forbids our being more explicit.

Many different ancestral nationalities are represented in this class, in fact, so many that we have not attempted to trace all. Five of this group seem to be descendants of Romulus, the founder of Rome, whose language was Latin. These five persistently continued the use of this language of ancient Rome through their course. Others have attempted this language for a while and then discarded it. Still others indicated for a few years that they were Spaniards, and most of us have tried to use the language of sunny France. The greater number have indicated a Greek ancestry by an interest in science. Yet, our ancestry doesn't mean that we are what they were because we are plain ordinary AMERICANS of the reddest blood.

So, however widely the branches of our class tree may be spread, we assure you that they are not there to conceal the faults and mistakes of our antecedents, but to be broad and high enough for the aspirations and ambitions of all. We can boast of Big B's—Birth, Breeding, Brawn and Brain, and if we give the greatest attention to the last two, we speak not in vain terms because this is the keynote of American spirit. It matters not what we were, but what we are, that writes the Big record upon the scroll of Life.

Our history along through High School has been one of which we might be well pardoned for boasting. The brightest entry of all will be in the years to come, perhaps through out all our lives. The four years we studied in Asheboro High School, and the triumph of passing out of her doors to work in the world for the Glory and Honor of her shall extend to the very shores of Eternity.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF SENIOR CLASS '25

(By Bon Phillips)  
Ladies and Gentlemen, Board of Education, Superintendent, Teachers and Friends:

Upon behalf of my client, the Class of 1925, of Asheboro High School, of the City of Asheboro, State of North Carolina, U. S. A., I have called you together upon this solemn and serious occasion, to listen to her last will and testament and to receive from her dying hand the few gifts she has bestowed in her last moments. Cutting so rapidly from life and finding so many things of such gigantic proportions to be attended to before the end should come upon her, realizing at the same time that she had no longer any time left to spend in cultivation of her own virtues, she did collectively and individually, deem it best to leave these mementoes to those friends to whose needs they seem best fitted. As a result of this announcement a wild scene took place amidst most frantic pleading and scrambling among her friends for this or that so long coveted glory; but she has tried to be just as well as generous and impartial, and distribute wisely unto those who will make the best use of such gifts as she has in her power to bestow, the talents that have served her so faithfully these four years. These are her decisions as at last definitely reached through very deliberate consideration. Owing to the tightly constrained of her brain and the unusual disturbance in its gray matter, she begs me to state for her that she may quite possibly have been mistaken in her inventory; but such things as she thinks she has, she hereby gives into your possession, praying that you will accept them as a sacred trust from one who has gone before.

We the Class of '25, in individual and distinct parts, being about to pass out of this sphere of education, in full possession of a crammed mind, well-trained memory, and almost superhuman understanding, do make and publish this, our last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills and promises by us at any time heretofore made or made by any other person, and to annul the thoughts and wish of an

idle hour.

First: We do direct that our funeral services shall be conducted by our friends and well-wishes, our superintendant and his all-wise faculty, who have been our guardians for so long, only asking, at the last injunction of the dying that the funeral be carried on with all the dignity and pomp that our worth, our merit, our attainments and our position as Seniors of "Grave and revered men", most certainly have deserved.

As to such estate as it has pleased the Fates and our own strong hands and brains to win we do now dispose:

Item 1: We give and bequeath to the dear faculty who have been our instructors in all the wisdom of the ages, a sweet and unbroken succession of restful nights and peaceful dreams. No longer need they lie awake thru the long watches of the night to worry over the uncertainty of whether this one is doing her night work, or that one will have his mathematics in morning class, or the other one will remember every iron-clad rule of composition at technique in the preparation of an essay. It has been a hard strain on them, for Seniors are said to be at all times and under all conditions difficult to manage. But they have done their duty, and verily now shall they have their well-earned reward.

Item 2: We give and bequeath to our beloved superintendent, Prof. W. H. McMahan, our sincere affection, our deepest reverence, our heartiest gratitude, and the whole unlimited wealth of our eternal memory. In an attempt at partial payment for all that he has done for us during our long years at Asheboro High. We make over to him, here and now, a heavy mortgage on our future in the Great Unknown beyond. It shall be his to watch every step of our up and onward flitting—to us note each trial, each attempt, each victory, each success and honor that we may achieve in the arena in the world—and to accept for himself, as interest in our deathless debt, every ounce of the praise knowing that it is all due to his faithful guidance.

Item 3: We likewise give and bequeath to the Junior Class as a student body, our knowledge of language, economics, mathematics, philosophy, art science, and universe in whole or in part. We trust the class may be able to survive it.

Item 4: The following may seem but trifling bequests, but we hope they may be accepted not as worthless things lavishly thrown away because we can no longer keep them, but as valuable assets to those who may receive them, and a continual reminder of the generosity of heart displayed in our free and full bestowal:

1. Anne Lesley Ferree bequeaths her attractiveness and wit to Ellen Pressnell.

2. Joe Parrish bequeaths his ability to get along with his teachers to Henry Armfield.

3. John T. Humble wills to Dick McDaniels, his conceit.

4. Walter Hammond leaves his wily, estabing ability to Monk Phillips.

5. Theron Willis bequeaths his wit to Pauline Birkhead.

6. Mabel Ingram wills to Eva Cranford her contempt for men.

7. Elizabeth Bulla leaves her scholarship to Samuel Miller.

8. Grace Burrows will leave for science to Louise Swain.

9. Wallace Moore bequeaths his philosophy as a class officer to Odell Mathews.

10. Frances Shelton and Henrietta Underwood jointly bequeath to Charlesanna Fox and Eva Brown their habit of laughing at anything and everything at anytime.

11. To Frances Kivett, Nell Moore wills her ability to sneak out of school at 1:45.

12. Hardie Moore leaves his talent as an athlete to Kenyon Routh.

13. To Dorothy Lewallen, Lois Smith wills her originality.

14. James Cox bequeaths to Hal Ferree his curly locks and combs.

15. Leta Pressnell leaves her modesty to Frances Moore.

16. Worth Parks leaves his smile to Zella Johnson.

17. To Pauline Elliott, Lucy Davis wills her signity.

## WILL MOVE OLD YADKIN BRIDGE DOWN THE RIVER

Old Toll Bridge Being Dismantled—Was Dividend Paying Investment Recently.

The steel work of the Yadkin River toll bridge, near Spencer, which went out of business overnight some months ago when the new state highway bridge over the Yadkin was opened to the public, is to be dismantled and moved to Reeves Island, in the High Rock section of the river, where it will become a toll bridge again, according to news from Salisbury.

In the new location it will be the only span over the Yadkin river, except railroad bridges, between the state highway bridge near Spencer, and the Swift Island state concrete bridge about 40 miles down the stream.

This old toll bridge was installed over the Yadkin, near Spencer, twenty years ago with fear and misgiving. The \$11,000 investment in the bridge in the days of slow horse-drawn traffic looked as if it had a poor show for dividends. Then the day of the automobile came and the bridge began to do a business which yielded a dividend on the investment which probably has not been exceeded in North Carolina for pure profit.

The people who traveled the road were joyous when the new state highway bridge just above the old toll bridge was opened. No longer would the automobilist have to fork out twenty-five cents every time he drove over the bridge, and the farmers in wagons were relieved of having to go down in their jeans for the dime which was collected before the gate at the end of the bridge was opened.

### Annual Old People's Day Exercises Well Attended

The annual old people's day exercises at the Worthville Union church, at Worthville, last Sunday were well attended and an interesting program was rendered. Old songs that were sung forty years and more ago were sung during the song services in the morning and afternoon.

Rev. O. B. Routh, pastor of the churches at Worthville, Central Falls and West Bend, preached a most helpful sermon from the text, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven and all these things shall be added unto you." Dr. J. D. Gregg, of Liberty, made a splendid address at the morning meeting on "The Faded Leaf."

In the afternoon, Wm. C. Hammer, the Courier representative, made a speech on the Bible. Following his speech, Rev. G. R. Brown, pastor of the First M. P. church, High Point, made a very informative address which was well received by the congregation. The volunteer talks were also interesting.

Hot Weather Causes Total of 450 Deaths in Nine Days' Time

The death toll from the nine days of hot weather and storms from the Rocky Mountains to the Atlantic seaboard had Sunday night caused 450 deaths. In addition to the 324 deaths up to Saturday night, the following were among the deaths reported Sunday: Philadelphia 71, New York 30, and Baltimore, St. Louis and Washington 3 each.

Summer showers and local wind storms somewhat relieved the heat wave Monday. Hundreds have suffered serious prostrations on account of the heat. Several have committed suicide and others have become crazed.

Senator Charles C. Curtis, of Kansas, chairman of the senate committee on rules, and the Republican whip in the senate, predicts that Vice President Dawes' campaign for a change in the senate rules will fail. Dawes, says the Kansas senator, has set out to attack the only rule whereby unlimited debate can be shut off. Senator Curtis says that it would have been better had Dawes attacked the evil that obviously exists, that of letting certain senators deliberately and ruthlessly kill time.

Our life will be what we make it. We shall pay for our mistakes and be rewarded for our adherence to the right. Thus to you, wise teachers, do we feel our debt of gratitude to weigh heavily upon us, until we remember that the Law of Compensation is a scale that is always accurately balanced and that you have received your reward in doing your duty.

We are not able to express our heartfelt gratitude and thanks to you, O teachers, so we will only say, "God bless you."

Classmates, how big is the thought that we now have the moulding of our fates in our own hands! Thus far we have earned only a portion of what we have attained, for we have been showered with life's best gifts. We now stand, prepared by the watchful vigilance, the careful guidance, and the wise instruction of our parents and teachers, ready for our contest with the more active life, which awaits us. We can look back and see our "value received", we must now fulfil our "promise to pay".

So, classmates, let us realize that there is much expected of us but let us not forget that we have abundant assets at our disposal with which to meet every obligation. And may we endeavor to keep such a clean record, to maintain such high ideals, and to keep our account with life so evenly balanced that "for value received" I promise to pay" may remain to us an ever-delightful reminder of pleasant duties. And may our hearts ever respond to the divine command of old, "Freely ye have received, freely give."

While the national debt, now \$21,500,000,000 is decreasing, the bonded indebtedness of states, counties and municipalities is mounting at a rapid rate. A survey of the public debt recently made by the Census Bureau shows that in the 10-year period from 1912 to 1922 the bonded indebtedness of states, counties and municipalities increased 127.4 per cent. Massachusetts leads in the increase with a 200 per cent increase.

18. Troy Gaddis bequeaths his bashfulness to Jack Hamlet.

19. Fannie Tyson wills her piety to Annie Lee Hall.

20. To Claude Phillips, Early Hughes bequeaths his good nature.

21. Eugene Lewallen wills to Henry Armfield his wooden leg.

22. To Jack Hamlet, Siebert Lynch wills his Grecian God Pose.

23. Frances DeMarcus leaves her don't-care attitude to Pauline Elliott.

24. Carrie Cranford bequeaths her demure ways to Charlesanna Fox.

25. To the Freshman Class that is to be, we leave any overlooked cubs of gum we may have left adhering to the underside of desks, banisters, assembly seats, or any other likely or unlikely places. We have sometimes had to rid ourselves of these in too much haste to be able to pick and choose the most desirable means of disposal.

26. To the Sophomore Class we give and bequeath all of our excess knowledge which the Juniors do not need.

27. Ada Shaw leaves her love for History to Leslie York.

And we do hereby constitute and appoint Superintendent W. H. McMahan sole executor of this our last will and testament.

In witness whereof, we the Call of 1925, the testators have to this will set our hands and seals, this second day of June, Anno Domini, one thousand nine hundred and twenty five.

(Signed) CLASS OF '25  
Walter Hammond, James Cox, J. E. Ferree,

## OPPORTUNITY TO GET \$20 IN GOLD

Refer to Special Notices on Another Page of This Paper And See How It Is Done.

Today and next week The Courier offers to its readers an opportunity to win \$20 in gold for just a little effort expended in telling what they know about Asheboro. Attention is called to the special page of notices, each one of which refers to some business firm.

The Courier reader who comes nearest to giving us the complete answers to the questions asked or implied at the bottom of each notice will be awarded the handsome cash prize offered. No reader will be required to guess at the answers. Any one who desires to win, may ask the various advisers for the correct answers.

Plenty of time—full ten days—is allowed readers to assemble their answers and send them in to The Courier. This page in a large measure reflects the business life of Asheboro. Every single notice contains valuable information about local affairs that every person would like to know. Every notice is worth reading, whether one cares to try for the prize or not. Notice the rules at the top of the column on this special page.

### VALEDICTORY

(Henrietta Underwood)  
Dear Friends, Parents, Teachers:

Four years ago, when we entered this High School as inexperienced Freshmen, we looked vaguely forward to the far-off day when we should receive our hard-earned diplomas; as graduation day drew near, we joyfully anticipated the termination of our school days; but now we stand at the threshold, ready to step forth into a bigger and broader life, we sadly realize for the first time that it is a time for parting and that the four years have been only too short.

There are a great many universal laws which govern the lives of men and women, countries and kingdoms. Many people are ignorant of the existence of these laws, and drift idly through life, not knowing the reason for their actions or for the experiences which they undergo, but all the while they are being subtly moved and influenced by the greatest of these laws—the Law of Compensation. Perhaps we are ignorant of the working of this law in our own lives. We may not be conscious of the influence it exerts or realize that for every experience through which we pass there is some explanation. It may never have occurred to us that for every effect there necessarily must have been some primary cause. But knowingly or unknowingly, we have all the while been signing life's promise note—"for value received, I promise to pay"—which is the keynote of human existence.

Superintendent and teachers, we fully realize that it is you who have enabled us to stand here tonight. You have laid the foundations for this hour, and as we linger at the parting of our High School we recognize your right to ask us, "What are you going to get out of life anyway?" We respond frankly with the only possible answer—"We shall get out of life just exactly what we put into it." For it is the Law of Compensation which compels us, for every advantage or advancement obtained, to pay the full price for value received.

Our life will be what we make it. We shall pay for our mistakes and be rewarded for our adherence to the right. Thus to you, wise teachers, do we feel our debt of gratitude to weigh heavily upon us, until we remember that the Law of Compensation is a scale that is always accurately balanced and that you have received your reward in doing your duty.

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