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DIPLOMAS TO TEN GRADUATES

Query "Is Life Worth Living" Answered

DR. GIFFORD'S THEME

Splendid Address at Baptist University Today—Certificates Given to Fourteen Young Women—Musical Program Rendered and Bibles Presented to the Graduates.

Twenty-four young women this morning received diplomas and certificates at the graduating exercises in the Baptist University for Women, and a large audience heard a brilliant literary address by Rev. O. P. Gifford, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church of Buffalo, N. Y., on the theme "Is Life Worth Living?"

The scholarly and ornate address by Dr. Gifford abounded in maxims and epigrams, most effective and striking, and revealed the speaker as a profound and sympathetic student of human nature. He was introduced to the audience by President W. N. Jones of the board of trustees.

Dr. Gifford, in answering the query "Is Life Worth Living?" said that this depended upon the liver, and quoted as a basis Herbert Spencer's definition of life as "the continuous existence between internal and external relations." While it would not be within the scope of this report to give even an adequate outline of Dr. Gifford's remarkable address, a few of his multitude of strikingly epigrammatic sentences are detached and may be cited:

"Many of our best families are like a potato crop—the best under ground."

"When hungry you had rather have a big apple off a small tree than a small apple off a big tree."

"It is more pleasant to mind your neighbor's business, but it is more profitable to mind your own business."

"There are too many ducks trying to scratch for worms and too many hens trying to swim." was an illustration given of men who have misgauged themselves.

"No miracle the Master ever wrought was equal to the creation of the human body."

"Your body is your locomotive; keep the steam up and your hand on the throttle."

"When the body falls your are side-tracked."

"When I was a boy I stood on my head; when I stood on my head I did not do anything else; when I stood on my feet I could do a great many other things."

"Man is like a pin, the head should always be on top."

"Man's girth is not around his waist but around his hat band."

"Just two things are essential for each one of us: Learn our own limitations and trust our own convictions."

"Some men are like radishes, they have to come in bunches to give them any value."

"A cow can live for hours on her cud, some men are without cud."

"The camel can live for days from the fat in the hump on its back; some men have no hump and no back to put the hump on."

"It is one thing to be right and another to know that you are right."

"The essence of civilization is respect for the rights of others."

Hard On Tobacco Chewers.
In emphasizing the above Dr. Gifford related that he was seated in a street car and saw an inoffensive man occupying the opposite seat. Presently the man emitted a sea of tobacco juice from his mouth on the car floor and then Dr. Gifford knew that his companion in the car was not civilized. On this point the speaker added:

"A man has a right to chew tobacco, but if he does chew he ought to swallow what becomes of it."

"Why should men tackle tobacco with the same instrument Sampson tackled the Philistines with?"

"Man has a right to eat what he wants to, but he has no right to market his second hand product in puddles at my feet."

"Think of civilization as embodied thought; today the conception, tomorrow the picture; today the plan, tomorrow the house."

"Life is not worth living unless you have your civilization under your feet"

"Man is like a barrel—he will hold anything you put in so long as the hoops—neighborhood pressures, are on."

"Strange how even demons and preachers may collapse when they get as far away as Washington or New York and the hoops of neighborhood pressure are removed."

In closing Dr. Gifford eloquently painted the life worth living as the unselfish life, knowing its limitations, trusting its convictions, which are in harmony with truth.

A fine musical program was also rendered this morning. This included "Summer Faucies," sung by Misses

Hannah Baird, Susie Tucker, Lucy Petty, Louie Potat, Mary Carter Ray, Mary F. Rodwell, Corinna Chisholm and Pauline Olive; "The Cuckoo," by a double quartette; "Lovely Spring," by Miss Susie Tucker, and "Legends," by a quartette.

President Vann made a brief and appropriate baccalaureate address to the graduates and Rev. J. C. Masse, pastor of the Raleigh Baptist Tabernacle, in an impressive talk, presented a Bible to each young woman who today graduated.

The class roll is as follows: Master of Arts: Annie Lee Stewart, Tennyson, N. C.

Bachelor of Arts: Kate Royal Beaman, Clinton, N. C.; Mary Lee Bylives, Wingate, N. C.; Nina Brown, Kinston, N. C.; Mary Darrach Johnson, Thomasville, N. C.; Essie Moore Morgan, Marion, N. C.; Lucy Petty, Carthage, N. C.; Victoria Magdalene Pickler, Mocksville, N. C.; Sallie Rogers, Page's Mills, S. C.; Elizabeth Wood William, Hartselleville, N. C.

Diploma in Art: Hesiope Purefoy, Asheville, N. C.

Certificate in Piano: Florida Taylor Aver, Rocky Mount, N. C.; Hattie Emerson Sims, Mars Hill, N. C.

Certificate in Voice Culture: Loula Hall Briggs, Raleigh, N. C.

Certificate in Business: Emily Cornelia Boyd, Charlotte, N. C.; Mervie Young Camp, Rocky Mount, N. C.; Mary Luppelia Herring, Garland, N. C.; Susan Anna Moore, Grimsland, N. C.; Mary Adelaide Rea, Edenton, N. C.; Bertha Wiggs, Raleigh, N. C.

Certificate in Stenography: Susan Allen Dickens, Goldsboro, N. C.; Mabel James Kelly, Henderson, N. C.; Myrtle Bruno Proctor, Grimsland, N. C.; Maudie Carpenter, Cape River, N. C.

The seventh annual commencement concert given last night at the Baptist University was enjoyed by a large audience. The concert was under the direction of Mr. Wade R. Brown and other members of the student faculty.

Those who had a part on the program were Miss May Kemp of Wakefield, Miss Mary F. Rodwell of Warrenton, Miss Hannah Louise Baird, of Charlotte, Miss Lucy Petty of Carthage, Miss Eula Suttle Wright of Asheville, W. H. Pace of Raleigh, Miss Susie Tucker of Raleigh, Miss Mary Carter Ray of Raleigh, Miss Louie Potat of Wake Forest, Miss Corinna Chisholm, Miss Pauline Olive, Miss Christine C. Gower of Clayton, Miss Allie Young of Raleigh, James Sawyer, Walters Durham of Raleigh, Miss Alice R. Newcomb of Raleigh, James Thomas and Miss Margaret W. Allen of Raleigh, Miss Annie Denmark of Goldsboro, Miss Leitha P. Lancaster of Lumber Bridge, Miss Edith Brown Swiggood of Mocksville.

THE WOMAN MUST HANG

So Decides Supreme Court of Missouri

Mrs. Aggie Myers and the Man Who Assisted Her in Murdering Her Husband Two Years Ago Must Pay the Extreme Penalty.

(By the Associated Press.)
Jefferson City, Mo., May 22.—The state supreme court today upheld the death sentences imposed by the lower court in the case of Frank Hottman and Mrs. Aggie Myers, convicted of murdering the woman's husband, Clarence Myers, at Kansas City, on May 11, 1904, and set June 29 next as the date of execution in each case. Hottman and Mrs. Myers killed Myers so they could marry.

FOUR MORE VICTIMS OF EARTHQUAKE AND FIRE.

(By the Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Cal., May 22.—Four cases were added to the coroner's list of earthquake and fire victims yesterday. The total number is 395.

Two of the new cases came from the Kingsbury House, 172 Seventh street and another case from the corner of Washington and Battery streets. The fourth came from the Montgomery avenue and Francisco street corner.

The identity of one victim was established as William Burnip. His remains were dug from the ruins of the Kingsbury House by his son. Burnip's home was in the east. He was a locomotive engineer, a native of England, 55 years old.

SURGEONS MEET IN CHARLESTON, S. C.

(By the Associated Press.)
Charleston, S. C., May 22.—The eleventh annual convention of the association of surgeons of the Southern Railway opened here today. Representatives are present from thirteen states in which the system operates.

The convention was welcomed by Mayor Rhett and President Rees of the South Carolina Medical Society. The report of President Satterwhite reviewed the year's work. A number of committee reports also were read. The convention will be in session three days.

JEWISH LEAGUE MEETS.

It is proposed to hold conference of all Semitic Organizations.

(By the Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, May 22.—The Jewish League for the realization of equal rights for their co-religionists is in session here. The attitude of their numbers in parliament will be defined and all questions relating to the Jews will be discussed. It is also proposed to make arrangements for holding a congress of all the semitic organizations of Russia.

WOMEN MADE A MESS OF IT

So States Mr. Puter the Arrested Fugitive

MRS. M'KINLEY'S DENIAL

She Has Not Been Traveling With the Man Indicted for Government Land Frauds—Puter in Custody and Will Be Taken to Portland for Trial—His Sensational Escape From Boston Recalled.

(By the Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Calif., May 22.—Francis J. Henney, special prosecutor for the government in the land fraud cases said yesterday that he had telegraphed to Oregon for a bench warrant and upon receipt of the document S. A. D. Puter, who made a sensational escape from secret service agent William J. Burns in Boston some months ago and was captured in Alameda Sunday, would be taken to Portland.

Puter said that he came west to see Henney. He requested Mrs. E. L. Watson to arrange an interview and when she failed to do so he called on Mrs. Horace McKinley to do it. He added that all of them made a mess of it. Puter denied that Mrs. McKinley (Marie Ware) had been traveling with him.

BURTON'S CASE IN THE SENATE

To Investigate Effect of Court's Decision

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

Legal Aspect of the Status of Kansas Senator to Be Officially Inquired Into—Committee Asked to Report Recommendation As to What Action Shall Be Taken.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, May 22.—The senate today directed the committee on privileges and elections to investigate the effect of yesterday's decision by the supreme court in the case of Senator Burton. The resolution was offered by Senator Hale and read as follows:

"Resolved, that the committee on privileges and elections be directed to examine into the legal effect of the late decision of the supreme court in the case of Joseph R. Burton, a senator from Kansas, and as soon as may be to report their recommendations as to what action, if any, shall be taken by the senate."

The resolution was adopted without debate.

REBATE CASES CALLED

Government Ready for Trial in Three of Them

Indicted Freight Broker and His Clerk and Former Traffic Manager of Burlington Railway Will Be First Prosecuted—Forty Government Witnesses.

(By the Associated Press.)
Kansas City, Mo., May 22.—The government today in the United States district court here announced that it was ready for trial in three of the rebate cases. The cases called were those of George L. Thomas a freight broker of New York City, and his chief clerk, L. E. Taggart, under indictment for alleged conspiracy in securing rebates for shippers and that against George H. Crosby former assistant freight traffic manager of the Burlington railway, charged with conspiracy in giving rebates.

These men were indicted in December last by other railway and packing house officials whose crimes have been set for a later date. H. B. Duncan, a special agent of the department of justice, arrived here yesterday to assist in prosecuting the cases, and will aid A. S. Van Valkenburg, United States district attorney, and Leslie Lyons, assistant district attorney.

The government has forty witnesses among whom is J. A. Roberts, an expert on rates in the employ of the interstate commerce commission.

Judge Smith McPherson, of Iowa, sitting in place of Judge John F. Phillips, overruled the demurrer of the Burlington Railway to indictments against that company, and they must now go to trial. The defendants, in a demurrer filed several weeks ago, contended that congress was without power to enact legislation regulating export rates, in the giving of alleged rebates on which the Burlington was charged with having violated the interstate commerce act.

The case against the Burlington Railway in which a demurrer was overruled today is distinct from that against its former assistant freight traffic manager, George G. Crosby. The Burlington is charged with granting concessions to Kansas City packers on products for export through the port of New York. The date of trial in the Burlington case has not yet been set.

MINISTER REID AT KING EDWARD'S LEVEE

(By the Associated Press.)
London, May 22.—King Edward held a levee in the throne room of St. James' palace today. The Prince of Wales, the Duke of Connaught, the cabinet ministers, the ambassadors and many other distinguished persons were present. Ambassador Whitlaw Reid, who was accompanied by all the staff of the American embassy, presented third secretary Grant Smith and Arthur Harman of New York.

TO INVESTIGATE MURDER OF CONSUL

(By the Associated Press.)
St. Petersburg, May 22.—In response to a formal request made by Ambassador Meyer to the foreign office here on the subject of the assassination of William H. Stuart, the American vice consul at Batoumi, the ambassador has received from Foreign Minister Iswolsky a note, written in his own hand, expressing the government's deep regret at the murder and also stating that the viceroy of the Caucasus had been ordered to make the most rigid investigation of the crime and apprehend and punish the assassins.

Two Hundred Wounded.

(By the Associated Press.)
Simbirsk, Eastern Russian, May 22.—A fight between Cossacks and peasants, resulting from the efforts of the authorities to suppress agrarian disorders, has occurred in this vicinity. It is reported that four peasants were killed and two hundred wounded.

THE CURE-HOPPE BILLIARD MATCH.

(By the Associated Press.)
Montreal, May 22.—In a five hundred point billiard match here last night Louis Cure defeated Willie

A STEAM PIPE BLEW OFF ROOF

Score of Men Badly Hurt by Explosion Today

Dangerous Fire in Plant of New York Glucose Company's Plant at Shadyside, N. J.—First Reports Telegraphed Over the Country This Morning Greatly Exaggerated. No Loss of Life Probable.

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New York, May 22.—A score of men employed in the engine and dynamo rooms of the New York Glucose Company's plant in Shadyside, N. J., on the west bank of the Hudson river, opposite Nineteenth street, this city, were more or less injured today by the explosion of a big steam pipe.

The roof of the building was blown off and the wreckage caught fire. Some of the thirty men who were at work in the building had narrow escapes from death but were taken out of the blazing ruins by their fellow laborers from adjoining buildings belonging to the same company.

In the confusion which followed the explosion many reports of serious loss of life were spread among the relatives of the employees, thus exaggerating the extent of the disaster.

The companies' forces and local firemen fought the flames which threatened to destroy several other buildings in the big glucose plant.

After the explosion the officials of the company were unable to account for five of the men who were employed in the wrecked building. It was said, however, that they might have gone to their homes. No bodies were taken from the ruins.

THE POPE'S CONDITION

Marked Improvement in His Holiness Today

He Gave His Usual Audiences and Received Several Dignitaries of His Church—Then Joked About Certain Reports Touching His Illness Printed in the Newspapers.

(By the Associated Press.)
Rome, May 22.—The improvement in the condition of the pope continues. He was able this morning to descend to the apartment where he gives his audiences, which is on the floor below the one where he sleeps and received Cardinal Merry Del Val, the papal secretary of state, Mgr. Bisleti, major domo of the Vatican, and Cardinal Katschthaler, archbishop of Salzburg, with whom he conversed for some time. The pontiff joked about his illness, saying that he had been much amused by certain reports in the press depicting him as being at death's door.

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CREATED A SENSATION.

Withdrawal From Business in Ohio of Republic Oil Co.

(By the Associated Press.)
Columbus, O., May 22.—The Republic Oil Co., a New York corporation, with headquarters at Cleveland, today notified Secretary of State Laylin that it withdraws from Ohio, giving as a reason that it has disposed of all of its Ohio holdings.

The Republic Company is declared to be one of the concerns controlled by the Standard Oil Company, and the notification has created a sensation at the state house. Attorney General Ellis declined to comment on the action of the company today.

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SOLDIERS VISIT BATTLEFIELD

Army Officers and Veterans on a Tour

MONUMENT COMMISSION

In Maryland Tomorrow—Generals Sickles, McCook and Webb and Adjutant-General Henry of New York in the Party.

(By the Associated Press.)
Hagerstown, Md., May 22.—A party of distinguished army officers and veterans composing the New York Monument Commission, on a tour of the battlefields in Maryland and Virginia, has arrived here and went today to Antietam battlefield and are spending the day there. They were joined at the battlefield by General E. A. Carrm, of the Chickamauga Battlefield Commission. The party includes General Daniel A. Sickles, General Anson G. McCook, General Alexander S. Webb, Colonel Lewis R. Stegman, Major Charles R. Richardson, Major Thos. W. Bradley, and General Nelson Henry, adjutant general of the state of New York.

LIST OF THE AGNEW HOSPITAL HORROR.

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RACES AT GRAVESEND.

(By the Associated Press.)
Gravesend, L. I., May 22.—First race—5 furlongs; fillies; 2 year olds—Clara Russell 11 to 5 and 4 to 5, first; Saghullen, even, place, second; Grace George, third. Time 1:02.

Second race—handicap, mile and sixteenth, three year olds and up—Blandy 6 to 1, and 2 to 1, first; Von Tromp 8 to 5, place, second; Bad News third. Time 1:47 4-5.

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The Hazel Kirke Coal Mine Fire.

(By the Associated Press.)
Pittsburg, Pa., May 22.—The fire which broke out yesterday afternoon in the Hazel Kirke coal mine near Washington, Pa., is still burning on the surface, but has not succeeded in gaining entrance to the mine. The tippie house, engine house and warehouse and cage have been destroyed.

The damage is estimated at thirty thousand dollars. About five hundred men are temporarily out of employment.

Buncombe Primary.

(Special to The Evening Times.)
Asheville, N. C., May 22.—The time limit for candidates for county offices to make their announcement expires tonight at 10 o'clock. The democratic county primary will be held June 1. Thus far there are many aspirants for all offices. There are seven candidates for sheriff, four for tax collector and five for the office of register of deeds.

The campaign is warming up and conservative democrats fear that the scramble for nomination will result in some bad feeling and perhaps a split in the party in this county.

Increased Wages for Painters.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, May 22.—Members of the Brotherhood of Painters declared today that more than sixty firms in this city have signed the new wage schedule increasing wages from \$2.50 to \$4 and \$4 to \$4.50 a day, for which the painters have gone on a strike.

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Ogden, Utah, May 21.—A fire that started early today in the house occupied by the Burton Implement Company, 23 street and Washington avenue, destroyed half a block of business houses in Washington avenue, entailing a loss of \$350,000, about half insured. The blaze was fanned by a strong wind, and for a time it seemed as though the entire block was doomed, but the fire was brought under control after destroying the buildings occupied by the Burton Implement Company, George A. Lowe & Co. hardware store, Farr Feed Store, Burrup Grocery Store, Flite Cleaning and Dye Works, Richter's carpenter shop and Erstrom's blacksmith shop.

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