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## Welcome, Dr. Graham

When Dr. Frank Porter Graham delivers the commencement address at John Graham High School on Tuesday night he will be speaking from the almost identical spot where he received his high school diploma at the old John Graham Academy around 60 years ago.

Dr. Graham has many close ties with Warrenton where he has frequently visited and where he has spoken on several occasions. He is the nephew of the late John Graham, for whom the school is named.

A former president of the University of North Carolina, where he was the architect of the consolidated university plan, and a former United States Senator, he is at present a United Nations mediator.

John Graham High School is indeed fortunate to have a speaker of such prestige and ability as Dr. Graham, recognized as one of North Carolina's greats, deliver the com-

mencement address. It is well, we think, that in the twilight of a life dedicated to education and to the service of his fellowman, that he is to honor and be honored by a school that bears the name Graham.

Knowing and admiring Dr. Graham for many years, we believe that he will welcome the opportunity to again visit Warrenton where much of his heart is still to be found. We believe that Warren County citizens will welcome the opportunity to make amends for wounds unjustly afflicted on a noble man in the heat of an emotional Senatorial campaign, with charges that passing years have proven to be utterly absurd and utterly unjust.

Dr. Graham never uttered a word of public protest. With his Senatorial job done, he simply turned to another field of service, the United Nations, where he again demonstrated his great ability and his love of his fellowman.

Welcome, Dr. Graham.

## A Matter Of Confidence

Writing in the Sunday edition of The Durham Morning Herald, Ann Colarusso, a staff writer who writes on the General Assembly, had the following comment on proposed changes in the UNC Board of Trustees:

"Strangely enough, the most ardent supporters of change are not men who are unfriendly to UNC or to the trustees. They are men like Rep. Hugh Johnson of Duplin. Johnson appears to believe that some change is necessary just to restore public confidence in the university."

The implication in the quoted paragraph is that the people of North Carolina have lost confidence in their university, which to us is just so much hogwash.

While it is true that since its creation nearly 200 years ago, there have always been people of North Carolina who disapproved of the University of North Carolina as a "hot bed of atheism," and later as a place of "the wrong ideas, communism and what have you, but by and large the people of North Carolina admire, respect and love the university, although there may be some misgivings on the part of some who

do not know the difference between the functions of a college and a university.

In spite of a foolish gag law, which The Christian Science Monitor recently said "The Legislature showed the good sense to repeal," the University is steadily growing in status and service, in spite of needs for funds, and is making progress towards becoming one of the leading universities in the country. It has recently been ranked among the top six universities of the South, along with Duke, The University of Virginia, the University of Texas, Tulane, and Vanderbilt. Its national ranking is further attested to by a recent grant of nearly five million dollars for research from a national organization.

Its graduate school is one of the best in the country and its standards and enrollment are constantly increasing. In the face of its record it is ridiculous to intimate that the people have lost confidence in the University of North Carolina. It would be nearer the truth, we think, to say that the public is losing confidence in a legislature which is willing to play politics with the education of its children.

### Graham

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rected by Robert M. Davis. Baccalaureate Sermon

The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered at the school auditorium on Sunday night by the Rev. John R. Link, pastor of the Warrenton Baptist Church.

The invocation will be given by the Rev. L. T. Wilson and the scripture reading will be given by the Rev. J. M. Long. The Rev. Grady J. Haynes will pronounce the benediction.

### Fountain

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honoring the occasion will be observed. Rex Gordon, principal, said that members of the class of 1917 as well as marshals and others participating in the original exercises have been invited to return as special guests. Many, he said, have indicated their intent to be present for the occasion.

Closing exercises were begun at the Norfolk school on last Friday night when the High School Glee Club presented a concert under the direction of the Rev. Bruce Pate, with Marshall Perry as accompanist.

will be held on Sunday night at 8 o'clock at the gym when the Rev. Alfred Ayscue, pastor of Pine Level Baptist Church, will be the speaker. Mr. Ayscue is a former pastor of the Wise Baptist Church.

On Wednesday morning, June 7, at 10 o'clock an awards program will be held in the gymnasium. At this time the honors and awards which various students have earned over the past year will be presented.

Principal Gordon said the public is cordially invited to attend each of these programs.

### Morgan Speaker

#### At Littleton School

Senator Robert B. Morgan of Harnett County will be the commencement speaker at graduating exercises at Littleton High School on Monday night at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Frank E. Pulley, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Louisburg, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night at 8 o'clock.

The Rev. Cardell Troutman, pastor of Enterprise Baptist Church, will be the speaker at exercises for the eighth grade to be held on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

### Clark Is Speaker

#### At Lions Meeting

Dan Clark of Rocky Mount, district commercial supervisor of the Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Company, was the principal speaker at the regular meeting of the Warrenton Lions Club at Colonial Lodge last Friday night.

Presented by Lion Ed Rooker, Clark talked on the direct distance dialing system recently installed by the local telephone company. The new system allows telephone users to dial a long distance call without going through the operator. Clark used a large map of the United States with special illumination to illustrate his talk. By pressing a button the route of an automatic call would be traced on this map. He said that about 67 per cent of the country now has direct dialing.

President Pete Burrows presided over the meeting. Lion Ted Wilson said the grace. Monroe and Nellie Gardner led in group singing. District Governor Gardner installed Tommy Wagner as a new member of the club. Wagner was sponsored by Lion W. R. Drake.

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## Dr. Morgan Tells Of Beginning As Evangelist

By DR. S. L. MORGAN

The first week, after beginning my pastorate at Littleton, August 1, 1904, I went out a few miles to preach a week at Harriss Chapel in

revival services. Preaching in revival services was new to me. I had preached in one revival meeting in W. Va. during my first pastorate of two years. I remember Harriss Chapel as a dear little church of plain, good people. A young blind preacher named Marshall, well trained in music, had been invited, and he helped much by leading the singing. He became widely known over all that area as preacher and singer, and as an admirable person.

The small church was packed at the two day services, with lunch on the ground. My diary notes that there were seven conversions, mostly men and boys. During that week I first became aware that my solos could be a decided help in winning people. For many years afterward I usually sang rather regularly in my revival meetings. The happiest memory of my years in Richmond College was my part with the college glee club, directed by Prof. R. E. Gaines. Besides, I had taken some vocal lessons under good teachers. My favorite solo in my early pastorates was, "Will there be any Stars in My Crown?" My people in the congregation at Enterprise loved it so, that on a return visit a good many years later, there seemed a demand for me to sing it again.

At first that little church, Enterprise, was so weak in leaders that I had to urge the man I thought best fitted to be a leader to become superintendent of the Sunday school. Under my pressure Ed L. Hale accepted, and served for a good many years. He declared my pressure had made the Christian life a joy to him, and his family, long after, asked me to take part in his funeral.

Not long after the revival at Harriss Chapel, an event occurred that was to influence all my future life. I was conducting the funeral of a prominent Littleton member (Mrs. Wilker?) when a couple came from Harriss Chapel Church asking me to come for the funeral of the organist who had played for us in the church during the revival just weeks before. She was a beautiful

young wife and mother. Sunday afternoon before, she was in her father's home, standing by her sister near the organ, and was singing the last stanza of the hymn, "I'm Going Home to Die No More," when suddenly her head dropped on the shoulder of her sister—dead, and in the home she was singing about. Her beautiful smiling face came back to me as I had so recently seen her daily for a week. And now a sudden heart attack had taken her "Home."

And I could never forget her two little girls as they stood by her grave, sobbing their hearts out. They, and the beauty and loveliness of their mother, moved me as I had seldom been moved and the unforgettable memory, left something so poignant that it has, indeed, been a force in my life as a minister.

Two years ago I wrote that story briefly for a Littleton paper, and it resulted in a beautiful sequel: those two girls, mature women and the husband of one, drove to see me in the Hamilton home, and asked to kiss me for writing the "beautiful story of their mother." One of them is postmaster at Hollister. It seemed to me maybe the loveliest visit of all I've had in nearly three years. It's a story that has really given depth to my life as a minister.

At Littleton a young Methodist minister, Raymond Browning, put a marked stamp on my life. He was principal of a Methodist academy for boys, under the same auspices as the college. He was my warm friend, a lovely singer, often attended our services and rather frequently sang in a male quartet with me in our church.

After ceasing to be head of the Academy in Littleton, he became known widely as a high-grade evangelist. He was eloquent and magnetic, insisted on a conversion that turned one into a high type of Christian. His was a high standard. Some of his revivals seemed to bring an entire town or community to higher living.

I counted him a fascinating personality. One day in my room, he was standing by my bookcase looking at books when he said, "Morgan, you have some things I like." I thought he referred to certain books. He replied, "You love your people; I like that!"

He couldn't have pleased me more. And to this day, when I think of the people of Littleton and the community round about, I feel a thrill that can mean only love. And I can't doubt that the gracious people, alike in town or country responded to my love. A good number of years

after my pastorate ended, I went back on a visit. As I walked down the aisle to the front, as I had done hundreds of times, all at once it came to me, "If heavenly reunion can be more precious than this, what must be its de-

light!" And I feel surging through me a real pity for the pastor who doesn't know the real delight of loving his people and feel the joy of their loving him in return.

### Court

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guilty to a charge of reckless driving and was sentenced to the roads for 90 days, with a recommendation that he be placed under work release.

Roy Shearin pled guilty of escaping from the N. C. State Prison System, and had 90 days on roads added to sentence previously imposed.

Harry Blake Johnson was sentenced to the roads for 30 days when he pled guilty to a charge of gambling. The road sentence was suspended provided the defendant pays a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Maynard Calvin Paynter was given a 30 days sentence to the roads when he pled guilty of drunk driving. The sentence was suspended provided the defendant pays a fine of \$100 and court costs.

The State took a nol pros with leave in the case of Percy O'Neal, charged with escape.

Robert Jenkins Pittard, charged with speeding and failing to stop at stop sign, entered a plea of speeding 75 miles per hour in a 65 mph zone. He was ordered to pay a \$100 fine and court costs.

Tyler Carter Webb, Jr., charged with speeding, entered a plea of driving 75 miles per hour in a 65 mph zone. Prayer for judgment was continued for one year provided the defendant does not drive a motor vehicle upon the public highways for

30 days and pays court costs. William Gray Neal pled guilty to a charge of drunk driving and was given a 30 days road sentence. The sentence was suspended provided the defendant pays a fine of \$100 and court costs.

Ivey Manuel Clark, who was charged with speeding and driving with an expired operator's license, pled guilty to speeding, but not guilty to driving in excess of 75 miles per hour. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$50 and court costs.

In the case of State vs. Roy Shearin, it was ordered that the State recover from the defendant the sum of \$50 paid attorney by State and the judgment be placed on the lien docket.

The State took a nol pros with leave in three cases against Willie Butler Davis, charged with violations of whiskey laws.

The State took a nol pros with leave in the case of Harry Blake Johnson, charged with operating a gambling

house. George Edward Stevenson failed to appear in court to answer to a speeding charge. Judgment on his bond was ordered and a capias was issued. John Thomas Southerland, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, also failed to appear in court. His bond was declared forfeited and a capias was issued.

Moses Levister was granted a divorce from Margaret Annie Gill Levister.

Wallace Holtzman was granted a divorce from Mildred Ball Holtzman and given custody of their two children. Mary Sommerville Henderson was granted a divorce from John L. Henderson.

A case against George Washington Davis, charged with drunk driving, was continued because the defendant was in Veterans Hospital.

Other cases continued included: James William Prewar, drunk driving; John Thomas Southerland, assault with deadly weapon; George Edward Stevenson, speeding; Duster Richardson, drunk driving; Milton Owen Gardner, involuntary manslaughter and driving on wrong side of road not in passing; Walter Davis Hawkins, drunk driving.

Miss Linda Norwood of Wayne Technical School in Goldsboro, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willie L. Norwood, at Arcola during the quarter break.



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