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Senior Orations.

Friday, May 1st, was the usual day set apart for the oratorical contest between members of the Senior Class. As all know, the rule of the Faculty is that only the six best speakers in the Senior Class will be allowed to speak at Commencement, and not this number unless they are deemed worthy by the proper committee. We are sorry to note that only five speakers made their appearance in the contest, several other speakers in the Class having decided to write theses rather than undergo the strain and anxiety that accompanies a Commencement oration. Just before the time arrived for the speaking a rain came up and when the speakers took their seats on the rostrum they had before them almost an empty house; but in a few moments the weather brightened up and villagers and students almost filled the hall. While the crowd was somewhat smaller than usual on such occasions it was mostly due to the weather. As to the speeches, they were of a higher average than we have known in previous contests and we are quite sure that our Senior Orators will not fail to win the admiration of a Commencement audience as well as the respect of Vice President Stevenson himself.

On looking at the program and subjects of the orations one might easily suppose himself caught in a divinity school.

The first speaker was Mr. R. P. Jenkins; subject, "Religion and Government." He carried us back to ancient times and in clear and concise terms showed us the origin of both religion and government, traced their growth and separation, and with some good, practical, everyday illustrations impressed the audience with the profound truth that neither the church nor state can afford to enter each other's domain or interfere with each other's rights.

Mr. W. T. Woodley, whose subject was "Our National Judiciary," built up his framework on "justice" and after weaving in the threads of state and national rights, showed the importance of our national judicial system in checking abuse and knitting together a nation's laws.

"Aesthetics in Life," was the subject of Mr. J. W. Canada, who had well worked out his ideas of the beautiful, and was prepared to show its force and power in our life. His speech was psychological, his illustrations appropriate; but we do not doubt that there was in his mind one ideal beauty yet unmentioned, which impelled him forward in his enthusiasm.

Mr. R. G. Allsbrook in "The Christian State" presented to us the true theory of modern society. Not a Plato's Republic, not the "City State" of Greece, not an Edward Bellamy's dream; but an organic brotherhood of man. As he proceeded, his speech improved in beauty and eloquence and sustained his old reputation.

"Morality and Life" was the subject of Mr. John C. Eller, who psychologically analysed the moral idea and explained the dual principles in life which he called egoism and altruism. In his characteristic way, with snatches of genius and eloquence, he drew from Europe, Armenia, and Cuba, illustrations of man's inhumanity to man; on the other hand he foretold the dangers of socialism that might result from an opposite extreme and found his golden mean in the golden rule.

The speeches were all good and it is useless to say that no one was deprived of the pleasure of speaking at Commencement.

Shakespeare Club.

The last meeting of the Shakespeare Club for the College term was held in the Chapel Monday evening.

At this meeting the reports of the various officers were received showing the Club to be in a very satisfactory condition.

The first paper of the evening, "Orestes and Hamlet," was read by Mr. J. W. Canada. The Greek treatment of the man struggling with conflicting duties was compared with Shakespeare's "Hamlet." With the Greeks the influence of Fate as an external agency is all-important; Hamlet's struggle is an inner one, his destiny is wrought out of his conflicts as an inevitable result.

The next paper, "Reflections of Elizabethan Life in the Shakespearian Drama," was presented by Mr. W. C. Smith. The gay life of "Merrie England" and the pleasures of the Court are especially reflected in Elizabethan literature. The "Eupheues" of Lyly is a natural expression of the affected gayety of the people of this time. Shakespeare also reflects this tendency of the Elizabethan period continually.

Mr. M. B. Aston next read a paper on "Shakespeare's Sonnets." He sought in the Sonnets a reflection of Shakespeare's character, and his conclusion was that Shakespeare here gives evidence of an intrigue with a "black eyed beauty;" and also of great affection for a young man, exactly whom we are uncertain.

Dr. Hume made some interesting remarks on the theories concerning Shakespeare's Sonnets, and amid great interest Prof. Cobb took the floor. In a humorous speech, which was a take off of the Bacon men, he stated there was no problem connected with Shakespeare's "Sonnets," and produced evidence that they were the productions of Sir Walter Raleigh. He promised the Club a lengthy paper on the subject.

Dr. Hume read a paper by Mr. Arthur Cobb on "The Comic Element." In this paper the origin of Shakespeare's comic characters was traced, especially as seen in the old morality plays.

After a very interesting meeting the Club adjourned for the year.

The Shakespeare Club is to be congratulated on its fine work for the year. It is a prominent factor

in College life and deserves the hearty support of the student body. Dr. Hume is again to be congratulated on his admirable and successful manner of conducting this excellent organization. Shakespeare in himself is a literary education.

Dr. Winston Gives a Reception.

One of the most pleasant entertainments of the season was given by Dr. Winston at his residence last Friday night. Our President welcomed at his home all the musical clubs, ball teams, faculty and their families, and the Senior Class, and there entertained them in his characteristic way for a couple of hours. Several young ladies joined in lending pleasure and sunshine to the occasion, and refreshments were abundantly served.

Dr. Battle, with many a joke, kept the boys in smiles, while Drs. Hume and Manning, aided by the younger members of the Faculty, discussed freely with them the many interesting topics in University life. One of the most enjoyable features of the occasion was music by Miss Winston, who made it pleasant for every guest and in her very manner made everybody feel happy.

To Dr. Winston and family is due a very pleasant meeting of faculty and students—a thing that never fails to have a good influence on our College life. We always feel nearer the faculty after having been with them as a social body and we shall remember this occasion as one of the most enjoyable in College life.

Annual Convention of Kings Daughters.

The King's Daughters of North Carolina will hold their annual convention in this town on May 12th to 14th inclusive. The public is cordially invited to attend the sessions which will be held in the Methodist Church. All delegates should send their names at once to Miss Alice Wilson who will spare no pains in assigning them comfortable homes, and who will assist in whatever way she can to make it pleasant for the visitors. A reception will be given in the University gymnasium on the night of the 13th.

We predict that this Convention will be a pleasant one for the delegates from the different towns throughout the State. We can assure them that they will never be more cordially welcomed to any place, and that the ladies of Chapel Hill will deem it a great pleasure to have them here. As to the University, she is ever glad to welcome a visitor within her walls and will take especial delight in having the ladies of our State gather here. Both the town and the University extend you a cordial welcome. Come!

To Our Subscribers.

As the session is rapidly drawing to its close, we are very desirous of settling up all our accounts, and do earnestly beg that each one of our subscribers see to it that his dues are paid up in the next two weeks.

Please don't overlook this matter.
The Manager.

Mrs. Kluttz's Banquet to the Team.

There have been many pleasant features connected with our recent baseball victory in Virginia, beginning with our anticipations of that event and ending, if indeed they are ended, with several equally interesting features of recent date. One of the most pleasant of all, and perhaps destined to be longest remembered, was the banquet given to the team last Saturday night by Mrs. A. A. Kluttz.

About nine o'clock the boys began to assemble at the hotel parlor and soon after all repaired to the dining room where there was found waiting what might well be called a feast for the gods. It was a banquet such as a Varsity team has seldom seen and which the writer will not attempt to describe.

After the more substantial part had been cleared away, strawberries and various kinds of cream and cake followed each other until even "Pat," "Grex" and "Arthur" were forced to cry "hold, enough."

After the cigars had gone around and George had told of a lot of wonderful baseball exploits that haven't gone down in history because he was the only one who saw them, we gave "one last long lingering look" and rose to leave. Then came the feature of the evening when Mrs. Kluttz stepped forward and gracefully presented to Captain Stanly a cake whose size must have been modelled after our side of the Virginia score.

It was beautifully iced and on top bore the inscription "U. N. C. 14, U. Va. 6," the score of the game.

All then repaired again to the parlor where soon after the good-nights were said.

Besides the members of the team and substitutes there were present Messrs. Jas. A. Gwyn and R. T. S. Steele.

All voted the occasion one of the most enjoyable of the season and desire to express to Mrs. Kluttz their hearty appreciation of her kindness and loyalty to our athletic interests.

A Southern Historical Society has been formed in Washington, D. C., for promoting the study of the history of the Southern States and the collection and preservation of historical material relating thereto. Dr. Kemp P. Battle, of this University, and Dr. Stephen B. Weeks, of the Bureau of Education, among others, are members of the Supervisory Committee.

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Mon.—J. H. White.

Tues.—S. H. Hines.

Wed.—P. H. Eley.

Thurs.—Prof. Cobb. Subject:

The Relation of Naturalist's Thoughts to Religious Belief.

I Don't Think.

There's only one team in the South today,
Only one team that's dear to Va.
We came from Old Virginia,
That's where we learned to play,
And there is only one team
In the South,
Hooray!