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COMMENCEMENT

A GRAND SUCCESS IN EVERY RESPECT.

One Hundred and Tenth Annual Commencement a Great Occasion—A Record-breaking Graduating Class—Splendid Speakers and Welcome Visitors—Banquets a Delightful Feature.

The Commencement of 1905 was a notable one. There was every thing to make it delightful. It was thoroughly a University affair. Those in charge of each department used most successful efforts to make every feature one that could be enjoyed by every University man and every visitor. Everything was in harmony. In all the speaking there was not a false note. In none of the social affairs was there any evidence of aught but the truest University feeling.

And the people had a good time: everybody, from the patriotic freshman to the senior; from the pretty girl who ate streaked candy under the ancient oaks to the gay creature of society who graced the Senior Ball; from the alumnus of a year's standing to the graduate of half a century ago; men and women, all enjoyed it. The recollection will be bright in their memories. They should remember it, for they saw one of the largest academic processions that ever entered Memorial Hall; they heard able preachers; they heard speakers whose influence is great in the State and Nation; they met with people; in short, they saw a University Commencement.

THE SERMONS.

Sunday was, as usual, taken up with the two sermons. The morning sermon, the baccalaureate, was delivered by Rev. Charles S. Gardner, of Richmond. His text was: "I am come that ye may have life more abundantly." The speaker is an eloquent man. His address was an earnest plea to young men not to allow themselves to be blinded by materialism and a greed for gold.

The part of this morning service that will linger longest in the memories of the audience is the prayer of Professor Williams for the graduating class. It was a farewell and god-speed from a devoted teacher and citizen.

In the evening Rev. William Meade Clarke, formerly of Chapel Hill but now of Richmond, preached before the Y. M. C. A. Dr. Clarke's sermon was intensely practical and was an urgent appeal for the practical as opposed to the theological and dogmatic in religion. It was a fine presentation of the idea that "To the pure all things are pure." The sermon was received with interest.

THE INTER-SOCIETY BANQUET.

The banquet Monday night was the one feature of Commencement that was not a complete success. There was one thing lacking—

there were not enough students there. Arrangements had been made for the most pleasant banquet we had ever had. The menu was never so good before. The decorations were a great improvement on those of the preceding banquets. The alumnus speaker was one of the most distinguished men in the State. With these circumstances the banquet could not fail to be an exceedingly pleasant occasion. But there was no throwing off the slight feeling of incompleteness that the empty seats near the door occasioned. The alumni felt it and the student felt it. But in spite of this the banqueters, old and young, had a good time. Mr. Boutell was a guest.

The banquet was opened by the address of welcome by the toastmaster, Mr. C. W. Miller. This was responded to on the part of the alumni by Mr. R. H. Battle. During the dinner the following toasts were responded to:

"The Societies," by Mr. C. C. Barnhardt.

"The Modern System of Debating," by Mr. Graham Kepan.

"The Societies and Culture," by Mr. Archie Dalton.

"The Societies and the State," by Mr. J. Kenyon Wilson.

After the toasts and after the dinner the address of the evening was delivered by Judge R. W. Winston, '79. Judge Winston began with a witty introduction and a reference to the Chapel Hill railroad. He expressed the earnest hope that Chapel Hill would soon be connected with the outside world. Then he came to his address which was on "The Point of View." He spoke first of the importance of the point of view and of the influences that narrow it. The University, he said, is distinguished for the breadth of its point of view. The true University man is loyal to his organization only so far as being so means being true to his Alma Mater. He closed his address by proposing this sentiment:

"The University of North Carolina true enough not to be dependent upon money gotten from illegal sources—wise enough not to be allied with illegal trusts or combinations—brave enough never to have monkeyed with populism—good enough to recognize merit in rags, and liberal enough to provide for every worthy son of the State—secure in the affections of the people, our University, once and always—now and forever."

Judge Winston made the speech of a broad-minded and able man.

After the banquet the members of each society went to their halls where alumni reunions were held.

CLASS EXERCISES.

Tuesday morning the class exercises were held in the Chapel. And it was then that the people saw that the seniors were sad. The president of their class was not with them. The exercises were held,

but the one who should have been the most conspicuous figure was absent. President Townsend was confined to the infirmary by an attack of pneumonia. The class had ordered a splendid banquet to present to him on this, the class day, but his condition would not permit him to receive either visitors or flowers. Vice-President Barnhardt took his place and read the address that had been prepared by Mr. Townsend. After this the following papers were read:

The Class History, by Mr. J. V. Howard.

The Class Prophecy, by Mr. A. H. King.

The Last Will and Testament, by Mr. C. W. Miller.

Mr. I. C. Wright stated the purpose of the class to present the class gift during the commencement of 1915. More than fifty dollars has been raised already for the purchase of this gift.

THE ALUMNI MEETING AND THE PRESENTATION OF THE GYMNASIUM.

When the class exercises were over the alumni took charge of the meeting. Dr. Venable read two letters from Judge W. P. Bynum, the first announcing his desire to erect a building as a memorial to his grandson, and the second presenting the building to the trustees. The letters were the straight forward statements of a noble man, expressing simply, briefly and clearly the wish to honor the memory of a noble young man, a favorite grandchild, and the hope that the building would be of value to this University. The following is the letter to the Trustees:

"CHARLOTTE, N. C., May, 1905.
"To the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina:

"DEAR SIR:—With your permission, I have caused to be erected upon the grounds of the University, a gymnasium, intended for the use and benefit of the students, and in memory of a grandson who died before his graduation at this school.

"Naturally, the place desired and selected for this building was the University of North Carolina, an institution that has accomplished and is accomplishing so much for the educational growth and prosperity of the whole State.

"With the hope that this building will be of some assistance in this great work, I respectfully and cordially present the gymnasium to the Board of Trustees of the University of North Carolina.

Most respectfully,
W. P. BYNUM."

Dr. Venable voiced the sentiment of the entire University in speaking his regret that the modesty and infirmities of age of Judge Bynum prevented his presence at the presentation exercises. The building was accepted by Dr. R. H. Lewis in a speech as simple and eloquent as the words of the giver. He

spoke briefly of the record made by William Preston Bynum, Jr., during his two years of residence in the University and quoted the words of the dean of the faculty: "I have been teaching thirty-two years and have known many fine students and young men, but young Bynum's name always comes first to my mind when I think of them." We give two extracts from Dr. Lewis' speech:

"In the dawn of a manhood of such rare promise, with the glow of the east shining on his bright young face, 'God's finger touched him and he slept.' But his is not the sleep of oblivion. He will never be forgotten as long as the records of this institution remain and its walls stand. Among the very foremost on its long roll of honor extending back more than a hundred years, his name is writ in indelible ink, and on the front of this beautiful building it is carved in stone that will withstand the 'tooth of time' for centuries to come.

"There could not have been devised a more fitting memorial to a college boy than this. Nothing appeals more to lusty youth than athletics in all its forms. The gymnasium is the center of this department in the University life—it is its very heart. And therein is enshrined for future generations of manly young men the name of William Preston Bynum, the name of both grandson and grandfather ever to be held in grateful remembrance.

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"It may be a mere fancy, but the architectural style of the building, it seems to me, is most appropriate. While very handsome, it is very simple, as befits a people whose motto is *Esse quam videri*. It is a square building and in this respect I trust symbolical. It stands firm and strong, 'four square to all the winds of heaven.' And so I hope will ever stand the Athletic Association of the University of North Carolina to the athletic world—straight and true, firm and strong, four-square against all temptations to achieve success by trickery or deceit, remembering that defeat with honor is worth a thousand victories besmirched. The general Athletic Association, which is essentially the student body, is the chief maker of college opinion. May this beautiful building of theirs be to them as a temple of honor, from which emanates such influences that no man guilty of dishonorable conduct, either on the athletic field or in the class room, can continue to live within its shadow. In such a consummation would the beautiful character in whose honor it has been erected be indeed fitly commemorated."

After Dr. Lewis' speech Hon. Chas. R. Thomas made the alumni address. The speaker talked somewhat of the days of his college life and the record of his class. He then spoke of the great advance in ma-

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