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## HONOR MEN TURN TO OTHER MEANS OF LIVELIHOOD

Writer Explodes Theory That Phi Beta Kappas Resort To Teaching to Earn Living; Surveys University Honor Frat for Statistics

By Walter Spearman

"Papa, what happens to little boys who study hard and grow up to be Phi Beta Kappa presidents?" asks inquisitive young Willie.

And if papa belongs to that multitudinous group of Great American Business Men, his stock reply is this: "My son, they either die at an early age from overworked brains or else become dried-up school marms."

That conception, however, is just another example of folk lore and fairy tale that might well be disposed of. For actual records and a redoubtable array of statistics prove otherwise. A comparatively small percent of Phi Beta Kappa "head men" suffer unduly from brain fatigue, and the teaching profession is by no means the only field in which they display their talents.

The scholarship fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa, has been established at the University of North Carolina for 25 years; and its complete record over that period of time contains interesting material for reflection.

Here's the Proof

In the first place, teaching ranks third in the list of professions chosen by the scholarship presidents. Contrary to all popular opinion, the every-day routine of business affairs claims the attention of the greatest number of honor students. Seven have forsaken the academic halls of knowledge for business offices. J. Whewell Speas, President in 1907, is now a banker in Atlanta, Georgia, Manager of the Hibernia Securities Company; Robert O. Hoffman, 1912, is Secretary-Treasurer Garron Knitting Mills of Morganton, N. C.; Clyde Caswell Miller, 1916, is superintendent of a large department store in Cleveland, Ohio; Marshall Edgar Lake, 1921, is sales engineer with the Southern Power Company in Charlotte; George Edgar Newby, Jr., of Hartford, 1923, is connected with the Liggett and Meyers Tobacco Co.; Benton Pipkin, 1925, is at the Harvard Business School; and L. P. Adams, 1927, is with a New York Bank. So much for the scholars turned business men.

Those Turned Lawyers

Next in order comes the five Phi Beta presidents who cast in their lots with law. The first president after the establishment of the scholarship fraternity at the University was Thomas Bragg Higdon, 1904. He is now a member of the Atlanta, Georgia, law firm of Higdon and Johnston. John Johnston Parker, 1906, of Charlotte, N. C., became a successful lawyer in spite of his high scholastic record and has served as vice-president of the North Carolina Bar Association, special assistant Attorney of the United States, Republican National Committeeman from this state, Republican candidate for governor, and is now judge of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals. Francis Edward Winslow, 1908, is a member of the Rocky Mount law firm of Battle and Winslow. Edgar

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## Celebrated Traveler To Talk On Russia

Miss Lucy Branham, celebrated traveler and representative of the Society for Cultural Relations with Russia, will give an illustrated lecture in Gerrard Hall here Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock as a special feature of the meeting at that time of the American Association of University Women.

Miss Branham's talk, it was announced, will be along the lines of her travels in Russia and Russian culture and will be illustrated by a moving picture called "Ten Thousand Miles Through Russia." Posters will be shown at the same time which exemplify Russian art.

The Society for Cultural Relations with Russia is said to have no political connections or purposes, its aims being simply to promote a knowledge in America of the literature, the music, the arts and crafts, and the manners and customs of the Russian people.

The lecture will be open to the public.

## Ready For All Comers



Pictured here are several of the many species of flower plants found in the beautiful Arboretum at the University as springtime comes around. On the left are shown wisteria and spirea and on the right a Japanese Quince tree. Shown also is a section of the flower-covered arbor and one of the numerous walks leading to it. In the background is shown the Medical Building.

## Playmakers Will Present Three Plays Friday and Saturday Nights

By J. E. Dungan

The Carolina Playmakers are preparing these days to present their final bill of original folk plays this Friday and Saturday nights. This is the fifth entertainment of the nine included on the list of guaranteed subscribed performances.

The bill as a whole promises to be good on the mere basis of subject matter alone. One comedy, an original modern negro production from the pen of Miss Helen Dortch, campus dialect expert; a Revolutionary War period near-tragedy classed as a drama; and another of Mrs. Loretto Carroll Bailey's Winston-Salem mill series, this being the third, we believe, make up the bill.

"The Lie" by Louise Wilkinson O'Connell, will be first in the order of arrangement and has to do with an incident in the lives of a Rev. Mr. Blanton and his wife, Rachel, who lived during the Revolutionary period. Briefly, Rev. Mr. Blanton, occupied in carrying dispatches for General Green, returns home to visit his wife but is discovered by a Tory captain

who tortures Mrs. Blanton until she lies to save her husband from danger, who in turn, although he is a very conscientious minister of a puritanical age, also perpetrates a lie to save his wife in turn.

Cast in "The Lie" are the following: Elizabeth Farrell as Rachel Blanton, Howard Bailey as Davie Blanton, Whitner Bissell as Captain James Wrenn, Laurence Miller as Alexander Blanton, Peter Henderson as Captain Josiah Hindle, C. M. Edson as Lieutenant Mix, and Marvin Hunter as Sergeant Smellers.

Job's storehouse is richer than any of us believed, at least Mrs. Loretto Carroll Bailey has managed to dig into Kizzie's pantry and find enough material to make another play in the "Job's Kinfolks" cycle. She has called it "Black Water." The time in the lives of the now famous three generations of Katherine's is three years after Katherine's marriage to Carl Rogers. Danny, the taxicab driver and one of her first flames has returned to Winston-Salem, and the

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## HAMPTON SINGERS TO APPEAR HERE

Quartet is Widely Known For Its Old Plantation Songs; Here April 11

The Hampton Institute Quartet will give a program in Memorial Hall, Thursday evening, April 11, at 8:30 P. M. This program is conducted under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. The quartet has been in Chapel Hill before, and has secured a full house every performance.

The Hampton Institute is known the country over for the singing of the old plantation songs. These constitute the only original folk music in the English language, and for that reason, as well as the melody rhythm and deep religious quality, they are prized as a national possession. These songs are made up of various types, the most familiar of which are the spirituals, but there are also work songs and dance or play songs. There are also songs expressing eagerness for the future life. The phraseology and the quaint peculiar ideas regarding the Kingdom of Heaven paved with streets of gold bring a smile, but the smiles should be accompanied by deep sympathy and understanding of the circumstances out of which these songs grew.

Few organizations have received as much recognition for ability to sing this folk music and to give to it the atmosphere of the old Southern days as the Hampton Institute Quartet. Thus far this season the Quartet has appeared before 100 of the leading schools and colleges of the East, and everywhere they have been received enthusiastically.

We gather the juggling acts are not wanted on the Standard Oil circuit.

## Theta Phi Frat Gives Houseparty

At a houseparty given by the local social fraternity, Theta Phi, last Saturday and Sunday in their house, four local and nine out of town girls were present. The house was decorated with orange and blue, the colors of the fraternity.

The main event of the party was the dance in the house Saturday evening from nine to 12 o'clock. The music was furnished by Jack Ward-law's orchestra.

The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Smiley and Miss H. A. Sawyer.

## Sir Esme Howard to Deliver Commencement Address in June

Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador to the United States will deliver the chief address at the Commencement exercises of the University to be conducted from June 7 to 10. Rev. Dr. James Freeman, Bishop of Washington, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon according to an announcement from Dr. Chase's office. Both the speakers have national reputations for oratory. At no time has the choice of speakers been better or more pleasing to the community.

Sir Esme Howard is a trained diplomat, having spent two thirds of his life in the service of his country. Entering the British diplomatic service in 1865 he has since seen service in Ireland, Italy, Germany, South Africa, Crete, Hungary, Switzerland, Sweden, and Spain; since 1924 he has been ambassador to the United States. In 1919 he was a member of the British dele-

## Seldon Gets Twelve Months Leave; Hall May Fill Vacancy

Samuel Seldon, technical director of the Carolina Playmakers, has obtained a twelve-month's leave from the University in order to spend nine months next year studying in the Pratt School of Design in New York City.

Seldon will leave immediately following the first session of summer school to take up the office of technical manager of the Cape Players in New England before entering Pratt Institute in the fall. He will occupy that position during the summer of 1930.

It has been rumored that Elmer Hall, stage designer and technical expert for the Boston Repertory Company has been engaged to fill Seldon's position during his absence.

## Orient Lends an Exotic Touch to North Carolina Springtime Floral Beauty

### Heel Business Staff Will Meet Tonight

There will be an important meeting of The Tar Heel Business staff tonight at 9 o'clock. It is essential that all old members of the staff be present, and any men wishing to try out for places are requested to be present at the same time. There are a few places open preferably for men with some experience in advertising work.

M. R. ALEXANDER

## Only Nine Out of Thirty Campus Officers Will Be Voted on Here Thursday

### Vacancies Open on Tar Heel Staff; Coed Reporter Also

Several vacancies are open for reporters on the Tar Heel staff for students who are interested in this kind of work. Two co-ed reporters are also needed. Persons interested come to the Tar Heel office in the basement of the Alumni Building on Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

### PAUL GREEN IS AGAIN HONORED

#### Is Granted Renewal of Guggenheim Scholarship to Continue His Studies

Paul Green has been granted a renewal of his Guggenheim scholarship to continue his study of the theater in Europe and work on creative literature, according to a recent announcement of the Guggenheim foundation from New York city. Included among the 88 people appointed to these fellowships was Dr. L. B. Wright, formerly instructor of English in the University and now in Europe on a fellowship. He will continue his study of English literature and do creative work.

The Guggenheim foundation was established by Senator and Mrs. Simon Guggenheim of New York as a memorial to their son, Hohn Simon. Each year scholarships are awarded to the outstanding young writers, sculptors, painters, experts in the theater, and composers in order that they may continue their work abroad unhampered by financial worries. To the 88 successful candidates a total of \$188,000 was awarded.

In the news dispatches Green was featured as the outstanding man receiving a fellowship. He has attracted national attention since the award of the coveted Pulitzer prize to him for his play "In Abraham's Bosom".

### Remaining Twenty-one Campus Positions Have Been Automatically Filled as Candidates Have No Opposition; Ray Farris to Head Student Body

Only nine of thirty campus offices to be filled in the coming election will appear on the official ballot, according to an announcement made last night by Ed Hudgins, Jr., retiring president of the student body. The remaining twenty-one offices have been automatically filled, candidates for them having no opposition.

The certified list of unopposed candidates includes:

- President student body, Ray Farris.
- President Athletic Association, Archie Allen.
- Vice-president Athletic Association, Fenton Adkins.
- Secretary Y. M. C. A., Joe Eagles.
- Editor Tar Heel, Glenn Holder.
- Editor Carolina Magazine (Literary supplement to the Tar Heel), John Mebane.
- Editor Buccaneer, Cy Edson.
- Vice-president Senior class, David Nims.
- Secretary Senior class, William B. Morgan.
- Treasurer Senior class, Beatty Rector.
- Student Council Representative Senior class, Bill Chandler.
- President Junior class, Jimmie Hudson.
- Vice-president Junior class, Artie Marpet.
- Secretary Junior class, Clarence Weeks.
- Treasurer Junior class, Obie Davis.
- Student Councilman Junior class, Prince Fussel.
- President Sophomore class, Ben Aycock.
- Vice-president Sophomore class, George Buchon.
- Secretary Sophomore class, J. E. Miller.
- Treasurer Sophomore class, Johnnie Greene.
- Student Councilman Sophomore class, Craig Wall.
- D. E. HUDGINS, Jr.
- Pres. Student Body.

The positions still open and to be filled are: three positions on the Publications Union Board; the presidency of the Y; the treasurer's office in the Y; two positions on the Debate Council; the presidency of the Senior class, and the editorship of the Yackety Yack.

## Changes Made in Frosh Handbook By Editor Dungan

J. E. Dungan, editor of the Carolina Handbook, announces that all copy for the publication must be in the hands of the editor not later than April 22, and that after a meeting of the executive officers of the Y it has been decided to change the purpose of the book from being one solely for the edification of incoming freshmen, to one to provide, in condensed form, accurate and valuable information about campus institutions, personalities, officers and other data that will appear in the Yackety Yack in the spring of 1930.

Under the new policy the Carolina Handbook, no more to be known as the Freshman Handbook, will be distributed free of all charge to all bona-fide freshmen next fall and will be sold to all other persons for the nominal fee of twenty-five cents.

In addition to pictures of leading campus officers, membership lists of campus organizations, the Handbook will contain a section on the faculty one on the traditions of the University, one on student government, and several other features. The book will also be carefully indexed for the convenience of its readers.

### Will Meet Tonight

The student chapter of the Taylor Society will hold its first regular meeting of the spring quarter tonight in room 319 Phillips hall, at 7:15 p. m. The program will consist of three fifteen minute talks on the Life of Frederick W. Taylor. Student membership cards will be given out at this meeting. All members are urged to be present.

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