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## TWELVE CLASSES WILL REUNITE AT COMMENCEMENT

Bowers and Potat Are Secured as Speakers for Address and Sermon.

President Graham recently announced that Claude Bowers, prominent author and editor of the former *New York World*, and Rev. E. McNeill Potat, Jr., pastor of the Pullen Memorial Baptist Church of Raleigh will be the speakers at the University's 136th commencement. Mr. Bowers will address the graduating class at the final exercises, June 9, while Dr. Potat will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon Sunday, June 7.

Twelve classes are scheduled to have reunions this year during commencement week. The feature of the alumni program will be alumni day, June 8, when the members of the preceding classes will gather for their formal dinners. The class of 1881 will celebrate its golden anniversary, while the class of 1906 will convene for its twenty-fifth reunion. The class of 1930 will observe its first alumni gathering at this time.

Commencement exercises this year will extend from June 6 until June 9. Saturday has been set aside as senior class day. The program for Sunday includes the Baccalaureate sermon in the morning and a concert by the University Glee Club in the afternoon.

Alumni day will be on Monday, and although the alumni reunion committee has not met, the program is expected to follow the order of the past several years. This program includes a meeting in Gerrard hall in the morning, with Judge Francis D. Winston presiding over the reuniting classes, the alumni dinner at noon, and the President's reception and alumni ball in the evening. Individual class dinners usually take place at about six o'clock Monday evening.

It was hoped that three new buildings would be available for use at Commencement, but it has just been learned that it will be impossible to have Graham Memorial completed at that time.

## McCorkle Program Scheduled Sunday

A violin and piano program will be offered by Mr. and Mrs. T. Smith McCorkle, Sunday afternoon at 4:45 o'clock. This is their second joint program this year, the other one having been given in January.

This program is dedicated solely to the classic forms, though it represents one composer of the Romantic school and another who is a connecting link between the Classicists and Romanticists.

The first number on the program is by Pugnani, as transcribed by Kreisler. Pugnani is of the early Classic school, composing in the latter part of the eighteenth century. The second number is a Beethoven sonata, which was written at a time in this composer's career when he was beginning to express some of the lack of restraint that was so prevalent in his latter years. The third number is the Mendelssohn E minor violin concerto, one of the most popular numbers in violin literature, even though it is in the heaviest type in so far as form is concerned.

## Speight Talks Over Radio This Afternoon

Mayne Albright, president of the student union, announces that the radio talks broadcast each week by students will be resumed this quarter.

Beginning today a talk on a special phase of student activities will be given each week. This afternoon Bill Speight, president of the debate council, will speak over station WPTF from 3:45 to 4:00 o'clock on "High School Week at the University," which is now in order.

## DEBATE CONTEST CLOSES TONIGHT IN MEMORIAL HALL

The representatives of fifty-three North Carolina high schools came to Chapel Hill yesterday to take part in the North Carolina high school debating union contest. These delegates were invited to the University under the auspices of the extension division, and the Dialectic and Philanthropic societies.

The first general meeting of the debaters and teachers took place yesterday afternoon in Memorial hall at 2:00 o'clock with Dean Nathan W. Walker of the school of education presiding. Lots were drawn for sections and pairs in the first preliminaries, which lead up to the final contest in Memorial hall at eight o'clock to-night. The question under discussion, which has recently been given much attention in the newspapers, is "Resolved: That the United States should grant immediate independence to the Philippines."

Both students and faculty members compose the committee sponsoring the debates. The chairman is Professor N. W. Walker, and Mr. E. R. Rankin is serving as secretary. The committee members from the faculty are: L. R. Wilson, G. M. McKie, C. E. McIntosh, and D. D. Carroll; while the student members are: E. R. Hamer, Jack Dungan, R. M. Albright, J. C. Williams, Hamilton H. Hobgood, H. B. Parker, and W. W. McKee.

## BOGGS LECTURES ON FOLKLORE OF SOUTHERN NEGRO

At the April meeting of the American association of University women, Dr. R. S. Boggs, of the Spanish department, gave the final lecture of the year's program on "Southern Folklore." His discussion was a summary of the close resemblance between local folk stories and those of various other nations. He compared southern tales to a chameleon, showing how each loses its local characteristics when transported to new environs, yet at the same time maintains its individuality.

Mrs. E. R. Mosher, state president of the association, who has just returned from the national meeting in Boston, gave a brief account of the various happenings of the conference.

Plans were made for a May morning breakfast, which will take place, Saturday morning, May 2, in the Episcopal church yard; committees were appointed to supervise the entertainment and to make further plans. The proceeds from the breakfast will go to the association's loan fund, which is intended to help some woman graduate pursue her studies each year.

## WILL PLAY FOR JUNIOR-SENIOR BALL



Hamp's orchestra, which is completing an engagement at the Cocoanut Grove in Los Angeles, will arrive in Chapel Hill, April 24, to furnish the music for the Junior Prom and the Senior Ball, outstanding events on the spring social calendar. The decorating committee already has begun work towards converting the Tin Can into an immense ballroom. Several hundred young ladies from this and surrounding states have accepted invitations to attend these class dances.

## HISTORIC PIECE OF ALUMINUM ON DISPLAY IN VENABLE HALL

Metal Used by Dr. Mallet of Virginia Over Sixty Years Ago in Determining Atomic Weight Still in Existence

The University chemistry department has a historic piece of aluminum in its offices, which was used by Dr. J. William Mallet, professor of chemistry before the Civil War at the University of Virginia, in determining the atomic weight of aluminum. Another portion of the original piece is in the chemistry museum of the University of Virginia, while a third piece, larger than either of the two pieces now in existence, was lost by fire.

Dr. Mallet, who was a famous scientist and a fellow of the Royal Academy of Arts and Sciences, came to America sometime about the 1850's and was professor at several American universities before he finally came to Virginia in 1868, to take the chair of professor of analytical, industrial, and agricultural chemistry. While there he made the acquaintance of Dr. Francis P. Venable, who founded the chemistry department here. At

that time, Dr. Mallet was working with a piece of aluminum, to determine the atomic weight of the element. He arrived at a value which is very nearly what has since been determined. Aluminum then was a rare metal, owing to poor methods of separation from its compounds. After his experiments, Dr. Mallet gave half of the bar which he used to Dr. Venable, who in turn later gave it to the University.

Some years after the war, the chemistry building at the University of Virginia burned down, and their part of the bar of aluminum was destroyed in the fire. The University then offered Virginia half of the bar given to Dr. Venable. Now, the piece of aluminum at the chemistry offices is about five inches long, two inches wide, and one-fourth of an inch thick. It weighs less than two ounces, has no intrinsic value, but is invaluable for its historical associations.

## THREE HUNDRED TO GET DEGREES AT N. C. C. W.

Approximately 300 members of the class of 1931 will receive degrees in June at the close of commencement exercises at North Carolina college, when Frank S. Hickman, of Duke university, and E. Deets Pickett, of Washington, D. C., will address graduates and others interested in the activities of the state institution for women.

Mr. Hickman is to speak to collegians at the baccalaureate exercises Sunday, June 7; Mr. Pickett will make the final address Monday, June 8.

Other activities of commencement, which will start June 6, include exercises by the senior class and a program set aside in observance of Alumnae day, Saturday, June 6.

## Y. M. C. A. Deputation Trip Is Postponed

The trip which the Y. M. C. A. deputation team had planned to make to Greenville, N. C. this weekend was postponed until the first of May, so as to make it coincide with the annual meeting of Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. officers training conference and the spring quarter meeting of state cabinets of student Y. M. C. A's.

The local delegates to the conference and cabinet meetings will present a series of programs among the schools of Greenville. Ed Hamer and "Pardner" James will be in charge of the deputation team and delegates.

## PLESSOW BEGINS LECTURE SERIES

Visiting Professor Is Presenting Discussions on German Life And Universities.

Dr. Gustav Plessow, visiting professor from Germany, is presenting a series of lectures at the University this quarter under the auspices of the English department. Dr. Plessow is making a tour of the United States for the purpose of collecting material to use in his course in Americana to be given at the University of Tubingen next year.

His lectures to graduate students in Middle English began yesterday and will continue on April 23, and 30, and May 7, 14, and 21. A lecture to graduate students "German University Life" will be given, Tuesday evening, April 21, at 8:00 o'clock in Smith building. The Philological Club will have Dr. Plessow as a guest speaker, Tuesday evening, May 5, at 7:30 in the graduate club. The subject for discussion will be "A New Theory Concerning Middle English Dialects." A talk of interest to all members of the University and the townspeople, "Aspects of German Life of Today," is scheduled for Tuesday evening, May 12, at 8:30 in Gerrard hall.

## MARY DIRNBERGER WILL EXHIBIT SKETCHES TODAY

Mary Dirnberger, former member of the Carolina Playmakers, will present an exhibit of sketches in water color of stage designs and costumes this afternoon from 4:30 to 6:30 in the Playmakers scene shop, the former glee club rehearsing room in Person hall.

The following will be exhibited: designs and costume plates for the set of *The Queen Has Her Face Lifted*, which was written by Al Kohn in 1929; sets of Ibsen's *The Enemy of People*, *O Promise Me*, and *Tread on the Green Grass*; a curtain setting of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* done both in modern and Shakerperian manner; costume designs for *Machine God*, *Helena*, and *Hermia*, characters in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*; *Tread On the Green Grass*, *Corn Likker*, *Highways*, and *Isolde*. Costumes of a fifteenth century French lady and a Florentine lady will complete the exhibit.

## Infirmary List

Only nine persons were confined to the infirmary yesterday. They were: M. S. Benton, Elizabeth Hamrick, R. H. Morgan, W. W. Walker, E. B. Gray, Charlie Gault, C. A. Renn, W. B. Figgat, and B. S. Solomon.

## GRAHAM, COLLINS AND WADE WILL ATTEND SMOKER

Faculty, And Class Officers Are Invited to Freshman Class Meeting.

The second freshman smoker of the year, which is to take place this evening at nine o'clock in Swain hall, will be the last official gathering of the class for this year.

The first smoker was enthusiastically greeted by the first year men with five hundred in attendance. As the class officials had not been elected at that time, "Pat" Patterson presided. At this event, however, the president, Ike Minor, will be in charge of the program.

The main speaker of the occasion is Wallace Wade, head coach of athletics at Duke University. In his speech he will complete the theme started by Dr. Archibald Henderson, speaker for the first smoker. Dr. Henderson spoke on "Relations in the Past Between Carolina and Duke."

In addition to Mr. Wade, President Graham and Coach Collins are to speak briefly.

The executive committee has invited the entire faculty to be present at this gathering, and it is hoped that many will find it possible to attend. The intention of the committee is to promote a better spirit of cooperation and understanding between the faculty and the students.

Many of the prominent student leaders of the campus, together with the officers of the other classes, have been invited.

As an additional item on the program of entertainment, the committee has secured Jimmy Stephenson and his State College Collegians to furnish the music for the evening.

## Slack Rope Artist Entertains Students

Students from the Battle-Vance-Pettigrew dormitories saw a strange sight yesterday afternoon when an acrobatically inclined student gave an exhibition of slack rope walking back of the Methodist church.

The student had procured about a hundred feet of stout wire from somewhere and strung it up between two large trees at a height of about eight feet from the ground. After he had gotten the wire strung up, he climbed up and began to do some fancy walking, going from one end of the wire to the other, both backwards and forwards and even pivoting on the wire. Every now and then he would stop his walking for a minute right at the middle of the wire and pivot around as some other student stopped to ask him what was going on. The performance was perfect, both from the acrobatic and the esthetic point of view. In fact, it seemed to be the most graceful way yet invented of committing suicide.

## Greensboro To Hear Glade And Baggione

Coe Glade, American contralto, of the Chicago Civic opera, and Attilio Baggione, tenor, of the Royal opera in Italy, will close the season of the Greensboro Civic Music association with a joint concert Monday, May 11. The singers will be heard individually and will sing several numbers together.