

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE BRINGS SUCCESSFUL SESSION TO CLOSE

Fifty-Three Students Received Diplomas Tuesday Morning. Baccalaureate and Literary Addresses Heard. Honors for Year Awarded. Many Visitors in City for Exercises.

The presentation of diplomas to the largest graduating class in its history, and a scholarly address by Judge J. Lyles Glenn of Chester, brought to a close on Tuesday morning the forty-ninth annual commencement exercises of the Presbyterian college.

The commencement day program was presided over by Rev. John McSweeney, president of the institution, and an audience that taxed the auditorium to over-flowing was present to see the fifty-three young men receive their diplomas. The opening prayer was offered by Dr. D. J. Woods of this city, after which the salutatory was delivered by James Lewis Anderson of Laurens. The valedictory was made by William David Adair of this city, who gained the distinction of making the highest four-year average in the institution.

Following the address, President McSweeney delivered the diplomas in a few impressive and well chosen words of admonition to the departing graduates. He was followed by the presentation of commissions as second lieutenants of infantry in the U. S. army to the members of the class by Col. E. L. Glasgow, commander of the R. O. T. C. unit. President McSweeney stated that by an order of the War Department, Col. Glasgow would not be returned to the college next year and he paid him a high tribute, both as an officer and a gentleman.

The various medals were then awarded by President McSweeney. The highest scholarship medal covering four years work was won by William David Adair; orator's medal by T. G. Ellis; declaimer's medal by J. T. Murphy; Alumni orator's, T. M. Johnston; debater's medal, T. E. Davis; freshman scholarship cup for the highest average in the freshman class, George K. Smith.

J. Lyles Glenn of Chester, the new federal judge, was the principal speaker and in presenting him to the audience President McSweeney made pleasant reference to the fact that the invitation went to Judge Glenn long before his appointment by Mr. Hoover. "We like," he said, "to see our judgment confirmed." Jokingly he added that no doubt Mr. Hoover heard that Judge Glenn had been asked to speak at "P. C."

Judge Glenn's address, in which he reminded the members of the senior class that they faced responsibilities and opportunities and that both of these were emphasized by the fact that they were college graduates, is printed in full elsewhere in today's paper.

Three Honorary Degrees

On three men, Presbyterian college conferred honorary degrees: Doctor of laws on Col. Leroy Springs of Lancaster, and on John T. Brantley of Blackshear, Ga.; doctor of divinity on the Rev. Frank Pearson Anderson of Fort Smith, Ark., an alumnus of the college. Only Mr. Brantley could be present.

President McSweeney closed the commencement program with the announcement of several handsome gifts that have been made to the college during the year:

The Smyth collection of Caroliniana to the library; \$600 from John L. Minnaugh of Columbia, for the library; \$400 from Mrs. P. A. Emanuel of Aiken, for the student loan fund; the handsome Springs swimming pool, given by Col. Leroy Springs; \$26,000 from citizens of Clinton toward liquidation of the college debt, with prospects that the amount raised will total \$50,000; a ministerial scholarship by the C. N. Alexander Bible class of the Clover Presbyterian church; \$4,845 from the will of Dr. L. D. Mason of Brooklyn, for the "Fannie Witherspoon Mason Memorial," which is a ministerial scholarship fund (Mrs. Mason was a South Carolinian, being before marriage Miss Fannie Witherspoon of York); and last, but not least by any means, the president's home, which was given by John H. Young of Clinton, as the "George W. Young Memorial." This handsome residence faces the campus, and is now occupied by the president and his family.

The exercises then closed with the benediction by the Rev. G. G. Mayes of Winnsboro. A delightful dinner followed in the college dining hall under the capable direction of Mrs. Myrtle Hunter with a number of visitors present.

B. A. Graduates

Receiving bachelor of arts degree: William David Adair, James Lewis Anderson, Joe Shirley Anderson, Roy Sanders Barnwell, John Rhinehart Blue, Ellie DuRant Brunson, Timothy Rogers Campbell, Adger McCrorey Carter, Thomas Jefferson Cole, Jay McDonald Davis, Thompson Elder Davis, Preston Alford Drake, Joseph Witherspoon Dunlap, Lonnie Lingle Dunlap, Spencer Rice Elliott, Alexander Faulkner Fewell, Robert Mc-

Kenzie Fraser, James Ansel Gaston, John Newton Gaston, Jr., Francis Montague Hart, Roy Arnold Hogrefe, Louis Stribling Holleman, Walker Kelsey Huggins, Robert Wallace Johnston, Lambert Whitfield Jordan, John Theodore Nissen Keels, Hugh Marshall Kolb, Robert Stephen Latimer, Jr., Andrew William McDavid, Jr., F. G. McHugh, Jr., George Harmon McIlwaine, Jr., William Massey McInnis, Luther Latimer McKenzie, William Harlon McQuiston, Arnold Friedline Marshall, Edward Barnett Martin, Olivious Curry Martin, Jr., Henry Dubose Montgomery, James Addison Neighbors, John Wylie O'Neal, Jr., Frank McLeod Pearce, William Hoyt Pruitt, James Campbell Reid, Frank Bradley Roper, Bartow Solomon Shaw, James Carlisle Smith, William Knight Thompson, Lewis Alan Wallace, William Heathley Weldon, Richard Hawthorne Woods, William Wilkie Woodward, Jr.

B. S. Graduate

Receiving bachelor of science degree: Paul Robert Milus.

Honor Roll

The following students in the order named attained the highest grades in the senior class: William David Adair, Clinton; James Lewis Anderson, Laurens; Paul Robert Milus, Concord, N. H.; John Theodore N. Keels, Columbia; James Carlisle Smith, Clinton; Robert Stephen Latimer, Jr., Bishopville; Olivious Elder Davis, Summerville, Ga.; John Rhinehart Blue, Romney, W. Va.; Edward Barnett Martin, Clinton.

The following students, on the basis of scholarship, activities and honor, were announced as elected by the faculty to the honorary fraternity of Sigma Kappa Alpha:

To the Senior order: A. O. Jackson, Mattituck, N. Y.; C. W. Grafton, Haichow, China; R. T. Gillespie, Jr., Decatur, Ga.; W. B. McCall, Jr., Marion, S. C.; Robert Stricker Crawford, Chester, S. C.

To the Junior order: W. L. Plaxico, Sharon, S. C.; J. B. Green, Jr., Decatur, Ga.; O. A. Dunlap, Clinton, S. C.; J. W. Walkup, Waxhaw, N. C.

To the Sophomore order: George K. Smith, Clinton, S. C.; R. H. Gillespie, Decatur, Ga.; H. H. Welch, Charleston, S. C.; V. S. White, Fort Payne, Ala.; R. B. Ferguson, Renno, S. C.; W. P. Ferguson, Sharon, S. C.

The commencement program began Sunday morning with the baccalaureate sermon at the First Presbyterian church, with Rev. John McSweeney, president of the institution, presiding. Robed in black caps and gowns, the graduating class entered the church and occupied reserved seats in the center of the historic church. The morning services in the respective churches of the city were omitted and all united in this happy occasion. Special music was furnished by the college glee club and the regular order of worship followed. The auditorium and Sunday school rooms were crowded to overflowing with Clintonians and friends and relatives of the young graduates.

The Rev. J. Sprole Lyons, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Atlanta, preached the baccalaureate sermon. His eloquent and thought-provoking discourse was based on the 9th verse of the 16th chapter of 2nd Corinthians: "For a great door and effectual is opened unto me, and there are many adversaries."

After expressing his pleasure in being present, Dr. Lyons said there are two great divisions in life, opportunities and oppositions, and here is the making of the man. America is pre-eminently a land of opportunity, and he asked the graduates—What are you going to do with your opportunities? He admonished the young men that there are varied opinions as to what constitutes opportunity, some think it is education, social position, money, influence—but the great opportunity that counts is that of Christian living. You can never win, he said, by betting against God. Christian living will put you in gear with God's power and love; it will root you in those worth-while things that are spiritual and abiding.

Continuing Dr. Lyons declared that no man can be well with a sick soul; there must be always an appreciation, happiness and joy for the continued grace and mercy of God. Difficulties and adversaries are inevitable, he said, but they should always be highly praised and accepted as a challenge. The speaker gave an interesting review of the earlier days of America and the material difficulties that were overcome on the frontier. While these have been great advancements, the spiritual conquest of America has hardly begun. The new frontier holds a challenge to those who want to venture and achieve.

The speaker declared that sin is more desperate and resourceful today. (Continued on page six)

HONOR PUPILS IN CITY SCHOOLS

HIGHEST YEARLY AVERAGES

High School

Eleventh grade: James Horton, Ruth Carter, Bothwell Graham.
Tenth grade: Margaret Jones, Ella Little McCrary, Elizabeth Speake, C. M. Smith.

Ninth grade: William Moorhead, Margaret Dillard, Paul Todd.
Eighth grade: Hugh Holman, Willis May Wilson, Vivian Wodruff, Nannie Sue Adair.

Florida Street School

First grade: Josephine Copeland, Frances Speake, John G. Pitts, Elliott Jacobs.

Second grade: Louise Jacobs, Miles Hunter, Jr., Margaret Brice.
Third grade: Billy Hoy, Paul League, Roy Johnson.

Fourth grade: Bill Wade, Rebecca Speake, Billy Pitts.
Fifth grade: Lucille Wilson, Katharine Graham, Letitia Jones.

Sixth grade: Alfred Browning, William Johnson, Jack Witherspoon.

Seventh grade: Dill Ellis, Frances Spratt, Florence Adair.

Providence School

First grade: Capitola Parrish, Mary McInville.

Second grade: Wilmer Emery, Richard Johnson.

Third grade: Julia Manley, Paul Cobb.

Fourth grade: Eleanor Cauble, Robert Bobo, James Grant.

Academy Street School

First grade: Lerie William Leister, Dorothy McMinn, Myrrell Chaney.

Second grade: Anna Baker, Harry Hudson, Mary Louise Campbell.

Third grade: Iozia Black, Doris Hardman, William Ray Culbertson.

Fourth grade: Barbara Strange, Margaret Mattox, Lila Eskew.

Fifth grade: Willie B. Quinton, Rufus King, William Langford.

Sixth grade: Nora Cannon, Hester Meadows, Annette Eskew.

Seventh grade: Florence Howard, Pauline Whitmire, Ruth Brown.

Eighth grade: Eloise Crowe, Nettie Carson, Gay Nelle Kanning.

Ninth grade: Paul Whitlock, James Seay, Roy Burgess.

Tenth grade: Inez Byrum, Eloise Von Hollen, Ruby Woodruff, Sara Blakely.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

High School

Eleventh grade: Carolyn Boyd.

Tenth grade: O. B. Burgess, Ella Little McCrary.

Ninth grade: Bee C. Ferguson, Doris Abrams, Lydie Leake, Annie Lee Jackson, Mary Ella Bailey, Sloan Todd, James Jeans, Orrie Holland, David Word.

Eighth grade: Zona Norris, Hugh Holman.

SWIMMING POOL CONTRACT LET

Presbyterian College To Have \$40,000 Pool As Gift of Col Leroy Springs of Lancaster.

Contract for the new swimming pool at Presbyterian college has been let within the past few days to the firm of Tucker & Laxton of Charlotte, it was announced Tuesday during the commencement exercises. Funds for the pool have been donated by Col. Leroy Springs, textile magnate and loyal friend of the institution.

This addition to the handsome gymnasium erected a few years ago and also the gift of Colonel Springs, will complete the athletic plant of the college. It will cost approximately \$40,000.

The pool will be 30 feet by 65 feet, will be of tile construction and enclosed for winter use, a heating plant also being a part of the equipment. Machinery for chlorination of the water will also be included.

Work will be begun within the next two weeks and it is hoped to have the pool finished in time for the opening of the college in September.

V. P. Adair Goes To St. Louis

Mr. and Mrs. V. Parks Adair and daughter, Vivian Parks, left yesterday in their car for St. Louis, Mo., for a stay of several months. Mr. Adair has resigned his position with the Farmers Mercantile company and will spend the next six months in St. Louis attending an embalming school and pursuing special training as a funeral director. Mrs. Adair will accompany her little daughter as she goes to take treatment in a St. Louis sanitarium to return to the city in September. The many friends of Mr. Adair wish him every possible success as he enters upon his new work.

Mrs. Crawford Clapp, and Mrs. L. B. Dillard spent Saturday in Greenwood as guests of Mrs. William Lomax.

Florida Street School

First grade: Ray Owens, Edgar Taylor.

Second grade: Betty Spratt.

Third grade: Willie Earl Davidson.

Fourth grade: Dorothy Taylor.

Fifth grade: Farrest Adair, R. W. Johnson, Bobby Copeland, Vivian Parks Adair, Elizabeth Nelson.

Academy Street School

First grade: Helen Abbott, Dwight Bowling, Marvin Center, Hazel Dunaway, Sara Grace White, Odell Cooper, Arthur Brown, Rutha Wright.

Second grade: Eugene White, Eunice Painter.

Third grade: Amos Cooper, Aserline Rice.

Fourth grade: Moses Boyter.

Fifth grade: John Cobb, Ruth Bailey, Roy Burgess.

Sixth grade: Inez Byrum, Eloise Von Hollen.

Providence School

Second grade: Jonathan Abercrombie, Marion Lawson, Rector Harris, Doris Smith.

Fourth grade: Lewis McCrary.

Medals and Prizes Won by Pupils in High School

The Commercial Bank annually gives a \$5.00 gold piece to the student making the highest average throughout the entire school system for the year's work. This year the prize was won by Margaret Jones of the tenth grade, with an average of 96, with Ella Little McCrary coming second with an average of 95 4-5, Lucille Wilson third with 95 2-9, Katharine Graham and Louise Jacobs tying for fourth place with 95 1-9.

Each year the local chapter of the D. A. R. gives a medal to the pupil in the senior class making the best grade on an examination of the Revolutionary war, and the local chapter of the U. D. C. gives a similar medal to the pupil making the best grade on an examination of the War Between the States. Lawson Abrams has the double honor of winning both of these medals.

Bothwell Graham was the winner of the declamation contest, the prize being a \$2.50 gold piece, given by Sadler-Owens Pharmacy.

Medora Browning was the winner of the reading contest, with a \$2.50 gold piece as a prize, given by The Chronicle Publishing Co.

Elizabeth Blakely won the story-telling contest, the prize being a \$2.50 gold piece, given by J. B. Frontis, Jeweler.

John William Dillard won the spelling contest, the prize being a \$2.50 gold piece, given by The First National Bank.

Ruth Carter won the prize for the highest average for the four years in high school. Her average was 95 1-3 for the entire high school course. The prize was a \$2.50 gold piece given by Galloway-McMillan.

LOCAL SCHOOL PLEASES VISITOR

Dr. Charles S. Little of New York, Favorably Impressed With Training School and Clinton.

Charles S. Little, M. D., superintendent of the Letchworth Village, Thiells, Rockland county, N. Y., was the recent guest of the State Training school and Dr. B. O. Whitten and family of this city. Dr. Little is a graduate of Dartmouth and Yale medical schools and erected the first institution for defectives in New Hampshire. Later he was called to New York where he now heads one of the largest and finest institutions for this type of work in the entire country.

Dr. Little's visit here was particularly to visit the Training school and gain first hand information of the work and character of this institution, and he was exceedingly enthusiastic over the school and Clinton. In a letter to Dr. Whitten after returning home, he spoke in the highest praise of Clinton as an ideal community in which to live. He added that he immensely enjoyed the Florida Street school commencement play while here and that it was a better presentation than many of the five dollar shows in New York city.

Work Begins On \$30,000 Building

J. Gary Martin, well known local contractor, has been awarded the contract for the erection of the new school building and auditorium at the State Training school. There were ten competing bidders and Mr. Martin's many friends in the city are pleased to learn that he landed the job. The building will be of modern and attractive brick construction, costing \$30,000. It will contain eight class rooms, wood shop, auditorium, stage, dressing and storage rooms and office headquarters for the institution. Work has already started and will be pushed to a rapid conclusion.

FIREMEN AT FESTAL BOARD

Local Fire Department Gives Second "Ladies Night" Entertainment. City Officials Are Guests.

The second annual banquet given by the members of the Clinton fire department, was held in the Masonic club rooms Tuesday evening.

The company gathered at eight o'clock with 85 guests present. The occasion had been arranged in honor of the wives of the firemen and the city officials and their wives who were specially invited guests.

V. Parks Adair, chief of the department, presided as toastmaster. After the sweets of the delightful menu furnished by the Methodist ladies had been reached, he rapped for order and in behalf of the department, extended a most cordial welcome to the mayor, councilmen, heads of the various city departments and their assistants.

Short talks of appreciation of the unselfish service of the firemen were made by R. W. Wade, Dr. Jack H. Young and W. W. Harris. The invocation was offered by the Rev. C. Bynum Betts, chaplain of the organization.

The banquet was a success in every respect, and the firemen under whose auspices it was sponsored, were congratulated on all sides on their efforts and the fine spirit of fellowship and hospitality that was in evidence. There was much amusement, many jokes and laughs on various members, yet at the same time a serious vein of thought expressed by the speakers as to the difficult and thankless job of the fire-fighters and the important place they occupy in protecting the homes and lives of the city.

It was pointed out by one of the speakers that one of the company's captains, W. G. King, was moving from the city to Duncan. Also that Chief V. P. Adair was leaving the city for a six months absence. A rising vote of appreciation and best wishes was extended the two departing members.

The department is headed by V. Parks Adair as chief; Jack W. Anderson, assistant chief; W. G. King and T. M. Littlefield, captains. The privates of the company are:

P. B. Adair, Lee Add Blakely, T. R. Cooper, J. Will Dillard, T. C. Johnson, H. J. Pitts, H. C. Suber, M. W. Adams, Augustus Blakely, J. Clarence Copeland, W. T. Jackson, P. S. Jeanes, F. M. Stutts, Tom Sease, T. P. Owens, engineer; L. T. Ramage, driver; Rev. C. Bynum Betts, chaplain.

De La Howe School To Close This Week

McCormick, May 25.—The De la Howe State school will have its commencement from May 31 through June 3, according to announcement of J. B. Branch, superintendent.

On Friday, May 31, the annual musical recital will be given. The Rev. Alexander Sprunt, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Charleston, will preach the sermon before the high school class in the school auditorium at 4 p. m., Sunday, June 2. Five young women will finish the eleventh grade, as follows: Olive Harlee Branch, Willington; Martha Elizabeth Lewis, Abbeville; Annie Elizabeth Lovett, Columbia; Mallie Alene Stribling, Liberty, and Mary Jane Wiley, Willington.

On Monday night, June 3, the Rev. W. H. K. Pendleton, D. D., pastor of the Episcopal Church of the Advent, Spartanburg, will deliver the address before the graduating class. Dr. Pendleton is a member of the board of trustees of the school.

At 11:00 o'clock on the morning of June 4, the board of trustees will meet in quarterly session. It might be of interest to state that the De la Howe State school has had its high school only five years and within that time it has become accredited by both the state department of education and by the Southern Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges.

Many Weevils In Lower State

Clemson College, May 27.—On 25 farms examined in Allendale, Bamberg, Colleton, Hampton, and Orangeburg counties on Thursday, Friday and Saturday by a member of the experiment station's boll weevil research division there was found an average of 364 live weevils per acre. In some fields there were more than 1,000 weevils per acre, and they are continuing to come out of hibernation. The weevils seem to be concentrating on old cotton which escaped the storm and is now beginning to square. At Florence 11 per cent of the weevils placed in hibernation cages last fall had emerged on May 25. "This is the largest survival ever experienced," says Prof. H. W. Barre, director of the station. "The situation is the most serious we have encountered in South Carolina and where cotton is beginning to square early application of poison should be made."

36 GRADUATES GET DIPLOMAS

Graduating Exercises of High School Friday Night. Address By Dr. Grier of Erskine College.

Twenty-three girls and thirteen boys on last Friday evening in the graduating exercises of the Clinton high school received diplomas. The exercises were held in the Florida Street school and an audience that overflowed the auditorium was present for the impressive and interesting closing program. The stage on which the graduates were seated, was beautifully decorated in the class colors and augmented by many beautiful flowers, presented a very striking and artistic appearance.

The exercises opened with a processional march, after which the invocation was offered by the Rev. C. Bynum Betts. John William Dillard, president of the class, then made the "Welcome" address. The valedictory honor fell to Ruth Carter. A musical number by the entire class, "Spring Song," proved a feature of the program.

J. Harvey Witherspoon, superintendent of the schools, was assisted by W. R. Anderson, Jr., in awarding the diplomas to the graduates, thus bringing to a close a successful year's work.

The address before the graduating class was delivered by Dr. R. C. Grier, president of Erskine college, Due West, and he favorably impressed his large audience. In addressing the young men and ladies of the graduating class, Dr. Grier said there are two thoughts he wanted to pass on to them. First, he wanted to warn them against the current philosophy of living of giving expression to self without restraint. This, he said, was widely current in the present age but it was a way of living that was wrecking character and personality and taking all the beauty out of life and social intercourse. He then asked them to consider the thought of self-repression as an ideal for life and living. It is only as we keep ourselves in control, keeping in rein and check the instincts and impulses of our nature, which if not controlled blast and blight life, that we really come into a largeness and beauty of living. Dr. Grier's address was full of helpful advice and inspiring thought.

Diplomas were awarded to the following:

Samuel Lawson Abrams, William Grady Adair, Helen Adair, Hazel Boland, Mary Keller Bonds, Sara L. Bonds, Mary Carolyn Boyd, Colie Eugene Bragg, Sara Caroline Buford, Ruth W. Carter, Attis J. Cauley, James F. Davis, John Asa Davis, Jr., Charlie B. Dickey, John W. Dillard, Jr., George S. Dominick, Kathryn Gaskill, Bothwell Graham, Sara Margaret Holland, James R. Horton, Harold Johnson, H. Reid Lockman, Almena Milling, Etta M. Nabors, Alluene Neighbors, Miriam Nelson, John Walter Odiorno, Jr., Nina Owens, Regina Peake, Mary Pinson, William Reuben Pitts, Virginia Rhoney, Ruth Todd, Margaret E. Tucker, Dorothy Wilson, Pansy Woodruff.

Beloved Citizen Passes Near Here

T. R. Neighbors, lifelong resident of the Hurricane section, died Monday night at his home after a week's illness. The funeral service was held Tuesday afternoon at the Hurricane church and conducted by the pastor, Rev. Edward Long. A large concourse of friends and relatives were present to pay a last tribute to a highly-respected and useful citizen of their community.

Mr. Neighbors was in his 79th year of age. He was an honest, upright man whose life was one of peace with God and his fellowmen. He leaves a life testimony and devotion to the things of Christ, a good name that will always be cherished by many who held him in the highest esteem.

The deceased is survived by four children, W. T. H. J., N. H., and one daughter, Miss Maggie Neighbors. Also by several grandchildren, one brother, G. M. Neighbors, and one sister, Miss Martha Neighbors.

Contributions Asked For Wilson Home

Time for receiving contributions to the Woodrow Wilson Home fund in Columbia, is rapidly drawing to a conclusion. Appeals to citizens in every part of the state are being made to contribute to this patriotic fund which is to be matched by a legislative appropriation. Towns all over South Carolina are responding but Clinton has thus far manifested practically no interest in the movement. Contributions to the fund will be received by The Chronicle and forwarded to the proper authorities but must be made this week.