

ERSKINE CLOSES

ANOTHER YEAR

Due West, June 3.—Last night the literary societies held their joint celebration. Interest centered in the debate between the Euphemian and Philomathean Societies. The query was: "Resolved, That the women of the United States should be granted equal suffrage rights with men." The Euphemian Society, represented by T. L. McDonald and P. L. Grier, Jr., had the affirmative, and the Philomathean, represented by J. K. Hodd, Jr., and Monte McDaniel, the negative. After a most interesting and spirited discussion of the subject the judges rendered their decision in favor of the negative. Winning this decision entitles the Philomathean Society to keep the "Darlington Cup" for another year. The medal orator of the evening was J. H. Marion of Chester. He delivered a very interesting and forceful address, which delighted the audience and then presented the medals which the societies give each year.

This morning the 78th commencement of Erskine College was held. The large auditorium was well filled when the exercises began at 10:30. The graduating class numbered 24, seven of whom were young ladies. The program consisted of orations and essays by the seven members of the class, who through their sophomore, junior and senior years had made the highest grades in their college work. The names of these in the order of the scholarship together with the subjects which they discussed, follow: J. K. Hodd, "Americans' Duty to America;" W. C. Halliday, "What America Owe to the World;" Miss Georgia Wardlaw, "The Effect of the War on Women;" Monte McDaniel, "America's Opportunity;" D. L. Rambo, "The True Triumph of Democracy;" Joseph Lindsay, "Patriotism and Peace;" Miss Lois Steele, "International Idealism."

The president, Dr. J. S. Moffatt, then addressed the graduating class,

emphasizing some things that were essential on their part in order to be the truest success in life. He said that in addition to the training that they had received during their years in college there was need that their lives should be characterized by sociability, generosity, self-sacrifice, and self-dependence if they would accomplish the best things in life, win the truest success. Dr. Moffatt also delivered two medals. The Mower medal, offered by G. S. Mower of Newberry, for the best declaimer, and the Kirkpatrick medal, offered by Col. T. L. Kirkpatrick of Charlotte, for the best oration. The Mower medal was won by J. C. Reid of the freshman class and the Kirkpatrick medal by W. C. Halliday of the senior. Dr. Moffatt also announced that the meeting of the board of trustees this morning the honorary degree of LL.D was conferred upon Prof. J. W. Thompson of Winthrop College, and the Rev. S. L. Morris, D. D., of Atlanta; and that the degree of D. D. had been conferred upon the Rev. J. W. Carson of Newberry.

W. P. Pollock was then introduced to the audience as the anniversary orator. In presenting him Dr. Moffatt spoke briefly of his service to the State and that in appreciation of that service the people had honored him with the highest gift in their possession, that of United States senator.

Senator Pollock began his address by saying that he came here just as "a plain, simple ordinary man of South Carolina" and that he desired to speak briefly of the world's need of men characterized by the spirit of unselfishness and service. He traced the history of the great war up to the time that America was drawn into the conflict to show that it was, in this spirit of unselfishness and with the desire to render true service that she entered the conflict. He then spoke of how young men and young women as they gladly and courageously offered themselves for service

in the army and navy and Red Cross. And it was this same spirit, he next showed, that led the people at home to support the government, the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A. and other organizations that the great task to which our country has put her hand might be accomplished. So true is all this, the speaker said, that unselfishness and service are the spirit of the New Era in which we live. And in this connection he emphasized that women were to have a larger place than formerly has been granted them. Senator Pollock's address was followed with close attention and deep interest and made a fine impression. His many friends in Due West were delighted to have him present and to hear him on this occasion.

J. R. Hill, brother of D. H. Hill, of Abbeville, was chief marshal. This office is filled by that man of the sophomore or junior class that makes the highest grade.

Among the members of the graduating class who are known in Abbeville were, Miss Georgia Lenora Wardlaw, a graduate of the Abbeville High School, and Paul Livingston Grier of Due West.

J. K. Hood, Jr., who took first honor is a son of J. K. Hood of Anderson, and a grandson of Prof. William Hood, formerly of Erskine College. His mother was a Miss Kennedy of Due West.

**DUE WEST.**  
(A. R. Presbyterian.)

Miss Brownlee Johnson is a guest of Miss Edith Todd.

Miss Evelyn Douglass is spending some days in Due West.

Rev. and Mrs. S. J. Hodd are the guests of friends in town.

Rev. J. R. Hooten of Spartanburg, is spending a few days in Due West.

Mrs. Dr. George Pressly of Char-

lotte, is the guest of Mrs. A. S. Kennedy.

Mr. Joe Roddy of Rock Hill, reached Due West Monday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Dunn of Mullins, S. C., is making a visit to friends in Due West.

Miss Irene McDaniel is at home for the vacation, her school having closed.

Mrs. J. T. Bigham of Chester, is the guest of Mrs. R. M. Stevenson. One of her sons is to graduate on this occasion.

Prof. Pressly, Rev. J. P. Pressly, and Dr. W. L. Pressly and Miss Eleanor Pressly attended the marriage of Miss Joe Perry, which took place in Greenville last week.

Capt. Dilling of Kings Mt., came over Monday afternoon in time for the meeting of the Erskine Board.

Mr. Putnam has been making some improvements on the hotel property. The use of the paint brush is improving the looks of the property.

Mr. and Mrs. Staley and family are moving this week to Virginia, Mrs. Staley's old home. Her father recently died and Mrs. Staley will occupy the old home. We regret to lose them.

Mr. Harold McDaniel, of Covington, Tenn., is taking in the commencement.

Among those taking dinner at the home of R. S. Galloway Tuesday after the commencement exercises at the college were: Senator W. P. Pollock, of Cheraw; Judge Frank B. Gary, of Abbeville; Dr. J. W. Carson, of Newberry; Rev. S. J. Hood, Iva; Wm. P. Greene, Abbeville; Rev. G. L. Kerr, Kings Mountain; Mrs. Baxter Hunter and Miss Hunter, of Kings Mountain; H. G. Clark, Abbeville.

The plate glass front display window at the W. A. Calvert furniture store has been completed, and adds much to the attractions of the store.

**CALHOUN FALLS.**

Calhoun Falls, June 5.—Mrs. N. J. Tucker and Mrs. Kate Taylor went to Due West to attend the commencement exercises.

Mr. E. W. Anderson went to Abbeville Monday on business.

Mr. George Edwards of Hamlet, N. C., is spending his vacation here with friends and relatives.

Mr. J. F. Gibert went to Greenwood Wednesday on business.

Miss Annie Cooley, and Miss Clara Hammonds made a pleasure trip to Iva Tuesday.

Mr. R. S. B. Martin, former resident of Calhoun Falls, from Pueblo, Colo., was in town Sunday en route to Willington, where he expects to build several brick buildings.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Milford and Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Edwards were in Abbeville Tuesday.

Mr. Will Redd of Williamston, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. T. H. Cox and children have returned from Anderson, where she has been visiting her father, Mr. John Stone.

Miss Louise Watson of Sumter, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. F. Gibert.

Miss Carrie May Gibert recently returned home on vacation from Chocoma College.

Dr. Kirkpatrick of Lowndesville, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Blake have returned from Lawrenceville, Ga., where they have been visiting Mrs. Blake's father, Mr. Byrd.

Dr. Pruitt and family have just returned from Atlanta, where they have been visiting relatives.

Mrs. Sarah Weinraub was in Elberton, Wednesday.

Private Samuel Pilgram was in town Tuesday en route to New Jersey, where he has re-enlisted with the U. S. Coast Artillery for one year. It is remembered that Mr.

Pilgram volunteered for service about two years ago and Mr. Tucker the Postmaster, signed him up and sent him to Greenville. Mr. Pilgram reports that his service spent with the army has certainly been a great schooling to him.

Mr. Richard Fields, is at home after serving some time in France.

Miss Susie Bullard of Elberton, passed through here Wednesday on her way to Anderson.

Mr. J. J. George was in Augusta, Ga., Wednesday and Thursday on business.

Mrs. Marie C. Baker is spending a few days in Atlanta with her son.

Miss Tena Gilliam spent the night in town recently at the home of Miss Sadie Ammons.

Mr. Cleo Tucker spent the week-end in Augusta, Ga. He went down there to meet his brother, Alvin, who is now holding a position in Columbia.

Miss Esther Cooley spent the week-end with friends and relatives in Augusta.

**Sunday Schools Send Delegates**

Florence, June 4.—With the strongest program ever presented at a State Sunday School convention, according to delegates expressing themselves in this regard, the 42nd annual convention of the South Carolina Sunday School Association, entered the second day of its sessions today with over 1,000 registered delegates, representing 36 counties of the State. During the morning session, the annual reports were made to the convention showing the splendid progress that has been made in every phase of the work in the past year. Reports as to counties which for their various attainments of note were also heard and great applause greeted the announcement of these honors. The efficiency of the corps of State workers under general secretary R. D. Webb was praised very highly.

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