

COMMENCEMENT AT UNION A BRILLIANT OCCASION.

ELABORATE EXERCISES MARK THE CLOSE OF A SUCCESSFUL SCHOLASTIC YEAR— PEOPLE PROUD OF THEIR SCHOOL.

Rome, June 14:—May 31-June 2 were days of inspiration and growth at Union High school, Rome. Every programme of the closing exercises was carried out with success, reflecting credit and honor upon pupils and teachers. The bright, happy faces of the patrons showed that they were proud of their children—and justly. They have full right to be.

Rev W H Hodges of Georgetown preached the sermon to the graduating class on Sunday morning. The sermon, from the text, "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank," was eloquent and exceedingly appropriate. Rev Mr Hodges preached again Sunday evening. Both sermons were evidences of the ability and power of the preacher. Union church choir rendered excellent music prepared especially for the occasion at both services.

On Monday evening "Miss Matilda's School" was rendered by the primary grades. It was a remarkable success and a fitting testimony of the ability of Miss Frontis, the primary teacher. "The Isle of Jewels" was also given on this evening, in which were pupils from the fourth to and including the eighth grade. Scenery, costume and pupils formed one charming effect of beauty. 'Twas a glimpse of fairy land as beautiful as artist's pen ever pictured. The success was made possible by the skill and effective efforts of Misses Dibble, Marie Rivers and Sisson, who labored untiringly in training the children.

On Tuesday evening were held the Francis Marion Literary society contests. There were four girls contending for the expression medal—Anmie Eaddy, Leta Carraway, Rosa Bruerton and Marie Eaddy, while four boys—Allard Hemingway, Jr, Capers Marshall, Thomas Chandler and Walter Robbins—were in the contest for the medal in oratory. Messrs J W Doar, A L King and Prof W C Bynum of Georgetown were the judges. Mr J Walter Doar with an appropriate speech presented the expression medal to Marie Eaddy, the winner, and the medal in oratory to Walter Robbins, the winner. Dr Lewis M Roper, pastor of the First Baptist church of Spartanburg, delivered the literary address this evening. His subject, "Education," was profoundly handled. Gifted in thought and eloquence, Dr Roper made a lasting impression on his audience. They will not soon forget the truths he presented.

To the class of 1909 Wednesday evening was the occasion of all occasions. The stage was handsomely decorated in white and blue, the class colors, and with pot plants, geraniums and ferns of every description, and the effect was unusually pleasing. On the stage were the graduating class, the teachers, the trustees and Rev T J Clyde. 'Twas profoundly inspiring as number after number of the programme was given before the large audience filling the auditorium brilliantly lighted with acetylene gas. Following was the programme of the class exercises: "Class History," Miss Daisy Olivia Brockinton.

"What of the Night?" Allard Berlin Hemingway.
"Class Poem," Miss Pearl Luce Eaddy.
"The Call to Young Men," James Capers Marshall.
"Prophecy," Miss Daisy Belle Munnerlyn.
"Wherefore Education?" James Walter Robbins.
"Valedictory," Miss Myrtle Elizabeth Price.
Delivery of diplomas by Prof O M Mitchell.
Farewell address by Rev T J Clyde.
Then followed an address by Mr B B Chandler, chairman of the board of trustees, at the close of which he presented the medal given to the pupil of the high school department making the highest average in scholarship to Miss Louise

Wilson, who made an average of 98.51; the next highest was made by Miss Amy Eaddy, 98.48. Miss Myrtle Price made the highest average in the graduating class—97.65. Miss Daisy Brockinton came second with an average of 96.03.

The music consisting of duos, quartettes and sextettes was furnished by Miss Bessie Rivers, the music teacher, and her many pupils during Tuesday and Wednesday evenings' programmes. Two pianos were used and, in fact, the music was one of the special features of the commencement. Miss Rivers and her pupils received many fitting compliments on the skill and talent displayed. One of the pretty features of the closing exercises was the presentation to Miss Rivers by the church choir at the close of Sunday evening's service of a handsome parasol as a token of their love and esteem.

On the whole the exercises were all that could be wished. Everything was favorable for success. The large auditorium, seating four hundred, was crowded every evening, weather perfect, and the children the occasion.

The people of the community are justly proud of their school, the product of their own efforts in the State has few patrons than this. Its success is to the unstinted and undivided support of its patrons. Nothing contributes more to the making of a school these elements.

The following teachers have been elected for the session of 1909-10: Prof O M Mitchell, principal; Misses Florence Stubbs, Mildred Cunningham,—Derham, Ellen Sisson and Bessie Rivers, assistants.

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School Closing—New Railroad Going Forward Apace—A Destructive Wind.

(Received too late for last week's issue.)

Venters, June 7:—Johnsonville High school has just closed a most successful term. Commencement exercises were held on the 29th, 30th and 31st of May and all the pupils acquitted themselves with great credit. The growth of the school has been phenomenal—opening in 1904 in an old building which had formerly been used as a store with an enrollment of about fifty or sixty, and closing in 1909 with nearly three hundred on the register in one of the finest school buildings in the county. The teachers were all elected for the next school term, but to the sorrow of pupils and parents alike, Miss Chandler and Miss Elam resigned their positions. Miss Chandler is an enthusiastic, capable music teacher and the amount of work accomplished by her classes this year is little short of marvelous. In Miss Elam also the school has sustained a great loss. The school deeply regrets the loss of these teachers whose places, will be hard to fill.

The following pupils won medals from the various classes:

N Davis, scholarship; Watts Venters, scholarship; B Newell, behavior; Blondel Cockfield, scholarship; Wilma Huggins, literature; Eva Venters, advanced music; Cornelia Cockfield, beginners' music.

Dr Geo Cannon has returned to his home here after graduating in dental surgery in Atlanta, Ga.

Miss Bela Carter spent a few days last week with Miss Lessie Cannon.

Misses Chandler, Elam and Bradley and Mr Knight, members of the faculty of Johnsonville High school, left for their respective

homes on Monday.

Miss Annie Venters has resumed her school at Huger after a visit to her parents here.

Miss Nadine Richardson has returned to her home after a pleasant stay with Miss Sadie Eaddy.

Work on the new railroad is going forward very rapidly and we have hopes of it being practically completed by the first of the year.

Mrs Thos Baxley's home was struck Thursday night, June 3, by a very heavy wind, which demolished all the out houses, broke out the windows of her residence and injured two mules very badly, while the members of the family sustained only a few bruises caused by falling timbers. The loss is great, for, in addition to the building, all of Mrs Baxley's corn and peas were destroyed, a good deal of corn. The first of these cyclones that has visited our community for a number of years.

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Applicants must be at least 16 years of age and must be prepared to enter the Freshman class. There are no scholarships in the Preparatory class. This class is only open to a limited number of boys who cannot reach high schools and who are living in sections of the State where school facilities are poor. Scholarships are worth \$100.00 and free tuition. The next session of Clemson Agricultural College will begin September 8, 1909.

Apply to the county superintendent of education after June 20 for needed information concerning the Scholarship Examinations.

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