

**SEVEN BOYS TO SPEAK.**

**Judges Announce Seven High School Boys to Speak at Commencement.**

When the judges announced their decision Tuesday afternoon of their selection of the—not six but seven—high school boys who were to declaim at commencement there was a sigh of relief from everyone of the twenty-six contestants and the boys had a glorious time for the next hour celebrating freedom from the final pre-commencement worry and doubt as to who should be the winners.

The boys who are to speak at commencement are: R. K. Bradford, Jr., Harry C. Brearley, Harold McFadden, Earle Rowland, Raymond Schwartz, Willie Brooks Stuckey, and Alfred Scarborough. These were chosen by the judges after all of the members of the tenth grade who desired to do so had made their declamations and it was a hard job for the judges to decide which six should be chosen, in fact so hard was it to decide and so close was the score made by the contestants that seven instead of six boys were announced to speak at commencement.

The judges were: Messrs. R. L. Wright, chairman, J. R. Ligon, G. L. Ricker, H. C. Haynsworth, Horace Harby, H. A. Moses, Geo. D. Levy. These gentlemen had to do the deciding and they were at the school house from 3 o'clock until night hearing the declamations and making their decisions.

All of the declamations were good and the boys showed excellent training and knowledge of the art of elocution in the delivery of their speeches. There are thirty-one boys in the class and only a few of these fell out when Prof. Edmunds, who has been giving them the necessary training in the delivery of their declamations, told them that those of them who desired to do so could stop practice and withdraw from the contest if they wished to do so. They had first learned and practised their speeches.

**In The Police Court.**

The following cases were heard in the Police Court Tuesday.

Ulysses Parker was charged with non-payment of hack license, and failing to appear for trial he was tried in his absence and sentenced to pay a fine of \$7.50, \$5.00 of which was to go to the clerk for his license and \$2.50 for not paying at the proper time, or to serve 15 days on the county gang.

William Thomas was tried for failing to go for a passenger when he had made an engagement to do so. He pleaded not guilty but was found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of \$2.50.

Lucile Auld pleaded not guilty to the charge of assault and battery, but was found guilty and was sentenced to pay a fine of \$10 or to serve 20 days. She paid the fine.

R. E. Baker was tried for non-payment of his mercantile license. He was made to pay his license without any additional penalty.

Wash Usher was tried for public drunkenness. He pleaded guilty and was given a fine of \$5.00 which he paid at once.

**Should Be Investigated.**

The question in the Summerton section at this time is, are there any incendiaries lurking around in the community, if there are how are they to be overtaken and dealt with? The community has suffered from two fires within one week, each the barns of prominent farmers, men who farm on quite a scale, and employ a considerable number of hands. On Saturday night a week ago the barn belonging to Mr. Louis T. Fischer was destroyed, together with its contents, consisting of feedstuffs and farming implements. The loss is estimated at about \$1,700, but fortunately Mr. Fischer had insurance amounting to \$1,000.

Then on last Thursday morning the barn of Mr. Thomas Gentry, on what was formerly known as the "Sublet" place, went up in smoke, and he carried no insurance. The loss is hard to estimate, as Mr. Gentry had much feedstuffs, farming implements, and numbers of other things in the barn. We are told that he thinks \$300 may cover his loss.

Those who we have talked with do not seem to have a y doubt but that these fires were set the barn of Mr. Fischer being insured may cause the insurance commissioner to have an investigation.—Manning Times.

Tommy Felder's promised book has not yet made its appearance, and we doubt if it ever does, nevertheless it would be interesting to know just why he made the bluff that he was going to make an exposure, if it was not to muddy his own transactions with the State of South Carolina.—Manning Times.

Gray horses are the longest lived. Creams are usually delicate, and are seriously affected by very warm weather.

**BONDSMEN NOT RELIEVED.**

**Young Hogan's Bond May be Estimated Regardless of Profit.**

Columbia, May 9.—Notwithstanding the fact that Governor Blease has paroled Eugene Hogan, Jr., the young man from Sumter, who was convicted of assault and battery and sentenced to five years, later leaving the State, the bondsmen will most probably, have to pay the amount of Hogan's bond, which is \$1,000. The matter came up in the Supreme Court today, the appeal from a Circuit Judge's order being dismissed.

Judge Ernest Gary had ordered Hogan to appear with his bondsmen at one term of Court, the same at which the order was issued. Later in the same term he issued another order requiring Hogan's bondsmen to appear at the next term. No order estreating the bond has ever been issued. The effect of the Supreme Court's order dismissing the appeal is to send the order back to the Circuit Court for such an order.

Counsel for Hogan's bondsmen made the point that Hogan has recently been paroled. The Court stated that this made no difference in the consideration of the estreating of a bond. Hogan's bondsmen are his father, Eugene Hogan, Sr., and his uncle, W. B. Boyle.

**Alfalfa.**

To make Alfalfa a success in the South, I would advise for so valuable a crop, patience and a proper preparation of the seed bed.

I am convinced by the following methods we can succeed:

In May broadcast one bushel of cow peas and 15 pounds of Hairy Vetch mixed per acre. Having inoculated the seed just as you are ready to sow, each with a different bacteria; before you plant break up the land thoroughly with a turn plow, and if sour use lime, if poor use stable manure or bone meal, not acid phosphate; 200 lbs. to the acre.

First of August you will be able to get enough hay to doubly pay you for the expense so far. By the first of October you will have second growth of Peas and Vetch making a fine lot of humus to turn in green. On this you might broadcast all available stable manure or compost. Plow this in with turn plow, and if stiff land, follow each turn plow furrow with a subsoil, or common bull tongue will do.

Then broadcast 1,500 to 2,000 lbs. of lime, shell lime if possible, or such limes as has no "Magnesia," harrow this in with a disk harrow, for lime works downwards. Allow this to remain 30 days, harrow again not deep.

Now get the purest Alfalfa seed you can, (Sunflower), inoculate it yourself with the proper bacteria. Plant on a cloudy day or early in the morning or late in evening.

By December you will have a good stand of healthy plants, and even if the plants are small you will be surprised to see what fine healthy and numerous roots they have, your Alfalfa will be in fine shape to stand the winter and in the spring to take on a rapid growth and get ahead of weeds and grass.

Get good pea seed, good Vetch seed and good Alfalfa seed and good "Inoculation Bacteria," different kind for each, and be sure a good good lime.

Do not buy inoculated seed from dealers or use inoculated soil. If it has to be transported any distance in either case the germs have been destroyed.

Remember the nodules on your peas and Vetch, though of a different kind, have been storing nitrogen in your land all the summer. Making it richer, and when you plant your Alfalfa you are planting in an enriched seed bed containing all the ingredients for Alfalfa, or any succeeding crop, even cotton.

By inoculation you have assisted nature in her work, by increasing the nodules on each plant manifold, and these nodules are drawing from that great warehouse, the atmosphere, all the nitrogen they can and storing in the soil, making the growing crop more healthy and vigorous. It is true they live on the saccharine matter in the growing crop, but they pay it back twofold in the way of nitrogen or ammonia.

Thus the animal and vegetable kingdom each not only live one upon the other, but aid each other; in fact cannot subsist one without the other. Now man comes in and assists both in their work, for a fuller and higher development of their powers. It is no less true the more man improves these latent forces or powers in the animal and vegetable kingdoms the more benefit he derives, and I might say the more improvement there is in the human-kind and the lower animals and vegetation to his will.

Thos. S. Sumter.

The Baltic Sea has the greatest wreck record of any body of water in the world. It averages one a day all the year round.

**CALENDAR ATTRACTS ATTENTION.**

**Mr. Bartow Walsh Receives Letter From Union Soldier Commenting on Confederate Calendar.**

The Confederate calendar issued by the Bank of Sumter is attracting attention farther off than in the immediate vicinity of Sumter, as is shown by the fact that Mr. Bartow Walsh, cashier of the bank, Thursday morning received a letter from a Union soldier living at Buffalo, N. Y., thanking him for one and asking for more, if he has them.

The letter recalls incidents happening at the close of the war and is as follows:

Buffalo, N. Y., May 9, 1911.  
Mr. Bartow Walsh, Cashier,  
Sumter, S. C.

Dear Mr. Walsh:  
You Confederate calendar received all right and am much pleased with it. It is very interesting to many of our callers, who are usually Union veterans. I enclose \$1 and ask you to send me as many as it will pay for.

I have a very pleasant recollection of a visit from Gen. J. Fuller Lyon of Columbia, S. C., Commander of the Confederate Veterans of your State. He was here three or four years ago with his wife and I showed him through our office and among other things the pension checks we were to send out at the next quarterly payment. I have corresponded with him since.

There never has been any feeling among the veterans who fought on either side. The evening of Gen. Lee's surrender a "Johnny" as he was called them, stayed with our company and shared with them the last hard tack and coffee we had for several days. Gen. Grant gave the rations we had at Appomattox to the paroled "Jonnies" and expected the main wagon trains to come up in a day of two but on account of the burning of the high bridge they did not get any further. We had to march to High Bridge to get supplies.

Our boys are going very fast, more than 100 dying in a day. In my Grand Army post, which is the largest in the country—730 members—we have lost 41 by death since last Memorial Day.

Sincerely yours,  
C. A. ORR.

**DAVIDSON DISTRIBUTES HONORS**

**South Carolinian Will be Editor of Annual.**

Davidson, N. C., May 9.—Tuesday night Dr. Henry Lemis Smith, at the request of the students, delivered an illustrated lecture on "The Life and Death of a World." This was one of the most interesting lectures ever delivered at Davidson.

The rising senior class has elected a South Carolinian, R. L. Schenk of Camden, editor-in-chief of the 1912 "Quips and Crank." Cobb was elected manager, and J. M. Smith (Easley), assistant manager.

At a meeting of the Athletic association, officers were elected and letters awarded. The officers are: E. S. Currie, president; E. H. Graham, vice president; Boyd, treasurer.

The track "D's" were awarded to Williams, Nigels, Bod, Willford, Kerr, Cashion, Fuller, Watson, Johnson and DuBose. Willford was elected manager, and Kerr captain.

Baseball "D's" fell to the following: Tabor, Klutz (three stars), Moore (manager's letter), McCants, Whitener, Booe, (star), Bailey (star), Graham (star), Mattison (star), Boswell (star), McCants was elected manager and McQueer assistant manager.

The scrub team as follows were given "D. C.'s": Howell, Hendrix, White, Barry, Boswell, Richardson, Wolfe, Siler, Duffie and Dunn.

**WINTHROP COLLEGE.**

**Scholarship and Entrance Examination.**

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 7, at 9 a. m. Applicants must be not less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacant after July they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination, provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarships should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship examination blanks.

Scholarships are worth \$100 and free tuition. The next session will open September 20, 1911. For further information and catalogue, address Pres. D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

4-27-Haw to 7-7-W.

The wool schedule in the free list begins to look like a lost sheep.—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

**Mrs. Percival Smith Entertains.**

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Percival Smith entertained with bridge-whist in compliment to Mrs. Charles Boyle and Miss Pringle, of Charleston. After several hands were played, it was found that Mrs. John Sumter had made the highest score and the prize, a lovely silver picture frame, was given her. The consolation, a dainty perfume bottle, went to Mrs. R. C. Richardson. After the game, the guests were invited to the dining room. Here, from a beautiful table, decorated with yellow roses, softly lighted by candles in old-time silver candle sticks, a tempting salad and punch course was served.

Mrs. Smith's guests were: Mrs. Boyle, Miss Pringle, Mrs. John Sumter, Mrs. George Shore, Miss Rees, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Kingman, Mrs. Edmunds, Mrs. Siddall, Mrs. Jenkins.

There is an aggregation of men hailing from Charleston giving exhibitions through the county of how baseball should not be played, and, too, these men are getting meal tickets for their work. Just think of it, the aroused city-by-the-sea stands for their club refusing to come out of the cellar. We will bet dollars to doughnuts if the ball team can be converted into bill posters, and put in charge of McKeand he will have more done for Charleston by sending the bunch out to cover bill boards than they are doing now.—Manning Times.

Has Manning forgotten the time when she had a team of professional ball players?

The plans of certain Charleston baseball fans to organize an independent or "outlaw" baseball league, composed of Charleston, Georgetown, Florence, Sumter and Orangeburg and one other town not selected. Perhaps Manning is ready to try another round with the national sport and will jump at the chance to make the sixth in the new outlaw league. It is hazardous to risk a guess at what the Sumter baseball fans will do when opportunity offers, but the proposition is respectfully referred, without prejudice to Messrs. Phil Booth, Wm. Bultman, Ansley Harby, Jim Bland, Claude Hurst, George Ricker, J. H. Levy and the balance of the twenty baseball veterans, who still remember the scars of the last baseball campaign.

**WON'T TALK OF JUDGESHIP.**

**United States Marshal From South Carolina Declines to Tell Results of Conference.**

Washington, May 12.—J. B. Adams, United States marshal for South Carolina, was in Washington today and while here he would not discuss the federal judgeship matter. It is understood that he went over the situation with some of the high officials here. The senate will not meet again until Monday, but it is likely that either on that day or soon after President Taft will send the name of Judge Brawley's successor in for a confirmation. The contest has been very keen here for several weeks and the president will doubtless be glad to get the matter off his hands.

**SENATOR TILLMAN WELL.**

**Rumors That His Strength Is Failing Denied by Friends.**

Columbia, May 12.—Persistent rumors that Senator Tillman's strength is rapidly failing are denied by intimates here, who are in daily communication with the senator's home at Trenton.

City Supervisor of Registration F. D. Knight asks that all persons who desire to register for the special bond election to be held on June 1st, bear in mind that applicants for certificates are required to exhibit to him their county registration certificate and poll tax receipt. Under the law he cannot issue certificates of registration until he has seen the county registration certificate and tax receipts. The rule will be strictly enforced, and Mr. Knight requests that applicants for certificates come prepared to exhibit the required documents.

Quite a large number of the young people of this city went out to the dance at Providence pavilion Thursday night and all of them report having had a most delightful time. The trip was taken in automobiles and was a very pleasant one for all who went. The music was good, the floor was in excellent shape and the dancing was fine except for the fact that the crowd was almost too large to be handled.

At the meeting of the directors of the Farmers' Bank and Trust Company, Monday afternoon, a resolution was adopted directing President C. G. Rowland to make application to the proper officials of the Post Office Department for the designation of that bank as a depository of the postal bank funds.

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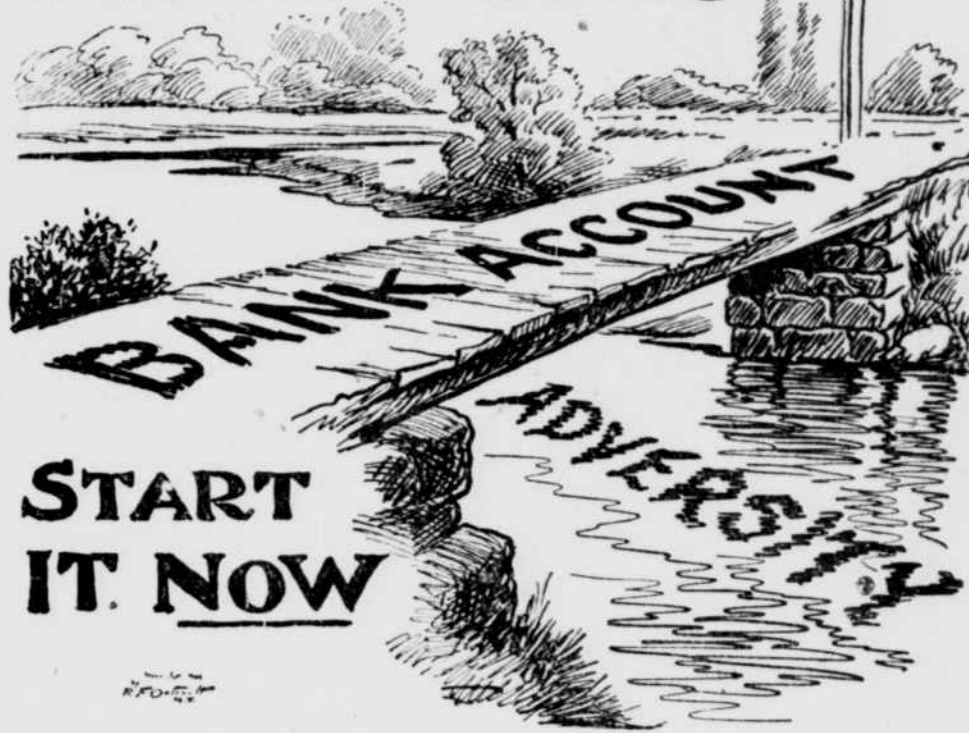
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