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DR. BENJAMIN E. MAYS

The press dispatches last week carried headline stories about B. E. Mays newly elected president Morehouse college, Atlanta. A feature of the story which was exceedingly gratifying to the thinking public was that the board of trustees of Morehouse college unanimously elected Dr. Mays without an application from him for the job. It also comes from reliable sources that Dr. Mays is considering the offer with reluctance. Dr. Mays is Dean of the School of Religion at Howard university and has begun well a foundation for a great unit of work that has already taken the attention of school administrators throughout the country, and it is hard to say now what he might do if he should remain at Howard.

However, his services as president of Morehouse will place him in a position to render the South and the Negro race larger and more far reaching service. In this case Howard's loss is Morehouse's gain.

Dr. Mays is a world known educator. He stands at the top with the alumni of Bates, and the University of Chicago. But to us the noted scholar is more than that, he is a South Carolinian and an alumnus of South Carolina State college. And you will pardon a college. And you will pardon a college. And you will pardon a college. And you will pardon a college.

State college feels proud of B. E. Mays and just if State college had not made any other contributions, sending out these two masters will repay the state for all of the money spent there in developing that institution during the past forty years.

THE COLLEGE GRADUATE

The commencement season is here. Baccalaureate addresses are being delivered in colleges from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and a new philosophy of life is given out by the hundreds of commencement speakers here and elsewhere.

The ambitious, strong and hopeful "perennial" the college graduate, is stepping out from the enclosed walls of vocational and classic learning, armed with diplomas and wearing degrees - he is looking for a job. Millions have even failed to find a job.

Jobs of importance these days are hard to get and also are they hard to master.

The school of life is not like the classroom. It is a survival of the fittest where common sense and brain count much in the solution of problems. On this same subject the editor of the Pittsburg Courier speaks out: The college graduate, says he, may take Day as an example:

"But he remembers that David was much smaller than Goliath, and yet when a little stone struck him in a VITAL place he crashed to the ground. "He remembers that the Israelites were doubtful of David's chances as the public today is of HIS chances.

"He remembers that the Philistines were SUPER-CONFIDENT that the giant would prevail.

"Both the Israelites and the Philistines forgot that even the weakest opponent is DANGEROUS when he is strong, smart and COMPETENT.

"It was not David's SIZE but his SKILL and bravery that decided the battle.

"So today, the chances of the college graduate landing a job depend upon HIS skill and bravery.

"The graduate is armed with a POWERFUL weapon.

"This weapon is the accumulated wisdom and culture of the ages - used with intelligence, boldness, skillfulness and persistence - WILL get results.

"David was looking for an immediate reward of SERVICE to his fellows and only INDIRECTLY to himself.

"And so today, the graduate who sallies forth seeking MASTERY of his work rather than mere monetary reward, who is willing to SACRIFICE something NOW with a long view toward future reward; who has his eye on the VITAL SPOT where his knowledge can fit in and enable him to perform a fine SERVICE; that clever young David will not fail to bring down the giant.

"His insignificant weapon is POWERFUL, one if properly directed where it will be most EFFECTIVE.

"And if his EDUCATION has meant anything to him, he knows that he must not only MEET the job but MASTER it; that the men and women who attain success have not merely CAPTURED a job but have GLORIIFIED it thru faithful SERVICE into a golden stairway to the summit.

"The Old Gray"

By Rev. E. Philis Ellis

A TIMELY REVIEW

When we were placed on the General Conference daily staff our second article in part followed. "One gets a different opinion when he comes to the General conference as to the selection of its chief pastors. It is very essential as well as wisdom to elevate some young men, as well as old to the Episcopacy. But in no case should any man be considered young or old, who has done absolutely nothing in the church. As a young man Dr. George W. Baber, is a concrete example of what any man should have to his credit for connexional consideration. Other fine characters among the young men are Dr. C. E. Stewart, who delivered one of the greatest responses to a fraternal message the General conference has ever heard. Drs. A. Frankman Ward, D. Ward Nichols, Frank Madison Reid, Joseph Gomez and many more. Now when it comes to prepared experience men-for bishops, Rev. T. J. Miles, D.D. of South Carolina, should be elected head of the column. The church would be extended by leaps and bounds, under his supervision. Dr. J. H. Clayborn, would be another blessing to our church. Elect him and our Zion is safe. Others who are well fitted, are Dr. G. E. Curry, J. L. Butler, J. W. Hule, J. B. Butler, J. W. Haid and a host of others. A D. Avery and quite a few others."

SIGNS OF THE TIMES

Our prophecy of the Detroit General conference action was not at most one hundred per cent perfect. Four years ago that had elected two elderly men for the episcopacy. So it was readily seen that the same group was going to make choice of young men together with old at the sessions. Bishops D. Ward Nichols, and Frank Madison Reid were two of the youngest bishops the church has ever elevated. While Bishop G. E. Curry and A. J. Allen, were of riper age. Other fine experience men, chief among is Dr. T. J. Miles, mentioned among them as well as J. H. Clayborn, J. S. Johnson, Butler and others. But unfortunately some of the most worthy ones, were left at the door. However it is very encouraging to Dr. Miles, when five of the leading bishops in the church pledged him their unstinted support in the future. To my mind this was the greatest General conference I have ever attended, and I have been going ever since 1916. More legislations were enacted. Giving equal lay representation in the annual conference was a fine law, and will enhance the interest of the lay members in the church more than ever before. A number good law among the many was the destruction of the three delegates from each annual conference to the general conference. This met the approval of the entire denomination and especially the large annual conferences in the South. At last a new day has come, in the great A. M. E. church.

OTHER CANDIDATES

While "The Samaritan Herald" has given a fine account of all of the candidate elected, including general officers, I desire to speak of the fine showing made by the publisher of The Palmetto Leader, Professor George H. Hampton, who made himself felt in the A. M. E. church. He made a fine run for the book concern, and it will make good for the publisher.

MAYBE SO AND MAYBE NOT (By W. H. Shackelford)

IMPATIENCE

We Americans are an impatient lot, aren't we? We are so fast that we run ahead of ourselves. We just can't wait. "Learn to labor and to wait." We labor, but we don't wait.

People ring a doorbell. About ten seconds intervene and they begin ringing the bell again to the tune of a fire alarm. They never ignore that the person inside may have to come from the rear, or must lay aside something before they can answer the bell. So the impatient cusses ring and ring and ring.

People call on the phone. They must think that you are always sitting by the phone and should answer as the phone rings once or twice. These impatient callers never stop to assume that people are not always in a position to answer a call instantaneously. They never feel that they should let the phone ring six or seven times to give the party wanted a break—the impatient callers hang up. We just can't wait, can we?

Everybody want to get aboard a street car at the same time. People push, shove and get peeved because everybody can't get on first. We enter a business place and want to get waited on right now, and some folks leave and go elsewhere. Just can't wait.

Almost everybody is on pins until the signal of the traffic light schemes flashes on. Some are so impatient that they do not wait they run the blockade. We have learned to labor (perhaps); we certainly have not learned to wait. (Rights Reserved)

THE SOUTHERN SYSTEM

The delegation from South Carolina, together with the spectators, are loud in their praises of the above system, for its fine handling of our large delegations. The Southern is among the best highway if not the best in America, for parties to travel on. There was not a single complaint. The company carried out its contract to the very letter. Everybody was not only well pleased, but is willing to recommend this company to any denomination, or fraternal orders when they want reservation, or train service for the representatives attending general conferences, associations, conventions and grand lodges.

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C.; Lucille Laney Ellis, Abbeville S. C.; Ruth Lee Everett, Vance, S. C.; Alberta Louise Forder, Orangeburg, S. C.; Hyacinth Althia Cates, Walterboro, S. C.; Julia Alexandria Grooms, Timmonsville S. C.; Berta Avista Hammond Ridge Springs, S. C.; Gracy Myers Hankerson, Sanford, Fla.; Gladys Ursula Holman, Orangeburg, S. C.; Laura Margaret Jenkins, S. C.; George S. C.; Eliza Zenobia Johnson, Ninety-Six S. C.; Eunice Watson Liberty, Miami Fla.; Elise Marietta Manigault Columbia, S. C.; Dorothy Alberta Mayhams, Georgetown, S. C.; Beulah Corrie Metz, Edisto Island S. C.; Catherine Francona Miller Florence, S. C.; Mary Pogue Sumter, S. C.; Charles Wilbert Robinson Cheraw, S. C.; Alice Beatrice Schroeder, Charleston, S. C.; Geneva Evangeline Shokes, McClellanville, S. C.; Martin Luther Simmons, Devereaux, Ga.; Vermeda Edna Simmons, Frogmore, S. C.; Daisy Eloise Simpson, Eastley, S. C.; Margaret Emma Singleton, Georgetown, S. C.; Louis Bryan Smalls, Georgetown, S. C.; Inemita Elizabeth Smith, Charleston, S. C.; Joseph Walter Stewart, Orangeburg, S. C.; Rosanna Wallace, Bishopville, S. C.; J. B. Robinson, Washington, Orangeburg, S. C.; Lottie Justice Washington, Beaufort, S. C.; Alvinest Dejesa Williams, Orangeburg, S. C.; Inez Maulestyn Williams, Florence, S. C.; Dorothy Evelyn Williamson, Hartsville, S. C. Bachelor of Science in

ST. LUKE

Our church is moving along in grand style. We are to see change of location for the Housing Project. But the New St. Luke means a greater St. Luke. Our members are not the least discouraged. Our auditorium is packed with crowds at the usual services. The very best spirit is manifested among officers and members. The Sunday school is at its highest height, with Brother Joseph Reese, Supt. The league and senior choirs are at their very best. The same is true with the sisters, and in fact all of the boards. All we can say is that the Lord is with us. "Let Us Advance On Our Knees"

BETTIS ACADEMY

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The Final Day

The Final Exercises came on Friday, May 24, when the happy Junior College seniors presented their Graduation Exercises at 11 A. M. in the Quinby Auditorium before a packed house of white and colored friends who came from far and near to witness the Exercises and hear the Honorable Col. John A. May, Attorney at Law and former member of the South Carolina House of Representatives, from Aiken County, Col. May made an address that will live long in the hearts of those who heard him. His address to the graduates were so valuable and authentic.

The speakers for the exercises were: Emma Leona Landrum Salutory, Edgfield, who spoke on "Helath Education"; William Cleo Anderson, Ninety Six, "The Road to Successful Farming"; Mildred J. Moss, Columbus, Ga., "The Goal of Education"; and Alwillie Johnson, Valedictory, "Momentary," "Is Christianity Fading?" There were many beautiful musical numbers and solo exercises were directed by S. A. W. Nicholson and Mrs. S. L. Collins, Prin.

The program was rich with culture and soothing inspiration and found its way into the hearts of everyone present. There were a large number of noted white visitors. We were fortunate in having Mrs. Alice A. Angell of New York and Judge W. E. Muse of Dallas, Texas made timely remarks along with many others, all of which were very good and encouraging to Bettis Academy.

The Academy always welcomes visitors. We feel proud to have them come and visit the campus and see what is going on. The school is located on the line of Edgfield and Aiken Counties, out in the country, free from the city evils. The enrollment for the 1939-40

term was near 900 students, more than 400 of which boarded on the campus. Bettis Academy has outgrown its facilities for taking care of the many students who wish to come and we were forced to turn away a large number of students the past year. We are hoping that by the time school opens the ensuing fall, we shall have many urgent improvements.

The Commencement Exercises and school days for 1939-40 are now relegated to the pages of history and every interested person is keenly looking forward for another school year. Bettis will open for 1940-41, September 12. Summer School for teachers will open June 10, and go through July 13. There will be 5 weeks of 6 days each. Special Laboratory courses for Rural teachers and for teachers in the first grade will be offered along with other courses to meet the need of all who attend.

Your writer wishes everyone a very merry summer and may it bring to you a full measure of prosperity and happiness.

Scholarships and prizes awarded were: Graduating honor students—Lottie Washington, Dorothy Williamson, Geneva Shokes and Dorothy Simpson. The South Carolina State College Club of New York City scholarship—Odell Gillon. The Merrick Moore Memorial Scholarship, donated annually by the N. C. Mutual Life Insurance company—Anne Patterson. The Young Men's Christian Association Scholarship donated annually by the YMCA of State college—Marion Wilcox, Otis Redenburgh, James Hughes, Leroy Putnam, Willie Gatson. The Beta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Scholarship—to a young woman of an accredited high school selected by the chapter—Booker Washington school—Columbia, S. C. (not yet selected).

The Graduate Deltas of Orangeburg Scholarship—to young woman of Orangeburg from the Freshman class at S. C. State college (not yet selected). The South Carolina State College alumni association of Orangeburg scholarship: Alfred Isaac graduating from Wilkinson high school, Orangeburg.

The Young Women's Christian Association scholarship: To freshman young woman who maintains highest average for the scholastic year and joins the YWCA before the end of the first semester. (not yet selected).

The Alpha Xi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority scholarship—Mamie Walker.

The Benjamin E. Mays award—to the candidate for graduation with the highest scholastic honor—Lottie Washington. The H. O. Sargent Award—donor New Farmers of America—Presented by the S. C. Chapter of the man Gause.

The Benjamin F. Bailey award—Frentis Brooks. Winfred Kent Alston award—to Switzer Wigfall. President M. F. Whittaker awarded—Charles Stith for excellency in physics. Rev. D. D. Davis award—Florence Waterman Dickerson. Ruby P. Funchess award—Hugh Clark for excellency in public speaking. David G. Belton award to Henry Berry for excellency in poetry.

The Sigma Rho Sigma Scientific Society awards to Marion Day for highest average in science, to Addison Bowman for highest average in science for 3 years. Music keys too graduating members of the choir donated annually by Mrs. Marion B. Wilkinson—Frentis Brooks, Mamie Carter, James Carter, Leon Coleman, Euellie Ellis, William Henderson, Alpha O. Josie, Catherine Miller, Bruce Moore, James Powell, Vivienne Phillips, Mary Pogue, Martin Simmons, Malissa Smith, Rosanna Wallace, William Warren, Samuel Watson, Mortimer White, Caroline Wilson.

Music keys to graduating members of the college band and orchestra: Julian R. Dugas, Harry Hardin, Harlish V. Gear, Alpha O. Josie William Muldrow, Reginald R. Thomason. Debating keys—awarded graduating members of the Cabot Lodge Debating Union who have successfully debated two years—Eric Lam.

Collegian Keys—awarded graduating members of the Collegian Staff: Daniel Warring, Thomas Lee, Grace Rowe, Geneva Shokes, Lawrence Mills. The "Ideal Delta" award—donated annually by Mrs. Lucile Y. Mayo of New York City—Geneva Shokes.

The Julius Caesar Bryont award: donated annually by the Delta Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to young man of the freshman class maintaining the highest average for the year—Peter Whittaker—1939. The Home Economics trophy: donated by a "Friend of State College"—Dorothy F. Simpson. Occupational information award donated annually by Prof. Roy K. Javenport—Florence Sulston, Jas. Gibbs.

Citizenship awards—donated by Jesten Manufacturing Co., of Watenna, Minn.—Maxie Pearson, Allen McKellar. Summer's Jewelry Co trophies donated by Summer's Jewelry Co. of Orangeburg—Ruby Bates, Nathaniel Harney.

Tennis trophy—women singles—Lyda Bell Green; men's singles—Peter Whittaker.

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Benedict-Allen Summer School COLUMBIA, S. C. BEGINS JUNE 10, 1940 STRONG, IMPROVED FACULTY EXPENSES Tuition for all students—Six Weeks' Session \$10.00 Tuition for all students—Nine Weeks' Session 15.00 Board, Six Weeks' Session 18.75 Laboratory Fee 1.50 Library Fee .50 For Bulletin or further information, write: BENEDICT COLLEGE or ALLEN UNIVERSITY

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