

WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA

FIFTY-EIGHTH YEAR

THE FIFTY-FIFTH

Annual Commencement



MAY THE TWENTY-EIGHTH

A.D. NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY

AT FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION BUILDING

FROM THE FEDERAL LAND-GRANT ACT

"... to the endowment, support, and maintenance of, at least, one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures of the states may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life." *Approved July 2, 1862 and August 30, 1890.* WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE IS A LAND GRANT COLLEGE.

Order of Exercises

ORGAN PRELUDE—"Andante in G" *Batiste*
Professor T. D. Phillips

THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION—

PROCESSIONAL—"War March of the Priests" *Mendelssohn*
The Marshal and the Assistant Marshals
The Candidates for the Bachelor's Degree
The Faculties of the College
The State Officials and Representatives
The Administrative Officers
The President and the Commencement Speaker

HYMN FOR THE AUDIENCE—The National Anthem

(The audience will remain standing until after the Invocation)

LED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE BAND
Edward C. Lewis, *Director*

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, through the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched were so gallantly streaming?

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

FRANCIS SCOTT KEY

THE INVOCATION—

James Kelly, Jr., *Dean of Men*

MUSIC—"Hail, Bright Abode" (from Tannhauser) *Wagner*

THE A CAPPELLA CHOIR
Professor Gladys J. Greene, *Director*

THE RECOGNITION OF STATE OFFICIALS AND HONOR GUESTS

Order of Exercises

MUSIC—"Battle Hymn of the Republic" *Ringwald*

THE A CAPPELLA CHOIR
Professor Gladys J. Greene, *Director*

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

WALTER PHILLIP REUTHER
President of the United Automobile Workers of America
Detroit, Michigan

AWARD OF HONORS

SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Adolphus Dunbar Lee, Jr. Clinton Eugene Ward

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Claude Clarence Dickson Henry Lincoln Moore
Lucius Augustus Blount James Millard Garrison

CUM LAUDE

Shirley Benton Robinson Joseph Augustus Jones
Melvin Wesley Neal Luella Eudora Williams
Delores Phillippa Martin

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES—

THE CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREES WILL BE PRESENTED BY THE DEAN AND PROFESSORS IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts by Dean Harrison H. Ferrell.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science by Dean Harrison H. Ferrell.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Music by Professor Theodore D. Phillips.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education by Professor Harry W. Greene.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture by Professor Madison Broadnax.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration by Professor Richard H. Homburger.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Education by Professor Harry W. Greene.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics by Professor Mae Belle Jones.
- Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanic Arts by Professor Frederic Lacy.

After the conferring of degrees by President John W. Davis, the names of the graduates will be announced by Registrar Daniel P. Lincoln.

Candidates

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Adams, Harvey	Holmes, John Davis
Adderly, Ellis Bravet	Hunter, Barbara Jane
Alexander, James Lloyd	Kerns, James Harvey
Ancrum, David	Leonard, Roscoe Edward
Archie, Richard Samuel	Lyle, James Austin
Baker, Robert	Mills, Margaret Molyn
Barnes, Clarence Edward	Morgan, Juanita Leslie
Brooks, Hunter Otis	Neal, Melvin Wesley
Brown, Maxwell Roland	Palmer, Paul O'Neill
Carson, Smith, Jr.	Phillips, Helen Thelma
Chiles, Doris Elizabeth	Reaves, Osborne Eugene
Connor, Lyman Alexander	Reeves, Joseph Daniel
DeBerry, Alonzo	Reynolds, Herbert William
Divens, Frank Alfred	Robinson, Douglass DeWitt
Elmore, Robert B.	Rose, Francis Cabel
Ewell, Mary Ion	Sanders, Charles Streeter
Fairfax, Charles Edward	Saulters, Wade Edward
Figg, Charles Henry	Saunders, Ruth Emmaline
Floyd, Robert	Sayles, Alvin Audrey
Galloway, Sylvia Christine	Stewart, Charles Eugene
Gault, John Calvin	Strother, Margie
Griffith, James Roosevelt	Thomas, Thelma Raye
Hahn, Milton Edgar	Wallace, Rosa Geraldine
Hamilton, John Wesley	Witcher, Louis Jackson
Hardwick, William Seborne	

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Blount, Lucius Augustus	Lee, Samuel Reginald
Blythe, Robert Franklin	McDonald, Walter Everett
Cabbell, Thomas Richard	Mills, Theodore Henry
Dickson, Claude Clarence	Moore, Henry Lincoln
Franklin, Frederick Contee	Shellcroft, William Wesley
Garrison, James Millard	Thomas, Paul William
Hyatt, William Roy	Tyler, Solomon
Kerr, Otho Edgar	Wilson, Asbury

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Anderson, Thomas Jefferson	Moore, Norma Yvonne
Beard, Margaret Jane	Welch, Virginia Maude
Clark, Clarence William	Williams, Luella Eudora
Dexter, Dorothy	

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

Brown, Constance Bernardean	Hale, Barbara Ann
Brown, Lucille Evelyn	Holmes, Myrtle Elector
Clark, Beatrice	Jackson, Marian Francine
Gist, Gladys Crawford	Johnson, Mozelle Yvonne

Candidates

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION (Continued)

Lee, Jean Ernestine
Lewis, Mary Lou Sistrunk
McKinney, James Roy
Marshall, Martha Virginia

Pepper, Norma Aquilla
Rowden, Iris Camilla
Staley, Vivian Harriett
Sutton, Jane Leola

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

Kent, Warren Eldridge

Quash, James McClure

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Amos, Benjamin Anthony
Ashurst, Jules Leon
Brown, Jack
Burney, William Lee
Cauley, William James
Claybrooks, Jeremiah
Cooper, William Herbert
Cummings, Luel Elois
Davis, Tyrone
Dearing, Ulysses Sidney
Dubose, Grover Adophe
Griggs, Francis McKinley
Gross, Isadore Henry, Jr.
Harriston, Emery Derwood
Jackson, Charles Elmer
Lee, Adolphus Dunbar
Maxwell, Joe Stanley

Perkins, Leslie Barron
Plowden, Raymond Davis
Price, Benjamin Lowell
Prunty, Herman Mathew
Revels, Bruce Lofton
Richardson, Willie
Robinson, Shirley Benton
Seeney, Leonard Calvin
Smith, Robert Hobson
Thomas, Howard H.
Tyree, Georgia Estelle
Vernon, Gordon Lee
Ward, Clinton Eugene
Williams, John DeWitt
Williams, Oswald P.
Young, James Stanley

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Adams, Ivan Lorraine
Bailey, James Arrelans
Bibb, Edward George
Cannaday, Irvin, Jr.
Carter, James Boyd
Clark, Ella Clayton
Dennison, Theodore Roosevelt
Enty, Frank Edward
Floyd, John
Franklin, Roland Leroy
Gillium, Richard Alexander
Gist, John Henry
Givens, Pauline Ruth
Harrington, Dolores Francine
Harris, Frank Henry
Harris, Rubye Lee

Heath, Marcella Verona
Hines, Roland Angeline
Jackson, Doran Renford
Jewell, John Thomas
Jones, Clara Dolly
Jones, Joseph Augustus
Jones, Julia Cash
Lee, Jerry Myers, Jr.
McAllister, Lucille
Mills, Carol Chandler
Nicholson, Charles Robert
Nutall, Martha Mittie
Nutall, Mary Genevieve
Pettis, Willis James, Jr.
Primm, Beny Jene

Candidates

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION (Continued)

Strickland, Bernice Vivian
Tanner, Lillie Mae
Wagner, Howard Vincent
Watkins, Elizabeth Carter
Wickliffe, Edward Vernon

Williams, James Phenix
Williams, Joetta
Williams, Martha Ann
Wilson, Moley Clark
Wilson, Robert, Jr.

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOME ECONOMICS

Arthur, Christine Elizabeth
Few, Blanch Louise
Lawrence, Christine Marie

Lewis, Ruby Dolores
Martin, Delores Philippa

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANIC ARTS

Allen, Charles Richard
Beale, Thomas Preston
Boston, Joseph Alexander
Bower, Euly Levalero
Bradshaw, Sylvester
Donald, John Allen
Harris, Charles, Jr.
McAllister, Raymond
McArtis, Wilbert
Minor, Lemuel Wesley

Orr, William Henry
Price, Garvey Eloric
Robinson, Samuel Edgar Dewey
Shuford, Vance Robert
Thigpen, Harold
Waller, Grover Melvin
Williamson, Lynwood Filmore
Wimberly, Alton
Woods, Jefferson William

CANDIDATES FOR REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONS

Dubose, Grover Adophe

Garrison, James Millard

CANDIDATES FOR OFFICER RESERVE CORPS COMMISSIONS

Alexander, James Lloyd
Carson, Smith, Jr.
DuBose, Grover Adophe
Figg, Charles Henry
Garrison, James Millard
Hahn, Milton Von

McAllister, Raymond
Perkins, Leslie Barron
Primm, Beny Jene
Reaves, Osborne Eugene
Waller, Grover Melvin

Bacon, Frank, Jr.
Broadnax, Edward
Burrell, Wellington
Davis, Ira Lee
Fullwood, Charles James
Griffin, John R.
Haggins, Edward T.
Hughes, Maurice L.
Hunt, Joseph C.
Johnson, James, Jr.

Johnson, James T.
Lee, Eugene
McDowell, Eugene
McPeters, Charles
Smith, Frank
Tillotson, Clifford
Towles, Jeff H.
Trueitt, Jackson
Williams, Glenn E.

Order of Exercises

CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

WALTER PHILLIP REUTHER *Doctor of Humanities*
Presented by Dr. Thomas E. Posey

VIJAYA LAKSHMI PANDIT *Doctor of Laws*
Presented by Dr. William J. L. Wallace

RALPH JOHNSON BUNCHE *Doctor of Humanities*
Presented by Dean Harrison H. Ferrell

ELECTED TO ALPHA DELTA SIGMA HONORARY SCHOLASTIC SOCIETY

Ivan Lorraine Adams	Henry Lincoln Moore
James Millard Garrison	Melvin Wesley Neal
Adolphus Dunbar Lee	Shirley Benton Robinson
Joseph A. Jones	Clinton Eugene Ward
Delores Phillippa Martin	Luella Eudora Willams

ELECTED TO BETA KAPPA CHI HONORARY SCHOLASTIC SOCIETY

Lucius Augustus Blount	James Millard Garrison
Robert Franklin Blythe	Otho Edgar Kerr
Thomas Richard Cabbell	Henry Lincoln Moore
Claude Clarence Dixon	

COLLEGE ALUMNAE CLUB OF KANAWHA COUNTY, INCORPORATED

Fellowship Award of \$1,000 for Graduate Study
Winner, 1950 — Miss Ivan Lorraine Adams

THE ALUMNI STATEMENT—

Miss Myra C. Fairfax
President of the Alumni Association of the College

THE COMMENCEMENT STATEMENT

The President

MUSIC—Alma Mater

LED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE BAND
Edward C. Lewis, *Director*

RECESSIONAL—"Grand March" (from Aida) *Verdi*
(The audience will remain seated during the recession)



Professor Daniel L. Ferguson, '09, Marshal of the College

Professor L. P. Drain, '27, Assistant Marshal
Miss Odaris Farmer, '45, Assistant Marshal
Mr. James Wesley Lynch, '43, Assistant Marshal
Mr. Felix T. Warren, '36, Assistant Marshal
Professor P. Ahmed Williams, '27, Assistant Marshal

ALMA MATER

Of West Virginia State College

ERNEST WADE '30

MARTHA SPENCER '31

The piano introduction consists of two staves of music. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving bass lines.

1. There is a place we love so dear — Its name we'll ev-er praise and re-vere — 'Tis West Vir-gin-ia

This system contains the first line of the song, including the vocal melody and piano accompaniment.

REFRAIN

State we love — Just one more step from there is heav'n a - bove. — West Vir- gin - ia's

This system contains the first line of the refrain, including the vocal melody and piano accompaniment.

praise we'll sing — Lift our voices 'til heav-en's ring — As we gai - ly march a-long — We'll

This system contains the second line of the refrain, including the vocal melody and piano accompaniment.

sing a song — for Al-ma Mater How we love her pride of all our loy-al hearts — From her we will

This system contains the third line of the refrain, including the vocal melody and piano accompaniment.

nev-er part — Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few — Al-ma Ma-ter we love you.

This system contains the fourth line of the refrain, including the vocal melody and piano accompaniment.

We'll love her more as days go by,
And send her praises to the sky;
To place her over all the rest,
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;
Is State for whom we'll live and we'll die—
Arise! O men of God and sing;
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.