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### Editorials

ANOTHER commencement week is at hand, our twenty-seventh. Tentative plans for the activities of that week are announced on another page of this issue. Prominent speakers have been secured for the several addresses, and careful attention is being given to perfecting every detail. ¶ One of the joys of commencement is the "home-coming" of alumni, by which

former students get an opportunity to live over past experiences, be rebaptized with the Institute spirit and meet the students of the present, while, on the other hand, the students now in school see and hear those who have occupied their seats in years past and are now out in the world of actuality.

It is hoped, therefore, that every class which has graduated from Institute will be represented at this commencement. Come and get once more in touch with the old school. Come and see the new building and improvements which have been made. Come and be told of the plans on foot for the Institute of the future.

#### COMMENCEMENT PLANS

The tentative program of activities for the twenty -seventh annnal commencement week, May 26 to 31, 1921, has been announced by President Davis as follows: May 26, the Fourth-Year play; May 28 (morning), the baccalaureate sermon; May 28 (evening), the graduation exercises of the Alpha Bible class; May 29 (afternoon), baseball, Institute-Wilberforce; May 29 (evening), the Dorothy-Constance Prize Rhetoricals: May 30 (morning) the annual Alumni Business Meeting; May 30 (afternoon), baseball. Institute-Wilberforce; May 30 (evening), the alumni banquet; May 31 (morning), commencement exercises.

#### SPEAKERS

The commencement address will be delivered by Rev. Dr. Pezavia O' Connell, dean of Morg in College, Baltimore. Dr. O' Connell, besides being an educator, is an orator of nation-wide repute, and the school considers itself fortunate in having secured his services.

Rev Dr. I. V. Bryant, well-known pastor of the First Baptist Church of Huntington, will preach the baccalaureate sermon.

Captain G. E. Ferguson, of Charleston, will address the Bible Class at its commencement exercises.

#### THE GRADUATES

Following is the tentative roll of graduates: From the College

department: Geneva P. Brown, Ione M. Bowyer, Mabel Campbell, Eula Forney, Cora L. Harris, Naomi Humbles, Carrie M. Richards, Fannie Steptoe, Rosa Taylor, Ella Woods.

From the secondary department: Pearl Anderson, Earl Brown, Margaret Brown, Alise Calloway, Anna Carter, Regina Chiles, Drue Culumns, Louise Deans, Sybil Froe, Carl Hairston, Carrie M. Hines, Samuel Holland, Matilda James, Geneva Jones, Mamie Keene, Rosa Perry, Mattie Keene, Hallie Logwood, Addrene Morse, Mabel Palmer, Odaris Palmer, Georgia Peters, Fred Philpott, Theodore Porter, Emma Reed, Harry S. Saunders, Freda Scott, Granville Smith, Mary J. Trent, Mary Stratton, Beatrice Wade, Ethel Wade, Edmonia Walden, Loris Washington, Albert White, Willa Williams. Ruth Wilson, Samantha Wood. Clarence Bowles, Estella Eggleston, Arlean Hicks, Lourine James, Eloise Lovette, Geneva West, Andrew Wicks.

From the Commercial department: Armada Lomac, Charles Rutherford.

Certificates in Carpentry, Clarence Bowles, Harry W. Saunders, Granville Smith, Albert White

Certificates in Domestic Art: Pearl Anderson, Annie Carter, Estelle Eggleston, Addrene Morse, Edmonia Walden.

Certificates in Domestic Science: Alise Calloway, Annie Carter, Arlean Hicks, Eloise Lovette, Mary

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Stratton, Mabel Palmer, Beatric, Wade, Samantha Wood.

Culumns.

Certificates in Printing: Carl Hairston, Theodore Porter.

#### Professor A. A. Taulor at State Social Work Conference

The State Conference of Social Work which met in Parkersburg on the 8th and 9th of March was addressed by Professor A.A. Taylor of the Department of Economics, who rendered the report for the Negro workers of the State.

In his analysis of "the welfare agencies working among Negroes in the State." Professor Taylor brought as significant facts the character of their activities, the distribution by counties of the different types of agencies, the numerical deficiency of agencies controlled by Negroes, the lack of specialization in the few distinctly Negro agencies, absence of certain types of activities of known value in group welfare, the lack of professionally trained Negro welfare workers and the numerical preponderance of State institutions ministering to the needs of the socially infirm. Declaring the defects in the organization of these agencies to be not hopelessly irreparable, Professor Taylor presented a constructive plan designed to give to them the right direction. This plan comprised the following recommendation:

(1) That the community work in mining towns and other rural Certificate in Masonry: Drue communities be indefinitely extended.

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- (2) That the facilities of the State Bureau of Negro Welfare and Statistics be so increased as to constitute it the central directing force of the whole realm of welfare activities among the Negroes in the State
- (3) That there be established by public-spirited citizens two scholarships in economics or sociology at the West Virginia Collegiate Institute, to be awarded annually to citizens of the State, who shall indicate, by means to be determined, their capacity for social welfare work

In support of the second recommendation, Professor Taylor asserted that the bureau, in this instance, could devise plans for coordination of activities of the various agencies and for elimination of the duplication of activities carried on by the same agencies. It could, moreover, establish activities where none now exist.

The third recommendation, he urged, would, if adopted, enable worthy students to obtain at the West Virginia Collegiate Institute professional training in social welfare work. The Conference not only adopted these recommendations, but pledged to assist in carrying them into effect.

### Athletics

#### BASEBALL

Indications are that the baseball season will be one of Institute's most successful. Under the competent tutelage of Coach Brock, practice was started early in April with a squad of over forty candidates. among whom were seven letter men from last year, two players from the team of two years ago, and at least ten tentative pitchers. The presence of these would-be pitchers was especially encouraging, because of the fact that the Institute team of last year suffered because of the lack of pitching material. In spite of the fact that all of last year's outfielders returned to school, there were fifteen aspirants for ontfield berths, and a great number of "unknowns" trying for infield positions.

Alonzo Harden, a Charleston youth, who was chosen captain of this year's team, is back at his old position in left field. Harden, who is playing his fourth season with the team, has always been a reliable player and has on more than one occasion manifested ability as a leader. Besides being a hard hitter and a brilliant fielder, he is a pitcher of repute, quite capable of successfully taking his turn on the mound.

Garrison, who is having his first try-out in intercollegiate company, is showing up well. Besides these are Wilson, Lowry, Holland, and Gough from Charleston High. In the infield Granville Smith is back at first base; L. Chatman, Coleman, E. Chatman, A. Harris, Westerband and Drewery, are candidates for berths. In practice these men have displayed adequate baseball technique, of such a calibre as to justify a firm belief that Institute possesses an "air-tight" infield.

Rutherford, who pitched winning ball last year, should do much better this season. Saundle, Dixie. Ward, Colley, Dickerson, Mills, and several others are competitors for positions on the mound. Cardwell. of football fame, is doing the bulk of receiving, assisted by Banks, Preston and A. Fairfax.

THE MONTHLY went to press too early to receive a report of the first game, at Raleigh, on April 29, so very little can be said of the team in action. The season's schedule contains the usual games with Wilberforce on May 8th and 9th at Wilberforce and on May 27th and 29th at Institute. A trip to Kentucky, on which at least three games will be played, one with Kentucky State Normal, is tentatively scheduled, and the season will close with the annual alumni game on May 30th.

#### BASKETBALL

#### The Girls' League

Basketball, among the girls, although played for the first time by the majority of them, proved to be of exceeding interest this year, and has given hopes that next year it will doubtless be possible to have a girls' basketball team capable of holding its own against any similar team in intercollegiate ranks.

The race for the championship was close enough to cause enthusiasm to run high. The Mountaineers(college), who eventually won the championship without a single defeat, were usually hard pushed for the greater part of the game, winning out, however, by a greater knowledge of what to do at the critical moment, rather than by throwing the ball and trusting to luck.

The Terriers, representing the Third-Year class, won second place by their everlasting spirit of fight, which made up for lack of star players. Considering their inexperience, their work was probably more worthy of commendation than that of any of the other teams.

The Tigers and Wildcats tied for third place and exhibited some of the best basketball of the season. The remaning teams, the Jay Hawks, Just Us, Dragons and Giants, were never in the running. The Jay Hawks seemed to lack anything like team spirit, although possessing such stellar players as Anna Perry and Kathleen George. The other teams were merely inexperienced, wasting most of their efforts by chasing the ball around the floor and by crowding together too much. They seemed unable to grasp the fact that basketball is a game requiring aggressiveness and co-ordination rather than a passive resistance and the favors of fortune.

The final standing of the teams was as follows:

	W.	L.	Pct.
Mountaineers	7	0	1.000
Terriers	5	2	.714
Wild Cats	4	2	.667
Tigers	4	2	.667
Jay Hawks	2	4	.333
Giants	1	4	.200
Just Us	1	5	.166
Dragons	0	5	.000

All-Star Girls' Basketball Team

Since there was no girls' varsity basketball team, it has been re-



THE INTER-CLASS CIRLS' CHAMPION BASKETBALL TEAM (MOUNTAINEERS)—1922

quested that a first and second all-star team be selected from among the players in the girls' league. Accordingly, the following have been chosen as members of two mythical Varsity teams:

Second Team First Team Position N. Johnson (Mountaineers) A. Lomac (Tigers) F I Hampton (Wild Cats) A. Carter (Tigers) M. Riddle (Mountaineers) R. Chiles (Tigers) H. Mumford (Mountaineers) K. Gallion (Wild Cats) G Z. Pleasants (Wild Cats) Lois Spencer (Wild Cats) G

Honorable Mention: Forwards-A. Perry (Jay Hawks), I. Dandridge (Terriers), Z. Chatman (Terriers);

Guards-M. Keene (Mountaineers), D. Brown (Terriers), A.

Calloway (Tigers).

The selections scarcely need justification. Statistics show that the two forwards, Miss Johnson and Miss Carter, scored more points than anyone else in the league. Miss Johnson, in particular, though playing only in the second half of many games, was indisputably the best player in the league and it was due chiefly to her that the Mountaineers were able to overcome the Tigers and defeat the Wild Cats. She has to her credit sixteen field goals and one free throw, 33 points altogether. Miss Carter, her mythical running mate, collected ten field goals and ten free throws for a total 30 points. Aggressive and dependable at all times. she was the outstanding player on her team. Miss Hampton of the Wild Cats and Miss Lomac of the Tigers also proved valuable players who would afford competition for any girls' team.

There was a decided lack of good centers. Miss Riddle of the Mountaineers was probably the best, with Miss Chiles of the Tigers a close second. Miss Riddle was chosen first because of her more consistent team-work and her keener eye for the basket. Furthermore, she could shift to any position and play as good a game at guard as center. Only Miss Carter excelled her at shooting fouls, and she by only one

point.

The Wild Cats seem to have a monopoly on the guards. Misses Gallion, Lois Spencer and Pleasants, all of the Wild Cats, along with Miss Mumford of the Mountaineers, proved the most consistent performers of the season. The guarding of the first two kept a team which was weak offensively in the running. Miss Spencer, too, managed to collect seven field goals, a good showing for a guard. Miss Gallion, by her ability to get the ball, pivot, and start a play back down the floor, was a valuable asset to the Wild Cats. In this she was not alone, however, for Miss Mumford, the protector of the Mountaineers' basket, displayed the same ability to as great a degree. Miss Gallion, however, seemed to excel her offensively, and is therefore on the first team.

Other capable forwards were Miss Perry, who seemed to have been handicapped by being the only aggressive member on a nonaggressive team. Miss Chatman and Miss Dandridge of the Terriers. Miss Keene and Miss Calloway of the Terriers, and Miss Brown of the Tigers, were among the guards worthy of mention.

#### THE. AGRICULTURAL PAGE

This page is devoted to the answering of questions dealing with agriculture. Questions should be sent to Mr. A. W. Curtis, director of the Department of Agriculture. and will be answered by him or by some member of the department.

Ouestion-Last year I had a good garden to start with, but before the season was over, insects practically destroyed it. What methods should I use to control insects and plant disease?

Answer-The gardener or horticulturist classifies insects according to the method by which they obtain their food, namely, chewing insects sucking insects. Chewing insects obtain their food by eating the leaves, stem or fruit, and are easily destroyed by using a poison such as arsenate of lead or paris green. If the vegetable in question is one of which the leaves are used for food, such as cabbage or lettuce, I would advise the use of kerosene emulsion or tobacco instead.

Sucking insects get their food from the plants by inserting their beaks into the cells of the plant

and drawing out the sap. Poison has no effect on this kind of insect. but it may be destroyed if colored with some caustic material, such as whale oil soap or kerosene emul-

Most diseases of plants are of a fungus nature, and spread by means of spores. The spores spread from infected leaves or plants to healthy plants, which, if unprotected, will also become diseased. Many of these diseases cannot be cured when they once get a good hold on the plants, but they may be prevented by spraying the plant with Bordeaux mixture (blue stone and unslaked lime) or limesulphur wash(sulphur and lime).

#### ALUMNI NOTES

OFFICERS OF INSTITUTE CLUBS Huntington,-W. A. Morris, Pres.

Irene Miller, Secty.

Parkersburg,-C. V. Harris, Pres. John McDowell, Vice Pres. Almeda Brown, Sectv. Florence Jackson, Asst. Secty. Alice Harris (Mrs.), Treas.



FOURTH-YEAR CLASS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS—1922

McDonald,—

John H. Branch, Pres. Lena Jones, Secty. Mary Poter, Treas.

Hinton,-

G. R. C. Crawford, Pres. Emma B. Smithers, Vice Pres. Blanch C. Peters (Mrs.), Secty. Veeta B. Anderson, Treas.

Clarksburg,—

Ophelia M. Washington, Pres. Velna McCoy, Vice Pres. Cornelia Spears, Secty. Estella Jones (Mrs.), Cor. Secty. Eva Green, Treas.

Greenbriar-Monroe-Pocahontas,— G. B. Cousins, Pres. Andrew Robinson, Vice Pres. Anna L. Garrison, Secty.

St. Albans,—

Garnett Smithing (Mrs.), Pres. Leroy Hall, Secty. Virginia W. Neal, Mrs. Treas.

Charleston—

G. E. Ferguson, Pres.

Institute—

D. M. Prillerman, Pres. C. O. Hubbard, Secty.

McDowell-Keystone-Mercer – Walter D. Clarkson, Pres. S, A. Calhoun, Secty. Mrs. Ida E. Whittico, Treas.

Holden-

M. Paynter, Pres.
Miss Hattie C. Hicks, Secty.
Mrs. Anna C. Hunter, Treas.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—

Miss D. Mayhew, Pres. Miss Leona Mills, Secty. Mr. J. Hill, Treas. All graduates should be making arrangements to attend the annual Alumni meeting. Business of extreme importance will be considered. The day will be devoted to the following exercises: business meeting at ten o'clock A. M., a baseball game between the Alumni and the varsity team at 3:30 P. M., and the annual reception and luncheon at 7:00 P. M.

Special features will be the reunions of classes '97, '02, '07, '12, and '17. Members of these classes should make it their purpose and duty to be present in order that their classes should be the most representative as to number of persons present.

Don't forget your alumni dues. Kindly forward the same to Mr. A. G. Brown, Treasurer, Institute, W. Va.

#### 1901

Mr. Samuel S. Gordon may be addressed at St. Albans, W. Va.

Mrs. Cora Butler Williams has changed her address to 1004 Washington Street, Charleston, W. Va. Mrs. Williams is operating the dietary department of the Hotel Ferguson.

Miss Rhoda Wilson, teacher of English in the Garnett High School, Charleston, visited Institute recently.

#### 1909

Miss Jessie Lindsay has registered in the institution for educational work.

#### 1911

Mr. Quillion Jones, a teacher at Winona, W. Va., is pursuing work at Institute.

#### CAMPUS NOTES

On Friday evening, April 14, the First-Year Class presented the "Trial Scene" from *The Merchant of Venice* in a very excellent manner. Costumes and scenery were made and furnished by the members of the class. The following students took part:

Shylock	Jacob H. Johnson
Portia	Claudine Hurt
Antonio	Robert Redd
Bassanio	Augustine Fairfax
	Alphonso Brown
	Henry Suttles
	Annette Page
Clerk of Court	Theodore James
	Joseph Carey
Witnesses	Eurick Slater
With Cook	Eurick Slater Frederick Page

A synopsis of the play was read by Alice Curtis, and musical numbers were furnished by other members of the First-Year Class.

The annual football banquet was held in Glasscock Hall on Friday, March 31, at which time varsity letters and footballs were awarded to the following men: Captain Dandridge Brown, Granville Smith, Harry Saunders, Samuel Holland, William Moore, Courtney Preston, Smith Jones, Dillard Wilson, Clarence Bowles, Joseph Gough, Mark Cardwell, Fitzhugh Eaves, William Drewery,

Aubrey Harris, and Manager Alexander Washington. Coach Brock, in a brief address, commended the men for the work of the past season and urged them to prepare for even better work during the coming year. Captain-Elect William Moore also made a brief address, full of wholesome adjuration concerning team-work, scholarship and fair play.

#### Births

DAVIS: To Mr. Harry S. Davis
'11 and Mrs. Davis, a girl;
Charleston, W. Va,

DEANS: To Mr. Benjamin Deans '12 and Mrs. Deans, (Miss Lena King '14), a son. Mr. Deans is an instructor in the Keystone-Eckman School.

SAUNDERS: To Prof. Emmett B. Saunders '10 (Ohio State University '19), and Mrs. Saunders, a son, at Columbus, Ohio. Prof. Saunders is Principal of the Kelly Miller High School, Clarksburg.

#### Marriages

SCOTT-WHEELER: Prof. Daniel B. Scott, A.B. '20, to Miss Leonora Wheeler, at Sedalia, N. C., March 2, 1922. Prof. Scott is a teacher at Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia, N. C.

# Organization of Institute Clubs Watch us grow

OUR GOAL: 25 CLUBS BEFORE JUNE 1, 1922
SLOGAN: All for Institute Clubs—
All Clubs For Institute.

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## Spring

The cold and chilly winds are past,
The joyous spring has come;
The little insects have returned
From their dark winter home.

The little birds, in sweetest notes
Are chattering forth their songs,
Bestowing praises unto Him
To whom all praise belongs.

The butterflies and busy bees
Are on the flitting wing,
And seem to say among themselves
"We welcome thee, oh Sping!"

The seasons come, the seasons go;
Dost thou not understand
That all these things have been ordained
Just for the sake of man?

Rejoice with us, rejoice with us—
Let Nature have her sway.

According to majestic plans
It will e'er be this way.

—M. T. Sinclair, M. D.