

EXERCISES HELD AT LUCY COBB LAST NIGHT

FITTING CLIMAX TO THE MOST INTERESTING COMMENCEMENT SEASON EVER KNOWN AT THE INSTITUTION.

BY E. E. DALLIS.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
ATHENS, Ga., June 11.—The graduating night of the Lucy Cobb institute marked the climax in this, the most brilliant commencement in the history of its founding. This year's commencement has been a triumph, each night surpassing the brilliancy and beauty of the night previous, and it was justly fitting that so beautiful an occasion should have marked the end of so many brilliant nights.

This is the close of the forty-third session of this famous institution of learning, whose fair daughters are noted throughout the entire south for their beauty, grace, ease culture, refinement and accomplishments.

Mrs. Lipscomp, the beloved and highly honored principal of this institute, is justly proud of the successful session just closed and the brilliant commencement which has marked its close. This was indeed a gala year in Lucy Cobb's history, for the number of matriculates was far in excess of any previous year and it was to be lamented that the number of applicants for accommodations far exceeded the available room for their accommodation, and they were compelled to be turned down. Then, too, this year marks the largest gathering of the alumnae which has ever revisited their alma mater at commencement time, and the enthusiasm which marked Monday's reunion showed clearly that the love for Lucy Cobb Institute was not waning, but burned as brightly as during the "happy school days."

The discussion as to additional dormitory facilities met with such hearty support that it is hoped that it will become a reality in the near future and fill a long felt want.

The unusually large number of commencement visitors this year attested to the popularity of Lucy Cobb Institute, and all were universal in their praise of the excellent performances which have been given by the students, and which have met with such great favor and tumultuous applause, nightly by packed houses. The great crowd which packed Seney Stovall chapel last night to witness the graduation exercises of the class of 1902 was a grand compliment to the young ladies of the institute and a compliment most worthily bestowed, for never has an audience been more thoroughly and charmingly entertained. The chapel was packed to the door, and the gallery filled to suffocation, but all physical discomforts were forgotten when the exercises were begun.

The stage was most beautifully and artistically decorated for this gala occasion, and the "sweet girl graduates" in their dainty white frocks made a most charming picture worthy of a painter's brush.

The address to the senior class of 1902 was delivered by Hon. Thomas Hardwick, of Sandersville.

Mr. Hardwick came to address the young ladies of the institute, fresh from

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session was awarded to Miss Margaret Vonderay, of Athens.

The delivery of diplomas was then made by Mr. A. L. Hull, president of the board of trustees.

The program and graduates and elective students is as follows:

PROGRAM.

Address to senior class, 1902—Hon. Thomas Hardwick, Sandersville. Subject: "Why Don't You Speak for Yourself, John?"—Longfellow.

Valedictory—Miss Edith Hodgson, first honor, Athens, Ga.

Delivery of honors and prizes—Mrs. M. A. Lipscomp, principal.

Delivery of diplomas—Mr. A. L. Hull, president board of trustees.

GRADUATES.

Latin and English Course—Edith Fannie Hodgson, first honor, Athens; Fannie Blount Rutherford, second honor, Culloden; Caroline Stockton Walden, second honor, Athens; Rosena Elizabeth Thomas, Athens; Davis Pope, Albany.

English and French Course—Eula Lee Smith, De Liard; Rosa Deloney Hull, Athens; A'Lama Steele, Athens.

English Course—Eather Tribble, Athens; Nina Treutlen Jones, Wayneboro; Lilla May McDonald, Vienna; Mattie Hays Owsley, Columbus; Mary Cleveland Atkinson, Waverley; Mattie Van Buren,

years hence.

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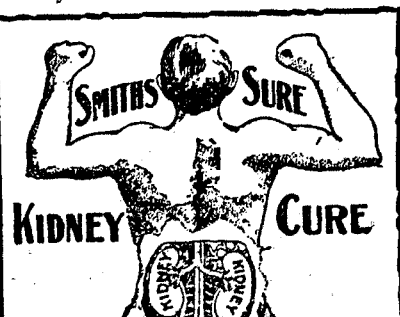
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The valedictory for the graduating class of 1902 was delivered by the first honor graduate of the class, Miss Edith Hodgson, of Athens, Ga. Miss Hodgson is noted for being one of the most brilliant students who ever graduated from Lucy Cobb Institute. She won out in this contest for honors just through her studiousness, determination, and ambition; she was closely pressed, but won out by a narrow margin.

Miss Hodgson is noted not only for her remarkable classroom work, but is especially brilliant in the musical department.

The second honor was tied for by Miss Fannie Rutherford, of Culloden, Ga., and Miss Caroline Stockton Walden, of Athens, both of whom were notably brilliant in the literary department.

Miss M. A. Lipscomb, principal of Lucy Cobb Institute, read the finest, ablest and most appropriate address which has ever been heard from that stage. The subject was not the flowery flights of rhetoric and merited praise of the graduates, but it was upon that subject which is at present the vital question of importance in the south, "Schools for Rural Districts." In this she pointed the way for the betterment of the community in which the graduates lived, and in this way the uplifting and upbuilding of the entire state. She pointed the way most clearly for the young ladies to fulfill their life's work by helping to raise the educational standard of Georgia.

The model school at Danielsville was pointed out as a happy operation of what she wished to have them put into practice, and she called attention to the fact that this school had its birth in Seney Stovall chapel, for it was here that the Woman's Club decided to operate it, and Miss A. O. Granger, president of the State Federation, gave the first \$250 to build it, and Mrs. Lipscomb proposes to start another at Tallulah Falls.

After this address in a few happy words Mrs. Lipscomb announced the successful winners of the prizes offered in the different departments, and delivered them to the successful winners.

These prizes were not given after a competitive trial but for general improvement throughout the year. Lucy Cobb Institute several years ago abandoned the giving of medals, but in their stead gives jewelry of some kind; this year it will be necklaces, rings and stick pins.

In the department of music Miss Kelpp, pianist, awards the prize in the third grade to Miss Margaret Charlton, of Savannah, Ga. She is the accomplished daughter of Hon. Walter G. Charlton. In the fourth class grade, to Miss Lyra Garrett, of Columbus, Ga.

Mrs. Maddox, vocalist, awards the prize in voice to Miss Mary Atkinson, of Waverly, Ga. Miss Atkinson is the niece of Judge Spencer R. Atkinson, of Atlanta. She possesses a voice of rare sweetness. Miss Hook, violinist, awards for improvement the prize to Miss Margaret Thomas, of Athens. She is the daughter of Mrs. Katie Morton Thomas and possesses a touch of rare sweetness. In art Miss Smith, artist, awards the prize to Miss May Allen, daughter of Dr. Allen, of Milledgeville, Ga. In French, the prize is awarded to Miss Naomi Neill, of Macon.

In scholarship, in the primary department the prize is awarded to little Miss Annie B. Dorsey, daughter of Mr. W. T. Dorsey, of Athens, Ga.

For the best essay the prize is given to Miss Kate Fort, of Athens.

The purse of \$25 in gold, awarded for the neatest notebook on the course of lectures, delivered at Lucy Cobb during the past

English and French Course—Eula Lee Smith, De Liard; Rosa Deloney Hull, Athens; A'Lama Steele, Athens.

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Elective B—Sadie Hunt, Columbus; Naomi Neill, Macon; Jessie L. Gunter, Social Circle; Elizabeth Beulah Landrum, Athens; Elizabeth French Atkinson, Waverly; May Temperance Allen, Milledgeville; Stella McGee, Americus; Myrtle Mobley, Monroe; Frances Dunlap, Gainesville; Gertrude Holden, Crawfordville.

Specials—Linda Gordon, Atlanta; Annie Copelan, Greensboro; Ruby Carithers, Winder; Florence Hodgson, Athens.

Waleska Notes.

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WALESKA, Ga., June 11.—Last Saturday this section was visited by a very fine rain, and considerable hail. The rain was greatly needed. The election passed off quietly. Mr. Guerry's friends were disappointed that he did not make a better showing. They hope he will get it four

years hence.

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SLATES KNOCKED OUT IN MACON SCHOOLS

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MACON, June 11.—Bibb's board of education has decided to abolish the use of slates. This is done for hygienic reasons as well as to prevent noise in the school room. Writing pads will be used instead.

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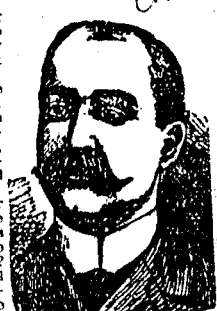
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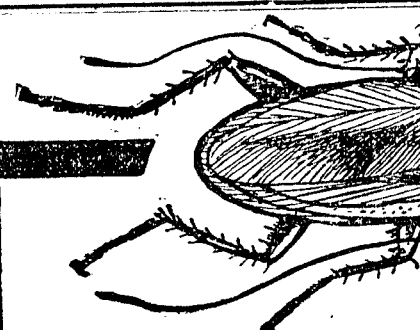
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