

MERCER'S CLOSING PROGRAM IS ARRANGED

STUDENTS WHO ARE CANDIDATES
FOR DEGREE WILL WEAR
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(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

MACON, Ga., May 28.—The commencement exercises of Mercer university will open with the commencement sermon by Dr. John E. White, of Atlanta, to be preached at the First Baptist church, on next Sunday, June 5th. The students will attend in a body, all candidates for degrees wearing the cap and gown. Sunday afternoon at 5:30 vesper services will be held at Selman Hall under the auspices of the college Y. M. C. A.

Monday evening the annual champion debate between the Ciceronian and Phi Delta societies will take place. The subject of debate will be "The municipal ownership of public utilities." The Ciceronian society will be represented by O. H. Dukes, Roscoe, Ga.; J. H. Barber, Dacula, Ga., and William Rhodes, Alpharetta, Ga. The Phi Delta society will be represented by Mr. Roy W. Crockett, Macon, Ga.; Mr. J. D. Underwood, Cleveland, Ga., and Mr. A. W. Logan, Macon, Ga.

The contest for the Hardman medal will be held Tuesday morning, June 7th. The speakers for this occasion are B. B. Cousins, Luthersville, Ga.; G. W. McWhorter, Greensboro, Ga.; R. L. Bolton, Milner, Ga., and R. O. Jackson, McDonough, Ga. Tuesday afternoon the senior class day exercises will be held on the lawn in front of University hall. A very interesting program has been arranged for this occasion and the music and songs will be furnished by the senior class glee club. The following speakers have been named: Class orator, J. Walker Combs, Locust Grove, Ga. Topic: "To Undergrads."

Class Prophet—George W. Light, Otis, Ga.

Class Poet—Frank T. Long, Leesburg, Ga.

Historian—W. J. DeLoach, Chipley, Ga. Harry W. Stovall, of Atlanta, will deliver the "will to undergrads."

An address to the senior class will be made by the president of the university.

Reception to Students.

The reception on Tuesday evening, June 7, from 9 to 11, tendered by the faculty of the university, including all full professors in the literary, law and pharmacy departments of the university, to the students, friends and alumni of the college, will be the most attractive feature. Over five hundred invitations have been issued. The reception committee will consist of the full professors of the university with their wives, the president of the board of trustees and wife, and a few others specially invited.

Much ceremony will be added to the commencement exercises on Wednesday. The convocation procession will form at Selman hall and proceed across the university campus to Ash street, thence north to the university chapel where the exercises will occur. The order of procession will be as follows: First, students of the university by classes, Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors; second, candidates for pharmacy degrees; third, candidates for law degree; fourth, candidates for B. S. degree; fifth, candidates for A. B. degree; sixth, candidates for A. M. degree; seventh, faculty of pharmacy; eighth, faculty of law; ninth, faculty of arts; tenth, president and vice president; eleventh, alumni in order of college seniority; twelfth, trustees and guests; thirteenth, president of board of trustees. The procession will wear the regulation uniform adopted by the college, consisting of the Harvard academic cap and gown. The Latin formulae will be used in conferring degrees. Candidates in pharmacy will be presented by J. F. Sellers; candidates in law will be presented by C. P. Steed; candidates for B. S. degree will be presented by E. C. Burnett; candidates for A. B. degree will be presented by J. S. Murray; candidates for A. M. degree will be presented by G. H. Clarke; candidates for honorary degrees will be presented by H. D. Ragdale. The recessional march will proceed from the chapel along the same line to Selman hall.

Sparks Melton To Speak.

The baccalaureate address will be delivered by Rev. Sparks W. Melton, of Augusta. Judge Emory Speer, of the United States court, and dean of the law faculty, will be prevented from delivering the baccalaureate address for the law department as heretofore, as the great pressure of work in his court compelled him to decline this engagement, much to the regret of the university, as well as the general public, who value every opportunity to hear this distinguished orator and jurist. The graduates in pharmacy will be represented by Mr. J. W. Vinson, of Byron; the law graduates will be represented by Mr. Sidney W. Hatcher, of Macon, and the literary graduates by Mr. Frank T. Long, of Leesburg, and Mr. W.

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The alumni reunion and banquet on Tuesday, June 7th, will witness the reunion of the classes of 1854, '59, '69, '74, '79, '84, '89, '94 and '99. Each class has its reunion every five years and these are occasions of special enjoyment to those participating. The alumni address will be delivered by Judge George Hillyer, of Atlanta, Ga., a graduate of the class of '54.

Moot Court Arranged.

On Wednesday evening, June 8th, commencement will close with the moot court, conducted by the students in law. The case is a suit for damages for breach of marriage contract by Minerva Hasbline vs. John Craven. The plaintiff, who will be impersonated by Mr. Stakely, has secured for counsel C. F. McLaughlin and E. Herbert Clay, while the defendant will be represented by W. H. Lasseter and A. L. Massengale.

The music for the commencement will be furnished by the orchestra of the Monroe Female college, under the direction of Professor Wallace. The University Glee club, under the direction of Mr. S. A. C. Everett, will furnish a number of college songs for the various occasions. The double quartette consists of Mr. J. W. Combs, Mr. Harry W. Stovall, Mr. Paul Ellison, Mr. H. B. Nichols, Mr. Paul Rosser, Mr. W. E. Mitchell, Mr. O. C. Griner, Mr. W. T. Smith. Their songs will be an important part of the senior class day exercises.

JUNIOR DEPT. OF Y. M. C. A. TO MAKE TRIP TO THE FAIR

Party Will Leave on June 23, To Be Gone for Ten Days.

Under the personal supervision of John W. Seidel, boys' work director, and C. Fletcher Quillian, intercollegiate secretary, the junior department of the Y. M. C. A. will make a trip to the St. Louis world's fair, the trip to be taken during the month of June.

The party will be met in St. Louis by representatives of the local association, and will be given board in the lodgings provided by it.

The trip will last ten days, from June 23 to July 2, and arrangements have been made so that it will cost little.