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Thirty-Second Annual Commencement Exercises Held Tennessee A. & I. College

Tennessee A. & I. State College held its Thirty-second Annual Commencement on June 5, at 10:00 A. M. at which time President John W. Davis of West Virginia State College delivered the Commencement Address to 116 candidates for the Bachelor's degree and one candidate for the Graduate degree.

FIRST MASTER'S DEGREE CONFERRED

Mrs. Martha W. Wheeler, honor graduate of Shaw University and granddaughter of Mr. John Merrick, founder of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, was the first Master's degree candidate in the history of the college. The college first conferred the Bachelor's degree in 1924.

Dean G. W. Gore, Jr., presented the graduates to President W. S. Davis, who conferred the degrees. Diplomas were presented by Mr. A. W. Carroll, assistant State Commissioner of Education, who addressed the members of the graduating class.

Platform guests included, Dr. S. L. Smith, George Peabody College; Miss Maude M. Holman, executive secretary, State Department of Education; Mrs. N. M. Holland, secretary to Mr. W. E. Turner, State Department of Education and the Reverend R. C. Barbour, pastor, First Baptist Church, who offered the invocation.

On Sunday, June 4, at 3:30 P. M. President W. R. Banks of Prairie View State College, delivered the baccalaureate sermon. The Reverend W. S. Ellington, pastor, First Baptist Church, East Nashville, offered the invocation.

There were 15 men and 102 women in the graduating class. Twenty-five members of the class were graduated with distinction. Special prizes were offered by national Greek letter organizations, local student organizations and special departments for outstanding scholarship during the academic year. The graduates are listed as follows:

First at A & I



MRS. MARTHA W. WHEELER, A. and I. State College's first Master of Science.

Mrs. Wheeler is an honor graduate of Shaw University, and the granddaughter of Mr. John Merrick, the founder of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Tennessee A. & I. College Summer Session Registration, June 12

Tennessee A. & I. State College first six weeks' Summer Session will begin with registration at 8:00 A. M. Monday, June 12 and classes Tuesday, June 13 and continuing through July 19.

Courses will be offered in the Divisions of Agriculture, Business Education, Education, Home Economics, Engineering and Liberal Arts. Pre-medical courses will also be offered.

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CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION 1944

In the Graduate Division with the Degree of Master of Science—Martha Williams Wheeler, (B. S., Shaw University, 1936) of Raleigh, North Carolina. Major: Business Education. Thesis: A Study of Selected Abilities of First Quarter Freshmen Majoring in Business at Agricultural and Industrial State College.

In the Division of Agriculture
With the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture:

Grace J. Buckner, of St. Louis, Missouri

***John Ivory Campbell, of Ripley, Roy Meeks, of Colp, Illinois, Nelson John Senter, of Nashville, Emma Lee Shaw, of Ripley.

In the Division of Business Administration

With the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration:

Gloria Patricia Boyd, of Cleveland, Ohio

Jeanetta Augusta Brazier, of Birmingham, Alabama—With Distinction

Overa Burnett, of Nashville, Eunice Marie Bush, of Shreveport, Louisiana

John Evelyn Carrington, of Roanoke, Virginia

***Sammie Sumner Caruthers, of Nashville—With Distinction

Nettie Marie Cody, of St. Louis, Missouri

Georgia Mattie Coleman, of Homer, Louisiana—With Distinction

Jeraline Doris Harven, of Paducah, Kentucky—With Distinction

Georgia Mae Johnson, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Gwendolyn Larra Johnson, of Corinth, Mississippi

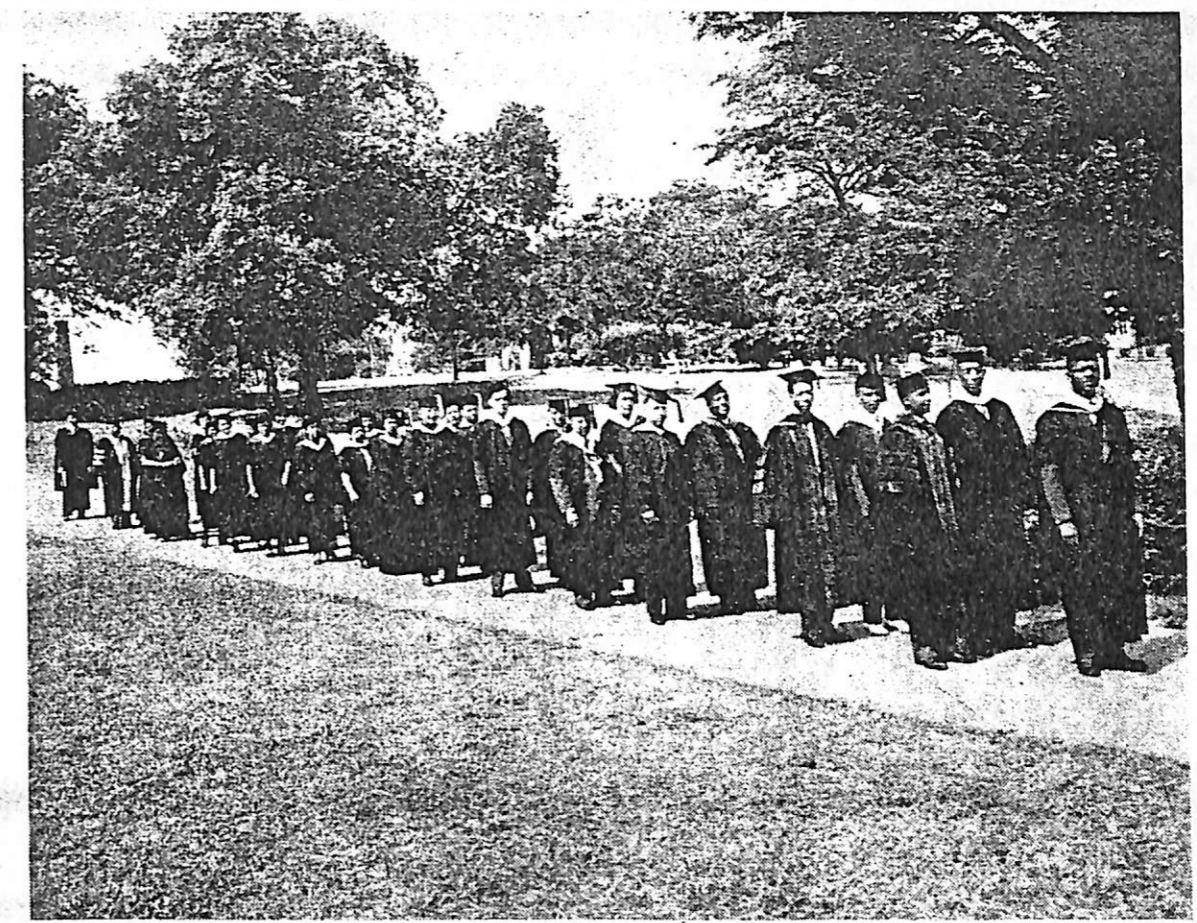
Willie Lee Joyner, of Jacksonville, Florida—With Distinction

Cecelia Velma Maclin, of Memphis—With Distinction

Ermine Smith Morris, of Nashville—With High Distinction

***Dorothy Savada Murray, of Cairo, Illinois

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President W. R. Banks of Prairie View State College, baccalaureate speaker; President W. S. Davis and Dean G. W. Gore, Jr., with members of the faculty in baccalaureate procession, Thirty-second Annual Commencement, June 4-5.

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Agora Assembly Presents Third Sunday Service

The Agora Assembly, an organization composed of many of the leading professional men of the city, sponsored the May Third Sunday Service at A. & I. State College.

Dr. W. H. Grant of Meharry Medical College, spoke on the subject, "Tropical Medicine in Postwar America."

As the result of a recent study of tropical diseases, Dr. Grant emphasized the need for a more general knowledge of facts and information pertaining to specific diseases of a tropical nature. In this connection, Dr. Grant pointed out that thousands of soldiers now exposed to tropical diseases will at the close of the war return to the states, thus making the issue a concern of all the people and the physician in particular. "Present enlightenment is, therefore, necessary to care for a postwar period that will see many new diseases," declared Dr. Grant.

A question and answer period following the lecture was conducted by Dr. W. S. Quinlan of Meharry Medical College.

The Meharry Octet furnished music for the occasion.

Thirty-second Annual Commencement

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Cecil Armillo Partee, of Blytheville, Arkansas—With Distinction

Edna Marie Roberts, of Nashville
Camille Doris Robinson, of Chattanooga

Idella Marvell Slater, of West Palm Beach, Florida
Minnie Pearl Sprinzel, of Nashville

Clara Bell Webb, of Macon, Georgia—With Distinction

In the Division of Education

With the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Education:

Matty Sue Adams, of Hopkinsville, Kentucky—With Distinction

***Lucy Bell, of Nashville
Robert Charles Blackwell, of Nashville

Mattie Delphia Bracey, of Murfreesboro

*Ruth Myrtle Brooks, of Baton Rouge, Louisiana

**Roy Bartley James Campbell, Jr., of Nashville—With Distinction

*Viola Rudean Candler, of Asheville, North Carolina
Elladon Snow Carson, of Montgomery, Alabama

*Thelma Louise Charles, of Cincinnati, Ohio

Annie Moore Clark, of Carthage
A. Alene Coleman, of Nashville

Katherine Aryanne Cox, of Chattanooga

****Mae Etta Dansby, of Dickson
Wylma Luetisha Davis, of Nashville

William Errol Dickerson, of Clarksville

Fannie Reola Douglas, of Nashville

Anna Kate Edington, of Lynch, Kentucky

Henry Clay Edmunds, of Knoxville

****Mattie Lee Fields, of Nashville
Dorothy Mai Gentry, of Nashville

****Manilla Myles Greene, of Springfield

****Rexie Allen Greenfield, of Lewisburg

Toledo Dozier Hale, of Nashville
Adelle Kizer Harris, of Nashville

****Georgianna Hayes, of Denmark
Gladys Marie Holt, of Rockford, Illinois—With High Distinction

Juanita Elizabeth Horner, of Dickson—With High Distinction

***Theo Edith Howard, of Mobile
Alabama

****Jimmie Mae Hunt, of Birmingham, Alabama

Sarah Lee Hurt, of Lewisburg
Edwina Morton Lee, of Nashville

***Elizabeth Catherine McAdams, of Nashville

James Finnemore McClellan, of Nashville—With Distinction

Marion Louise McCoy, of Nashville

Mae Emma McMillan, of Pensacola, Florida

Lois Edwina Martin, of Birmingham, Alabama
Earnestine Zefferina Mitchell, of Mobile, Alabama

Carrie M. Moore, of Nashville
Gloria Alford Moore, of Mt. Vernon, Illinois

Fannie Ruth Morton, of Union City

Frances Mae Pegues, of Sharon
With Distinction

Dorothy Belle Phelps, of Rocky Mount, Virginia—With Distinction

**Bessie Ramsey Sanders, of Nashville

Ethel Bettye Seets, of McKenzie
With Distinction

*Hildred Etta Shearer, of Elizabethton

*Mattie Short, of Franklin
Doris Audrey Strong, of Enslin, Alabama

Alberta Juanita Sweeney, of Pulaski

Robert Benjamin Vann, of Clarksville

*Maggie C. Webster, of Williamsport

****Nancy Lawrence Williams, of Nashville

Peggy Mary Williams, of Nashville

Helen Evanda Wren, of East St. Louis, Illinois

Evelyn Greenfield Young, of Petersburg

In the Division of Engineering
With the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Industrial Education

***Lemuel Harlin McKissack, of Nashville

In the Division of Home Economics
With the Degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics:

Dorothy Alene Abron, of Birmingham, Alabama

Bessie Mae Batts, of Nashville

****Margaret Elizabeth Carlock, of Athens

*Margaret Lois Gillum, of Nashville

Faye Louise Glover, of Jacksonville, Florida

Eddie Mae Gunn, of Nashville
Lorine Frankie Knight, of Readyville—With Distinction

Christine Elizabeth Lytle, of Nashville

Fannie Mae McGill, of Nashville
Fannie Laura Palmer, of Lebanon

Alma Endelace Pendleton, of Greenville, Mississippi — With Distinction

Eddie Belle Pinson, of Memphis
Ethel Huddleston Price, of Dickson

Lois Lucile Robinson, of Chattanooga

Georgia Anita Suggs, of Clarksville

Lily Mae Thomas, of Linden
Ethel Elaine Watkins, of Nashville

Ora Lucile Williams, of Church Hill, Mississippi

Florence A. Thomas, of Linden
With the Degree of Bachelor of Science

Ossie Wilease Bailey, of E. St. Louis, Illinois

Mary Louise Fontinette, of Gary, Indiana

Joe Rivers McClure, of Pulaski
—With Distinction

Catherine Antoinette Maryland, of Nashville

Clarence Edward O'Neal, Jr., of Hopkinsville, Kentucky — With Distinction

Edward Wilson Reed, of Birmingham, Alabama

****Gordon Southall, of Franklin
Mary Willie Wickware, of Franklin, Kentucky.

*August, 1943
**December, 1943
***March, 1944

****Candidate for July, 1944

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
1944

Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarships:
Alpha Psi Chapter, awarded for the highest standing in the Freshman class: Adabelle Ashley, Toledo, Ohio; Alpha Delta Omega Chapter, awarded on basis of scholarship, character and promise of future service; Catherine Moody, Trenton, Kentucky.

Alpha Phi Alpha Scholarship, awarded for highest scholarship in lower division for the academic year 1943-1944: Ruth Edmondson, Lebanon.

Alpha Kappa Mu Keys, awarded for maintaining a scholarship average of A minus (3.3) based upon a minimum of six quarters work: Caulyne C. Bramlette, Pulaski; Ossie M. Gates, Marianna, Arkansas; Lucille P. Laws, Nashville; James McClellan, Nashville; Ermine S. Morris, Nashville; Annie Palmer, Lebanon; Lillian M. Rhodes, Nashville; Elaine Sherrill, Johnson City; Ethelyne Ward, Lebanon; Martha W. Wheeler, Raleigh, North Carolina; Louise Willis, Atlanta, Georgia.

Dean's Award in Educational Research: Mrs. Martha W. Wheeler, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Elementary Education Club Scholarship, awarded to the person maintaining the highest scholarship in elementary education during 1943-1944; Mrs. Alta M. King, Chattanooga.

English Prizes, awarded for high scholarship in English for four years: Mae Frances Newby, Nashville; Helen Wrenn, E. St. Louis, Illinois; Lena Jones, Memphis.

History Study Club Certificates of Merit, awarded to the seniors majoring in History and Social Studies, who graduate with distinction: Roy Bartley James Campbell, Nashville; James Finnemore McClellan, Nashville.

History Study Club Certificates of Merit, awarded for graduating with high distinction: Juanita Elizabeth Horner, Dickson; Gladys Marie Holt, Rockford, Illinois.

History Study Club Scholarship, awarded to the freshman majoring in history who maintained the highest average: Bennie Batts, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Lila Vivian Reid, Anderson, Indiana; Gwendolyn Woods, Chicago, Illinois.

History Study Club Loving Cup, awarded to the National Greek Letter Organization making the most cultural contribution during the academic year: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Lambda Eta Sigma National Jewel-ship Awards, to student members for literary achievement and leadership: Gloria Patricia Boyd, Cleveland, Ohio; Nettie Marie Cody, St. Louis, Missouri; Wylma Luetisha Davis, Nashville; Mary Alyce Edmondson, Nashville; Carrie Belle Garrett, Clarksville; Adelle M. Harris, Nashville; Virgie Gaynell Hale, Nashville; Mae

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Frances Newby, Nashville; Minnie Elizabeth Thomas, Pulaski.

Metal Arts Scholarship Keys, awarded to the seniors with the first and second highest scholarship average for the four years course: Virgie Hale, Nashville; Juanita Horner, Dickson.

Romance Language Prizes, awarded for excellence in Spanish: Virgie Hale, Nashville; for excellence in French: Grace Witherspoon, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

Tennessee State Players Guild Dramatic Keys, awarded for excellence in drama: Cecil Partee, Blytheville, Arkansas; Gladys Holt, Rockford, Illinois; Charlessetta Spurlock, Cincinnati, Ohio; Marguerite Campbell, Nashville; William E. Dickerson, Clarksville; Mary E. Ray, Lexington, Kentucky; Robert Whyte, Gary, Indiana; Mae Frances Newby, Nashville.

The Beta Kappa Alpha Key, awarded for excellence in speech and drama: R. B. J. Campbell, Jr., Nashville; Elaine Sherrill, Johnson City; William Cox, Nashville; Mrs. Marie Brooks-Strange, Chicago.

Tennessee State Players Guild Dramatic Scholarship, awarded to the Freshman who has made the most outstanding record in acting and play production: Myrtle Brown, Montgomery, Alabama.

ALPHA KAPPA MU ENTERTAINS HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

Phi Beta Tau chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu, national honor society, entertained honor roll students for the Fall and Winter Quarters of the academic year 1943-44 in the college recreation hall May 24.

President W. S. Davis and Dean G. W. Gore, Jr., congratulated the students on their success and challenged them to continue their efforts not only throughout their college career, but throughout life.

Educational games featured the social hour. Refreshments were served.

Students, having met the requirements for membership in the organization during the year, i. e. having maintained a scholarship average of A minus (3.3) based upon a minimum of six quarters' work are as follows: Canlyne C. Bramlette, Pulaski; Ossia M. Gates, Marianna, Arkansas; Lucille P. Laws, Nashville; James McClellan, Nashville; Ermine S. Morris, Nashville; Annie Palmer, Lebanon; Lillian M. Rhodes, Nashville; Elaine Sherrill, Johnson City; Ethelyne Ward, Lebanon; Martha W. Wheeler, Raleigh, North Carolina; and Louise Willis, Atlanta, Georgia.

CLASS SONG-1944

A. and I. we're about to leave thee
And your colors white and blue
In our hearts remains a yearning
For our Alma Mater true.
To thee we raise our voices
In a mighty song of praise
Whatever might be our choices
Along life's many ways.

Now that we're about to leave thee
And your colors white and blue
We'll never, never forget thee
No matter what we do
In years to come, thy memory
Deep in our hearts will dwell
Farewell Dear Alma Mater
Farewell, Farewell.

CHORUS

Farewell, Dear Alma Mater
Farewell, to white and blue
We'll love thee forever
To thee, we'll e'er be true.
—Lyric by Ellaleon Carson
—Music by Anna K. Edington

CLASS POEM

1944

BEYOND THIS COLLEGE SHORE

'Spite sun and rain and windy weather,
We've reached our destined shore;
Now at last we stand together,
Stronger and wiser than before.
The many days were dark and dreary,
And our load seemed hard to bear,
We trudged along the weak and weary
And fainted not in despair.

We knew that clouds would shade our way
For life's not all sunshine;
Within our souls we placed the ray
That would not let us pine.
But boldly we did face our plight,
And clamored for the skies;
It mattered not how dark the night,
A hope beamed in our eyes.

Into a raging world we sail,
To the tune of battle song;
Where graft and greed now prevail,
And right is ruled by wrong.
We gaze upon a ghastly scene,
Of the nation's evil passions.
Here idlers daily prance and preen,
And we thrive on pointed rations.

We shudder as we pause to think,
Of the coming destitution;
Our hearts within our bosom sink,
At youth's hold prostitution
Friends and foes their pow'rs wield
And cause our hearts to cry;
Bloody are the battlefields,
Where men now fight and die.

Tho' this may be the raging sea,
Upon which we shall set sail;
We launch our fleet to set men free,
And to pierce times' darkened vail.
We shall weather the roughest gales,
That seem to sever our mast:
While billows crown our golden sails,
And peace be the part we gain at last!

A secret sigh fills our hearts,
As we now glide from thee;
But we shall be a potent part
Of A. and I. victories
May these silent sacred halls,
Withhold our glad refrain
To these blessed hallowed walls
We'll yearn to come again.

TENNESSEE A. & I. COLLEGE SUMMER SESSION

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One of the features of the session will be a two-weeks Trade and Industrial Education School, June 19-July 1 with Dr. G. E. Freeman, State Director of Vocational Education, and Mr. W. A. Seeley, State Supervisor Trade and Industrial Education, in charge. Professor E. P. Westmoreland, Special Representative Vocational Training for War Production Workers U. S. Office of Education, Washington, D. C., will be a special teacher. The school is an initial step toward what is hoped to be the beginning of an improved and adequate program of teacher-training and instruction in Trade and Industrial Education for Negroes of Tennessee. Credit is given for courses offered.

The annual short course for teachers of Vocational Agriculture and Vocational Home Economics will be held June 12-June 30 under the direction of Dr. G. E. Freeman, State Director of Vocational Education, and Miss Margaret Browder, State Supervisor of Home Economics Education, of the State Department of Education; and Professor W. A. Flowers, Director of the Division of Agriculture and Miss Christine Alexander, Acting Director of the Division of Home Economics, Tennessee A. & I. State College. Both technical and professional courses in the field of Agriculture and Home Economics will be given.

From June 21 to 27 will be held the Christian Conference of Negro Women sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary, Synod of Tennessee Presbyterian Church, U. S.

A three-weeks Workshop for Administrators and Supervisors and Teachers of High School and Elementary School Subjects will be conducted at the college June 29-July 19 under the sponsorship of the State Department of Education. A Reading Clinic will be included as one phase of the Workshop program. Special demonstrations and lectures will be given by Dr. Ullin W. Leavell, professor of Education, George Peabody College for Teachers, Mr. W. E. Turner, of the State Department of Education, along with other representatives, will participate in the program.

The second term of the Summer Session, also to be featured by special conference, will be conducted July 20-August 25.

When in thy fond and cherished name,
True honors for us there'll be
When lofty destinies we've claimed,
Dear A. and I. we'll come to thee,
As we sail from this college shore,
Our banners wave on high,
We, the class of '44
Now bid you all good-by.

—Fannie Ruth Morton
Elementary Education