

## THE SOCIAL SCIENCES

The historian can aid the student to gain stability of thinking by pointing out the continuity of history and the relatively unbroken chain of daily life experiences in all past historical periods, even in the midst of wars and other dislocations. The sociologist can remove one source of mental insecurity by pointing out the universality of religious faith and the essential stability of the institution of religion in all cultures and in all epochs and by emphasizing the importance of the family and its social functions rather than highlighting the rising divorce rate. The geographer can temper his discussion of diminishing natural resources with the thought that, in the past at least, necessity has provided substitutes as they have been needed. The political scientist can point out that, in spite of the multitude of unsolved problems of government, Western civilization has witnessed a continuous advance toward those ideals of equality which are considered the goals of man's higher social intelligence. The economist may be critical, but his work is only half-done if he does not also show that successful processes of readjustment have, in time, by-passed every economic disorganization of the past.

-- STEPHENS COLLEGE News Reporter

## OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

Members of the faculty should arrange through Mrs M M Brown in the library for securing academic costumes necessary for participation in Baccalaureate and Commencement exercises, June 3-4.

Instructors are hereby authorized to excuse the following students May 10-12:

William Bass	Carlos Bruce
Belle Doughty	Mamie Bowen
Charles Smith	Helen Porter
Henry Holbert	John Bolden
Charles Pulliam	Elizabeth Hurd
Alvin Sharpe	Mary E Wilson

## OFFICIAL MEETINGS

1. Tuesday, May 15, General faculty, A206, 3:00 p.m.
2. Thursday, May 17, Coordinating Committee, A207, 3:00 p.m.

## FRESHMAN COUNSELORS

The May meeting of Freshman Counselors will be held in A206 Monday, May 14, 1945, from four to five in the afternoon, in the Foyer of the Women's Building. Mothers of Nashville Freshmen are invited. Guest Speaker: Mrs Blanton E Black.



## FACULTY PICNIC SUPPER

The Faculty Club of Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State College will be hosts at a Picnic Supper in the Recreation Hall and on the College Lakes Thursday, May 17, 1945, from 5:00 p m to 8:00 p m, to the Faculty and Staff members of Fisk University and Meharry Medical College. There will be badminton, bridge, soft-ball, swimming, lawn and table tennis, volleyball. Join in the fun and entertainment!

## ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL SCIENCE TEACHERS IN NEGRO COLLEGES

The Association of Social Science Teachers in Negro Colleges held their Tenth Annual Conference at Tennessee A and I State College, May 4 and 5. Forty-six delegates from eleven states registered.

They will meet at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, next year. The following officers were elected for next year: Prof W F Nowlin, Bluefield State Teachers College, President; Prof Merl R Eppse, Tennessee A and I State College, Vice-President; and Dr Mabel Smythe, Lincoln University (Mo), Secretary-Treasurer, Prof T E McKinney was Honorary President.

Among the speakers were Prof Raleigh A Wilson, Prof Herman Long, Prof Edward N Palmer, Dr H C Brearly and Dr Alva Taylor, all of Nashville colleges.

## ACADEMIC COLORS

In assigning the colors to signify the respective faculties, the Intercollegiate Commission retained the historical associations. The white border used for the departments of arts and letters is taken from the white fur trimming of the Oxford and Cambridge bachelor of arts hoods. Red, the traditional color of the church throughout all ages, indicates a degree in theology. The royal purple of the King's Court signifies the law. Green, the color of medicinal herbs, stands for the faculty of medicine. Blue, the color of wisdom and truth, signifies philosophy. Golden yellow indicates science, because through research untold wealth has been given to the world. The Oxford pink has been adhered to for a degree in the department of music, while olive was selected for pharmacy because it is closely allied with the green of medicine, and the russet brown of forestry is a tribute to the old-time dress of English foresters.

Following is a list of the colors established by the Intercollegiate Code to represent the different faculties or departments of learning:

Agriculture .....	Maize	Education .....	Light-Blue
Arts and Letters .....	White	Engineering .....	Orange
Commerce and Accountancy ...	Drab	Science .....	Gold-Yellow

## GRADUATE STUDY

According to the recent issue of the Journal of Negro Education during 1944 seventeen doctoral dissertations written by Negroes were accepted by reputable institutions. Eight colleges primarily for Negroes reported a combined total of 77 master's theses. The greatest number of these, 20, were sponsored by Atlanta University, one was sponsored by Tennessee Agricultural and Industrial State College.

## HAVE YOU READ?

In the Spring Number 1945 of the Journal of Negro Education "The Negro as a Subject of University Research in 1944" by Ellis O Knox, "Enrollment in Institutions of Higher Education for Negroes, 1944-45" by Martin D Jenkins and "Graduate Work in Selected White and Negro Institutions" by Sidney J Reedy.