

DR. SHAHAN PRESIDES

Rock Hill Exercises Held in Baltimore.

ESSAYS BY GRADUATING CLASS

Master's Oration, "Popular Election of United States Senators," Delivered by William Lavelle...

Baltimore, June 18.—The fifty-third commencement of Rock Hill College was held Thursday...

List of Essays. "Lend Kelvin," Raymond Curtis; "A need of the hour," John Dunn...

The address to the graduates was delivered by Richard J. Davis, class of '95, Portsmouth, Va.

Brother Maurilio, the president of the college, announced the following degrees: Master of arts, Dr. Frank J. Kerle...

Roll of honor (senior division)—Edgar Sandman, John Dunn, Harry Hinchman...

Roll of honor (junior division)—William Doyle, Thomas Boyle, Thaddeus Owings...

Prizes Are Awarded. At the close of the final examinations, prizes were awarded to the following successful students...

First class—Edmond Callahan, Thaddeus Owings, John Corbett...

Second class—Robert Romogosa, Joseph Prudergast, Eugene Rest, Reginald O'Hare...

Third class—Alfred Wilson, Hugh McKenney, Robert Talbot, Andria Munn...

Fourth class—Francis Abella, Bernard Fernandez, Richard Caldera...

Gold Medals for Students. Gold medals were awarded to the following: For manliness, to John P. Fabery...

For English essay, to Edgar Sandman, Maryland. For experimental science, to Lee Mahoney, Virginia.

For mechanical drawing, to Raymond Curtis, Maryland. For oratory, to Hunter Von Lee, Pennsylvania.

For excellence in sophomore class, to William Hunt, Virginia. For excellence in freshman class, to Thomas Boyle, Virginia.

For good conduct in junior department, to Edmond Callahan, of Georgia. For modern languages, to Edgar Sandman.

GRATITUDE

(Written for The Washington Herald.)

Gratitude to Thee, Thou God of nature, For the fullness of these June days...

Oh, Thou great Spirit of Life! All thy yesterdays, all thy to-morrows, Are perfected in to-day.

And my heart is a-hungered for some perfect word. To sing Thy praise, for the song of gladness...

Cannot sleep on folded wings. All the dreams, all the sorrows, all the glories...

Of life, the toll, the triumph, the pain, the pride, All that strikes deeper and higher...

Than the depths and heights of love, All these I give from the midnoon of my soul.

And of trust, as nothing. Full of trust, full of joy is this glowing childhood morning of June.

For all these I pray for speech through The sheaves of corn and down falling apples...

Through the rose bloom and wild music of birds, So that my voice will reach Thee...

In a psalm of gratitude for life, Springing fresh again, in which Thou dost appear in human love.

ALICE SHARPE BALCH, June 4, 1910, 1309 Second Street.

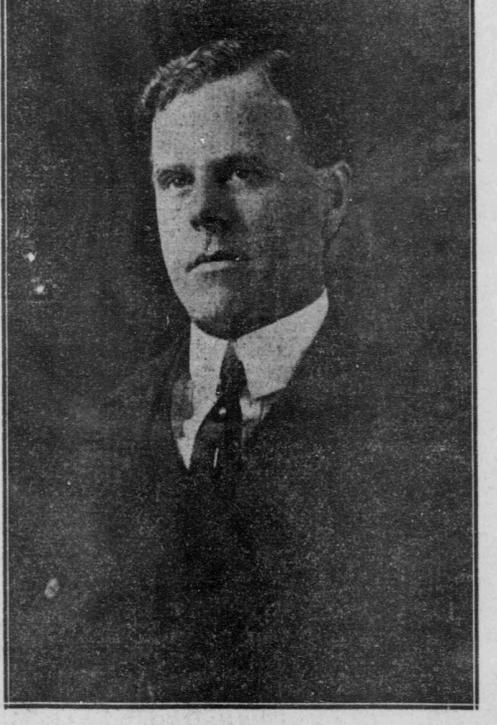


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Items, General and Personal, Of Interest to G. P. O. Workers

PRINTER-CONGRESSMAN FROM IOWA

W. B. Jameson, representative from the Eighth Iowa district, was born in Iowa November 2, 1873. When nine years of age he began setting type in his father's office...



HON. WILLIAM B. JAMISON, One of the Flag Day orators at the Government Printing Office.

At seventeen years of age, Mr. Jameson joined Chicago union, and for four years, at different times, was a tramp printer, working in all the big cities and several of the small towns between Chicago and Anacostia, Mont.

Edmund Shaw reported for duty in the proofroom on Monday after a siege of night work since last December. The entire force of the job room has been ordered to work until 9 o'clock until further orders, owing to the rush in that division.

Sam Kirby is enjoying the balance of his leave, and R. W. Butler is officiating as referee on specifications. Charles F. Garrette, of the proofroom, has enjoyed the pleasure of a visit from his daughter and her husband and two grand children all the way from Panama.

meeting were: President, Mrs. R. A. Julian; vice president, Mrs. E. H. Andrew; secretary treasurer, Mrs. E. H. Thomas; chaplain, Mrs. A. W. Bowen; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. Annie Tomlin.

Ed. Murray, of the proofroom, is putting in the balance of his leave in that dear old Baltimore. Some of the moving picture manufacturers are sadly in need of the services of the proofreader, much of the orthography and punctuation they display being very sign-painterish.

The rush for the closing hours of Congress has necessitated a "lobster shift" in the proofroom. Charles Maxwell, secretary of New York Union, was a visitor at the office on Thursday, where he has many friends and acquaintances.

Thomas F. Tuohy, maker-up in the job room, sailed from New York yesterday for a month's tour of Ireland. Four deaths are reported among the membership of Columbia Union during the past month.

The annual convention of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union will be held this week at Columbus, Ohio. Carl van White, Maurice Bretzfelder, and William Dooley represent Washington Pressmen's Union No. 1.

The installation of officers will be the chief feature of the proceedings of Columbia Typographical Union at Typographical Temple at 2:30 to-day.

Johnny Lutich, the bustling little manager of the St. Stephen's team of the Capital City League, says the low position they occupy in the race is due to the fact that so many of his men belong to other clubs, and are in such demand that he is often handicapped in putting a full nine into a game, and that if he ever accepts the management of another club it will be with an iron-clad rule that his men shall belong to one club only.

Frank P. Wilkins, of the Spess, is on leave. James Jenkins, of the document section, has been granted the balance of his leave.

"Jimmy" Greenwood, compositor on the Surgeon General's catalogue, document section, is a leave-taker. Those assigned to the "lobster shift" in the proofroom are W. A. Morris, assistant foreman; Howard S. Sherman, referee; readers, Guthridge, Childress, Surguy, Rouleau, Bridwell, Ingalls, Melick, Sidham, Wright, Kittmiller, Lewis, Nathan, Koon, Trudgian, Clark, Tompkins; revisers, H. D. Young, Rankin, A. G. Roberts; copy collector, Brown; tube operator, Jones.

"Old Home Week Letter" writer Leeds is neither a Walpole nor a Kickapoo, but one of the original Carlisle Indians, and never breathes anything but the finest sentiments regarding that community. He is delighted with the following recent commendatory notice of his home town: "The Philadelphia North American, in write-up of the trip, says of Carlisle: "Dismissing in the main thoroughfare of this great little city, the Philadelphians, opened their eyes at the sight of the street. A macadamized roadway, clean almost as a kitchen floor, was a revelation."

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Charles E. Castle, of the night document section, has been on military duty during the week. Comrade Persinger, of the spess force, is on a visit to his home city, Xenia, Ohio, attending the annual home-coming.

Mrs. W. R. Ramsey gave a luncheon on Thursday at her residence, 17 S street northwest, in honor of her aunt, Mrs. Rogers, of Chambersburg, Pa., the guests being Mrs. Barringer, Mrs. Feron, Mrs. Drake, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. D. W. Beach, and Mrs. George M. Ramsey.

Capt. Jack Carr, the sage of Jackson alley, is on duty again after an enjoyable vacation at Far Rockaway Beach. Miss Clarissa B. Regan, on leave from the document section, was called to Kansas City yesterday by the death of her sister.

Miss Frances C. McEneaney, daughter of William McEneaney, of the job room, is a member of the graduating class of Notre Dame Academy, whose annual commencement will be held next Tuesday morning, June 21, at 10:30 o'clock, at Gonzaga College hall.

"PERSONATED" GEMS. Man Who Tried an Odd Swindle Comes to Grief. Detroit, Mich., June 18.—The attempt of Charles Plantus, of Detroit, "to personate valuable jewelry" resulted in his conviction here on a charge of conspiracy to defraud an express company.

Plantus concealed himself in a box consigned as jewelry to an Eastern port and then jumped out of the case and escaped from an express car at Fletcher, Ontario. It is alleged that his scheme was to claim damages from the express company for the loss of the "jewelry."

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INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER. Company Files Strong Brief in Missouri Denying Allegations.

St. Louis, June 18.—The International Harvester Company of America has filed its brief with Theodore Brace, Special Commissioner, in the case begun by Attorney General Hadley in 1907, to oust this company from doing business in Missouri.

The case is exceptional in the history of the anti-trust litigation of this State, because this company, from the beginning, invited the fullest investigation and freely offered all its records for inspection, and its officers and directors willingly appeared and testified fully and frankly, without a single objection being interposed by the attorneys for the company.

The International Harvester Company, the brief contends, was lawfully organized in 1902 for the lawful purpose of manufacturing agricultural implements on a large scale, and not to restrain trade or limit production, the evidence showing that no manufacturing plants have been dismantled or closed down; but, on the contrary, that all have been enlarged, their output increased, and new lines of implements, such as manure spreaders, tractors, gasoline engines, and cream separators, have been added.

Answering the charge of a combination to increase prices, the brief points out that every dollar of the company's capital was fully paid and no watered stock issued; that during seven years its dividends have averaged less than 4 per cent per annum and its earnings less than 6 per cent per annum; that from 1902 to 1907, while all other prices were soaring, binders and mowers did not advance; that the increase of about 5 per cent in 1908 was justified by the much greater increase in the cost of labor and materials, and was less than the increase in other agricultural implements, which advanced between 12 1/2 and 20 per cent.

Nearly seventy-five prominent implement dealers, residing in all parts of Missouri, testified in the case, and their evidence is quoted to show that free competition in the harvester business has not been restrained; that the company has not fixed retail prices, nor limited the selling territory of its agents; that no unfair or oppressive practices of any sort have been used toward competitors, customers or dealers; that the facilities for the distribution of farm machinery, tools and appliances have been largely increased; that repairs are cheaper and furnished more promptly, and that the liberal and fair business methods of the company are satisfactory and beneficial to the dealers and farmers of Missouri.

The charge that the company enjoys 85 to 90 per cent of the business in "agricultural implements, tools and machinery," is met by evidence showing that it does only 15 to 20 per cent of such business, and that only in binders and mowers does it do any large percentage of the business. Aside from binders and mowers, the company sells nineteen other kinds of implements. The brief states that this case is different from all other anti-trust cases, because "never before has a State demanded the forfeiture of the franchises of a corporation engaged in twenty-one lines of business, because in two of those lines it has acquired the larger part of the trade."

Special comment is made upon the fact that, although the charge is that the company has operated "to the great damage of the people of Missouri," not one farmer was called as a witness to prove any damage, while all the dealers who testified were unanimous in saying that trade conditions had improved. The brief concludes that the company "lies with confidence upon the record of what it has done and is doing in the State of Missouri, and awaits the judgment of vindication to which it believes it is honestly entitled."

The attorneys for the company are Selden P. Spencer, St. Louis; Judge W. M. Williams, of Booneville, Mo., and Edgar A. Bancroft, of Chicago, the general counsel of the company.

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