

## FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

### Lexington College For Young Women Closes a Most Successful Year

Exercises of the Week Were Very Interesting and Well Attended

Lexington Ladies College concluded its fifty-seventh commencement Wednesday evening, when the final graduating exercises were held at Wright's Grand Opera House. All during the final exercises that weather was ideal and a large crowd, consisting of home people and visitors attended the exercises.

The year just passed, under the able management of Pres. C. Lewis Fowler, was a most successful one. The school was crowded to capacity and at the end of the year there was as many students on the roll as there were at the opening.

Dr. Fowler, with this year's experience backing him, and also with the aid of Rev. A. S. Winalow of Lawrence, Miss. who has been seen to fill the position of vice-president, will no doubt continue to improve

**ORATORICAL CONTEST.**  
The annual contest for Readers Gold Medal was held in the Lexington College chapel Saturday evening from 8 to 10. The following program was rendered by those who entered the contest.

- A Telephone Romance - Phelps
- MISS PEARL MINNIS
- Diddy's Book - Anonymous
- MISS GERALDINE CLARK
- Willing Workers - Callahan
- MISS MAY RIXEY
- The Hazing of Valiant - Williams
- MISS BERNARDINE ENGLISH
- The Greatest Gift - Anonymous
- MISS RUTH CHASTAIN
- A Soldier of France - Oaida
- MISS GABRIELLE MOORE
- A Sisterly Scheme - Bussner
- MISS MILDRED SYDNOR
- Naughty Zelle - Cafinger
- MISS LAFAYETTE JOHNSON
- Miss Pearl Minnis was a delight to her audience. Miss Geraldine Clark gave Biddy's Book and showed remarkable talent for one so young. Willing

ful consideration the Gold Medal was awarded to Miss Ruth Chastain. The audience responded with hearty applause. First Honorable Mention, Miss Mildred Sydnor. Second Honorable Mention, Miss Bernardine English.

**BACCALAUREATE SERVICE.**  
The Baptist church was crowded Sunday morning when the Baccalaureate services were held. Special music was rendered at both morning and evening services by the college chorus. Miss Robbins, who has been an instructor at Lexington College for some time, presided at the organ and it is with regret that Lexington people realize that she has made her last public appearance here. Miss Anna Phetzing sang a beautiful solo, "Fear Not Ye - O Israel." The sermon was delivered by Dr. L. M. Proctor of Odessa. Dr. Proctor's address was an earnest appeal and it won for him a large number of admirers in the city.

The sermon to the Y. W. C. A. in the evening was delivered by Rev. C. M. Truax of St. Joseph, Mo., who needs no introduction to the Lexington public and whose address was a delight to his hearers.

**ALUMNAE MEETING.**  
The alumnae meeting was held in the college parlors Monday afternoon, at which time the members of this year's class were received.

On Monday night the grand concert was given in the auditorium at the college. The usual interesting and artistic program was carried out. The numbers were all good and were well received.

On Wednesday morning the class day exercises were held in the chapel and in the college yard. Quite a few of old books perished in the fire, which was started by the class in order to rid themselves of their last four years of trouble.

**THE CLASS PLAY.**  
The play given Tuesday night at the opera house by the members of the senior class, assisted by a number of young men from town, exceeded all expectations. The performers seemed capable of getting the audience into the spirit of the drama and livened up things by several local hits.

Between acts a chorus and a quartette sang several songs with topical words, much to the amusement of the audience. The members of the class who took part in the play were Misses English, Hosman, Moore, Belt, Walker, Kroh, Thompson and May's. The assisting young men were George Aull, Leroy Farmer, Jr., J. R. Moorehead, Jr., Connor Tunstall, Arthur Nigg, Wilson Frazier, Edward Vaughan, and Gordon Starke. In the chorus were Misses Sydnor, Stemmions, Morris, Atkinson, Worthington, Rixey, Cottingham, Thompson, Crosswhite, Trumbly, Chastain and Kroh.

**GRADUATING EXERCISES.**  
The final exercises were held at Wright's Grand opera house Wednesday evening. An interesting and appropriate address was given by Dr. W. M. Vines of St. Joseph. The valedictory address was made by Miss Dorothy Belt of Salisaw, Oklahoma. Dr. Fowler delivered one of his interesting talks and after the diplomas were awarded, another successful year of Lexington Col-

lege had faded into history. The following is the class roll:

- Dorothy Belt, L. I. Degreee.
- Grace Walker, B. S.
- Lillian A. Stemmions, B. M.
- Marjorie A. Kroh, B. M.
- Bernadine English, B. M.
- Mary Elizabeth Britt, B. M.
- Anna F. Phetzing, B. M.
- Florence Louise Grieser, B. M.
- Mattie Ann Browning, B. O.
- Gabriel C. Moore, B. O.
- Lois Oliver Mayes, B. O.
- Rebekah Henton Crosswhite, B. A.
- Melinda C. Thompson, B. C.
- Helen Elizabeth Hosman, B. C.
- Martha Ward Legg, B. C.

**Miss Winn's Organ Recital.**  
The large audience which overflowed the Christian church Sunday night to hear the organ recital given by Miss Winifred Winn, left the church more than pleased.

The program in which Miss Winn was assisted by Miss Ruth Field, contralto, was tastefully chosen and served to show the rare capabilities of each artist. The limitations of a two manual organ made ambitious efforts almost impossible, but Miss Winn nobly overcame the limitations and made the small organ speak like the noblest cathedral instrument. Her best number was possibly the "Serenade Rococo," by Meyer Helbrand.

Miss Field sang excellently, her selections showing both the range and quality of her voice. Her two oratorio selections were particularly well done. Both ladies rendered the evening one of rare pleasure. The people of Lexington will look forward to future recitals by Miss Winn.

### Cubs Are Cats.

A startling, hair raising game of ball was pulled off on Bunker Hill Sunday afternoon when the Lexington Cubs, heretofore of unknown fame slipped one over on the Odessa Greys to the tune of one to none. And it was some game. For seven innings the cubs tried to get the death hug on the Greys and time and time again when they were just about to sink their teeth into Odessa's juicy hide, Davis, the young split-ball artist from the neighborhood of Odessa, who by the way struck out twenty-one of the "scrubs" at Wentworth recently—this same Davis would make the Cubs bite flies and would pull himself out safe. Patterson for the Cubs also pitched a good game and each pitcher was accredited with thirteen strikeouts. Shinn handled the indicator. A large crowd witnessed the game.

### Railroad Officials Here.

Saturday the following Missouri Pacific Railroad officials were in Lexington calling upon the business men and incidentally looking over the best town in Missouri: J. M. Johnson, vice-president in charge of traffic, of St. Louis, J. N. Githens, general freight agent, of St. Louis, W. A. Rambaek, assistant general freight agent, of St. Louis, W. B. Shirk, commercial agent, Sedalia, J. W. McClain, passenger and ticket agent, Sedalia, Houck McHenry, soliciting freight agent, Jefferson City, and A. S. Loomis, local agent.

O. R. Sellers went to Kansas City Thursday on business.

### Central College Recital.

A general recital consisting of piano, vocal and violin numbers was given at Central College Monday night. Coming at the close of the year it served as a resume of work done during the winter and while most of the performers have been heard before, there were some promising things done by girls who had never played or sang before an audience. The Concerto played by Miss Myrtle Graves of Independence, Mo., was given in such manner and form as to be undoubtedly one of the best things ever heard from a Central College pupil. This young lady possesses not only a remarkable musical talent but also that other essential requisite—the talent for work, and she may attain to a brilliant future if she continues her studies.

There were other piano numbers meriting special mention, among them Miss Kathryn Clark and Miss Agnes Ginnell.

One very promising voice is that of Miss Grace Davis, who was heard in a group of three songs.

Miss Jane Wettendorf, who is well known as a pianist, sang for the first time. Her mezzo soprano voice is of good quality and range, and her stage presence is excellent.

The whole recital was most enjoyable and brings the year's work of the undergraduates to a successful close.

Following is the program:

- Valse Caprice - Chopin
- MISS NINA MASON
- Mourning Zephyrs - Jensen-Niemann
- MISS AGNES GREENELL
- Two Songs:
- A Leaf - Neidlinger
- Enticement - Rückauf
- MISS FRANCES WILMOT
- Consolation - Mendelssohn
- MISS WANDA MALARKY
- Valse, A flat - Chopin
- MISS KATHARYN CLARK
- Saltarella Caprice - Lach
- MISS ALICE BLACK
- Three Songs:
- All for You - Hardelot
- A Little Gray Dove - Saar
- The Maid and the Rose - DeKoven
- MISS GRACE DAVIES
- A la bien Aimée - Schullt
- MISS FRANCES WILMOT
- Violin, La Tendresse - Drlica
- MISS NADINE CLARK
- Hungarian Dance - Brahms
- MISS JOSEPHINE SMITH
- Two Songs:
- In the Dark in the Dow - Coombs
- The Song of Luddy Dud - Hadley
- MISS JANE WETTENDORF
- Concerto, B flat (first movement) - Mozart
- with Mertke Cadenza
- MISS MYRTLE GRAVES
- Orchestral accompaniment played on a second piano

### Surprise Party.

Mrs. Anna Roseen gave a surprise party Saturday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Peter Geagon at their home two miles east of town. There were about one hundred and fifty people present. They had a delightful dance, after which a big supper was served. The guests departed about two o'clock, after having a fine time.

### Potts-Duggins.

The marriage of Mr. Homer O. Potts and Miss Florence Duggins was solemnized Wednesday, May 15, 1912, in Trinidad, Colorado. Mr. Potts is the son of John R. Potts of this city. He was raised to manhood here and has a score of friends who join with the Intelligencer in wishing him happiness and prosperity.

Mrs. R. E. Smith and Mrs. Martha Bolton returned to their homes in Guthrie, Okla., Monday night after spending several days with Mrs. M. E. Nickell.

### JAMES F. CATRON DEAD

Passed Peacefully Away Tuesday Evening at 5:45 o'Clock.

James F. Catron died Tuesday evening at 5:45 o'clock at his home on North 17th street after a lingering illness of several months. Mr. Catron had been in a critical condition during the late winter, but a few weeks ago his condition had improved, and hopes were entertained that his life would be spared to his family and friends for many more years. Last Sunday his condition took a turn for the worse. He had a fainting spell from which he only partially recovered, and yesterday evening at 2 o'clock he became unconscious and gradually sank into death's embrace.

Mr. Catron was a native of Lafayette county having been born on a farm near the city. He was the son of John and Mary Catron, who were pioneer settlers of this county, and was born August 26, 1837. At the beginning of the war he was engaged in farming in Henry county, but owing to the unsettled conditions there, he returned to this county. He afterwards made the trip to Colorado with an ox team returning in about a year. With these exceptions he has always lived in Lafayette county. On November 4, 1896, he was married to Miss Maggie Marshall. To this union one daughter, Elizabeth, was born, who with his wife survives him. He is also survived by two brothers and two sisters, who are as follows: T. B. Catron, United States Senator from New Mexico, John Catron of Rosenberg, Texas, Mrs. Jas. A. Gordon and Mrs. Mary J. Goodson of Marshall, Mo.

Mr. Catron was a true type of the honest, honorable and patriotic citizen. He was a man of considerable means and besides his farming interests, he was a stockholder in the Commercial Bank and other business institutions. He was a loyal friend, and a kind and loving husband and father.

The funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the Christian church. Rev. S. Boyd White, assisted by Dr. A. E. Rogers, conducted the services. The masonic lodge of which he had been a member for more than forty years, attended the funeral in a body and conducted the last sad rites at the grave.

### James C. McGrew, Sr., Dies in France.

A cablegram was received here this morning announcing the sad news of the death of James C. McGrew, Sr., in Nantes, France. No further particulars are available at this time.

### Central College for Women.

- Commencement Calendar.
- Saturday, June 1st, 3 p. m., Art Exhibit.
- 8 p. m., Recital, Class in Expression.
- Sunday, June 2nd, 10 a. m., Baccalaureate Service. Sermon by Bishop E. D. Mouzon, San Antonio, Texas.
- Monday, June 3rd, 10 a. m., Class Day Exercises.
- 8 p. m., Alumnae Banquet.
- Tuesday, June 4th, 10 a. m., Meeting of Board of Curators.
- 2 p. m., Old Students' Reunion.
- 8 p. m., Grand Concert.
- Wednesday, June 5th, 10 a. m., Graduating Exercises. Address by Rev. Ivan Lee Holt, D. D., Cape Girardeau, Missouri.



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the institution and to make it one of Missouri's leading ladies colleges for Christian and Educational advancement.

### ART LEVEE.

On Saturday the annual art exhibit was held in the art studio. Owing to the fact that Miss Nelle Walker, who has had charge of the Art Department this year, was called away to California by the serious illness of her mother and was unable to return, the public did not expect such a beautiful display as was shown.

Miss Rebecca Crosswhite, a senior in art took charge of the department and many beautiful works of art were shown. The china attracted a great deal of attention. Many beautiful pictures rich in color and beautifully executed, in oil and water color, received a great deal of praise.

Workers by Miss May Rixey was very amusing and she gave it in a very pleasing manner. The Hazing of Valiant was very much enjoyed. She portrayed the different characters and made the necessary quick changes in her voice wonderfully well. Miss Ruth Chastain held the hearers in the spirit of her reading. The Greatest Gift, and she established for herself a very enviable reputation as a reader. Miss Gabrielle Moore read a Soldier of France. Miss Moore needs no introduction to the Lexington people and she always charms and delights her audience. Miss Sydnor read A Sisterly Scheme in a most entertaining manner. She created a most favorable impression. Naughty Zelle by Miss Lafayette Johnson was thoroughly enjoyed.

Immediately after the contest closed, the Judges retired from the room and after a very care-