

# West Virginia State College

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA

FIFTY-SIXTH YEAR

THE FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL

## Commencement



MAY THE THIRTIETH

nineteen hundred and forty-eight

at four o'clock in the afternoon

The Health, Physical Education and Safety Building

### FROM THE FEDERAL LAND-GRANT ACT

“. . . . . to the endowment, support, and maintenance of, at least, one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the legislatures of the states may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life.”—Approved July 2, 1862 and August 30, 1890. *West Virginia State College is a land grant college.*



# Order of Exercises

ORGAN PRELUDE—"Festival Toccata" ..... *Fletcher*

PROFESSOR T. D. PHILLIPS

## THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION—

Processional—"War March of the Priests" ..... *Mendelssohn*

The Marshal

The Candidates for the Bachelor's Degree

The State Officials and Representatives

The Faculty and Administrative Officers

The President and the Commencement Speaker

## THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

## INVOCATION—

MUSIC—"The Death of Minnehaha" ..... *Coleridge-Taylor*

A CAPPELLA CHOIR

PROFESSOR GLADYS J. GREENE, *Director*

## THE RECOGNITION OF STATE OFFICIALS AND HONOR GUESTS—

MUSIC—"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" ..... *Lutkin*

A CAPPELLA CHOIR

PROFESSOR GLADYS J. GREENE, *Director*

## THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS—

PERCY L. JULIAN

Director of Research and Manager of Fine Chemicals

The Glidden Company, Chicago, Illinois

# Award of Honors

## SUMMA CUM LAUDE

James Louis Gilreath  
Jeannette McPherson Gates

## MAGNA CUM LAUDE

George Robert Kent  
Oda Kathryn Carmichael  
Elizabeth Christina Mallory  
Nona Hairston  
Laura Mae Alexander

## CUM LAUDE

Edward Greer  
Jewell Nanette Means  
Josephine Louise Freeman  
Marcella Loretta Meacham

## THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES—

The Candidates for the degrees will be presented by the Dean and Professors in the following order:

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts by Dean Harrison H. Ferrell.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science by Dean Harrison H. Ferrell.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Music by Professor Theodore D. Phillips.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education by Professor Harry W. Greene.

Candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Agriculture by Professor J. J. Mark.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Business Administration by Professor Richard H. Homburger.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education by Professor Harry W. Greene.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics by Professor Mae Belle Jones.

Candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering by Professor Frederic Lacy.

Candidates for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Mechanic Arts by Professor Frederic Lacy.

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS

|                                |                           |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Adams, Samuel Levi             | McKenzie, Loratius Lucius |
| Alexander, Laura Mae           | Madison, Waite Hunt       |
| Anderson, Calvin Coolidge      | Meacham, Marcella Loretta |
| Branson, Stephen               | Means, Jewell Nannette    |
| Brown, Wilbert                 | Murray, Lillian Elizabeth |
| Carr, Juanita                  | Nunn, William Goldwin     |
| Carey, Gloria Regina           | Owens, Lane Augustus      |
| Cundiff, James E.              | Radford, William Anderson |
| Davis, Alzona James            | Reed, Harold Baxter       |
| Davis, Leo Alexander           | Reed, Samuel Cecil        |
| Davis, James Elijah            | Scott, Essalene Lanora    |
| Felder, William Hantz          | Smith, Richard Keldue     |
| Floyd, Samuel Joseph           | Taylor, Barbara Laurea    |
| Gardner, Robert George         | Spencer, Ronald           |
| Gentry, Myrtle Lee             | Thurmond, Edna Mae        |
| Holmes, Perry Warren           | Trail, William Randolph   |
| Jackson, Jean Jacqueline       | Wessels, William Cornell  |
| Johnson, Elvira Watson         | Wilkes, James Clinton     |
| Kirk, Ruth Almyra              | Williams, Charlotte Marie |
| Lawson, Hattie Hylton          | Yelder, Serena Strother   |
| Merriweather, Barbara Randolph |                           |

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

|                       |                          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| Brown, James Gilbert  | Gilreath, James Louis    |
| Cooper, Annie         | Lewis, Berdell Marie     |
| Davis, Virgil Houston | Stockton, William Melvin |

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF MUSIC

|                          |                     |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Daughtrey, Kathryn Emile | Williams, Christine |
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## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

|                             |                         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Anderson, Deborah Elizabeth | Jackson, Gloria Edythe  |
| Campbell, Juanita Margurite | Long, Flossie Sanford   |
| Daniels, Lavera Beatrice    | Pulliam, Thelma Louise  |
| Daugherty, Ethel Monita     | Rhea, Juanita Alberta   |
| Hawkins, Elizabeth Beatrice | Richardson, Anna Lee    |
| Howard, Edna Virginia       | Robinson, Lillian Belle |
| Jackson, Deveria Ann        |                         |

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

Mitchell, Eugene

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Childs, Vivian Odessa  
Cox, Judith Helena  
Felder, Beatrice Williams  
Gates, Jeannette McPherson  
Graham, Annie Ruth  
Gray, Vance Edward  
Fielding, Herbert Ulysses

Freeman, Josephine Louise  
James, Edward  
Neal, Charles Oliver  
Strader, Elmer  
Williams, Mabel Louise  
Winston, Lydia Louise

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Bannister, Adell  
Britt, Jessie Mae  
Burrus, Chester Arthur  
Carmichael, Oda Kathryn  
Davis, Frank Maxie  
Douglas, Edward Leon  
Greer, Edward  
Hairston, Nona  
Harris, Willis Loran  
Hopkins, Lelia Mae  
Housen, Jack Hobert  
Kent, George Robert

Law, Lawrence Thomas  
Lee, Nellie Love  
Lee, Owen Griffin  
Mallory, Elizabeth Christina  
Murphy, James Edward  
Patterson, Joseph  
Smith, Barbara Louise  
Smith, Clarence Hubert  
Valentine, Jewell Madeline  
Webb, Gladys Cornelia  
Whitted, Cora Gwendolyn  
Williams, Clyde Luck

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOME ECONOMICS

Anderson, Dorcas Ester  
Dyer, Marjorie Helen  
Price, Ida Ruth

Sanders, Marionette E.  
Snow, Lois Evangeline  
Trust, Coyal Virginia

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

Whitehead, John Lyman

## FOR THE DEGREE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANIC ARTS

Baynes, Robert Lee  
Connalley, Cain Napoleon  
Guyton, M. B.  
King, William Lee Grant

Martin, David  
Quinn, Percy LeRoy  
Rance, John Gilbert  
Wallace, Thomas Douglas

# Order of Exercises

## THE ALUMNI STATEMENT—

MR. E. A. BOLLING

## FOR THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF SCIENCE (Honoris Causa)

PERCY L. JULIAN

## THE COMMENCEMENT STATEMENT—

THE PRESIDENT

## MUSIC—Alma Mater

## MARSHAL

Professor Daniel L. Ferguson, '09

## ASSISTANT MARSHALS

Professor L. P. Drain, '27

Mrs. C. G. Brown, '31

Mr. S. M. D. Broadnax, '40

Miss F. M. Wagstaff, '41

Miss E. O. Farmer, '45

Miss A. L. Marbury, '46

Mrs. F. W. Smith, '46

RECESSIONAL—"Coronation March" ..... *Meyerbeer*

# ALMA MATER

## Of West Virginia State College

ERNEST WADE '30

MARTHA SPENCER '31

The piano introduction consists of two staves of music in 3/4 time, G major. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

1. There is a place we love so dear — Its name we'll ev-er praise and re-vere — 'Tis West Vir-gin'-ia

The first line of the song features a vocal melody on a treble clef staff and piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The lyrics are: "1. There is a place we love so dear — Its name we'll ev-er praise and re-vere — 'Tis West Vir-gin'-ia".

REFRAIN

State we love — Just one more step from there is heav'n a - bove. — West Vir - gin - ia's

The first line of the refrain features a vocal melody on a treble clef staff and piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The lyrics are: "State we love — Just one more step from there is heav'n a - bove. — West Vir - gin - ia's".

praise we'll sing — Lift our voic-es 'til heav-ens ring — As we gai - ly march a-long — We'll

The second line of the refrain features a vocal melody on a treble clef staff and piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The lyrics are: "praise we'll sing — Lift our voic-es 'til heav-ens ring — As we gai - ly march a-long — We'll".

sing a song — for Al-ma Mater How we love her pride of all our loy-al hearts. — From her we will

The third line of the refrain features a vocal melody on a treble clef staff and piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The lyrics are: "sing a song — for Al-ma Mater How we love her pride of all our loy-al hearts. — From her we will".

nev-er part — Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few — Al-ma Ma-ter we love you. —

The fourth line of the refrain features a vocal melody on a treble clef staff and piano accompaniment on a grand staff. The lyrics are: "nev-er part — Thoughts of thee will ne'er be few — Al-ma Ma-ter we love you. —".

We'll love her more as days go by,  
And send her praises to the sky;  
To place her over all the rest,  
And keep her e'er the dearest and the best.

Shadowed 'neath a deep blue sky;  
Is State for whom we'll live and we'll die—  
Arise! O men of God and sing;  
We're loyal, and to her we'll always cling.