

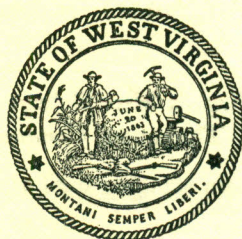
# WEST VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE

INSTITUTE, WEST VIRGINIA

SIXTY-SECOND YEAR

THE FIFTY-NINTH

# Annual Commencement



MAY THE THIRTIETH

A.D. NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FOUR

AT FOUR O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON

THE HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION 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—"Caprice in B Flat" . . . . . *Guilmant*  
Professor T. D. Phillips at the Organ

## THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION—

Processional—"March in G" . . . . . *Smart*  
The Marshal  
The Candidates for the Bachelor's Degree  
The State Officials and Representatives  
The Administrative Officers and Faculty  
The President and the Commencement Speaker

## HYMN (To be sung by the Audience)—

The National Anthem—  
Led by the West Virginia State College Concert Band  
Leon E. Thompson, *Conductor*  
(The audience will remain standing until after the Invocation)

## THE INVOCATION—

James Kelly, Jr., Dean of Men

MUSIC—"Preludes to Eternity" (Les Preludes) . . . . . *Liszt*  
The A Cappella Choir  
Professor Gladys B. Johnson, *Director*

## THE RECOGNITION OF STATE OFFICIALS AND HONOR GUESTS—

MUSIC—"Symphony No. 4 in F Minor" . . . . . *Tschaikowsky*  
Allegro con Fuoco  
The West Virginia State College Concert Band  
Leon E. Thompson, *Conductor*

## THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

EDWARD A. BOLLING, M.A.  
Superintendent, Institute Schools for the Deaf and Blind

# Order of Exercises

## AWARD OF HONORS—

### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

James Whitfield Reed

### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

DeLacy Azalia Lawson

### CUM LAUDE

Acie McGhee

Richard Donald Mills

## THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREES

### DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES

Edward Anderson Bolling

### DOCTOR OF LETTERS

George Camron Grant

## 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 Music by Professor Theodore D. Phillips.

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

Candidates for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Education by Professor Grace I. Woodson.

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 Grace I. Woodson.

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 J. Lacy.

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

*After the conferring of degrees by President William J. L. Wallace, the names of the graduates will be announced by Registrar Daniel P. Lincoln.*

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Boxley, Althea Ann  
Brown, Dallas Coverdale  
Burroughs, Gilbert Clarke  
Carter, Betty Frances  
Clarke, Joel Barbara  
Cooper, Thomas Alexander  
Fairfax, Elizabeth Willie  
Griffin, Ethel Leescott  
Hill, Ella Jean  
Hopkins, Janet Marciene

Kiser, Della Irene  
Lipscomb, Frank Curtis  
Neely, John Lee  
Poindexter, Charles Luther  
Rutherford, Rosalie Cynthia  
Smith, Jeanette Cornelia  
Tynes, Shirley Ann  
Whisiker, Stephen Spencer  
Williams, Janet Nadine  
Wilson, Charles Edward

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Banks, James Russell  
Haley, Lois Ann  
McBrayer, Evelyn Loretta

Newman, Marfan Drucilla  
Troup, Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr.  
Watts, Harold Leon

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Casey, Joyce Ann  
Cherry, Walter Alexander  
Childress, Lorenzo Steward  
Dillard, Lloyd Preston  
Hill, Lee Clifford  
Hunt, Joseph Linwood

Major, Eddie B.  
Penn, Irma  
Pittman, Marvin  
Reed, James Whitfield  
Sawyers, Maxine Suwanna  
Williams, Frank Charles

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

Bolton, Alvina  
Childs, Mary Jean  
Cooley, Yvonne Clay  
Hagans, Gladys Mae  
Hizer, Elizabeth Williams

Kelly, Mildred Colran  
Lawson, DeLacy Azalia  
Spencer, Susan  
Woodruff, Vivian Naomi  
Worthy, Ruby Costelle

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Fisher, John Coote  
Franklin, Maryann  
Fuqua, Tonsa Johanne  
Gamble, Rose Beatrice  
Haggins, Isaac Smith  
Minor, Jean Deskins

Price, Clara Alice  
Rucker, Samuel Lee  
Scruggs, Violet Odell  
Watts, Margaret Albena  
Williams, Mary Ruth

# Candidates

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Andrews, Robert Marcellus  
Brawley, George Richard, Jr.  
Brown, Reginald Wesley  
Carr, Pearl Gwendolyn  
Carter, Cass Banks  
Darlington, Henry, Jr.  
Finley, Ann Carroll  
Hawkins, Robert Edward, Jr.  
Hogan, Albert Bryant  
Hood, Martha Lee  
Horton, Marvin Winford

McGhee, Acie  
Mills, Richard Donald  
Mitchell, Dure Lee  
Moody, Ericson Clinton  
Morris, James Granville  
Moyler, Carl Edward  
Plummer, Jennie Elishaba  
Scales, Myrtle Marie Hairston  
Tynes, Theodore Archibald  
Vintes, Garnet Grant

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HOME ECONOMICS

Campbell, Ethel Juanita  
Ellison, Dorothy Jean  
Lawson, Velma Elaine  
Powell, Anna Maragaret

Robinson, Georgiana  
Shores, Camille  
Williams, Margaret

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

Monroe, Eddie Dwendolyn

## FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANIC ARTS

Boaz, Charles Arnold  
Christopher, Maxwell Earl  
Ferguson, James Lewis  
Lowery, Joseph Nathaniel

McNeil, Frank Henry  
Powell, Robert Lee  
Smith, Robert Forrest  
Thomas, Frederick

# Candidates

Commissions of Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery Officers Reserve Corps, will be awarded by Major Robbin E. L. Washington, P.M.S.T. assisted by the following officers from Headquarters, West Virginia Military District, South Charleston, West Virginia:

CWO Robert L. Ranft

CWO Harold P. Hannen

The following officers from the R.O.T.C. Staff of West Virginia State College:

Capt. Roscoe C. Cartwright  
Arty. USA, Asst. P.M.S.T.

Captain Neil B. Dunson  
Arty. USAR, Asst. P.M.S.T.

## CANDIDATES FOR OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS COMMISSIONS

*Boaz, Charles A.	Hawkins, Robert D., Jr	Reed, James
Banks, James R.	*Hill, Clifford L.	Rucker, Samuel
Burroughs, Gilbert C.	Lipscomb, Frank C.	Williams, Frank C.
*Brown, Dallas C.	Lowery, Joseph N.	Vintes, Garnet G.
Cooper, Thomas A.	*Miller, Vandy L.	Wilson, Charles E.
Darlington, Henry, Jr.	Monroe, Eddie D.	*Whisiker, Stephen S.
Dillard, Lloyd P.	Neely, John L.	
*Flourney, Walter P.	Pittman, Marvin	

## ELECTED TO ALPHA DELTA SIGMA HONORARY SCHOLASTIC SOCIETY

DeLacy A. Lawson  
James W. Reed  
Lorenzo Childress

Tonsa Fuqua  
Joseph Hunt  
Richard Mills

## ELECTED TO SIGMA DELTA PI NATIONAL SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY

Joel B. Clarke

Carl Moyler

Janet Williams

## ELECTED TO DELTA PHI ALPHA NATIONAL GERMAN HONORARY FRATERNITY

Walter A. Cherry, Jr.

James W. Reed

Irma Penn Lewis

## ELECTED TO BETA KAPPA CHI HONORARY SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY

Lorenzo Childress

James W. Reed

Joseph Hunt

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\*Commission in Regular Army

# Order of Exercises

## THE ALUMNI PLEDGE—

MR. DRUE E. CULUMNS

President, West Virginia State College Alumni Association

To join hands with other alumni in perpetuating the ideals of my college, nurturing its growth and promoting its program, to serve with honor in my chosen profession and to make of myself a symbol of the best traditions of my college— this is my commission and my challenge.

## GREETINGS —

MR. CHARLES WILLIAMSON

President, West Virginia Board of Education

## THE COMMENCEMENT STATEMENT—

The President

## MUSIC—ALMA MATER

Led by the West Virginia State College Concert Band

Leon E. Thompson, *Conductor*

## RECESSIONAL—"Coronation March" (Le Prophete) . . *Meyerbeer*

(The audience will remain seated during the recessional)



## MARSHAL —

Professor James Wilson, '48

## ASSISTANT MARSHALS—

Dr. P. Ahmed Williams, '28

Mr. Felix T. Warren, '36

Professor Madison Broadnax, '40

Mr. Wesley Lynch, '43

# ALMA MATER

Of West Virginia State College

ERNEST WADE '30

MARTHA SPENCER '31

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of six systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/4. 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-la 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-en's 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 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