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Coleman Addresses Enthusiastic Crowd

George Preston Coleman, former State Highway Commissioner, now President of the Virginia Good Roads Association, addressed the students at the College chapel exercises Monday, July 15. The “Need of Good Highways in Virginia.” Mr. Coleman made an exceedingly able and forcible presentation of the vital need of good highways, stressing especially their educational and civic values. “Teachers and students” he declared, “are, most of all, the groups in our body politic, dependent on good roads for the carrying out of their purposes and ideals.”

Mr. Coleman further stressed his feeling as to the necessity for immediate road-building. While he cheerfully conceded that there may be other methods by which good roads may be more quickly obtained, he expressed his conviction that the issuance of bonds by the state insured the most certain results. Many of Mr. Coleman’s bearers that they were enthusiastic boosters of “good Roads for Virginia at Once.”

President Chandler On Education Bill

The “Towne-Sterling Bill and Its Effect on The Teachers” will be the subject of Prof. Chandler’s address at the College chapel Monday, July 15. The “Towne-Sterling Bill, which will be re-introduced in the Sixty-eighth Congress, is considered by authorities to be the most important piece of legislation, from an educational point of view, that has been introduced since the War.

“The fight will be won or lost in the 433 Congressional Districts of the 48 states,” declares Chari Williams, Field Secretary of the World Conference On Education. “Therefore, it is exceedingly important that everybody in the teaching profession bear themselves in support of this measure.”

In the opinion of Prof. Williams, the influence of the teachers of this country is inestimable. With the teachers solidly and actively supporting the bill, there is every possibility of its passage through Congress, according to the belief of the proposers of the measure.

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Two Striking Plays On Early Program

Yeats’ “Land of Heart’s Desire” and Susan Glaspell’s “Suppressed Desires,” under the direction of Dr. W. A. Montgomery, and of Professors Edward Gwathmey and I. H. White, respectively, will be given from the Harvest platform on the night of Friday, July 20th. Both are one-act plays, and their presentation will require approximately one hour each.

“Land of Heart’s Desire,” by Yeats, the celebrated Irish playwright and the leader in the Irish Theatre movement, is a poetic drama of great beauty and picturesque-ness. The parts in this play are being taken by Ashur Barker, Harriott Garrett, E. Welford Brauer, Janet Coleman, Mary Roberts and Geo. W. Reilly, as announced in last week’s “Straw Hat.”

The cast in “Suppressed Desires” is as follows: John B. Brewster—J. G. Pollard, Jr., Henrietta Brewster (his wife)—Mabel Glenn.

Mabel (his sister) — Rosalind Marks.

This play was chosen in preference to Barrie’s “Twelve Pounds Five” because of its greater adaptability and because it has more action and broader humor. It is a farce on the psychoanalysis craze which so lately approached the limits of a popular far from dissension of the doctrines of Freud, Jung, and Brill by their disciples.

Prof. Wright’s Visit

Professor A. D. Wright, of the class of 1904, now a member of the Dartmouth faculty, spent Sunday in Williamsburg as the guest of Pro- fessor Wm. T. Hodges. Professor Wright is a visiting professor at Cornell this summer.

“Susan” Postponed

“In the Absence of Susan” the play which was scheduled to be given tonight at the High School Auditorium has been postponed until some time next week. The definite date will be announced later.

David J. King

Untiring and Affable College Physician

Dr. Joseph Bay Geiger, professor of philosophy and psychology, is spending the week at the Baptist Summer Encampment, Virginia Beach, where he is giving special instruction to select groups of Sunday School teachers.

Social Hour Tonight

Social Hour will be held tonight at the usual hour Dr. Pollard delivered the Ger- man in Jefferson Hall from 9 to 1 o’clock. Music will be furnished by “Virginia-five hundred. Dr. R. C. S. Singing and refreshments will be as usual, feature the Social Hour.

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JOURNALISTIC TRAINING

Through the generosity of the newspaper publishers signatory to the Southern Universities, a school of journalism at Washington and Lee University is soon to become a reality. The idea of such a department was conceived by Dean Lee's vision, and it is being given the attention of the ablest minds in the field, Dr. Chandler arranged last winter to make a start in the preparation of the students for the work which their training will enable them to do.

Dr. W. A. Chandler is the instructor, and under his guidance the first students will enter the school this fall. It is expected that the school will serve as a nucleus for the training of newspaper workers that the school of journalism at the University of Virginia has for the past five years been giving to its students. The school at Lee will be a continuation of the work done at the University of Virginia, and it is expected that the students will be able to take the work at the University of Virginia and continue it at Lee.

The school at Lee will be open to students from all parts of the United States, and it is expected that the first class will consist of students from the South. The school will be open to students from other parts of the country, and it is expected that the first class will consist of students from other parts of the country.

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SUMMERING IN ACADEME

Upon Monday Columbia threw open its portals to a rush of students to whom the press will doubtless chronicle as again breaking all records. For months certain university officers have been working with the students to make their stay at the University of Virginia a success. These figures would have been incredible a short time ago for the entire yearly enrollment in any American university.

Columbia, however, takes only her share of a harvest that yearly grows more imposing. From the heights of Berkeley this summer 10,000 students will look down on San Francisco Bay — there were 8,297 last year. Chicago will entertain another 10,000, for Chicago University had 6,474 last year, and Northwestern fills up the list. The lakes at Madison will see more than 5,000. Although Southern students constitute one of the largest sectional quotas at Chicago and Columbia, even the Southern universities have remarkable registrations. The University of Virginia last year counted 2,977 summer students and Texas 2,487.

In the large classes at Charlotte-ville and Austin is the final answer to the strange belief of a generation ago that summer was too hot for application to books and lectures. That belief never had a foothold at Point or Annapolis, but it was cherished elsewhere.

The addition in vitality which the summer schools have made to aca¬demic life is one of their happiest features. The interchange of schol¬ars among universities, which makes such slow progress at other seasons, has become a brisk practice. July finds dozens of New England and New York professors teaching on the Pacific Coast and dozens of Middle Western professors scattered from Harvard to North Carolina. Much as they gain in pocketbook, they gain more in new contacts. American students, who for good reasons never imitated the German practice of wandering from Bonn to Göttingen to Munich, do evince a willingness to seek pastures new in summer. Hear¬ers of all ages face the instructor, and he is made to realize that some of them have an experience of life surpassing his own.

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—New York World.

Did You Ever?
Ever try to listen to a monopo-lizer in the class; some enterprising old maid who tells what the Prof. gets paid to do what he does? Ever sit in one of the adjoining buildings when the music class was in session? Ever get to an amateur perform-ance on time and wait for it to be gin? Ever play: tennis with some one who has a bad eye when it comes to chalk lines? Ever ask a book agent to have a gin? Ever been to church in July? Ever lived next door to a barking dog? Ever been to church in July? Ever sleep with one who snores? Ever get to an amateur perform-ance at Jamestown Island Monday afternoon and evening. Miss Dorothy Kimmell, of Washington, who is visiting Miss Susie Pollard, was the guest of honor. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hoke. Misses Pinkie Marecock, Mildred Marecock, Elizabeth Marecock, Dorothy Kimmell, Susie Pollard and Cynthia Coleman, and Messrs. J. C. Phillips, E. C. Johnson, Bland Hoke, William Hoskins, H. G. Wilkins, J. S. Jenkins, Jr.
John Todd and T. J. Young, jr., visited friends on the campus last week-end.

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Director Prepares For Second Term

Dr. George W. White, professor of Chemistry at Clark University, will join the Summer School faculty for the second term, which begins July 30, according to announcement from the office of Dr. K. J. Hoke, Director of the Summer School.

A list of the courses to be offered during the second term is being posted and circulated, the purpose of the authorities being to make the program as flexible as possible to meet the needs of individual students.

The first term examinations will be held July 26-27, with registration for the second term on July 28. The convocation exercises, serving as the commencement of the Summer School, will be held on the night of September 4, with the conferring of degrees and appropriate ceremonies.

"Mind in the Making"

Knoxville is officially the seat of higher learning in Tennessee. There is situated the University of Tennessee. Its President is Harcourt A. Morgan. Its trouble is—or at least began with—evolution.

Professor James W. Sprowls was until lately a member of the faculty. During the Spring, however, he taught evolution and assigned James Harvey Robinson's The Mind in the Making as "outside" reading. Thereupon he departed by request of the University administration. The students took offense at this and discontent was open among them.

Dean Maurice Mulvania suggested to President Morgan that the students be given a measure of self-government. President Morgan asked Dr. Mulvania to canvass the faculty for suggestions for a "University Constitution." When the suggestions were made public, they kindled President Morgan's anger.

Meanwhile, four professors asked the American Association of University Professors to investigate Professor Sprowls' dismissal. Then the University administration took a hand and catechized professors as to their opinions and activities in the Sprowls case. Six other dismissals followed, including those of the Dean of the Law School, Dean of the Pre-Medical Faculty, head of the Department of Psychology and head of the Department of Ancient Languages.

When this transpired, the Alumni took action. Through their actives a meeting of the Board of Trustees was called for July 17 to consider the dismissals. What is more, the Alumni secured from Governor Peay of Tennessee a promise that if the trustees do not do justice to the dismissals professors, an impartial inquiry will be made.

The Earth Grows Older

Lord Rayleigh, distinguished English physicist, son of a former Chancellor of Cambridge University, published a new estimate of the antiquity of the earth, of between two and three billion years, based on a study of the rate of decomposition of radioactive elements. This is vastly greater than any previous estimate, modern geologists having ranged between 100,000,000 and 1,600,000,000 years in their conjectures. All these estimates rest upon very slender assumptions, but that the age of the earth is to be reckoned in hundreds of millions of years is a scientific certainty. Lord Rayleigh's estimate, if sustained, also revises the probable antiquity of man and the lower animals, indicating that the earth's crust has been capable of supporting life at least 20 times as long as was thought possible before.

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