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ECONOMY IN USE OF SCHOOL FUNDS

Progress of a North Carolina
Institution Noted

INFLUENCE OF GRADUATES.

Agricultural and Mechanical College at Greensboro Shows Increase in All Departments — Success of President James B. Dudley as Educator and Defender of Human Rights.

By GEORGE F. KING.

Greensboro, N. C.—The North Carolina Agricultural and Mechanical college in this city, for the education of colored youth, begins the fall term with an increase in all departments. The faculty is composed of well known educators, and the school ranks among the best in this section of the country. Graduates of this school are to be found among the leaders of the race in many states. They are holding positions of trust and responsibility and are making good along lines of useful endeavor. Through the good work which the alumni is doing the school has become widely known throughout the state and the nation.

The funds provided by the state for the use of the institution are economically and wisely expended. The president of the school, Dr. James B. Dudley, is a man of great executive ability, and his influence in the south argues for much in favor of the amicable relations existing between the two races in this section. He has been at the head of this school for the past eighteen years. Dr. Dudley is devoting much time and energy at the present time to the movement in this state having for its object better accommodations for the colored people on the railroads. He takes a manly stand against anything which tends to degrade or in any way retard the progress of the race.



DR. JAMES B. DUDLEY.

Some time ago, when the attempt to segregate the colored farmers was made, Dr. Dudley was foremost in defending their rights against this jim-crow policy. He does not seek to stir up strife, but bases his efforts on the law as it relates to each citizen's rights to pursue his chosen calling without being molested, so long as such rights do not infringe upon the privileges of others. He has a host of friends among the masses of both races and is a true exponent of the gospel of fair play for every man, regardless of race, creed or color. He believes in law and order; hence his wise counsel has been of great service to the colored people in this city and state.

Wherever there is an attempt in any part of North Carolina to supplant members of his race by the employment of foreign labor Dr. Dudley is at the front pleading the cause of the colored laborer against injustice and race discrimination. Industrial education is impartial in the bestowal of its blessings. It offers its gifts to the people of every race or clime without restriction, and to the colored people of the south its offerings have a peculiar significance, says Dr. Dudley. The older men of the race who were leading merchants and workmen among them wrought well in their day. They were masters of the art of getting good results.

With the disappearance of the old

guard the new of the negro mechanic has been greatly reduced. They are being displaced in many sections by foreigners. This is a serious loss to our people, yet there is encouragement in the fact that we have it within our power to arrest this serious loss by thorough preparation which will enable our people to compete with any class of workmen that may come among us. Efficiency is the watchword of the age. The prepared man gets the job, and the man who can fill the requirements in promptness, exactness, honesty and reliability will not only get the job, but will hold it.

The progress of the race thus far is due almost entirely to the fact that we early grasped the spirit of education and industrial pursuit, and if we continue to cultivate this spirit our future progress will be far greater. Hard training for special lines of work, a better knowledge of values and the courage of honest convictions will do much to sustain us in the great struggle of the survival of the fittest.

The Knocker.

After God had finished making the rattlesnake, the toad and the vampire, He had some awful substances left, with which He made a knocker.

A knocker is a two-legged animal with corkscrew soul, a water sogged brain and a combination backbone made of jelly and glue. Where other men have their hearts he carries a tumor of decayed principles.

When the knocker comes down the street, honest men turn their backs, and angels weep in heaven and the devil shuts the gates of hell to keep him out.—Exchange.

A. and M. Student Instructor in Theology.

Rev. C. W. Lawrence, a graduate of the A. and M. college, now theological instructor in the National Religious Training school, Durham, N. C., delivered the Thanksgiving sermon to the faculty and student body. The sermon was forceful and instructive and one of the most powerful since the beginning of school.

A. AND M. AND BENNETT COLLEGE GAME--SCORE 0 TO 0

On Friday, November 27, the A. and M. College football team met their old rival, Bennett College team, on the grid-iron at Cone Athletic Park. The game was of much interest, yet it was evident the A. and M. outclassed Bennett from start to finish. The game was witnessed by hundreds of enthusiastic spectators.

The game began with Bennett receiving the ball. Failing to advance the ball in the allotted time they resorted to a kick. At this time A. and M. received the ball and marched up the field for a touchdown, but failed when the ball was lost and the Bennett team became possessors, but for a short while, and it was A. and M.'s property again. Such playing went on continuously. Soon the

first half was up and neither team had scored.

Now for the second half. A. and M. received the ball and brought it up to ten yards of the goal Bennett was defending. On a trial at a field goal by A. and M.'s quarter, who failed to make it, the ball again became the prey of the opposing team.

Such playing as this was seen the entire game through, but neither A. and M. nor Bennett scored. The time was called twice when A. and M. was within three yards of Bennett's goal. Those who starred for A. and M. were Fisher, Bailey and Davidson; for Bennett, Morehead and Epps. This game is an annual one for Thanksgiving day.

DR. J. L. MANN ADDRESSES STUDENTS

"The Humanity of Christ" was presented in a lecture to the students and teachers of the local A. and M. College for Negroes by Dr. J. L. Mann, superintendent of the Greensboro city schools, in a most interesting and unique manner, Sunday afternoon. Seldom is this subject presented in so terse a manner as was by Dr. Mann. The speaker was presented by Dr. James B. Dudley, president of the college, who spoke of the kindly feeling and interest Dr. Mann had always expressed for the A. and M. College and also of the influence Dr. Mann was exerting in the city for better ideals.

Dr. Mann spoke in part: "What is it we find in some men which seems to draw everyone to them? What can there be about a man whom you have never seen or heard of before, that will draw you toward him in feelings although he is a total stranger to you? What was there about Christ which was pre-eminent so that one who had come in contact with Him could never forget Him

and would always remember His attitude? The followers of Christ were not great men in the nation; some were fishers, some were tax collectors; most of them were without much influence or any money. He called to one and said "follow Me" and later this one said "Master, have I not forsaken all for Thee?" What did he forsake? Nothing but a few old nets and a boat. There was something about Christ which drew men to Him. It was not because they were His relatives. It was not because He had money, it was not church affiliation, it was not their prayers, for I have heard of people praying and telling the Lord things about their enemies in the presence of the enemy that they were afraid to tell to their enemies. His divinity did not draw men to Him, yet there was something in Him like the rays of radium in action; it seemed to radiate from Him as mighty strokes of power; there seemed to be something in the air about Him which, when one was in its presence, commanded attention to the Man.

"All great men have not this power of drawing men to them, of immediately commanding attention without speaking, and of directing with simply a wave of the hand. Wherever we find a man with power to draw people from within, it is because he has an absolute fidelity and allegiance to an ideal which has behind it honor, truth and integrity. I beg to say that a man who swears allegiance to the principles of honor, truth and integrity, will reach that end. I have yet to see a man fail in this purpose. He who stands for the highest which earth has will come to his own and this is the secret of the great power which physically was in the man Christ. The great Napoleon sat on the island of St. Helena and said, "I know men but Christ was no mere man, I have had men at my absolute command and have controlled the destinies of the greatest armies and countries of the world but today none of them listen to my call. Christ has been dead for more than 1,800 years, yet men will rally to Him to sustain His standard and ideals.

"Christ was greatest because He was on the Cross. Some men are never understood until they have been put upon a cross. You will never know whether you are a man or not until you have been on a cross and come down successful. Men never really come to manhood until they have met their crosses. I don't mean a cross with the spear and the nails and the Roman soldiers, but for a man to stand and be crucified for a principle and for honor. Again some men never yield their real influences until after they have come from their crosses."

Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, of the Bureau of Education, was on the campus a few days ago. Dr. Jones is on a tour inspecting the Negro schools of the south. We were much pleased to have him tell us that ours will compare favorably with any he had visited.

Quite a number of the boys spent the holidays with the home folks. All report a pleasant trip. Among those who spent the holidays at home was the editor.

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