

Alumni Inaugurate New Awards

Funds Available To Iowa Students

Alumni in Iowa cities are now forming Alumni councils for the purpose of selecting the recipient of a \$100 alumni scholarship awarded to their city, according to President Samuel N. Stevens. The funds for the scholarships are available through Iowa contributions to the Alumni Century club fund.

The councils will be composed of several alumni in the community, the ministers of the Congregational and Episcopal churches who have expressed an interest in serving, and a representative of the high school in the town.

Members of the council will interview applicants for the award and will forward their recommendations to the college. The awards will be made to "qualified students in need of some financial assistance."

This is the first year the Alumni Council awards have been added to the college scholarship program. If the program is successful in the cities and towns of Iowa, it will be instituted on a national scale, according to the Century club and college officials.

Many Iowa alumni of the college already have responded enthusiastically to the proposed plans.

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the exercises and for the graduating seniors and their parents.

Mr. Smith, whose executive office is in the White House in Washington, D. C., will be presented for an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Other honorary degrees will be awarded by the college to Dr. Edward A. Steiner, Professor emeritus of Applied Christianity; Dr. Jesse M. Burlew, '00 Santa Ana, California; and Dr. William Pearson, Des Moines. Dr. Steiner will be presented for the award of Doctor of Humane Letters, Dr. Burlew and Dr. Pearson will receive the Doctor of Science award.

The duties of Dr. Burlew as Medical director of Santa Ana will keep him on the west coast, so that his degree will be presented to him in absentia, thus breaking a Grinnell tradition of long standing.

Schedule for the commencement weekend as released by Prof. Grant O. Gale, chairman of arrangements, follows:

Friday, May 21: Meeting of the Board of Trustees.

7:30 p. m., Academic procession for the Baccalaureate exercises.

8:00 p. m., Baccalaureate address by Dr. Stevens in the college chapel.

Saturday, May 22: 10:00 a. m., Alumni Association business meeting.

11:00 a. m., Alumni Chapel, speaker to be selected by the Alumni Association. The president of the Alumni Association will preside at these two meetings.

12:15 p. m., Alumni box luncheon on the South campus. In case of rain the luncheon will be held in the women's gym. Tickets available at Alumni headquarters.

2:00 p. m., The Hill prize con-

Send Addresses

The college Alumni office, in order to maintain an up-to-date file of Grinnell men in the service, is anxious that alumni send the names and addresses of Grinnellians in the armed forces to the college office throughout the summer. Please send any new addresses or change of address to Alumni Office, Grinnell College, Grinnell, Ia.

Hallie Flanagan, '11, Writes on Theatre

A recent publication by Hallie Flanagan, contributing editor of the Grinnell "Tanager," is entitled "A History and Analysis of the Vassar Experimental Theatre." Mrs. Flanagan is former director of the experimental theatre at Grinnell.

The book, published by Duell, Sloan, and Pierce, was reviewed favorably in the New York Times Book review of March 21, which characterized Miss Flanagan with the one word "dynamo."

Firms Send Men To Campus For Interviews

Representatives of many nationally-known firms have visited the Grinnell campus this spring and still many others have put in long-distance calls and telegrams in an effort to contact seniors for positions this summer and in the fall. According to the college Placement office, a number of seniors have received attractive offers and many had signed contracts by May 1, of this year.

Representatives who have visited the campus this spring include: Mr. W. O. Wilson, Standard Oil; Mr. L. W. Phillips, Jewel Tea; Miss Elizabeth Kleindienst, Harris Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago; Miss Janet Kelley, RCA Victor; Mr. L. L. Hueston, Equitable Life; Mr. Harold Graham and Mr. Wendell Nelson, Wilson; Mr. E. H. Wagner, Swift; Mrs. Noreen A. Litscher, American Red Cross.

tests. Mr. Ryan will preside. 4:00 p. m., Military Review on MacEachron Field by the Officer Candidate School.

6:15 p. m., Dinner in the dining room by reservation.

7:30 p. m., Girls' Glee Club concert.

8:30 p. m. to 9:30 p. m., President and Mrs. Stevens will be at home to receive commencement guests.

9 to 12 p. m., Commencement Dance.

Sunday, May 23: 11:00 a. m., College Church.

1:00 p. m., Dinner in the dining room by reservation.

2:30 p. m., The academic procession will form.

3:00 p. m., The Commencement Exercises. Commencement exercises probably in the Chapel. The commencement speaker and recipients of honorary degrees will be announced later.

6:30 p. m., Supper 'n the quad by reservation.

New Honor



Dr. Edward A. Steiner, professor emeritus of applied christianity, and nationally known figure in the field of religion, will receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Grinnell college at the commencement exercises Sunday, May 23.

Harold Phillips Named 1943 Gates Lecturer

Harold Cooke Phillips, minister of the First Baptist Church of Cleveland, Ohio, was announced as the Gates lecturer for next fall by Dr. Samuel N. Stevens.

Frequent speaker at colleges, student conferences, and Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. meetings, Phillips was also a lecturer at the Baptist World Congress in Berlin, August, 1934; delegate to the Oxford and Edinburgh conferences, July and August, 1937; and speaker for the Baptists of North America to the Edinburgh conference.

Two Students Named for Roberts Awards

Lois Gregg, senior from Harwarden, Iowa, and Eileen Meinkey, senior of Fontanelle, Iowa, are the 1943 recipients of the Lydia Roberts Graduate Fellowships awarded annually by the Columbia University in New York City. The fellowship has been given to Miss Gregg in English, and Miss Meinkey in music.

The Columbia University Council awards these fellowships to persons of the Caucasian race, of either sex, and born in the state of Iowa. The recipients must have graduated from a college or university in the state of Iowa. They are selected on the basis of scholastic standing, seriousness of purpose, moral character, and a real need of financial aid. Incumbents of the fellowships are eligible for reappointment. The value of each fellowship is not less than \$750 and not more than \$100.

Each graduate received once, the cost of his transportation from his residence in Iowa to New York City and return.

The college senior who applies for the Lydia Roberts fellowship, must state his or her intention to return to the state of Iowa for a period of at least two years upon completion of his or her graduate work at Columbia.

The 1942 recipients of the Lydia Roberts fellowships were Mary Griffin of Cedar Rapids,

War Makes Gardeners of Faculty Men

Victory gardens hoed and raked by the faculty! Yes, it's true, our learned professors have gone agrarian.

The two largest gardens are cooperative gardens planted on college ground; one on the east side and the other on the west side. The east side plot was started last year, and is now worked by Messrs. George Lovell, Stuart Brown, Mack Henderson, J. Forrest West, John Pooley, and Mrs. Adeline Pruyn. Last year the WPA cultivated the west side garden to raise beans which were canned for people on relief. Since the practice was discontinued this year, members of the faculty are now farming it. Messrs. Charles Kaufman, J. Forrest West, Kenneth Simmons, Kenneth Gayers, John Scott Everton, John Burma, and Mack Henderson are raising their vegetables on the west side.

The ground for these gardens was donated by the college to its faculty members. The land was then divided into plots, with the men drawing straws to determine which plot they were to work.

Of all these gardeners J. Forrest West is the only one who has conceived the idea of using "conscripted student labor."

Many other faculty members, including Messrs. Shelton Beatty, Harold Clapp, John Burma, Albert Nichols, and Selden Norris, have victory gardens in their back yards.

Mr. Clapp, aside from having his own garden, works one for a neighbor in return for half the produce.

Mr. Burma cares for five gardens in all. His back yard garden is enclosed in a cold frame which has already yielded radishes, spinach, lettuce, endive, and celtus. He began this cold frame, five feet by eight feet, about six weeks ago. In another smaller cold frame Burma is raising tobacco, cotton, okra, mangoes, climbing watermelons, and climbing cucumbers. Another crop he takes great pride in is his peas, which are over a foot high.

Sowing the seeds and mowing the weeds—the faculty has gone all out for victory gardens.

Six Students Honored By Phi Beta Kappa

Six Grinnell seniors were named in the spring selection of Phi Beta Kappa candidates at the Honors chapel in Herrick chapel by Paul Spencer Wood, head of the department of English, and chairman for the occasion.

Those honored are Justine Bates, Kansas City, Mo.; Elizabeth Beck, Danville; Roger Frohardt, Omaha, Nebr.; Roberta Lincoln, Grinnell; Doris Nininger, Denver, Colo.; and Mary Lee Nugent, Algona.

Iowa, in the field of English, and Mary Ellen Appleby of Washington, D. C., in the field of psychology. Miss Griffin's fellowship has just been renewed for the years of 1943-1944.

Alice Meacham Williams of Grinnell, Iowa, and Lee Andrews McIntosh of Webster City, Iowa, received the Lydia Roberts fellowships in 1940 and '41 in the field of English.

Students Hear From Letters On Jap Problem

Editor's notes The Findlay Memorial was introduced in the Iowa Senate Wednesday, Feb. 24, opposing the return of Japanese-American students from relocation centers to American colleges and universities. The Grinnell students petition, contracted by Bill McKeon, was signed also by members of the Board of Religion. Faculty action on the Senate proposal was discussed in the March issue of the Alumni Scarlet and Black.

The action of the Grinnell college faculty and of certain student groups concerning the Findlay memorial to move Japanese students out of midwest colleges was recalled when William McKeon, Chicago, Ill., president of the student council at the time of the discussion, released for publication several letters he has received from persons in government service to whom reports of the Grinnell opposition were sent.

Persons writing to McKeon include K. M. LeCompte, congressman from the fifth district of Iowa; Guy M. Gillette, Iowa senator and member of the Senate committee on foreign relations; and George A. Wilson, senator and member of the Senate committee on military affairs.

LeCompte also included in his letter a copy of communications received from the departments of state and war, to which he had sent the Grinnell correspondence along with similar letters opposing passage of the Findlay memorial. John J. McCloy, of the assistant secretary's office, War Department, said in part, "The communication recently addressed by the faculty and student council of Grinnell College . . . has been referred to the War Relocation authority for further reply to you . . . I might add, however, that the War Department has assisted the War Relocation authority in its student relocation program, and looks upon the attitude of the Iowa Senate as unfortunate."

Hospital Given In Honor of Ray Blank, ex '30

Announcement was made recently of the gift of a \$125,000 children's hospital to the people of Des Moines and Iowa by Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Blank of Des Moines, in memory of their son, Raymond, ex '30.

Raymond, a former Grinnellian, died March 7th of a heart attack at the home of his parents. He was secretary of the Tri-States and Central States Theaters corporations. The idea of a Children's hospital was originally formulated by Raymond. The hospital is to be a living memorial to his deep sympathy for children in their illnesses and disappointments.

He transferred from Grinnell to Brown, Providence, R. I., graduating in 1930.

Raymond was present at the peace conference at Geneva, Switzerland in 1931. At this time he wrote articles for The Register and Tribune and the New England syndicate. His interests were connected with activities of the Boy Scouts, anti-infantile paralysis campaigns, and the Red Cross organization.

The hospital, which is to be erected adjacent to the Iowa Methodist Hospital in Des Moines, will be unusual in that it will provide treatment of every kind of children's ailment.