Final Exams Under Way; Graduation

Final examinations began last Friday for about 160 graduating seniors and 2,000 underclassmen. Finals will continue until this Thursday.

Graduation exercises have been changed this year from the customary Friday evening ceremony to Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, May 28. They will take place in Paul Sware Memorial Stadium, as usual. The reason for the change is to make it possible for more parents and friends to attend, a spokesman for the administration said recently.

Dr. Oscar Davis, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Gadsden, will deliver the benediction.

President Houston Cole and Dean T. E. Montgomery will confer degrees on 160 candidates. Graduating with scholastic honors will be: Alan Atwood, Jacksonville, biology; Billy B. Arnold, Bynum, Joseph H. Brooks, Ononta, William C. Curry,處ney, Jacksonville, mathematics; Ferrell Drummond, Boaz, Norene, Judith Sullivan, Rome, Georgia, secretarial science; Margaret Ranson, Goodwater, home economics; Linda Bryan Sparks, Jacksonville, music.

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College Chorus Wins Bromberg Trophy

By JUDY JONES

The College Chorus, under the direction of Malcolm Griffin, won the Bromberg Trophy in the College Opera Competition last week in Birmingham.

The group competed against the Alabama College mixed chorus and the Howard Men's Chorus.

Organizational Plans Made For Campus Service Corps

Preliminary organization and planning for a campus Service Corps got under way last week when about 90 students met in Ayers Hall to discuss such a group. A small committee had met previously with President Cole to exploit the idea.

Wade Smith was elected president; Crawford Nelson, vice-president; Judy James, secretary; and Joan Smithly, treasurer.

The purpose of the corps will be to perform a selfless service to the college in lifting the moral tone and in soliciting the interest of the entire student body in taking better care of the buildings and grounds. It will, in fact, be a labor of love for the alma mater; one that will help enrich it internally while it is growing externally; it was explained.

The student body will be included in the planning and will be hearing more about it in the future.

Present at the organization meeting were: Ann Burgess, Brenda Butler, Verlene Colliver, Jais Duke, Phillip Dean, Jimmie House, Mary Ann Huff, Ronnie Harris, Jane Hubbard, Linda Heard, James Haynes, Wayne Hillard, Cecilia Johnston, Judy Jones, James Justice, Sandra Lester, Polly Lorenzo, Arthur Moore, Bradley Mitchell McKay, David Moon, Gwen Nabors, B. C. McNair, Jane Pruett, James Rayborn, Rodney Shirley, Perry L. Savage, Joan Smithley, Wade Smith, Dewey Tate, Luthay Taylor and Thomas Young.

SGA Faces Reorganization Into Bicameral Assembly

By perhaps the largest plurality ever given to a single amendment to the SGA constitution, bill No. 12 became law last Dec. 12.

A fifty-signature petition was floated in accordance with Article XIII, Section 1 of the Constitution bringing the matter of reorganization to a campus-wide referendum. The overwhelming 5-1 majority (282-50) has been interpreted in some circles as a mandate from the student body. Basically the measure called for a division of the present unicameral assembly, making the SGA a bicameral body including a Senate and a House.

The change (effective Sept. 1) involves complete reorganizing of the Student Government. Aside from the executive committees which includes the student body president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, the assembly will be divided into two branches: the Senate and the House. The House will include the presidents of the four classes, one representative from each of the four classes, and the editor-in-chief of the Collegian and the Mimosa. The Senate shall include the presidents of each SGA chartered campus organization (formerly assembled as the Presidents' Council), and one representative from the International House. The student body president shall serve ex-officio in the Senate, and the vice-president shall serve as president pro tem of the Senate. In joint sessions the president of the SGA shall, of course, preside.

Preparation is now being made by incoming President Wayne Hillard for the transition. He and his staff have a challenge that lies before them; the entire student body should cooperate in this endeavor if it is to succeed.

Read About JSC's Outstanding Grad On Page 3

Left to right: Thompson, Sparks, Maze, Maze and Griffin.
COLLEGIAN EDITORIALS—AHOIA...

Last January we watched outgoing President Eisenhower sitting on the inaugural platform and we wondered how he felt. Now we know.

Now that we are leaving The Collegian we are taking with us many of our own worries and fears for the paper's welfare. These worries and fears have always hurt us, but now it's much worse. No longer do we have the authority or means to do anything about them. Other people have reached out to guide and lead us now. The paper that is now called "our" paper.

We have been relegated to the role of armchair critics—we have been "outed" now forever. Gracefully we accept this newfound leisure but with some regrets.

Now someone else must suffer the headaches and experience the satisfactions that are entailed in putting out The Collegian. We are no longer a dedicated student. However these things have made the past school year more fruitful for us than it might have otherwise been.

This has been a rare and honored privilege to have spoken for the students and we wouldn't trade the experience gained for anything. Our words may not have sounded right to everyone but we don't consider that to be a cardinal sin. Someone has to have the final say as to what will go into print and what will not. This responsibility lies upon the shoulders of the editor-in-chief and it is his job and responsibility to determine how the college will be reflected in the printed media.

At some time aspects appear in sharper focus than others. People complain, make accusations of neglect, or worse, charge deliberate suppression.

Nothing is further from the truth. Our reflection of Jacksonville and world affairs have been the clearest we could achieve. We always kept our eye on one hundred per cent clarity. If the mirror appeared dusty at times, we did not cloud it deliberately. It must be remembered that we also are students and our term of office served as a "learning experience" for us.

We were not selected for office because we were perfectionists in the field of journalism. When we were offered this job it was a student-made offer. I was a self-appointed leader. We had attained the final rung on the ladder of Collegian success. We now had to prove ourselves and come as close to perfection as we were capable. We made our mistakes and had our troubles but in the long run we felt that we did a darn good job and are proud of it. We don't feel that we were perfect and are not positive that we even achieved the goals that were set for ourselves when we took over the reins. But we are satisfied.

It's been a good year.

Thanks 'Mac'...

The student body of Jacksonville State had been waiting in eager anticipation of the best annual ever published and when the Minnow came they were not disappointed.

Now some congratulations go to Don McMillan for the fine and worthy yearbook that they have given us. It is one that we wouldn't hide away in a dusty drawer or in a crumpled box in the closet; rather we could aim toward "perfection". We had attained the final rung on the ladder of Collegian success. We now had to prove ourselves and come as close to perfection as we were capable. We made our mistakes and had our troubles but in the long run we felt that we did a darn good job and are proud of it. We don't feel that we were perfect and are not positive that we even achieved the goals that we set for ourselves when we took over the reins. But we are satisfied. It's been a good year.

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**Outstanding Seniors Of Year Are Selected**

By TROY DOBBINS

In the place of the regular spotlight, we are featuring the top 21 outstanding students of the senior class. We make no claims that these are the only persons deserving such a award, but we do proclaim that each of these has accomplished something and deserves to be recognized.

There had to be a limit made; we tried to make it, and hope you agree with this selection.

There actually need to be no reason given for why we chose Bill Anderson for this honor. As president of the Student Government Association this year, he has gained the admiration of many students. His accomplishments in this position have been too numerous to mention and he has distinguished himself also in Phi Mu Chi Beta, Kappa Phi Kappa, and Circle K.

Speaking of the SGA, we find Ferrell Drummond who proved a capable treasurer for the organization. Phi Beta Lambda and Kappa Phi Kappa can also claim Ferrell, but his most outstanding contributions have been in the SGA.

There just isn't a harder worker in this school than Anne Aldrup. As student nurse, this has required a lot of her attention and a great deal of effort. Anne has been active in Phi Mu Chi Beta serving as vice president and as secretary. This year she was the president of Kappa Delta Epsilon, national honorary education fraternity. She is also graduating with special honors in biology.

Another outstanding worker is Jane Barrick. A member of the Student Home Economic Club, she is the state historian of the Baptist Student Union and Phi Mu Chi Beta. Jane received a Letter of Appreciation from President Cole during ceremonies on "Governor's Day".

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Graduating with scholastic honors in math is Joseph Brooks. Joe, as he is better known, is a member of Scabbard and Blade national honorary organization for advanced ROTC students. The Bio, Omega Delta Pi, and Order of the Eastern Star, he received a Certificate of Appreciation from President Cole on "Governor's Day".

Although basketball and baseball have taken much of his time, Bill has maintained a high scholastic standing in all his work throughout his four years here.

The managing editor of this paper, the Collegian, has proved himself capable of handling a lot of responsibility as far as the paper is concerned. Besides writing his own column, Stan Chapman is very efficient in handling another phase of work connected with the paper.

Stan has also served as president of the Law Club, Stu-Jax, and associate editor. With the Stu-Jax Chapman started a series on world news which prompted not only controversy and interest among students but a campus conscious of international affairs and the dangers of communist infiltration.

A transfer student from Coastal Carolina Junior College, Jason Davis has contributed much to the Jacksonville State campus.

This year, Jason was business manager for the 1961 Mimosa, and he presented us with the best yearbook ever produced on this campus. His work there and with various other organizations qualify him for the title outstanding. A prominent figure in religious work on campus is Betty Jane Perez. This year, Betty served as President of Pi Tau Chi, a never tiring worker is Bobby Lucas. This year Bobby has been head basketball manager and assistant football manager. He served as president of the senior class and as vice-president of the SGA. A member of the P. E. Majors Club and Circle K Club, he holds a Certificate of Achievement and is listed in Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Another graduating senior is Don McMillan. His capabilities for working, plus his friendliness and ability to get along with others are traits which make him very outstanding. Don was editor of the 1961 Mimosa, and he presented us with the best yearbook ever produced on this campus. His work there and with various other organizations qualify him for the title outstanding.

A prominent figure in religious work on campus is Betty Jane Perez. This year, Betty served as President of Pi Tau Chi, national honorary society for those who have been conspicuous in the practice of Christianism. Betty has served in publicity chairmanship for the Billy Graham Crusade which is a part of the Methodist Student Movement. Betty Jane received a Letter of Appreciation on "Governor's Day."

A sensor that will definitely be missed on the Jacksonville campus is Louie Pickens. Louie has served as student nurse for three years and was head cheerleader this year. This girl has done more to promote school spirit than anyone in a long time, but will be remembered as an outstanding cheerleader.

One can definitely say that Judith Summersville is not afraid of work, and her record proves this statement. A member of Phi Beta Lambda, she was state treasurer this year. Judith is a dorm officer, a member of NASA, and class treasurer.

Larry Martin, a biology major with a science minor, graduated with the highest scholastic average ever attained at Jacksonville State College. Mrs. Glassco, who is from Boaz, has an average of 298.4. A member of the lineage Home Economics Club, she was chosen as the outstanding female student of the year.

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Leaves of Absence Granted Gamecocks' Frank Lovrich

By Hal Hayes

COLLEGIAN Sports Editor

The gamecocks briefly saw the day of off 1-15 this past Saturday as the result of a narrow loss in the annual Powder Puff Classic at Byrnes. It would have been hard to take the loss, however, if the Gamecocks had been able to play their usual game of football.

The loss was, in part, a result of the weather. The strong winds that prevailed throughout the game made it difficult for the Gamecocks to keep their passes on target. The Gamecocks, however, were able to score on a few plays, despite the wind.

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