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A Card From Dr. Joynes

"Let me congratulate you on capital number of THE GAMECOCK.

"A few more shots at 'Collegians' manners' might, I hope, produce some impression.

"Why not Photograph Albums plus Annual?

"Jokes good, but, best of all, the 'Island of Rye.' But why not, rather, the *River of Rye*, which, like Tennyson's Brook, 'flows on forever' in spite of all *damning or damming*?

"Yours very truly,
"ED. S. JOYNES."

Gonzales Won the Preliminary

R. E. Gonzales will represent the University of South Carolina at the State oratorical contest, which will be held in the city of Greenwood on the 24th of April.

The State preliminary oratorical contest was held in the University Chapel under the auspices of the Clariosophic and the Euphradian Literary Societies. The speeches of the various contestants were of the highest order and quite up to and even better than the standard of those delivered on such occasions in the past.

The judges were out for some time, and the audience was kept in suspense over who would be selected from the young orators. The decision of the judges was announced by Prof. C. V. Neuffer after brief remarks. When the name, "R. E. Gonzales," was called the audience went wild with applause, and the victorious orator received many handshakes of congratulation from his exultant friends.

After the address of welcome by L. W. Smith, the presiding officer, M. R. McDonald, of the Euphradian Society, delivered an oration upon the hopes of the South, in which he pictured the past and present and what the future seemed to have in store for the Southland.

A. M. Lumpkin, of the Clariosophic Society, spoke mostly of the women of the South and the homage that man should pay her in keeping with the old Southern chivalry. Mr. Lumpkin's oration was a glowing tribute to womankind, and when he took his seat he was liberally applauded.

J. C. Sheppard, of the Euphradian Society, had an unusual subject, "Somehow Good," and handled this in an excellent manner, both

as to his delivery and as to the subject matter of his speech. He showed that it was within the power of all to do some good in the world, that 'tis told us that we see only the larger of the comets and stars. So it is in the world. Even those who do not shine so bright may do a world of good." Mr. Sheppard's oration was highly complimented.

J. C. Massey, of the Clariosophic Society, made an eloquent plea for the children of our country. He cited the examples of the little ones growing up untaught and in a world of crime and sin. He wished that education be given all so that this condition might be benefited.

J. D. Lee, of the Euphradian Society, spoke upon "A Plea For the Ancient Languages." The speech went to show that "we care not that in after life the study of the ancient languages be forgot. The deep and noble influence which they have exerted upon our lives will ever be remembered and will be for the betterment of the student of these languages."

The subject of Gonzales' speech was "The South and Her Heroes." It was discussed throughout in a manner which was suited to the occasion. The political stage of the South before the Civil War, her stand during the war with reference to her heroes, especially Lee and Hampton, and the South's position and her growth in comparison with the other parts of our country were treated in a scholarly and graceful way. The English used by the speaker was observed to be particularly effective. The speech, taken as a whole, was admirable, the judges declared.

R. E. Gonzales is the president of the Clariosophic Society, and has distinguished himself along other lines of college work since entering the University. It was quite an honor for Mr. Gonzales to come out victorious over so many worthy opponents. The students have the greatest confidence in his ability, and are satisfied that he will make them a good representative for the State contest. One of his fellow students says that Gonzales was almost forced to enter the contest on account of his disinclination, and his victory is all the more signal for that reason.

There was a large crowd present to hear the orations, and it is always a pleasure to the students and faculty of the institution to have

the people from the city attend these contests.

The programme was as follows: Address of Welcome—L. W. Smith (Spartanburg), Clariosophic. M. R. McDonald (Oconee), Euphradian—"The Hope of the South."

R. E. Gonzales (Richland), Clariosophic—"The South and Her Heroes."

Music.
A. M. Lumpkin (Richland), Clariosophic—"Truths."

J. C. Sheppard, Jr. (Edgefield), Euphradian—"Somehow Good."

Music.
J. C. Massey (Lancaster), Clariosophic—"A Civic Need."

J. D. Lee (Sumter), Euphradian—"A Plea for the Ancient Languages."

Music.
Decision of judges.
Dismissal.

Chief Marshal, J. E. Hart (York), Euphradian; assistants (Clariosophic)—M. A. Miller, Darlington; Alfred Wallace, Jr., Richland. Euphradian—F. G. Vance, Richland; J. I. Hazard, Jr., Georgetown.

The judges were: C. C. Wilson, J. Wilson Gibbes, C. V. Neuffer.

University Notes

The Board of Trustees are asking for bids for the new \$30,000 building for which the money was given by the Legislature. The time has come when there should be a permanent plan for the development of the University, and this building is to form a part of the general plan for the entire system of buildings that will some day be needed and will some day be built, a University which the people will be proud of.

Mr. August Kohn, A. B., '89, made an address on the 29th of February before the Graduate Class in Pedagogy, describing the general education conditions among the cotton mill operatives of the State. On the same day Dr. Joynes delivered a lecture on "English Analysis" at the Washington Street School.

The Legislature recently elected Mr. Fitz Hugh McMaster to the newly created office of Insurance Commissioner. Mr. McMaster, who graduated from the University in 1888, and also from the Law School in 1889, has been in the newspaper business for several years, being at present circulation

manager of *The State*. He has had four years' experience in connection with insurance, so that he is well qualified to fill the office of Commissioner.

Lieuts. Emile P. Moses, '99, and Saye Dusenbury, '01, have been advanced from second to first lieutenant. Lieut. Moses is in the marine corps and stationed at Boston. Lieut. Dusenbury is stationed at Fortress Monroe.

Hon. Joseph A. McCullough, of Greenville, who was recently appointed one of the receivers for the funds in the hands of the Commission to wind up the affairs of the Dispensary, and has withdrawn from the race for the Senatorship, obtained the degree of A. B. from the University in 1887, and of LL. B. in 1888.

Prof. W. H. Hand is kept so busy with the work of establishing high schools that he has very little time at home. For this work the Legislature again appropriated the sum of \$50,000, of which so much as will be needed will be used. This action of the Legislature last year, and this is one of the best things for the general welfare of South Carolina that it has done for many sessions.

The Librarians, Miss Rion and Miss Porcher, are making a bibliography of the things written by the alumni and the professors of the University from its foundation. Any assistance that any one can give in this undertaking will be highly appreciated, for it is no easy matter to find out what the alumni have written. When the much needed addition to the library is made, then there will be a special alcove set aside and known as the alumni alcove, in which will be kept the books, pamphlets, etc. written by the alumni and persons connected with the University. A full list of all that has been written will be made, so far as possible, and preserved there, although the writings may not be any longer accessible.

Mrs. Reed Stoney has been working to put up a tablet in the library to the memory of the South Carolina College students who were in the war, and she has succeeded in having the Wade Hampton Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy take this as their work for the current year.

The two South Carolinians who are now holding scholarships at Oxford are Mr. E. S. Towles, a graduate of Charleston College,

who took a graduate course in the University in 1904-05, and Mr. W. P. Mills, of Camden, a graduate of Davidson College, who took his M. A. here last June. Mr. V. Cook, A. B., '07, has recently passed the examination and stands a very good chance to obtain the next vacant scholarship. The first Oxford scholar from South Carolina was the lamented William H. Verner, who took his A. B. from the University in 1900, and his M. A. in 1901.

Two Limericks

There was a young fellow called Teddy,
Who was always happy and ready;
Talking in Polit,
Yates told him to quit,
"I will do it directly," said-he.

There was a young fellow named Corry,
Whose favorite song was Annie Laurie;
He got in a whirl,
And sang to his girl,
But since then he has been rather sorry.

If Theodore Were King

There would be embassies from the Sultan of Sulu,
And ministers come from the Kaffir and Zulu;
There'd be no race suicide
For they all would deride
The father of less than four twins.
So he'd rule you
If Theodore were king.

If Theodore were king
We would have ten battleships
Which all Dreadnoughts would eclipse,
And we'd bombard Yokahoma,
And we'd sail around Japan,
Throw the Emperor in a coma,
How I pity the poor man!
We would have enough of action—
Fill our foes with stupefaction
If Theodore were king.

If Theodore were king
There would be a cabinet
Wherein only one could set
Who could demonstrate ability to spar,
Who plays a good game of tennis,
And is already ready when he's
Called upon to hunt the grizzly bar.
It is equally undeniable
That we'd all be undesirable
Citizens if Theodore were king.