

## THE PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

THE College will celebrate on May 15 an event that has been looked forward to for many years—the dedication of the main administration building and the completion of the inner quadrangle of buildings on the campus. Before the first building was constructed, the original governing board of the institution planned a very definite and complete group of buildings that would represent an ideal college plant. These original plans have been adhered to very closely.

In order to fittingly observe the dedication of Wilson Hall, the College is inviting its many friends to join in the celebration. Among these are the parents of the students, the alumnae, the State Board of Education, the Commission on the Liberal Arts College for Women, members of the General Assembly, representatives from the colleges of Virginia and from the teachers colleges of Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, and North Carolina. Representatives from several other institutions that have made notable contributions to the faculty of the institution will also be invited to attend. In addition to these friends, there will also be present many people of Harrisonburg and Rockingham County, who have taken a great interest in the establishment of the College and in its welfare.

The dedication exercises will be held at 11:00 a. m. on May 15, at which time the visiting educators, the faculty, and students will proceed to the new auditorium in academic costume. Governor John Garland Pollard and former Governor Harry F. Byrd will present greetings to the College and Dr. Julian A. Burruss, the first president of the institution, will deliver an address on "The Contribution of the College to Virginia." President Edwin A. Alderman, of the University of Virginia, will deliver a eulogy on Woodrow Wilson, for whom the building has been named.

The President of the College will doubtless outline, in conclusion, the plans for its future development. The college orchestra and the glee club will furnish special music for the occasion.

In the afternoon will be held the annual May Day exercises of the student body, and in the evening a concert will be given in the auditorium by Richard Crooks, tenor, and Albert Spalding, violinist.

The College is endeavoring to make this one of its great days, and it is sincerely hoped that many alumnae will arrange to be present.

Of special interest to the alumnae will be the completely equipped modern stage, and the new auditorium seating fourteen hundred persons in comfortable auditorium chairs—quite in contrast with the old hard seats that have been used for years in our various temporary auditoriums. The College would be especially pleased, on this occasion, to have many of its loyal daughters come back for a brief visit. A definite program of the events of the day will soon be ready for distribution.

SAMUEL P. DUKE

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### 1930's "TEN BEST" FILMS

*All Quiet on the Western Front* has been awarded first place by newspaper, trade paper and fan magazine critics in the annual poll conducted by *The Film Daily*, which represents the ninth contest in this series. The other selections are: *Abraham Lincoln*, *Holiday*, *Journey's End*, *Anna Christie*, *The Big House*, *With Byrd at the South Pole*, *The Divorcee*, *Hell's Angels*, and *Old English*.

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