

Baha'is Hear Fine Reports on World Work

A crowded public meeting Sunday, June 3, brought to a close the four-day annual convention of the Baha'is of the United States and Canada, held at Foundation hall, Baha'i House of Worship on Linden avenue and Sheridan road, Wilmette. The speakers on this occasion were Hooper Harris of New York and Bishop Brown who holds the chair in the department of economics at the University of Pittsburgh. A program of music was also given. At 2 o'clock on Sunday the Youth members held a dinner at the Georgian hotel, Evanston, at which were seventy-five young Baha'is who, among themselves, discussed intimately their own problems.

The sixty-five delegates from almost as many cities from all parts of the country and Canada convened Thursday in order to elect their National Spiritual Assembly and to inaugurate a program for the ensuing year. Carl Scheffler, director of the Evanston Academy of Fine Arts, was elected chairman and Horace Holley, editor of World Unity, was chosen secretary of the convention.

At the election of the convention, the nine members of the National Spiritual Assembly were re-elected and will carry on for the year a constructive program in the many diverse fields of the cause, one of the most important being the completion of the clerestory section of the dome of the Wilmette temple. Just at the opening of the convention there arrived from the Washington plant, more of the castings of the beautiful quartz ornamentation, as well as the material for casting on the spot the remaining details of the dome of this world famous shrine.

Hold Public Feast

On Friday evening a public feast was given, at which a number of international pioneer teachers were present and gave brief talks to the delegates and visitors on their experiences in other lands. Among them were Miss Agnes Alexander, indefatigable worker for fifteen years in Japan, China and Korea, and a resident and delegate from Honolulu; Miss Alma Knobloch, now of Florida, giving some interesting incidents of her long and successful teaching in Germany, and contacts in England; Miss Fanny Knobloch pioneer teacher in Capetown and the South African States; Louis Gregory of Portsmouth, N. H. who spoke of his work among the southern educational groups, and Mrs. Ida Finch, 75 years of age and practically blind, who came alone from Seattle to speak of her work in Japan and various other countries, as well as in cities of the United States.

John J. Earley of Washington D.C., sculptor-contractor of the exterior ornamentation work on the clerestory section, gave a very enlightening address on the many

architectural problems in connection with his notable work and demonstrated the deep interest of engineers and architects over practically the civilized world, as well as what he describes as "the spell of the temple" on the craftsmen working in his plans, in this new building material and new type of construction.

Mr. Earley received at the Concrete Institute of America, meeting in Toronto this spring, the highest award for notable work done in 1933, in consideration of his work on this temple.

Hear Youth Leaders

Among the Youth group at the convention, Miss Mary Maxwell of Montreal, and Miss Sylvia Paine of Urbana, Ill., gave talks on their experiences in Baha'i work from the standpoint of youth.

The convention received reports on various committees, which were discussed and accepted, with recommendations to be put into effect as far as possible by the incoming Assembly.

Jack Hicks, son of the E. John Hicks of Kenilworth, returned Sunday from Duke university. He will leave Monday with his parents and motor to see his brother, Tom, graduate from Dartmouth. Tom, accompanied by a classmate, Jim O'Keefe of Boston, will sail June 24, on the St. Louis from Boston for a European tour.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCloud of Los Angeles, Cal., are leaving Monday after a six weeks' visit with their son and family, the Bently McClouds of 338 Kenilworth avenue. Bently, Jr., who will graduate from Princeton the following week, is returning home today to bid his grandparents goodbye.

Mrs. George Benson and daughter, Kathryn, 210 Melrose avenue, Kenilworth, have issued invitations to a large garden tea Saturday of this week in honor of Miss Barbara Holden, whose wedding takes place the following Saturday.

Prominent in Graduating Class at Kemper Hall

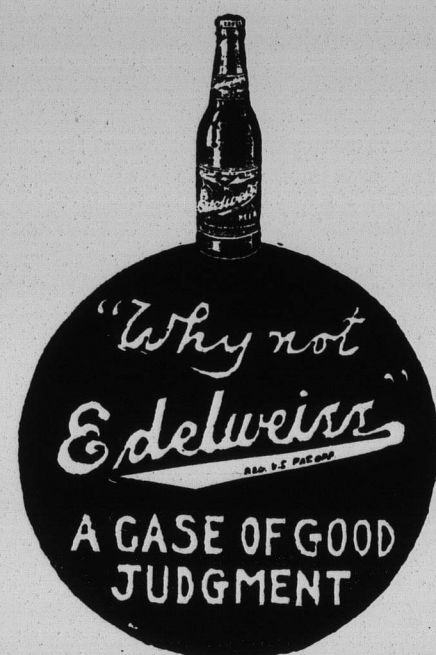
North Shore girls prominent in this June's graduating class at Kemper Hall in Kenosha, Wis., are Miss Elsie Jane Bell of Glencoe, Miss Betty Davis of Winnetka, Miss Patricia Davis of Kenilworth, and Miss Barbara Spencer of Evanston. They, with other members of the graduating class, acted as attendants of the Queen of the Founder's Day celebration, Miss Barbara Barnes of Chicago, daughter of Mrs. Nellie Barnes of 422 Melrose street. Miss Barnes was elected by popular vote of the students to rule over the ceremonies.

One of the features of the occasion is the presentation of lighted lanterns to the new students as a symbol of their initiation into the life and traditions of Kemper hall.

Kemper Hall was founded in 1870 as a memorial to Bishop Kemper, the first missionary bishop of the Episcopal church. It is one of the oldest girl's schools in the middle-west and has been under the direction of the Sisters of St. Mary for many years.

The A. C. Buehler family of 151 Abingdon avenue, Kenilworth, will go out to Morgan Park Military academy June 11, to see Carl graduate from the lower school.

George Woodland of 336 Leicester road, Kenilworth, was graduated at Choate school cum laude last week.



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