

# Balanced Education Urged by Speaker

Education is without value to the world if it does not include the teaching of character, proper motivations, a true sense of values, a true concept of freedom, and a balancing philosophy of life, the Rev. Henry Hitt Crane, pastor of Detroit's Central Methodist church, told 286 graduating seniors at commencement exercises in the Birmingham high school gymnasium last Thursday morning.

A crowd of about 3,000 people were at the ceremony in which the largest senior class in Birmingham high school history was graduated. Rev. Crane used the New Testament parable of the five wise and five foolish virgins to illustrate his remarks on how a proper educational program should be built.

HE SAID the five foolish virgins could be compared to five teachers approaching their classes without proper preparation. He said teachers should be prepared with facts and knowledge with which to teach their pupils and in addition should be able to teach them how to think for themselves rather than learning by rote.

He stressed that the teaching of efficiency should be tempered with the teaching of ethical motivations. We must not only find out how to do things the fastest and most efficient way, we must also know why we do things, and our reasons for doing things should be right reasons," said Rev. Crane.

DISCIPLINE should be accompanied by teachings of the true concept of freedom, lest our schools produce robots, individuals that act like machines, he stressed.

Teaching of cleverness should be balanced by the teaching of character. Students must be made aware of their responsibilities to

society and the whole human race, he declared.

"One of the most promising things I've noted in some time is the recent trend of scientists to be aware of their moral responsibilities in developing new destructive forces," he asserted.

Specialization should not be taught without a balancing philosophy of life, Rev. Crane said.

THE PECULIAR aspect of specialization in this age is a greater concentration on doing less and less, he said. He urged that people should broaden their views of life and not neglect philosophy and religion.

Commencement exercises began with the traditional processional march with accompaniment by the high school band.

Invocation was by the Rev. W. Glen Harris, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

The class gift was presented by Terry Laundry, senior class president, and accepted by William Dove, Student Congress president. Mrs. Alec Farnie, member of the board of education, introduced Rev. Crane.

Graduates were presented by Ross Wagner, high school principal, and diplomas were conferred by Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools.



REPRESENTATIVES OF THIS YEAR'S 643 high school graduates from Birmingham area schools is 17-year-old Susan Doherty, (center), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Doherty, 1011 Kennesaw. Also represented in the picture is 52 years of Birmingham high school history, Susan's grandmother, (right) Mrs. Kate B. Cook, received her Birmingham high school diploma at Hill school in 1902. Susan's mother (left) graduated from Baldwin high school in 1930, and Susan was graduated at commencement exercises Thursday morning in the gym of the new Birmingham high school. Active in extracurricular activities while at high school, and ranking high in her graduating class, Susan is planning to continue her education at the University of Michigan this fall. (Eccentric Photo)

## Sidewalk Repair Program Is Set

Sidewalks repair program for this year will be confined primarily to the area bounded by Lincoln, Pierce, 14 Mile and Southfield. Both sides of Pierce will be included, as will a number of sidewalk blocks in other areas of the city which were damaged when sewer and water services were installed.

City commissioners have ordered repair of the walk where the responsibility was the property owner's.

## Have You Met

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Tripp and children, James, age 5½; Robert, age 3½; and Cynthia, age 1½, new residents at 1057 Ardington road, formerly of Detroit. Tripp is president of Good Samaritans Industries and owner of the M & F Auto Supply. He attended the University of Michigan school of social work.

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# Attend Family Reunion At Bowling Green, Ohio

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WING LAKE-FOXCROFT—Still reminiscing over the Anderson family's first reunion in four years at the home of his brother, George Anderson, in Bowling Green, Ohio, the Gordon Andersons and children, Marilyn and Garry, report that Anderson's mother, Mrs. Grace Anderson, enjoyed one of the happiest times in her life, surrounded by her five sons, their wives and children. Highlight of the reunion was the showing of motion pictures that each son had taken of his family.

Other members attending were the Donald Andersons and children, Jimmy and George, of Bowling Green, Ohio; Robert Anderson and children, Douglas and Frederick of Warren, Ohio and Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Anderson and children, Phillip and Katharine of Berkeley, Calif.

A barbecue dinner was recently held at the Robert Dunlap's home on Sheringham, in honor of their houseguests, Mrs. Elizabeth Crane from Pawauke, Wis., and Mrs. Robert B. Dunlap of Waukesha, Wis.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Robinson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Crabb.

Co-hostesses, Mrs. Stephen Pettie and Mrs. Hugh Black, served refreshments to members during a short recess at the annual meeting of Wing Lake Farms, Inc., held at Wing Lake school, June 14.

Joan Geisler of Wing Lake read left, last Friday for New York City. The following day, she planned to continue her trip to Europe with a group of Wayne university students. Other countries on her agenda are Italy and France, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Italy and Spain.

The Robert Hicks sons of Pomona Colony attended the Glen Hickson's "open house" in Pontiac, June 13, celebrating the graduation of their daughter, Virginia, from Waterford high school. Wing Lake read, last Friday for Chuck Williams who is moving east.

Guests were Mrs. William Fraser, Mrs. John Richter, Mrs. Wallace Cutts, Mrs. Harold Gordon, Mrs. Walter Gordon, Mrs. John Doyle, Mrs. Thomas Carter, Mrs. Robert Dunlap, Mrs. John Irvine and Mrs. Thomas Blakeman of Wing Lake; Mrs. Morton Graddis, Bloomfield Hills; Mrs. Herbert Grandage and Mrs. George Scott of Birmingham.

With her series of poems titled "The Flowering Flame," Mrs. Edward Tuttle, an English student at Wayne university since February 1956, recently won second prize in Wayne's oldest literary competition, the all university 1954 Tomkin's award contest.

On the afternoon of June 16, Mrs. Elwood Sapet entertained guests at a tea honoring Mrs. Harold Gordon's mother, Mrs. Fred L. Williams of Houston, Tex.

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Recently back from Hanover, N. H., where they attended the graduation exercises at Dartmouth college, are Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Metz of Oak Grove, Grandisburg cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa, their son, Bud, won a Rotary International Fellowship at the University of Edinburgh, Scotland.

# To Enter Valparaiso As Business Majors

Miss Carol Becker, a 1954 graduate of Bloomfield Hills high school, and Edward Walter Knorr, a 1954 graduate of Birmingham high school, have been approved for admission to Valparaiso university college of arts and sciences. Both plan to major in business at the Lutheran university.

Miss Becker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto K. Becker of Kenwick. Edward Walter Knorr is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin H. Knorr of 1875 Bedford Road, Birmingham.

He is also instructing an adult class in life-saving. Students will learn the various kinds and the back-pressure arm-lift method of artificial respiration recommended by the U. S. Public Health Service and the Red Cross as being superior to the old Schafer method. Among those who have already joined the class are Mrs. James Allen, Mrs. Charles Dunham, Mrs. William Frassy, Mrs. Walter Stecker and Mr. Elwood Engel.

A qualified Red Cross safety instructor, Mr. Gagnepur was swimming instructor for two classes at Hillsdale college and, also taught a group of 120 Boy Scouts in the town of Hillsdale last year.



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