

HEAR VALEDICTORY OF DEAD PRESIDENT

Baylor Students Get Message of Dr. Brooks, Written as He Was Dying.

WACO, Texas, May 27 (AP).—The guiding spirit of the late Dr. Samuel Palmer Brooks, president of Baylor University for twenty-nine years, hovered over graduation exercises at the university today.

After degrees had been conferred upon 279 students the hushed assembly heard a farewell message written by Dr. Brooks several weeks ago as he lay dying.

"I stand on the border of mortal life, but I face eternal life," he wrote. "I look backward to the years of the past to see all pettiness, all triviality shrink into nothing and disappear. Adverse criticism has no meaning now. Only the worthwhile things, the constructive things, the things that have been built for the good of mankind and the glory of God count now.

"There is beauty, there is joy and there is laughter in life—as there ought to be. But remember, my students, not to regard lightly nor to ridicule the sacred things, those worthwhile things. Hold them dear, cherish them, for they alone will sustain you in the end. And remember, too, that only through work and oftentimes through hardships may they be obtained. But the compensation of blessing and sweetness at the last will glorify every hour of work and every heartache from hardship.

"Do not face the future with timidity nor with fear. Face it solidly courageously, joyously. Have faith in what it holds.

"My own faith as I approach eternity grows stronger day by day. The faith I have had in life is projected into this vast future toward which I travel now. I know that I go to an all-powerful God, wherever He may be. I know He is a personality who created man in His image. Beyond that I have no knowledge—no fear—only faith."

MRS. SIMEON RAY.

Funeral Held in St. Louis for
Mother of Publisher, E. Lansing Ray

Special to The New York Times.

ST. LOUIS, May 27.—Funeral services for Mrs. Jessie L. Ray, widow of Simeon Ray, were held this afternoon in the home of her son, E. Lansing Ray, president and publisher of The Globe-Democrat, at 22 Westmoreland Place. Mrs. Ray, who had been an invalid for years, died early Tuesday morning at the age of 72 in her home, 4,906 Argyle Place, after a heart attack.

The services were conducted by the Rev. Theodore S. Smylie, pastor of Central Presbyterian Church. Burial took place in Bellefontaine Cemetery.

Born at Palmyra, Mo., on Feb. 15, 1859, Mrs. Ray was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lansing. She was married in 1883. Simeon Ray, her husband, was secretary and business manager of The Globe-Democrat until his death in 1891. Mrs. Ray left, besides her son, a grandson, E. Lansing Ray Jr.

DR. JOHN CHISHOLM FRASER

Prominent New England Physician
Dies at 77 Years.

Special to The New York Times.

WEYMOUTH, Mass., May 27.—Dr. John Chisholm Fraser, for thirty-eight years medical examiner in the Fortieth Norfolk District and one of the leading physicians in New England, died at his home, 691 Broad Street, this morning after a long sickness. He began practice of medicine here fifty-five years ago. Among the investigations coming under his jurisdiction was the Sacco-Vanzetti case.

Dr. Fraser was born at James River, Antigonish, N. S., Aug. 2, 1853, and was graduated from St. Francis Xavier College. He came to Boston and studied at Harvard, continuing his course at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York City, from which he was graduated in 1876. He was a member of the American Medical Association, Massachusetts Medical Society and the Massachusetts Medico-Legal Society, of which he was president two years.

SISTER MARY NONNA.

Founder of Holy Angels Institute in
Fort Lee Dies at 89.

Special to The New York Times.

HACKENSACK, N. J., May 27.—Sister Mary Nonna, head sister of the Institute of the Holy Angels at Fort Lee, died tonight in the convent attached to the institution, after a long illness. She was 89 years old. She established the institute, which is a private Catholic school, sixty-five years ago, and had been at its head ever since.

Many widely known actresses have been educated at the Institute of the Holy Angels, among others Grace George and Alice Brady.

Mrs. Henry D. Clarke.

Mrs. Eloise Dikeman Clarke, wife of Henry D. Clarke and a member of an old Brooklyn family, died on Tuesday at the Hotel Seville after a long illness. Funeral services will be held tomorrow at 1 P. M. at the Church of the Transfiguration and burial will follow in Greenwood Cemetery. Mrs. Clarke was born in Brooklyn, a daughter of the late Frank H. and Rebecca Drew Dikeman, and at various times was soprano soloist in the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church, the Temple in Brooklyn and Grace Church in Manhattan. Besides her husband, she left a brother, George H. Dikeman.

Philip Chattles Smith.

Special to The New York Times.

DUNELLEN, N. J., May 27.—Philip Chattles Smith, employed here for forty-seven years as a baggage-master for the New Jersey Central, died today at his home, 123 Dunellen Avenue. He was 72 years old. He was a member of the New Jersey Central Veterans' Association, Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and the Methodist Church. Surviving are his widow, one daughter, a sister and one brother.

Mrs. Leander P. Jones.

Special to The New York Times.

GREENWICH, Conn., May 27.—Mrs. Fannie Hotchkiss Jones, widow of Dr. Leander P. Jones, former physician and health officer here, died today at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Max B. Berking. Mrs. Jones was born in Berlin, Conn., eighty-three years ago. Besides her daughter, she is survived by two sons, Horace Carter Jones of Stamford and Barrett Jones of Sonora, Mexico.

Howard W. Kniffin.

Special to The New York Times.

MARLBORO, N. Y., May 27.—Howard W. Kniffin, a stationery dealer of this city, died of heart disease last night in his fifty-first year. He was born here and as a young man was a railroad messenger in the South. He left a wife and a sister.

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