

Forty-fifth  
Annual Commencement  
of  
East Carolina College  
Greenville, North Carolina



Monday, May Twenty-fourth

Nineteen Hundred Fifty-four

Ten-Thirty o'clock

## Order Of Exercises

Organ Prelude

George Perry

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance" ..... Elgar

East Carolina Orchestra  
Kenneth N. Cuthbert, Conductor  
(Audience will remain seated during the processional)

"America the Beautiful" ..... Ward

Invocation ..... The Reverend Carl V. Harris

"Grand March" from "Aida" ..... Verdi

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" ..... Waring-Ringwald

Combined Choirs East Carolina College  
East Carolina Orchestra  
Kenneth N. Cuthbert, Conducting

Address

Hon. William B. Umstead  
Governor of North Carolina

"If with All Your Hearts" from "Elijah" ..... Mendelssohn

Elwood Keister, Tenor  
George Perry, Organist

Announcement of Awards

Alexander B. Andrews Scholarship: Eleanor Sanderson  
John B. Christenbury Memorial Award: Charles E. Huffman  
Thomas C. Williams Memorial Award: Dorothy Smith Whitehead  
James Fenly Spear, Jr., Memorial Award: Lucious Calvin Butt  
Maria D. Graham Memorial Award: Martha C. Dickson

Presentation of Candidates for Degrees

Dr. Leo W. Jenkins, Dean

Conferring of Degrees

Dr. J. D. Messick, President

Alma Mater ..... McDougale

(Remain standing for benediction)

Benediction

Recessional: "Huldigungsmarsch" from Sigurd Jorsalfar Suite .... Grieg

## A. B. Degree Graduates -- 1953-1954

E. Metz Bizzell .....	Goldsboro	Margaret Ann Mansfield .....	Edenton
Shelton Ward Bowen .....	Aurora	Moulton Braxton Massey, Jr. ....	Greenville
Oscar Hubert Brown .....	Winterville	Richard Napoleon Ottaway ....	Wilmington
Jimmy Ellsworth Dunn .....	Ayden	Mary Gwendolyn Richardson ..	Washington
Eugene Edward Emery, Jr. ....	Greenville	Leon Henry Rouse, Jr. ....	Wilmington
James Conrad Faulkner .....	Kinston	Shelby Eugene Russ .....	Wilmington
Donald Louis Fratino .....	Salisbury, Md.	Mitchell Lee Saieed .....	Greenville
Larry Moore French, Jr. ....	Kinston	Leon Hampton Sewell .....	Wilmington
Lynwood L. Grissom .....	Wilmington	Fred Louis Shelby .....	Goldsboro
Lee Rawlings Hall .....	New Bern	Edsel Wimberly Sholar .....	Rocky Mount
Betty Jane Huffman .....	Salisbury	Richard Harrison Siler .....	Siler City
Ray Austin Hylton .....	Greensboro	John Pigott Sloan .....	Wilmington
Royce Claybourne Jordan .....	Washington	Curtis Garrett Summers .....	Norfolk, Va.
Wade Hampton Jordan, Jr. ....	Edenton	Julian Robert Vainright .....	Greenville
Kenneth Hollingsworth Kennedy	Greenville	Robert Lee Vickery, Jr. ....	Mooreville
James Franklin Lee .....	Benson	Rodney Neale Walters .....	Wilmington

## B. S. Degree Graduates -- 1953-1954

Flora Charity Adams .....	Rocky Mount	Thurston Callahan .....	Whiteville
Ottis Leslie Adams .....	Newport	Paul Archibald Cameron, Jr. ....	Kinston
Nolan Clifton Alcock .....	Pollocksville	Cecilia Dove Cartwright .....	Englehard
Nancy Faye Apple .....	Raleigh	Helen Rose Cherry .....	Belmont
Ola Kelly Avent .....	Fuquay Springs	Marion Jennette Chesson .....	Roper
William Horace Baker, Jr. ....	Zebulon	Eunice Olene Civils .....	Kinston
Martha Ann Barrow .....	Pollocksville	Carolyn Lewis Clapp .....	Greenville
Mary Gerock Barrow .....	Maysville	Mary Agnes Clark .....	Sanford
Adah Mayfield Bass .....	Tarboro	Carol Reid Coffey .....	Mullins, S. C.
Waylon Thomas Bass .....	Garysburg	Helen Estelle Collie .....	Wilmington
Wilben Crawford Bass .....	Goldsboro	Thelma Oleta Collier .....	Clarkton
Jack Philip Benzie .....	Rocky Mount	Margaret Joyce Conner .....	Rich Square
Betsy Parks Best .....	Goldsboro	Martha Sale Conway .....	Greenville
Dorothy Grey Best .....	Goldsboro	Lemuel Clay Cook .....	Cooleemee
Horace Gary Birchett, Jr. ....	Hopewell, Va.	Mary Sue Cook .....	Hertford
Wilma Deane Blackmon .....	Four Oaks	Patricia Ann Corbett .....	Farmville
Yvonne Lavenia Blackwell .....	Oxford	James Bacon Corbin .....	La Grange
Charles Ritchie Blake .....	Jacksonville	John George Costulis .....	Belhaven
Loyce Bonner .....	Aurora	Hugh Donald Cox .....	Kinston
Betty Sue Branch .....	Greenville	Rachel Ann Cox .....	Walstonburg
George R. Brinson .....	Arapahoe	Raymond Hoover Cox .....	Maury
Kitty G. Brinson .....	Draper	Eliard Gray Croom, Jr. ....	Rocky Mount
Mary Elizabeth Sawyer Brinson	Grantsboro	Leonard Ray Culbreth .....	Greenville
Jack Britt .....	Fairmont	Peggy Jean Malpass Culbreth ..	Goldsboro
Vera Linder Broome .....	Washington	Walter Earl Culbreth, Jr. ....	Goldsboro
Marvin Eli Brown .....	E. Rockingham	Gladys Rosamond Daugherty .....	Kinston
Thomas Grant Bullock .....	Ayden	Evelyn Jean Davis .....	Warsaw
Bobbie Jean Burch .....	Raleigh	Miriam Ruth Dempsey .....	Fayetteville
Hazel Glenn Burke .....	La Grange	Amelia Dillwyn Denton .....	Bunn
Grace Carolyn Burnette .....	Hopewell, Va.	Norma Ledbetter Dillingham ..	Winterville
Anne Watson Butler .....	Greenville	Mary Jean Dodd .....	Four Oaks
Martha Deane Byrd .....	Maysville	Myra Gale Dorsey .....	Wrightsville Beach
Martin A. Byrd, Jr. ....	Tabor City		

Bettie Jane Dougherty .....	Fayetteville	Jerry Leo Horner .....	Bailey
Elizabeth Ann Duke .....	Greenville	Lula Ann House .....	Nashville
Anne Blackwell Durant .....	Wilmington	Alta Marie Houser .....	Lincolnton
Charles Augustus Edwards .....	Greenville	Dorothy Jean Howard .....	Garland
Dorothy Anne Edwards .....	Pendleton	Mary Ferebee Howard .....	Tarboro
Peggy Caldwell Ellers .....	Greenville	Mattie Evelyn Huber .....	Kinston
John Norwood Elliott .....	Chapanoke	Cleo Dora Huffman .....	Salisbury
James Blair Ellis .....	Goldsboro	Alex James Hurst, Jr. ....	Greensboro
William Preston Emerson .....	La Grange	Alice Dixon Jackson .....	Godwin
Rose Hardison Ennett .....	Williamston	Susan Imogene Jennette .....	Mt. Olive
Barbara Sue Ethridge .....	Nashville	Blonnie Ella Johnson .....	Greenville
McDonald Eure .....	Portsmouth, Va.	John Benton Johnson .....	Rocky Mount
Mildred Getchell Faison .....	Faison	Melva Elizabeth Johnson .....	Harrells
Betty Lou Brickhouse Farless ..	Aulander	Miriam Johnson .....	Wilmington
Anne Fedoronko .....	Burgaw	Sallie Grey Johnson .....	Garland
Eugene Carl Fields .....	La Grange	Edna Faye Jones .....	Williamston
Mary Alice Fields .....	Goldston	Edna Ruth Jones .....	Stantonsburg
Charles Edgar Fishel .....	Winston-Salem	Larlie Mae Jones .....	Milton
Margaret Elizabeth Fleming .....	Greenville	Russell Pascal Jones .....	Salemburg
Edna Jean Flora .....	Farmville	Susie A. Jones .....	Halifax
Tracy Formy-Duval .....	Wilmington	Edith Marie Jowdy .....	Washington
Henry Eugene Gilbert, Jr. ....	Bolivia	Betty Jane Jurgensen .....	Wilmington
Oscar Wallace Giles .....	Greenville	Joan Vivian Kelly .....	Sanford
Mary Lee Gillette .....	Jacksonville	John Robert Kennedy .....	Wilmington
Jane Elizabeth Godwin .....	Wade	Peggy Harper Kennedy .....	Kinston
Margaret Louise Grant .....	Goldsboro	Nancy Lou Kesler .....	Fuquay Springs
Jean Taylor Gray .....	Trenton	Arthur Henry King .....	Kinston
Mary Ellwood Green .....	Morrisville	James Leigh King .....	Wilmington
Margaret Cameron Greene .....	Greenville	Leland Jewel King .....	Turkey
Edna Joyce Griffin .....	Rocky Mount	Bessie Belle Kornegay .....	Albertson
Barbara Ann Grimes .....	Robersonville	Coletta Mae Lahr .....	Goldsboro
Frances LaVerne Grogan .....	Draper	Barbara Ann Lamm .....	Lucama
Annice Faye Gulley .....	Clayton	James Richard Langston .....	Winterville
Joyce Blue Gurley .....	Mt. Olive	Billy Britton Laughinghouse ..	Greenville
Martha McKenzie Hall .....	Salemburg	Julianne Richetta Leimone .....	Burgaw
John Caswell Hamilton .....	Atlantic	Max Rudolph Lewis .....	Fremont
Hugh Hardee, Jr. ....	Greenville	James Harry Limer .....	Warrenton
Lettie Marie Harper .....	Pikeville	Aubrey Lee Little .....	Ayden
Ervin Harrell .....	Aulander	Jessie Baker Little .....	Pactolus
Elsie Cathryne Harrelson .....	Whiteville	Thomas Ray Lupton .....	Greenville
Thelma Margaret Harris .....	Marshallburg	George Frank Lyons .....	Greenville
William Joseph Harris .....	Goldston	George Amos MacMillan .....	Greenville
Ann Wicker Harrison .....	Greenville	John Wesley McAden, Jr. ....	Washington
Ida Ruth Hedspeth .....	Pendleton	James Stuart McCormick .....	Ayden
Florence Mae Helms .....	Portsmouth, Va.	William Stanley McDowell .....	Verona
Johnny Carter Helms .....	Monroe	Mark Stancil McGlohon .....	Winterville
Joyce Tyson Hillard .....	Farmville	Winifred Jeanette McGlohon .....	Willard
Betsy Jane Hobgood .....	Oxford	LaRue Wales McKinney .....	Scranton
Drusilla Bain Hodges .....	Pine Brook, N. J.	Kathryn Leona McLawhorn .....	Grifton
Ida Fay Hogan .....	Chapel Hill	Ola Ray McLawhorn .....	Ayden
Laurie Jane Holmes .....	Whiteville	Agnes Vann McLemore .....	Henderson
Martha Raye Honeycutt .....	Salisbury	William Gilbert McLeod .....	Fayetteville
Ray Sausman Hood .....	Greenville	Vera Bell McNeill .....	Burlington
Major Irving Hooper .....	Stumpy Point	Peggy White Madry .....	Scotland Neck
Marietta Hooper .....	Elizabeth City	Frank Maennle .....	Greenville

Agnes Faye Mallard .....	Trenton	Mattie Boseman Shearin .....	Whitakers
Edith Ann Mangum .....	Rocky Mount	Charles Dwight Shoe .....	Salisbury
Clyde Vernon March, Jr. ....	Rocky Mount	Alice Jones Singletary .....	Greenville
Magdalene Gibbs Marshall ...	Engelhard	Anne Vernon Smith .....	Tarboro
Clara Louise Mason .....	Swan Quarter	Eston Carlos Smith .....	Wilson
Edna Marie Massad .....	Benson	Ellen Lucille Sprinkle .....	Asheville
Ethel Lee Massengill .....	Four Oaks	Julie Maxine Stanley .....	Elizabeth City
Dolores Ann Matthews .....	Henderson	George W. Starling .....	Greenville
Doris Mae Messer .....	Dunn	Margaret Irene Steele .....	Bear Poplar
Jane Hooper Midgette .....	Cary	Cleo Richardson Stott .....	Greenville
Patricia Lina Miller .....	Kill Devil Hill	Virginia Reel Strickland .....	Bell Arthur
Jean Lewis Mohorn .....	Enfield	Alexander Collins Sutherland .....	Newport
Alma Lou Moore .....	Durham	Edwin Charles Sutton .....	Kinston
Barbara Jean Moore .....	Raleigh	Geraldine Swindell .....	Belhaven
Margaret Hamilton Moore .....	Greenville	Janet Elaine Swinson .....	Mt. Olive
Eva Lynnette Murphy .....	Rose Hill	Lena Maxine Taylor .....	Sea Level
Donnell Mayo Muse .....	Tarboro	Wilbur Paul Thompson .....	Whitakers
Peggy Lou Nash .....	Durham	Barbara Ann Tilley .....	Fuquay Springs
Sabra Jane Nunalee .....	Currie	Monna Jay Toler .....	Washington
Sue Carl Oswald .....	Wallace	Victor Johnson Tucker .....	Magnolia
Betty Ray Outlaw .....	Elizabeth City	Lydia Camilla Turner .....	Conway
Kathleen Baun Ownley .....	Elizabeth City	Janice Newsome Turpin .....	Farmville
John Thomas Painter .....	Greenville	Linwood N. Tyndall .....	Greenville
Frances Louise Parker .....	Pendleton	Lois Babson Vicars .....	Greenville
Janie Margaret Parker .....	Dunn	Irma Wainwright .....	Grifton
Robert Edward Pennington ..	Rocky Mount	Betty Rose Walker .....	Whiteville
Tommy Garth Perry .....	Bailey	Jane Holland Bond Wallace .....	Windsor
Laura Frances Pope .....	Coats	Helen Louise Walters .....	Rocky Mount
Marcellus Blackman Pope III ..	Wallace	Betty Jean Warren .....	Robersonville
John Robert Postas .....	Franklin, N. J.	Laura Chadwick West .....	Warsaw
Joanna Powell .....	Raleigh	Della Frances Westbrook .....	Princeton
Elbert Matthew Prescott .....	New Bern	Tillie Hodges White .....	Virginia Beach, Va.
Anne Toler Proctor .....	Rocky Mount	Dorothy Smith Whitehead .....	Oak City
Sylvia Gay Proctor .....	Rocky Mount	Nancy Lelia Beatty Whitehurst ..	Mt. Holly
Frances Ann Radcliffe .....	Pantego	Betty Sue Whitfield .....	Hurdle Mills
Dorothy Ragland .....	Oxford	Charlotte Moore Whitfield .....	Garland
Elizabeth Ramsay Ralston .....	Washington	Vernie Bert Wilder .....	Nashville
Delphia Tyson Rawls .....	Robersonville	Edward Martin Wilkins .....	Lumberton
Jessie Ann Rice .....	Sanford	Eugene Benjamin Williams .....	Kinston
Kathryn Thompson Rickards ..	Washington	Lena Gwendola Williams .....	Oakboro
Suzanne Hicks Rickards .....	Charlotte	Trudy Carr Williams .....	Wallace
Emily Jane Rivenbark .....	Rose Hill	David Crowell Williamson .....	Whiteville
Martha Janette Rivenbark .....	Watha	Carroll Washington Wilson .....	Oxford
Margarete Ross Roberson .....	Robersonville	Laura Thomas Wilson .....	Middlesex
William Barry Rogers .....	Tabor City	Monteen Johnson Winstead .....	Tabor City
Sidney Payne Rogerson .....	Aulander	Rosemary Louise Wood .....	Spring Hope
Josephine Dixon Ross .....	Ayden	Betty Heath Woolard .....	Williamston
Jo Ann Cothran Roueche .....	Salisbury	Mamie Williams Wooten .....	Hookerton
William H. Rowland .....	Raleigh	Ada Worthington .....	Kinston
Gene A. Russell .....	Dover	India Estelle Wright .....	Halifax
Willie Ray Sears .....	Greenville	Doris Mae Yarbrough .....	Prospect Hill
Josie Ray Sessoms .....	Lumberton		

## M. A. Degree Graduates -- 1953-1954

<p> <i>✓</i> Bertha Johnson Adams ..... Trenton            Arthur Stafford Alford ..... Greenville            Lucy Louise Black ..... Fayetteville            Clarence Herring Butler ..... Salemburg  <i>✓</i> William Wayne Cox ..... Walstonburg            Braxton Lee Davis ..... Snow Hill  <i>✓</i> Virginia Easley ..... Farmville            Mary Grace Gaylord ..... Winterville            Mary Frances Greene ..... Roanoke Rapids            Jean Abbitt Harriss ..... Wilson            Mildred D. Hinton ..... Nashville            Lucile Sugg Hooker ..... Kinston            Louisiana Queene Hurdle ..... Sharpsburg            Elizabeth Kirby ..... Lucama         </p>	<p>           Mary Sue McCutchen ..... Fayetteville            Millie Lancaster Moore ..... Battleboro            Evelyn Barden Rhodes ..... Walstonburg  <i>✓</i> Donald W. Roebuck ..... Stokes            Robert Lee Shuford, Jr. ..... Thomasville            John Hobert Smith, Jr. ..... Gastonia  <i>✓</i> Margaret Rawls Stancil ..... Greenville            Douglas Wallace Swink ..... Wilson            Edward Nelson Warren ..... Falkland            Barbara Moore Wheeler ..... Grifton            Annie Laura Felts Whitehead Murfreesboro            Annie Lee Whitford ..... Ayden  <i>✓</i> Mary Topp Young ..... Greenville  <span style="margin-left: 100px;"><i>u a n w</i></span> </p>
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## Commissioned Second Lieutenants, Air Force Reserve 1953-1954

<p>           Benzie, Jack P.            Blake, Charles R.  <i>✓</i> French, Larry M. Jr.            Grissom, Lynwood L.            Hall, Lee R.            Kennedy, John R.            King, Arthur H.            MacMillan, George A.            Postas, John R.            Shoe, Charles D.            Sutherland, Alexander C.              Corbin, James B.  <i>✓</i> Costulis, John G.            Elliott, John N.         </p>	<p>           Helms, Johnny C.            Hylton, Ray A.            March, Clyde V.            Sholar, Edsel W.            Sloan, John P.            Williamson, David C.              King, James L.              Alcock, Nolan C.            Bass, Waylon T.            Bizzell, Ernest M.  <i>✓</i> Brown, Marvin E.            Byrd, Martin A. Jr.            Cameron, Paul A. Jr.            Cox, Hugh D.         </p>	<p>           Culbreth, Walter E. Jr.            Emerson, William P.            Emery, Eugene E.            Fields, Eugene C.            Fishel, Charles E.  <i>✓</i> Hooper, Major I.            Lupton, Thomas R.            McCormick, James S.            Pennington, Robert E.            Prescott, Elbert M.            Russ, Shelby E.            Sears, William R.            Sewell, Leon H.            Vainright, Julian R.         </p>
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## Received AFROTC Certificates of Completion

<p>           Baldwin, William O.            Bowen, Shelton W.  <i>✓</i> Laughinghouse, Billy B.         </p>	<p>           Russell, Gene A.  <i>✓</i> Saieed, Mitchell L.            Shelby, Fred L.         </p>	<p> <i>✓</i> Smith, Eston C. <i>SS</i>            Bullock, Thomas G.            Williams, Eugene B.         </p>
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## Alma Mater

Praise to your name so fair,  
Dear Old East Carolina.  
Your joys we'll all share  
And your friends we'll ever be.  
We pledge our loyalty  
And our hearts' devotion  
To Thee, Our Alma Mater,  
Love and Praise.

## America The Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain.  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!

O beautiful for patriot dream  
That sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam  
Undimmed by human tears!  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!

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