

CHAPTEL May 3, 1930

-- President Wright.

I want to say a word to you this morning about commencement. How many of you girls are coming back for the summer term? (Large showing of hands.) All right, a large number of you are. We are glad you are coming back.

I have noticed this spring that wherever there are a number of our former graduates teaching in a school--where they have been teaching there for several years--there is quite an improvement in their commencement. I do not know that this improvement is entirely due to the E. C. S. C. teachers, but I do know that the high school commencements are being much better organized and I am excited enough to think our girls have had a great deal to do with it. And I think it is largely because they have seen how our commencements are organized.

It is a regulation of our school that all girls are to stay for commencement. Let me repeat that. It is a regulation of our school that all girls are to stay for commencement. We do give permission to girls who are going to stay for the summer term to go home, provided we do not need them--provided we do not need them. To get away from here before the first of June it is necessary for it to be definitely known that you are coming back for the summer school. Second, it is necessary to get written permission from home. Have your home people write to Miss Sallie Joyner Davis, Chairman of the Commencement Committee. Also, get your permission from the Dean of Women. When Miss Davis gets these notes she will first see whether the girls can be spared; then she will check the list with Miss Horton to see whether the girls asking to leave have reserved their rooms for the summer quarter.

I know there will be some girl right at the last who will



"just have to go home". Begin to think about this now, girls, and I hope no one will have to go home before commencement.

I think this is going to be one of the most enjoyable commencements we have ever had. You have chosen the speaker yourselves, and he is a good speaker. The sermon is being preached by a strong minister. The whole program is worked out in such a way as to give us a strong commencement. I want you to be here and to enjoy it with us.