

952 AT PRINCETON RECEIVE DEGREES

Exercise Is First at Which Goheen Presides — One Woman, 10 Men Honored

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PRINCETON, N. J., June 17 —Princeton University conferred 952 bachelor and advanced degrees at its 211th commencement today, while honorary degrees were given to one woman and ten men.

A special citation, voted by the trustees yesterday, was conferred on Hugh Stott Taylor, retiring dean of the graduate school.

Dr. Chien Shiung Wu, Associate Professor of Physics at Columbia University, became the first woman to receive Princeton's honorary degree of Doctor of Science, and the fourteenth woman to be honored by the university.

The commencement exercises, the first to be presided over by Dr. Robert Francis Goheen, president of the university, were held on the north campus in front of Nassau Hall before an audience of 2,000.

A tradition followed since the founding of the college was carried on by Eugene Numa Lane of Chapel Hill, N. C., who read the salutatory oration in Latin.

Goheen Once Gave Oration

Dr. Goheen beamed as Mr. Lane read the oration, which evoked applause and laughter from the graduating class. Dr. Goheen himself had given the Latin salutatory when he was graduated from Princeton in 1940. He, like Mr. Lane, was one of the two highest ranking men in his class.

The other ranking man of this year's class was Daniel Edson Schweid of Shaker Heights, Ohio. He gave the valedictory.

Bachelor degrees in arts and sciences were conferred on 672 men. Masters degrees were conferred on 175, while 105 received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. In the latter group was a Princeton classmate of Dr. Goheen's, Paul Taylor Condit, son of Kenneth H. Condit, Dean Emeritus of Princeton's School of Engineering.

Dr. Wu Is Hailed

In conferring the Doctor of Science degree on Dr. Wu, the university honored her as the co-author of the first paper to prove experimentally the non-conservation of parity. The citation hailed her as "the world's foremost female experimental physicist."

Two other Chinese scientists received honorary doctorates in sciences. They were Dr. Tsung Dao Lee and Dr. Chen Ning Yang, recipients of the 1957 Nobel Prize and collaborators with Dr. Wu.

Dr. Lee is Professor of Physics at Columbia University. Dr. Yang is a professor at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton. They received the Nobel Award for their investigation of the so-called parity law leading to discoveries regarding the elementary particles.

British-born Dean Taylor was praised by the trustees for "his service to the state, both his fatherland and his adopted nation," and to the Catholic Church.

Other recipients of honorary degrees were Datus Clifford Smith Jr., president of Franklin Publications; Maurice Pate, executive director of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund; the Rev. John Crocker, headmaster of Groton School; and John Nash Douglas Bush, professor at Harvard University.

Also, Frederick Clifton Grant, professor at Union Theological Seminary; Pendleton Herring, director of the Social Science Research Council; William Clyde Friday, president of the University of North Carolina, and Devereux C. Josephs, board chairman of New York Life Insurance Company.

HONORARY DEGREES

Following are the university's citations in conferring the honorary degrees.

Master of Arts

DATUS CLIFFORD SMITH JR.

—Ambassador of books, imaginative master of the arts of intercultural diplomacy, he spans the globe with his enthusiasm and the whole breadth of the world with his work. To the vastness of his vision we owe the fact that the best American publications may now be read in Persian and Arabic, Bengali and Urdu; to the firmness of his principles and the continuity of his devotion we are indebted for the gradual spread of American ideas and ideals to other lands and other peoples.

Doctor of Philanthropy

MAURICE PATE

—Samaritan to the suffering, inveterate foe to all famine, in the wake of two wars he has mightily worked, carrying the benison of milk and bread to well over fifty millions of the world's undernourished children. That "hungry mouths look up and are not fed" can never be affirmed in the presence of one who by his untiring labors seeks always to insure that the children of today shall be fully equipped to face the rigorous challenge of tomorrow.

Doctor of Divinity

JOHN CROCKER

—Master of Groton School, minister of the Christian faith, he stands forth as a sturdy champion raised up by a wise Providence for the advancement of Christian learning. Alumnus of Groton, of Harvard, and of Oxford, graduate of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, sometime chaplain to Episcopalian students at Princeton, he has turned his training to the instruction of young men, admirably exemplifying, among us and abroad, that faith in educa-



AT PRINCETON CEREMONIES: Leading figures at the university's commencement yesterday were, from left, seated: Pendleton Herring, Dr. Chien Shiung Wu, Devereux C. Josephs, President Robert Francis Goheen, William Clyde Friday, Dr. Chen Ning Yang, Dr. Tsung Dao Lee. Standing: Dr. Fordyce B. St. John, University Orator; Maurice Pate, the Rev. John Crocker, John Nash Douglas Bush, the Rev. Dr. Frederick Clifton Grant, Datus Clifford Smith Jr. All but Dr. St. John and Dr. Goheen received honorary degrees.

tion and that education in faith without which both youth and age must be infinitely the poorer.

Doctor of Letters

JOHN NASH DOUGLAS BUSH

—Cultivator of the gardens of the mind, himself the very bud and bloom of humanistic learning, he follows Socrates in having taken as his modus operandi the emulous pursuit of all that is most excellent. We who in turn follow him are thankful that like his miraculous namesake in Exodus, though this Bush has long burned with the fiery ardor of true scholarship, yet has he not been consumed.

FREDERICK C. GRANT—Minister to ministers, servant to servants, man among men, his lucid mind has seized and his lively words have spread among thousands the manifold truths of Christian doctrine. Explicator and interpreter, historian and philosopher, he has continually helped to make manifest, through much thought and through many books, that promise from the past which is always present, the Gospel of the Kingdom.

Doctors of Science

TSUNG DAO LEE and CHEN NING YANG

—Castor and Pollux of theoretical physics, co-discoverers of the principle of non-conservation of parity, these young men brilliantly exemplify the productive kinship of East and West at the highest level of a shared intellectual heritage. Confucius may well have spoken prophetically in observing that the superior man not only stands in awe before the ordinances of heaven, but also bends his gaze upon all that which lies at the roots of the universe.

CHIEN SHIUNG WU — As Helen of Troy, renowned sister of Castor and Pollux, proved the unwisdom of underestimating the powers of woman, so Dr. Wu, renowned collaborator to Doctors Yang and Lee, has richly earned the right to be called the world's foremost female experimental physicist. By her decisive demonstration that the law of the conservation of parity is no longer tenable, she has decisively reasserted the principle of intellectual parity between women and men.

Doctor of Laws

PENDLETON HERRING

—Author and editor, teacher and scholar, adviser and administrator, he has never stinted in his profound and perpetual study of the tangled complexities of social change. As presiding officer of the Social Science Research Council, he has long

been a catalyst of creativity, lighting lamps for scores of scholars, and liberating the private intellect the better to illuminate the public interest.

WILLIAM CLYDE FRIDAY

—A true Southerner by birth, a North Carolinian by training, he has proved himself a veritable triumver among the Tarheels, firmly directing the fortunes of three dynamic educational institutions in his adopted state. William Richardson Davie, the eighteenth-century Princeton graduate who assisted so materially in founding the University of North Carolina, can take supernal satisfaction in that wise appointment which has given to southern education such an admirable man Friday.

DEVEREUX C. JOSEPHS

—As the courageous chairman of President Eisenhower's Committee on Education Beyond the High School, he has vigorously reaffirmed the American conviction that a truly educated public is the best guarantor of a truly emancipated republic. The clarity of his vision and the soundness of his financial sense have not only lifted strategy to the level of statesmanship but have likewise pointed to the path by which higher learning in America can move on to yet unprecedented heights.