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FOREWORD

THE Inaugural Committee is gratified in the support of the alumni and friends of Shaw University upon the occasion of the celebration of the Seventy-first Anniversary of the Founding of the Institution and the Inauguration of the Fifth President.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to the SHAW BULLETIN Committee for the privilege of using the February issue of the SHAW BULLETIN as an Inaugural number.

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ROBERT PRENTISS DANIEL, A.B., A.M., Ph.D.

Dr. Robert P. Daniel Is Installed As President In Impressive Ceremonies

A sound program, including a course of study which must be functional to the demands of a dynamic society and which will lead to a better understanding of "some of the major problems of life such as the preservation of health, economic stability, race adjustments, community service, social welfare, civic improvements, sane sex life, moral character and Christian idealism" was pledged for Shaw University by Dr. Robert P. Daniel on the occasion of his inauguration as president of Shaw, which took place in the Raleigh Memorial Auditorium at 10:30 a. m., Friday, November 20, before an audience of approximately 1,500 persons.

The inauguration ceremonies were preceded by memorial services on the Shaw campus at the grave of Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, the founder of the school, and followed by an alumni luncheon at which it was announced that since August alumni, Baptist organizations and friends of Shaw have contributed to the Raleigh school approximately three thousand dollars, of which the sum of five hundred dollars was collected at the luncheon.

The inauguration exercises, attended by seven college presidents and other representatives from about thirty institutions of higher learning, included the induction ceremonies, with Dr. G. O. Bullock, vice chairman of the Shaw Trustee Board, presenting the new president with the charter. Dr. John P. Turner, secretary of the Board, presented him with the seal of the University, and Miss Mary A. Burwell gave Dr. Daniel a gold medallion as symbol of authority. C. C. Spaulding introduced the new Shaw head.

Tributes were paid to President Daniel by Dr. John W. Barco, vice president of Virginia Union University; Dr. John M. Gandy, president of Virginia State College, and by the Reverend William T. Johnson, pastor of the First African Baptist Church, Richmond.

Greetings were extended on behalf of the colleges of the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention by Dr. William J. Clark, president of Virginia Union University; on behalf of the Baptist Associations of North Carolina by the Reverend J. T. Hairston, president of the North Carolina State Baptist Convention; on behalf of the State Department of Education by Dr. N. C. Newbold, director, Division of Negro Education, and on behalf of the institutions of higher learning by Dr. James E. Shepard, president of North Carolina College for Negroes.

By special designation of Governor J. C. B. Ehringhaus, Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, extended the official greeting of the State of North Carolina.

Members of the Virginia Union class of 1924, classmates of Dr. Daniel, sent the youthful educator a loving cup which, along with the folio of greetings and congratulatory messages from institutions not represented at the exercises, was presented by J. Francis Price, registrar of Shaw University.

In his inaugural address Dr. Daniel praised the work of Shaw University's founder and the three other presidents who have succeeded him, calling Henry Martin Tupper the great architect of Shaw University, Charles Francis Meserve and Joseph L. Peacock the builders, and William Stuart Nelson the rehabilitator.

"The next step," he declared, "calls for a program of coördination and preservation."

The services were opened with prayer by Dean John L. Tilley of the School of Religion at Shaw. The closing prayer was offered by Dr. G. O. Bullock, who presided.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the Shaw University Choral Society, assisted by Mrs. Louise Perrin, under direction of Professor Harry Gil-Smythe.

PROGRAM

I. ACADEMIC PROCESSION

The audience is asked to rise and remain standing until the Academic Procession is seated.

II. OPENING PRAYER

John L. Tilley, A.M., Dean, School of Religion, Shaw University

III. UNIVERSITY CHOIR: "Temples Eternal" . . . F. Melius Christiansen

IV. INTRODUCTION OF THE PRESIDENT

WITH PRESENTATION OF SYMBOL OF AUTHORITY

The Reverend George O. Bullock, D.D., Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees, Presiding

Presentation of President by C. C. Spaulding, A.M., LL.D., Treasurer, Board of Trustees

John P. Turner, M.D., LL.D., Induction Marshall, Secretary, Board of Trustees

Miss Mary A. Burwell, Induction Aide, Member, Board of Trustees

The audience is asked to refrain from applause until the conclusion of the Induction Ceremony.

V. CHOIR: "Walk Together, Children" . . . J. Rosamond Johnson

VI. TRIBUTE TO PRESIDENT DANIEL:

1. As a Professor at Virginia Union University—John W. Barco, D.D., Vice President, Virginia Union University

2. As an Educator in Virginia—John M. Gandy, A.M., Ped.D., President, Virginia State College

3. As a Church and Civic Worker—The Reverend Wm. T. Johnson, B.D., D.D., Pastor, First African Baptist Church, Richmond.

VII. SOLO: "Song of the Soul" Carl Briel

Mrs. Louise Perrin, Coloratura Soprano

VIII. GREETINGS:

1. On Behalf of the Colleges of the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention—William J. Clark, B.D., D.D., President, Virginia Union University

2. On Behalf of the Baptist Associations of North Carolina—The Reverend J. T. Hairston, D.D., President, State Baptist Convention

3. On Behalf of the Alumni of the University—The Reverend Wendell C. Somerville, A.B., B.D., President, General Alumni Association

4. On Behalf of the State Department of Education—N. C. Newbold, A.M., LL.D., Director, Division of Negro Education

5. On behalf of the Institutions of Higher Learning—James E. Shepard, A.M., Litt.D., President, North Carolina College for Negroes

6. On Behalf of the Teachers of North Carolina—Charlotte Hawkins Brown, LL.D., President, North Carolina State Teachers Association

IX. OFFICIAL GREETING OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA BY SPECIAL DESIGNATION OF HIS EXCELLENCY, GOVERNOR J. C. B. EHRINGHAUS

Clyde A. Erwin, LL.D., State Superintendent of Public Instruction

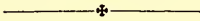
X. PRESENTATION OF DELEGATES AND FOLIO OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES

J. Francis Price, A.M., Registrar, Shaw University

XI. CHOIR: "Praise Ye the Lord" A. Randegger

PROGRAM—Continued

- XII. INAUGURAL ADDRESS
Robert Prentiss Daniel, Ph.D.
- XIII. CHOIR: "Great and Marvelous" A. R. Gaul
- XIV. CLOSING PRAYER
The Reverend George O. Bullock, D.D.
- XV. RECESSIONAL
The audience will please be seated after the prayer and remain seated until the Academic Procession has marched out.



*Presentation of President to
Chairman of Board*

By Dr. C. C. Spaulding

Mr. Chairman, I have the honor to present to you ROBERT PRENTISS DANIEL, who has been duly chosen by the Trustees of this Institution to be its fifth president. We deem him a worthy successor to the noble men who have builded themselves into the structure that is Shaw University and who have fostered here the ideal of religious education in the belief that through such training the fullness of living is achieved.

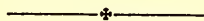
Dr. Daniel was born on the campus of Virginia State College, of teaching parents, educated there and at Virginia Union University and Columbia University, receiving the degree of doctor of philosophy in education from Columbia University.

He has served as professor of education and head of the Department of Education at Virginia Union University for twelve years and was of invaluable assistance to President Clark. He established a record as an educational specialist that is recognized and often commented upon in circles of higher as well as secondary education. In the council of race relations, Dr. Daniel is also highly regarded.

As President Daniel joins the ranks of young Negro college executives who are meeting the challenge of the times in an inspiring manner, the Trustees, Alumni and his many

friends throughout the country, as well as his co-workers, are confident that he will add achievement and prestige to the cause of education as President of Shaw University.

I, therefore, request, on behalf of the Trustees, that you signify Dr. Daniel's assumption of the authority and dignity which appertain to the presidential office, by appropriate ceremonies of induction and investiture.

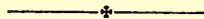


Presentation of Medal

*By Miss Mary A. Burwell, Member,
Board of Trustees*

MR. PRESIDENT:

On behalf of the Trustees, I present to you this medal, an official attestation of your inauguration as the fifth president of Shaw University. We trust that you will cherish it as a sacred possession. We believe that you will wear it with the dignity and distinction of your high office.



Presentation of Seal

*By Dr. John P. Turner, Secretary,
Board of Trustees*

MR. PRESIDENT:

As secretary of the Board of Trustees, I give you the custody of the seal of Shaw University and invest you with the right to use it, or authorize its use, in all transactions requiring such official certification of the University.

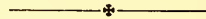
*Seventy Colleges and Organizations Greet Shaw President
At His Inauguration*

Included among the many delegates representing other educational institutions at the Shaw University Founders' Day - Inauguration Ceremonies were seven college presidents, several deans, professors and other officers, who brought greetings to the newly-installed president, Robert P. Daniel. Delegates brought messages from the following institutions:

The Agricultural and Technical College, Greensboro; Bennett College, Greensboro; Duke University, Durham; Fayetteville State Normal School, Fayetteville; Howard University, Washington, D. C.; Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.; Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte; Association of American Colleges, New York; Lincoln University, Lincoln, Pa.; Livingstone College, Salisbury; Miner Teachers College, Washington, D. C.; Morehouse College, Atlanta, Ga.; Morgan College, Baltimore, Md.; North Carolina College, Durham; Palmer Memorial Institute, Sedalia; St. Augustine's College, Raleigh; St. Paul Normal and Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Va.; Virginia State College, Petersburg, Va.; Virginia Union University, Richmond Va., and Wesleyan University.

Greetings were acknowledged from the following: Alabama State Teachers College, Catawba College, Columbia University, Columbia University Teachers College, Hollins College, Bluefield State Teachers College, Arkansas State, Delaware State College, Dillard University, Fisk University, Virginia State Department of Education, North Carolina State Department of Education, International Baptist Seminary, New Jersey; Wiley College, Tennessee State College, Queens-Chicora College, Downingtown Industrial School, North Carolina State College, Raleigh; Board of Education, Northern Baptist Convention; Virginia Commission on Interracial Cooperation,

Florida A. and M. College, Cheyney State Teachers College, Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, Storer College, American Baptist Home Mission Society, Negro Organization Society of Virginia, General Education Board, John Slater Fund, Guilford College, Woman's College of University of North Carolina, Virginia Branch, National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers; Tillotson College, National Council of the Y. M. C. A., Office of the Specialist in the Education of the Negro, U. S. Office of Education, Department of the Interior; Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, Atlanta University, Tuskegee Institute, National Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Bowie Normal School, Paine College, Virginia State Teachers Association, Norfolk Unit of Virginia Union University, Spelman College, and Coppin Normal School.



Statement of Induction

By Dr. George O. Bullock, Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees

ROBERT PRENTISS DANIEL, BACHELOR OF ARTS, MASTER OF ARTS, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY:

It is my high privilege, in the name of the Board of Trustees, to induct you into the office of President of Shaw University, with the authority, privileges, and responsibilities appertaining thereunto.

In token of this act I hereby give you the Charter of the University, by which you will be guided in your authority.

The trustees, alumni, students, and friends have faith in you. We recognize in you a young man of excellent academic preparation, unusual professional training, successful college experience, broad social vision, high racial consciousness, dynamic personality, youthful enthusiasm, high moral character, and deep Christian belief.

May God bless you!

Inaugural Address of Dr. Robert Prentiss Daniel

MR. PRESIDENT, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS,
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I am grateful for the tributes which my former coworkers in Virginia have brought today, and I am made happy by the greetings which have been extended on behalf of the new relationships to which I am now admitted as president of Shaw University.

In addition to these addresses, however, I feel upon this occasion the inspiration of another message—a message which comes to me as from the grave. It is a letter written by the widow of the founder of this institution shortly before her death:

“Emerson says, ‘An institution is but the lengthened shadow of an individual.’ The shadows cast by great pioneers in every field of discovery and enterprise that have promoted human progress illustrate the truth of Emerson’s statement. Pioneers in the domain of education have left behind them institutions, the embodiment of their ideals, that have blazed the path for coming generations.” . . .

“Beginning a great, new undertaking is not easy. To found an institution, the embodiment of noble spiritual ideals, which shall stand the test of time and be a blessing to future generations costs time, thought, care, patient waiting, labor and sacrifice. To realize the ideal, some one must put years of strength and power back of it. Shaw University might almost be said to be the living personality of Henry Martin Tupper. It represents an unconquerable courage, determination, perseverance and faith in God. It stands for truth, honor, integrity, loyalty, service. The ideals of Shaw are foundation stones in the physical, mental, moral, spiritual and social upbuilding of the race. To build those ideals into the lives and character of the young men and women who came under his influence, to open wider doors of opportunity and privilege and enable them to acquit themselves nobly in endeavor and in service, he gave his thought, his strength, his very life. The outworn body lies yonder, beneath that low, green tent whose curtain never

outward swings’—his soul is marching on.”

The privilege of directing the destinies of this institution imposes a great responsibility; but to become a president in the line of successors of that noble spirit who founded this institution involves a sacred trust.

It was the realization of this trust that led me to indicate Founder’s Day as my preference when the question arose of selecting a date for these inaugural exercises.

It is a coincidence of sentimental mention that I receive the authority of office as president of Shaw University at the same age as was Dr. Tupper when he began his work here.

Early Influence of Dr. Tupper

So significant has been the appeal of the sacrifice and devotion of our Founder, Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, that Shaw University has never been without friends. In a pamphlet entitled *Henry Martin Tupper, D.D.—A Narrative of Twenty-five Years Work in the South, 1865-1890*, Dr. Henry L. Morehouse relates numerous instances of generous responses to the appeals of Dr. Tupper.

Among the first to respond were Mr. Andrew Porter, one of the founders of Mt. Holyoke College, and the Honorable Elijah Shaw of Wales, Massachusetts. The spirit manifested by Mr. Shaw in his support was unusual when he wrote that he would mortgage the house over his head to help Tupper, and that he would come to Raleigh at once. This he did, and in grateful acknowledgment of an initial gift of five thousand dollars and other generous gifts later the institution now bears his name.

Estey Hall is the result of contributions from many friends and is named in honor of the Honorable Jacob Estey and Sons of Brattleboro, Vermont, who gave eight thousand dollars toward its erection. Estey Hall has the distinction of being “the first school edifice, of any considera-

ble size in the South, erected solely for the accommodation of colored women in their Christian development and education."

The combination Chapel and Dining Hall, built in 1879, was named after the Honorable O. H. Greenleaf of Springfield, Massachusetts, who with his friends made generous contributions toward its erection.

The Leonard Building, which eventually housed a medical school, was made possible by the generous contribution of fifteen thousand dollars given by Mr. Judson Wade Leonard of Hampden, Massachusetts.

Although the early work of Dr. Tupper was begun under conditions of hostilities resulting from the bitterness which the war had engendered, in a few years he had won the support of many southern friends. It is significant to note that the act of incorporation of Shaw University by the General Assembly contains the names of three white citizens of the State of North Carolina among the first group of trustees. In 1881, when Dr. Tupper applied to the legislature for a gift of land upon which to erect the medical building, it is recorded that the request was granted with scarcely a dissenting voice.

As early as 1884 the Honorable Thomas J. Jarvis, Governor of North Carolina, paid this tribute to Dr. Tupper's work:

"Soon after the close of the war the Reverend Henry Martin Tupper established in this city a school for the education of the colored youth of the State. Step by step he has gone on in his work with an energy and a devotion that have won for him the admiration of the community and the thanks of the people, till he has built up a great school in our midst."

In a letter written March 1, 1890, the Reverend J. B. Simmons testifies very significantly as follows:

... "Those were dark days at the close of the war when 'the bloody chasm' was yawning wide. On its edge these two young workers began their toils for Jesus in the city of Raleigh. They had just arrived from the North. They were unknown, except that he was a Union soldier.

And when he took the few dollars he had saved from his soldier's pay and bought a lot for a freedman church and school, it looked, to our Southern brethren, like renewing the war in another form. So a council was held to send the young couple away. But they said, amiably and most firmly, 'We cannot go, and we will not. Jesus Christ requires us to stay here!' And they did stay, and not only so, but those who then favored their going would now fight for them to remain. They and such as they are the best friends of the South that the South ever saw."

Thus friends, both North and South, rallied to the support of this great pioneer in the education of the Negro.

Assistance of Philanthropists

Shaw University has not been without the benefit of philanthropy. As early as 1890 Mr. John D. Rockefeller made a pledge of twelve thousand five hundred dollars on a twenty-five thousand-dollar campaign for Dr. Tupper's endowment. The heating plant was made possible by a contribution of twenty-five thousand dollars by Mr. Rockefeller in 1902. The early interest of Mr. Rockefeller reflected itself later in the support of the General Education Board. In a letter to me dated November 7, 1936, Mr. W. W. Brierley, secretary of the General Education Board, reports the following contributions of the Board during Shaw's history:

For teachers' salaries endowment	\$200,000.00
For annual grants for increasing teachers' salaries	23,273.97
For buildings and improvements	18,000.00
For repairs to plant.....	8,000.00
For construction and equipment of a science building	90,000.00
For continuation of dramatic art work.....	437.80
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	\$339,711.77

Thus we can see that Shaw's most recent building and most of its endowment were made possible by the General Education Board.

In the Founder's Day address delivered here two years ago Dr. Arthur D. Wright, president of the John F. Slater Fund, stated:

"A careful check-up shows that the first Slater Fund appropriation to Shaw University was for the college year 1883-84, which was the first year that the Slater Fund made any appropriations at all. . . . From that beginning, during each of the 51 succeeding years there has been a Slater Fund grant to Shaw University, and this record of having been for 50 years a beneficiary of Slater Fund grants is shared by Shaw with only one other institution in the South."

In a letter dated October 27, 1936, Dr. Wright informed me that the total grants of the Slater Fund to Shaw University amount to \$121,625. These contributions were made chiefly for teachers' salaries.

Shaw University has been the recipient of generous support of the State Department of Education here in North Carolina, in a coöperative program of teacher training. Several thousand dollars have been made available to us through this source.

The chief benefactor of the program of Dr. Tupper has been the American Baptist Home Mission Society. The interest of this society in the work of Shaw began in the spring of 1870, when the institution was visited by Dr. J. B. Simmons, secretary of the Society. It was after this visit of Dr. Simmons that Dr. Tupper decided to launch out on the expansion program of his institution, then known as the Raleigh Institute, to the proportion which led to its becoming Shaw University. Shaw University soon became the institution of favor of the Society. On June 3, 1870, Dr. Simmons wrote:

"Our Board is greatly pleased with the hearty missionary spirit with which you have labored as principal of the Shaw Collegiate Institute, at Raleigh, N. C., the past year.

"That school is our pride. It is a fountain of blessing. No work of philanthropy, no work of patriotism, no work of Christianity, can surpass that involved in the founding and endowing of such schools in the South. These colored preachers and

teachers must be taught. Love, not for the blacks alone, but for the whites, requires it . . ."

According to a letter dated November 14, 1936, Mr. Samuel Bryant, treasurer of the American Baptist Home Mission Society, reports that the aggregate support of Shaw University given by the American Home Mission Society is approximately as follows:

Appropriations by the Society, 1872-1932....	\$ 790,000.00
Income from endowment funds	290,000.00
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	\$1,080,000.00

The funds received through the Home Mission Society were used for salaries and maintenance. Although in 1932 the Society ceased to make annual appropriations to Shaw, it is still the custodian of her endowment fund. In June of this year we were admitted to the group of schools which the Northern Baptist Board of Education helps to support.

On October 1, 1935, the American Baptist Home Mission Society transferred to the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention its responsibility in the field of Negro education, so that the Home Mission Society no longer directs the administrative policies of any of the Negro schools which have been under its direction for so long. This change is explained by the following statement in the twenty-fifth annual report of the Board of Education, 1936:

"The reason for this transfer is primarily that the Home Mission Society believes that these schools should now be treated as educational rather than as missionary institutions. They must be trained for self-government. Boards of trustees must be organized which will assume the responsibility for their direction. They must build up a sustaining constituency. Some of these colleges already have 'A' rating; others must be brought to it."

As we look back at the change which took place in the administrative direction of Shaw University in 1931, a fair-minded evaluation re-

veals that the changes which took place were the embodiment of this point of view. The friends of Shaw believed that the selection of a capable Negro president would be a wholesome influence in promoting self-government. The Board of Trustees was willing to assume the responsibility of the school's direction. In the past five years President Nelson has made a notable contribution in reviving interest in the school and in laying a stable foundation in building up a sustaining constituency.

One of the last services of Dr. Nelson before leaving the institution was to negotiate the admission of Shaw University into the group of schools in which the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention has assumed an interest. There seems to be a happy coincidence that in the beginning of this new relationship the president of Shaw University is one who comes with twenty years of identification with Virginia Union University, one of the schools of this group whose early history so closely parallels that of Shaw University. In this coincidence, it seems to me, there rests a great tribute to the early benefactors of Negro education in that men trained in schools founded and supported by them are now being asked to assume the leadership of these same schools.

Closely associated with the assumption of leadership is the responsibility of support. The support of Shaw University has not been confined to philanthropy and white friends. Negroes themselves love Shaw and have made great sacrifices for its development. The support of the school by alumni, Baptist churches, and friends regardless of schools and denomination affiliations has been generous.

Unfortunately, it is impossible to show from the records the aggregate of contributions made by these groups. In the past five years alone, however, these contributions have amounted to forty-five thousand six hundred and thirty dollars. Such loyalty is remarkable when we realize

that these gifts were made at a time of financial stress in this country, and made by a race with the highest percentage of those unemployed and on relief. Those who contributed were teachers, preachers, farmers, laborers, domestics and others who for the most part merely received subsistence wages.

Shaw University has always been supported by the Negro Baptists of North Carolina. Shaw is fortunate to have the unified support of all of the Baptist associations, Women's unions, Sunday school unions, and B. Y. P. U. conventions in the State. I have been gratified by the evidences of continued support which these groups have given me since the beginning of my administration at Shaw University. I have already received from these friends contributions amounting to more than two thousand dollars.

In addition to the financial support which they have indicated, I have been encouraged by their expressions of good-will. Both financial and moral support imply confidence in the future of Shaw University.

Shaw's Future

As I begin my responsibilities here, I consider the direction of the future development of Shaw University a great trust. I face my task in the high resolve to maintain this trust. Starting this year as the fifth president of the institution is somewhat like the beginning of the construction of the fifth story of a building. Height and stability are secured by depth of foundation. In every building there is harmony in structural pattern which is observed throughout. Each additional story is based upon the construction which preceded it. If any additional story is to be an advance it must be the next natural step which the previous construction has directed. It should be noted, however, that while there is a common skeletal framework of consistent architectural planning, each story of a building has appointments and fea-

tures designed to meet needs peculiar to it.

One readily recognizes in Henry Martin Tupper the architect and founder of Shaw University; Charles Francis Meserve and Joseph Leishman Peacock, the builders; and William Stuart Nelson, the rehabilitator. The next step calls for a program of coordination and preservation.

We have already addressed ourselves to this program. We opened this year with many indications of continued progress: an enrollment of 461, the largest in the history of the institution; a strong faculty, consisting of persons of training, experience, and character; additional equipment in the kitchen which will improve the service in the dining room; renovation of the dormitory quarters in Convention Hall for the theological students; a deeper devotional life and an enriched chapel service; the inauguration of a weekly calendar and an adjustment of the schedule to permit greater participation by the students in the promotion of departmental clubs and student organizations; a rejuvenated athletic program; and a splendid spirit of cooperation of students and faculty.

We propose also to give attention to a program relating to a vital college curriculum. Graduates of Shaw University must still be able to take their places in the world of achievement. Our course of study must be functional to the demands of a dynamic society. At the same time college preparation must be thorough and make possible successful study by those who would continue in graduate or professional schools.

A college education must not be thought of merely in terms of an accumulation of credits in formal courses in subject matter fields. It is indeed tragic, for instance, that a major in biology or physiology should lose his health at the beginning of his career; or that a student of economics should become an easy victim of "loan sharks." We desire to initiate at Shaw University a series of

conferences, seminars, forums and discussion groups systematically organized to lead students into a better understanding of some of the major problems of life, such as the preservation of health, economic stability, race adjustments, getting along with people, community service, social welfare, civic improvements, sane sex life, moral character, and Christian idealism.

It seems to me that the Negro college would make further contribution to the success of its students in facing problems of life by offering courses which will acquaint them with the best thought and research relating to racial psychology, race relations, Negro history and literature, labor problems, vocational occupations, and other courses which relate to aspects of problems of racial differentiations into which they are inevitably thrown.

The Negro college is itself a separate institution imposed by a bi-racial social order. Just as any other college, it must certainly offer courses whose content is not affected by the race of the students and the instructor. However, as a college for only Negro students because of social prescription, there are courses dealing with topics which must be considered in terms of racial circumstances.

After all, the success of the Negro college graduate is judged in regard to three types of measures: inter-racial achievement, bi-racial adaptation, and inter-racial advancement.

This administration dedicates itself to the development of Shaw University as a college of culture and character and Christian living. We subscribe to and hope to advance the following concept of the Shaw spirit as expressed in "The Sunrise," a student periodical published at Shaw in 1919:

"We believe in doing rather than talking; in maintaining high ideals; in daring to do our duty as we understand it. We believe in saying just what we think. We believe in having an attentive eye, a listening ear, a busy brain, a clear mind, full of dutiful thoughts, and living a life

of industry. We believe in studying hard and doing our duty to ourselves and to our country, cultivating the virtues of service and passion of friendship. We believe in truth, humility, in high ambitions and lofty aspirations. We believe in being worthy of having stern courage for the conquest of fear; in doing kind deeds; in being strong, gentle and kind. We believe in God's unceasing love and the future."

Without doubt this spirit and the training which Shaw offered account largely for the great host of successful graduates of the institution. Included in the number are: a United States Minister to Liberia, a United States Consul to Free Town, West Africa; a United States consul to Guadeloupe, South America; a representative in Congress; a recorder of deeds; members of three State legislatures; an assistant tax commissioner; one of the founders of a leading Negro Insurance Company; a municipal court judge; lawyers; college and normal school presidents; deans and professors; secondary and elementary school principals and teachers; Jeanes supervisors; an assistant county coroner; a police surgeon; hospital as well as private surgeons and physicians; medical professors; pharmacists; dentists; missionaries to Africa including the first female missionary of the race to the Congo; the founder of Lott Carey Foreign Missionary Convention; a Y.

M. C. A. secretary in Africa as well as in America; superintendents of orphanages; moderators of Baptist associations, and innumerable pastors, preachers and church workers.

Shaw University must continue making its contribution to the preparation of a significant leadership of the race. The present generation of students are the recipients of a great heritage. There can be no doubt that the "Shaw Spirit" is an abiding force making a positive contribution to the development of constructive leadership.

Realizing that Shaw began in prayer and faith and devotion to God, we shall be guided in all our endeavors by the recognition of the truth, "Unless the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it — unless the Lord keep the city, they watcheth in vain that keepeth it."

Father Omnipotent, Spirit of Power,
Inspire Thy son with abounding resource;
Make him Thy leader, mighty in crisis
Thy will with justice and love to enforce.

Father Omniscient, Source of All Knowing,
Lend of Thy kingdom unto Thy son:
Through unknown pathways, sunshine or shadow,
Counsel and guide him, All-Knowing One.



*Address Delivered by John W.
Barco, D.D.*

I count myself happy to bring greetings to Shaw University from Virginia Union University and in behalf of its faculty to pay a tribute to a former colleague, greatly beloved, who is today being inducted into office as the fifth president of this historic institution. We at Virginia Union believe he will prove himself to be a worthy successor of the founders of this institution to whom you have done honor today. This belief is based upon his life and work amongst us.

While yet a lad, Shaw's future president entered the high school department of Virginia Union and for twenty years lived the life of one who links the pursuit of knowledge with the attainment of truth; one who had definitely determined to carve for himself a niche in Education's Hall of Fame. For twelve years he was a member of its faculty. Richly endowed by Nature, he thoroughly prepared himself and by hard work, a level head and a progressive spirit he came to be recognized as a leader amongst us.

We think of Dr. Daniel first of all as an inspiring Christian teacher—a person a doctor of philosophy is sometimes not. Students at Virginia Union delighted in being members of his classes, for they "found there something that helped to strengthen their spirits for their struggle in life and to destroy that cynicism in education, that lost faith in their work, which today is ruining so many men both in their teaching and in their research." Outside of the classroom he was the friend and counselor of students—working with them in their different organizations and groups, but at all times so deporting himself as to make it easier for them to live godly and sober lives.

He led in work of curriculum revision and administrative reorganization which resulted in the securing by the University of the rating desired at the hands of the Southern Association of Colleges.

Under his direction the Department of Education—begun under the leadership of Dr. Miles W. Connor—was so guided as to cause its graduates to be sought not only in Virginia, but in surrounding states as well. The Extension Division came under his guidance into a position of great usefulness to teachers in Richmond and nearby counties.

Others will tell, no doubt, of his leadership off the campus in the field of education, social uplift, race relations, church activity, etc.—in all of which he brought honor to the institution he represented.

The members of the faculty of Virginia Union University hope and believe the constituency of Shaw University will loyally and royally support the new president, and wish for him the success we believe he so richly deserves.

*Address Delivered by William
T. Johnson, B.D., D.D.*

I am proud to be in a State whose Chief Executive is wedded to the idea of providing educational opportunities for all the people. He says: "Our State must develop education for her boys and girls with the future emphasis upon preparation for life and citizenship."

Virginia is exceedingly grateful to North Carolina for the very fine way that you have received our brilliant distinguished son. The more you know of him, the greater will be your love for him. I predict that in a short while you will be expressing your gratitude to Virginia for permitting him to come to you. Virginia admits her loss, but Virginia's great loss of Dr. Robert P. Daniel is North Carolina's great gain. Virginia held him in high esteem as a fine man, as a Christian gentleman, as a great educator, as an ideal citizen of remarkable ability and vision.

We are called upon to give an echo from Virginia. We are glad to give an echo concerning one who has been such a dynamic power in all the groups with which he has been vi-

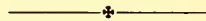
tally connected in our State. If we had the brush of an artist we might paint a picture that would attract your attention while we talked about it. If we had the eloquence of Demosthenes we might give you some beautiful descriptions of your new young leader; but being deprived of both, I must confine myself to some common everyday, yet true, expressions concerning the one who has accepted the leadership of this great school, the Shaw University.

He comes to you as a great leader in religious life. He is Corresponding Secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union Council; Statistician of the Baptist Young People's Union Convention and Virginia Baptist State Sunday School Convention; President of the Boys' Department, Richmond Young Men's Christian Association; Superintendent of the Normal Department, Ebenezer Sunday School; Vice President of the Ebenezer Baptist Young People's Union; and Financial Clerk of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. In each of these capacities his greatness as a religious leader was clearly shown in that he followed his Master, who is and ever will be the greatest of all leaders.

He also comes to you as a great leader in community activities. He is a member of the Inter-racial Commission of Virginia; member of the Negro Organization Society of Virginia; on the Board of Directors of the Colored Playground and Recreation Association; on the Board of Trustees of the Friends Association for Dependent Children; Director of Training of the Richmond Area Council, Boy Scouts of America; on the Richmond Advisory Committee of the National Youth Administration; and a member of the Educational Committee of Negro Welfare Survey of Richmond. He made a deep impression for good in each; his advice was sought on every hand. Our purpose is to relay this information to you while you induct a young great leader into his office.

Men instinctively seek leadership. In war, politics, education, science,

philosophy, and religion they crave the guiding hand of heroic strength. Some become great leaders even early in life, but such great men usually get the honor of their fellows. It has been well said that great men are the champions of scientific freedom and virtue. They are the corinthian shafts of the social edifice. They are the brain of the world's anatomy. They are the engines leading the train of progress. They are the true kings and priests of men in spiritual realms of life. They are the suns shining in the human firmament around which move all lesser lights in their respective orbits. They are the loadstones of power attracting the hearts and souls of men. They are the voltaic piles smiting the electric sparks that fire and set ablaze the intellectuality of men heroic in serving God and man. It is a great privilege and a very high honor to exalt such men who merit this confidence, esteem and love. Such a man it is our privilege to honor today—the new president of Shaw University, Dr. Robert P. Daniel.



*Address Delivered by N. C.
Newbold, A.M., LL.D.*

MR. CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT DANIEL, AND
FRIENDS:

As a representative of the North Carolina State Department of Education, and on behalf of Dr. Clyde A. Erwin, Superintendent of Public Instruction, and my other associates in that department, I bring you, President Daniel, greetings and a hearty welcome to North Carolina. May I say also, Mr. President, that I am requested to bring you greetings from President Few of Duke University in the following language: "Please explain to President Daniel my regret that other obligations take me out of the State at that time, and give him my congratulations and good wishes."

We believe, sir, that you enter upon your duties as president of Shaw University under happy auspices, and in

a most fortunate period of our history;

Fortunate, because we are seemingly at last definitely emerging from the most unhappy and distressing period of economic disturbance and widespread human suffering we have known;

Fortunate, because you come to Shaw University when the college enrollment—nearly five hundred—is the largest in the history of the institution, and incidentally—but very important—at a time when those students are more nearly able to pay their college bills promptly than at any time in recent years;

Fortunate, because your predecessor and the thousands of Baptists in North Carolina and elsewhere, and their friends, in their recent Seventieth Anniversary Campaign raised a sum of money counted in thousands of dollars which has helped stabilize Shaw's economic position and to make easier the task of securing funds for annual maintenance;

Fortunate, because of the friendly attitude and coöperation of the officers and the personnel of the great Northern Baptist Convention, and particularly because of the support of all Baptists of both races in North Carolina;

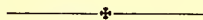
Fortunate, may it be said, modestly and with proper decorum, because the State to which you have come has for some years now exhibited an awakening social and moral consciousness that definitely encourages and supports men, institutions and measures who work for the education, the health and the welfare of all its people of whatever race or creed or color.

However, Mr. President, it must be said—you have not come to paradise, nor to a place even approximating that happy land. It is true, though, that you have come to a community and a State heir to a set of conditions and precedents, the sum total of which offers you as the fifth president of Shaw University opportunities which outweigh and transcend similar situations and conditions that have greeted any former incoming

president of this great old institution.

Let me hasten to say this last statement is not intended to suggest that you have fallen heir to onerous burdens and exacting responsibilities—rather that the conditions, the entire surrounding circumstances offer a challenge to your skill, your intelligence, your imagination and your leadership.

As one North Carolinian, representing the State Department of Education and the president of Duke University, may I express the faith and confidence of myself and my colleagues in the future of this University under the wise and courageous leadership of its new president, and finally to offer you, President Daniel, our deep, abiding, sympathetic interest and since coöperation in the tasks and the responsibilities which shall face you as president of Shaw University.



*Address Delivered by J. T.
Hairston, D.D.*

PRESIDENT DANIEL, HONORED GUESTS,
FACULTY, ALUMNI, AND STUDENTS:

I have been asked upon this occasion to extend greetings to you from the Baptist host of this State. According to the figures of the late Dr. C. S. Brown, the Baptists of this State represent a constituency of about two hundred and fifty thousand members. As representative of this great host, whose hearts and souls are tied up in Shaw University, our beloved institution, I am happy to bring to you today their sincere greetings and their best wishes that this may be the happiest day of all the days which this institution has experienced since its founding by Dr. Henry Martin Tupper.

You have many reasons to be happy today. First, because this institution was born in the heart of one of the greatest lovers of our group, and one who demonstrated his love by the great sacrifices which he made in establishing this school, to prepare a Christian leadership for us, an un-

fortunate group which had just emerged from the bondages of slavery without one penny with which to begin life's career. No homes, no money, no schools, no churches of our own. But God put it into the hearts of Dr. Tupper and his lovely wife to leave their homes in the North to come South and do what they could to help our group, at least to get started in the right way, to make life worth while.

Today as we stand at this seventy-first mile post and look back over the past we can but join with the writer who said, "See what God hath wrought."

A second reason why you should be happy today is when we take a survey we can see all over this and other countries the Christian men and women who have come out of this institution, and are actually engaged in helping to build a better world. The men and women in every walk of life are carrying into their various callings and professions the spirit of Christ and of Tupper and giving themselves unreservedly to the task of uplifting the people. We can but say today, God bless the spot that marks the last resting places of the immortal Dr. Tupper and his good wife, "who counted not their lives dear unto themselves that they might lift Godward their brother."

A third reason why you should be happy today is because it can be truthfully said of those who have followed Dr. Tupper, as heads of this institution, that they have all been men of vision, who caught the spirit of the founder and have built wonderfully upon the foundation which he laid, and have not suffered the old ancient landmark to be removed. Those who have had the privileges

and pleasure to come under their Christian influences have been blessed and made a blessing to others.

Those great men were the late Dr. Charles Frances Meserve, Dr. Joseph Leishman Peacock, Dr. Wm. Stuart Nelson, and now our new president, Dr. Robert P. Daniel. As we think of these men we can but join in the language of the song of our sainted fathers and mothers of long ago, saying, "Ride on Jesus, ride on conquering king, because no man can hinder." So that now on behalf of the Baptist host of this State I bring you these greetings and, speaking for them, we wish for you the most successful and glorious future.

And to you, Dr. Daniel, our new president, we do here and now pledge to you our whole-hearted sympathies and our unlimited support and loyalty to help you build a bigger and better Shaw University.

I can truthfully say, from my own personal knowledge and observation, and from what others have said who are in the position to know, that there never has been a finer spirit and deeper interest on the part of the Baptists of the State than that which is being manifested toward our school today. If that is true—and it is true—we look forward to a great and successful administration under you as president.

May God bless you and your devoted wife, your fine faculty and excellent student body. May He give you all strength and vision for your task.

We beseech you to be strong and of good courage, and God will give you the land. As He was with Moses, so He will be with you. Only, be strong and of good courage.

*PERSONAL DATA CONCERNING THE NEW PRESIDENT,
ROBERT PRENTISS DANIEL*

Personal:

Born November 2, 1902; son of Mrs. Carrie Green Daniel and the late Charles J. Daniel, for twenty-eight years secretary of Virginia State College, after whom the Daniel Memorial Hall on the campus of that institution is named.

Married to Mrs. Blanche Taylor Daniel, a graduate of Virginia Union University and registrar of the same institution.

Training:

A.B. 1924 Virginia Union University.

A.M. 1928, Columbia University.

Ph.D. 1932 Columbia University.

Positions:

Professor of Education and Director of the Division of Education, Psychology and Philosophy, Virginia Union University, Richmond; Director, Extension Division, Virginia Union University.

President, Virginia State Teachers Association.

Visiting Professor of Education, Graduate Division, Hampton Institute Summer School.

Foreign Travel:

Traveled in England Scotland, France, Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Holland, and Czechoslovakia, representing Kings Mt. Area National Student Y. M. C. A.

Religious Activities:

Member, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., and for several years was the financial clerk of the church.

Formerly corresponding secretary of the B. Y. P. U. Council of Richmond.

Formerly statistical secretary of the Virginia Baptist State Sunday School Convention and the State Baptist Young People's Unions.

Community Activities:

Member of the Board of Trustees, Friends Association for Dependent Children, Richmond.

Member of the Board of Trustees, Richmond Community Center.

Member of the Advisory Board and Director of Training, Colored Scouts, Richmond Area Council of Boy Scouts of America.

Affiliations:

American Psychological Association.

National Education Association.

National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools.

Virginia Society for Research.

Virginia Inter-racial Commission.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

National Association for the Study of Negro Life and History.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.



Shaw's Presidents

HENRY MARTIN TUPPER, A.B., B.D., D.D.

1865 - 1893

CHARLES FRANCIS MESERVE, A.B., A.M., LL.D.

1893 - 1919

JOSEPH LEISHMAN PEACOCK, A.B., A.M., D.D.

1920 - 1931

WILLIAM STUART NELSON, A.B., B.D., D.D.

1931 - 1936

ROBERT PRENTISS DANIEL, A.B., A.M., Ph.D.

1936 -

Special Appreciation Contribution

Upon the occasion of the inauguration several alumni and friends made contributions of \$5, representing a tribute of \$1 for each of the five presidents of Shaw University. A few sent as much as \$25, representing a tribute of \$5 for each president. Shaw University will be pleased to have all persons who read this bulletin to send a "tribute" contribution. Money received will be applied to the Scholarship Fund of the institution, and should be sent to President Robert P. Daniel, Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina.