

HUBERT McNEILL POTEAT, for forty-two years Professor of Latin at Wake Forest College, alumnus of that College and of Columbia University, where he received his Ph. D. in 1912, scholar and musician, has earned the lasting gratitude of thousands of students for the insight he has given them into the civilization and literature of Rome. Author and editor of textbooks, articles and translations, he has been honored by his colleagues in the classics by election to the office of President of the Classical Association of the Middle West and South. Declining opportunities to go elsewhere, he has devoted his life to his alma mater's service, both as a teacher and as organist and Choir Director of the Wake Forest Baptist Church. His book and his famous lectures on church music, with their light yet mordant satire, have exerted untold influence in improving the quality of one part of the divine service. A leader in Masonic affairs, he has held the highest offices in the Grand Lodge of North Carolina and is a Past Potentate of the Shriners.

Still alert at the threshold of our allotted three-score years and ten, Dr. Poteat embodies in his life the principles laid down by the classic masters whom he loves, non sibi sed omnibus. A sister institution, in admiration for his talents, given without stint through a long life of service devoted to the noble art of teaching, is happy to bestow on him the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Commencement, 1955.