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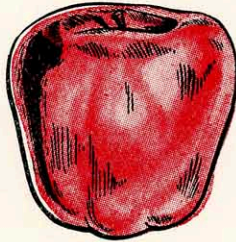
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FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL

# Apple Day Convocation

KANSAS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE  
PITTSBURG, KANSAS

COLLEGE AUDITORIUM  
FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1950  
10:00 A.M.



## PROGRAM

Star Spangled Banner.....Prof. Claude Newcomb  
Devotionals.....Dr. Eugene Dawson  
Greetings.....President Rees H. Hughes  
Pageant "Song of Apple Day".....Lena Martin Smith  
(Second Presentation)  
Apple Feast.....All K.S.T.C.

*"Lest We Forget"*

# Song of Apple Day Pageant

## EPISODES

- Episode I.....The Dream
- A. Hail to Our College
  - B. Song of Apple Day (Verse Story)
  - C. Dance of Dreams
  - D. Pageant 1800-1850 with symbolic Dance
- Episode II.....Apple Day
- A. Song of Apple Day (Verse Story)
  - B. Dance of Apple Day
  - C. Pageantry: Crowning of Alma Mater
- Episode III.....Appreciation
- A. Song of Tribute
  - B. Honors Dance
  - C. Pageantry: Honor Gifts
- Episode IV.....Pledge of Future
- A. We carry On
  - B. Finale: Pledge Pageantry

## PAGEANTRY PERSONNEL: 285 PERFORMERS

### Groups:

Students—Polymnia Club, Verse Choir, Modern Dancers, Apple Girls  
College High Students—Apple Dancers, Cowboys  
Horace Mann Laboratory School—Dream Fairies (First Grade Girls),  
Indians (First Grade Boys), Pioneers (Fourth Grade Girls and  
Boys), Robe Bearers (Kindergarten).

### Special Characters:

Alma Mater—Joyce Colas, 1949 Apple Queen.  
Uncle Sam—Douglas Story, 1949 Apple King.  
Attendants—Nancy Anderson, Mary Jean Periman.  
France—Emajeane Boone.  
Nebraska—Patricia Denham.  
Kansas—Arlene Bates.  
Dream Soloist—Deanie Wilson.  
Trumpeteers—Max Hendrickson, Dwight Douglas.

## SONG OF APPLE DAY POEM

(1)

This is the song of Alma Mater Day,  
A story of a century: The way  
A college institution came to be  
Here, with children in reality  
Around the world; a past as clear  
As any amongst free men; a story dear.  
The deeds of men live first  
In Dreams!

(2)

Our home of Louisiana Purchase, then  
A territory named for Kanza men,  
Became a state with land. This acreage  
Where Alma Master stands, used to assuage  
A homeless Indian tribe of Cherokees.  
But they preferred the cash. Far from the seas  
Which beat on shores of east and west,  
Traveling white men sought with longing and with zest,  
Homes. Bits of land in Kansas. Peopled soon  
By Pioneers, whose cattle grazed on prairie boon,  
Here, a trail, a military road  
Became our Broadway

(3)

On this abode  
Of ours, this campus, sod was turned by Ox;  
With our great brick-laid structures of today.  
Wind whistled through cornfields: a paradox  
These walls exist because a Dreamer came this way,  
A teacher, sent his dream into the heart  
Of Public Servants. A school apart  
From other schools came into being then,  
To grow and quicken acres here again  
Into a college harvest.

All hail a founder,  
A man of dreams and deeds, named R. S. Russ!  
To his great zeal to bring a victory  
To College dream, and persuade men to see  
Our need. . . . he sat, a weary man, in sacred pew  
Of legislators. For this rule, of which he knew  
Not, he paid a fine, a barrel of apples, red,  
But **WON THE VOTE**. When all was said  
The apple seemed a symbol of success  
And meant a campus home,

Each year that students pass  
Commemoration Day, we pause to eat  
An apple, to remember those who turned defeat  
And won.

A glorious way  
of honoring our founders. . . . Apple Day!

(4)

Here on an old cornfield arose Russ Hall  
With eighty rooms to house, enthrall  
And bind into a unit, student band.  
Faculty came to lend a guiding hand;  
They labored, sang and builded well hereon  
A campus Apple Day begun; an Alma Mater won!

The builders names included students loyal,  
And tireless endeavors; persons royal,  
Teachers, friends, neighbors, lawmakers came  
Along our campus way to build our name.  
Some journeyed on, to other work, to fame,  
To other worlds.

They left behind, a tower  
We now adore, Remember them, this hour.  
For Founder Russ, and others living yet,—  
Who saw the dream take form, do not forget  
Their service. For those of faculty  
Who set the silver stake of campus years,  
Take heed. For those beyond the earthly veil  
We name a few and light a candle pale,  
To shine for all the multitudes who gave  
A share!

(5)

Yet,—brave  
And noble memories must show a way  
To point again our highest aims, today!  
Come leaders, chosen by our college throngs:  
Accept a light; accept a symbol, which belongs  
To Apple Day! By this, we honor once again,  
Our Alma Mater founders  
And pledge to carry on!

#### PLEDGE VERSE—ALMA MATER SONG

Let her worthy sons and daughters  
For our College proudly stand,  
Shielding zealously her honor  
In one brave unbroken band;  
Let them hold aloft her banner  
With a stout and steady arm,  
Rallying her children round it  
From the city, town, and farm.

#### SPECIAL HONOR GIFTS

*For Faculty Who have set a Silver Stake of Service—25 years*

#### A STERLING SILVER K.S.T.C. PIN

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