

25 In First Dillard U. Graduation

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 22—To mark the historic occasion of its first commencement with the award of its first degrees to a class numbering in excess of 25 persons, Dillard university officials announced this week a notable program of commemoration.

The baccalaureate exercises will be held Sunday, June 7, on the open air terrace before the social and refectory building. The speaker will be acting president Will W. Alexander, now first assistant to Dr. Tugwell in the Federal Rural Resettlement program.

Graduating exercises will be held at the same hour and place on Friday, June 12. The commencement speaker will be Leslie Pinckney Hill, president of the Chaney Training School for Teachers, at Cheney, Pa., one of the state teachers college supported by the state of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Hill is widely known for his work as an educator and author, his poetry making him one of the foremost literary figures of the Race in America today. He is a member of numerous national and international organizations interested in the development of greater inter-racial fellowship, and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Harvard university with the degrees of A.B. and A.M. Dr. James Hardy Dillard, for whom the university was named, has been invited to confer the degrees.

Wednesday, June 10 has been set aside as alumni night, at which time activities will be under the direction of the alumni association of Dillard. Thursday, June 11 will be class day, with the senior class directing activities.