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SATURDAY, MAY ELEVENTH
TWO THOUSAND AND TWO
AT NINE-THIRTY A.M.
Alma Mater
Words by Mabel Kingsley Richardson
Music by Winfred R. Colton

South Dakota! how dear to thy children thy name,
How daring the tales oft retold
Of thy builders who first to thy wilderness came,
Their's a glory that never grows old.

O the pine crested peaks of the storied Black Hills,
The Missouri that ribbons thy plain.
Where the slant summer sunshine so lavishly spills
Over prairie and pasture and grain.

Alma Mater, Dakota, we drink thee a health
As we go from thy sheltering walls;
Younger feet shall come trouping to gather thy wealth,
Younger voices shall ring through thy halls.

Keep us true to the type of the brave pioneer,
No hardship e'er daunted his quest;
Alma Mater, lead on to the untried frontier,
We follow the trail to the west.

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The Law School graduates received their hoods in a ceremony held last night. The speaker for the hooding ceremony was the Honorable Roger L. Wollman, Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit.
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Elementary Education

Cum Laude

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Elementary Education

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ANNA MARIE BRADLEY, Vermillion, SD
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Nursing

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Academic Dress

The tradition of academic costume has a history of nearly eight centuries. In medieval Europe, all townsmen wore long, flowing robes or gowns. The materials and colors varied greatly according to the wealth and rank of the individual, and were governed by royal decree. Gradually there developed distinctive gowns for the various professions, trades and guilds. They survive today in the gowns of religious orders, the judiciary and the academic regalia.

The gowns worn by the recipients of the various degrees vary somewhat in design. The sleeves of the gown worn by recipients of the baccalaureate degree are long and pointed, while the sleeves of the gown worn by the master’s degree recipients are square at one end with a slit at the elbow. The doctor’s gown has flowing sleeves with three bars of velvet and facing of velvet down the front of the gown.

Most distinctive of the academic regalia is the hood, which serves as identification of the graduate degree and the institution where the degree was awarded. The hood is lined with silk in the official colors of the institution. Thus, the hood of The University of South Dakota is lined in red. The trim is velvet, three inches wide for the master’s degree and five inches wide for the doctor’s degree. The color of the velvet border indicates the degree.

The academic cap was developed in the fifteenth century. Some caps were stiff, some soft, some square, some round, with a tuft in the center. The tassel used today is an elaboration of the tuft. While some institutions still use the round caps, most institutions have adopted the “mortar board” style which comes from Oxford. The tassel for graduate degrees may be black, except that a gold bullion tassel may be worn by recipients of doctoral degrees. The tassel’s color indicates the discipline in which the degree has been earned. The tassel colors are shown below.

- Arts and Sciences...................................................................................................................White
- Fine Arts (Music)..........................................................Pink
- Business..........................................................................Sapphire Blue
- Law ..............................................................................Purple
- Education ..........................................................................Light Blue
- Medicine ........................................................................Green
- Fine Arts ..................................................................................................................Brown
  (Art, Contemporary Media and Journalism, and Theatre)

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