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Junior Class of Teachers College Banquets Seniors

THE occasion of the banquet of the Junior Class of the Teachers College last Thursday night has been an occasion for the most unstinted comment. Said one of the senior professors present, "Never during my stay at the university, have I witnessed an affair so artistic in its decoration, so orderly in its service and so sincere in the expression of its hospitality."

Everything was planned with an eye single to the enjoyment of the seniors. To say that they were charmed beyond expression is putting it mildly. After a short attractive musical and literary program in the parlors of Miner Hall, all repaired to the dining room.

The entrance to the banquet hall down the steps and through a dimly lighted hallway gave one the effect of a grotto. A drapery of flags, pennants, and the insignia of the various clubs of the university stretched across the room adapting its size to that of the party and at the same time hiding from view all that had no part in the occasion of the hour. Passing beyond the drapery, at the far end of the room and ready to catch the eye at a glance, one's gaze was met by two large pennants, the green and white of the class of '13 and the purple and gold of the class of '14. Above both, dancing in the dim light of evening was the dear old white and blue. Eyes wandering to either side were met by uniquely arranged banners of Howard's sororities and fraternities, and the pennants of many of the representatives choos of the United States.

The festive board was arranged in the shape of a large U. According to a plan which brought senior and junior in the most friendly contact, all were grouped around to enjoy the exquisite repast.

MENU

Bluepoints on Half Shell
Consomme
Olives Celery Pickles
Filet of Sole, Tartare Sauce
Saratoga Chips
Roast Turkey, Cranberry Sauce
Candied Yams Green Peas
Asparagus on Toast
French Rolls
Punch a la Senior, white and green
Fruit Salad
Ice Cream Assorted Cakes
American Cheese Saltines
Demitasse
Music

Mr. Walter E. Tibbs made a very admirable toastmaster. Those making the special speeches were: Welcome address, President Junior Class; toast to "Seniors," Howard W. Brown; "Our Boys," Olive M. Wells; "Our Girls," Benj. L. Waits; "Sophomores," Samuel Massey; "Faculty," John W. Spann.

Various members of the faculty and seniors made inspirational responses at the call of the toastmaster.

The last course served, and speech-making finished, all emerged from their imaginary grotto singing "Alma Mater," only to have the cordial Juniors decorate the guests of the evening with pink and white carnations and send them home inexpressibly happy.

This banquet will always hold a cherished place in the memory of those who participated in it, because it was the first time in the history of Howard University that the Juniors of the Teachers College as a class have had the pleasure of banqueting their Seniors.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Presents Mr. Nathaniel Guy in Classical Repertoire

SATURDAY evening, April 19th, 1913, before a large representative and appreciative audience, Mr. Nathaniel Guy, under the auspices of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority appeared in classical repertoire. Whenever Mr. Guy is advertised to appear something good is always expected. Saturday night this expectation was fully realized. He appeared in two selections well chosen and effectively rendered.

In his first reading, "The Sailor" Mr. Guy with dramatic effect brought out the shifting scenes represented in the selection. From his rendition one was easily enabled to paint a mental picture of the various scenes, whether it was the tossing of the ship of a stormy sea, the multiplicity of thoughts that trooped to the sailors' mind during the tempest, the friendship formed with the dog Blocks, or the killing of his lone friend in the last lines.

The second number was "Eva Giacomo". In this Mr. Guy showed himself as great a master in depicting pathos and the deeply emotional as in the thrilling. In every case he had full control of his voice, his every gesture had a significant meaning and his interpretations were superb. As an encore he gave his own interpretation of Shylock in an excerpt from Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," which was very good.

One of the most entertaining features of the program was the singing of Master Barrington

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Alpha Phi Renders Program

What in many respects was one of the most unique and interesting programs yet presented by the Alpha Phi Literary Society was rendered Friday Evening, April 18.

The most prominent feature of the program was the address by Prof. A. LeRoy Locke, on "The Idea of Nationality and Race in Art." In a clear logical way he established his proposition that "each time and each nation has something to give to art, on account of its racial and national type."

In a preface he set forth the requisites and limitations of art and pointed out that art through creative imagination must transcend the natural and conventional.

Here, Prof. Locke discussed the art of the Egyptians, the Greeks and that of the Italian Renaissance. He showed that each had left a distinct art type, characteristic of the time and people, and said the earliest art conventions are physical types, racial or national, and at the basis of an art, these types may be an index to the whole achievement of the people. The Egyptian convention of the mortuary picture,

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for example, reflects their national religion and philosophy; the dominant type of Greek art could not have become so fixed if it had not become the center of the actual life as well as the philosophy of the Greeks; and to take the Medonna out of the Renaissance one would not only dispense with the typical and central achievement of this period of art but would have broken the link between the art and the age. It was shown that in each instance, the life of a people had influenced their art through the medium of art convention arising out of the racial type.

In a masterly and forceful way, Prof. Locke applied his subject to our race, and said that the great task that devolves upon the negro is to find what is the thing which expresses the collective soul and when that note is struck, expressed in art type, the race will find individuality and universality at the same time. By excerpts from DuBar's poems he showed that his poetry contained in solution some of the psychological traits of the race, showing them to be of high artistic possibilities as well as evidences that he is capable of the highest type of creative imagination.

He exhorted the race to a larger study of self and warned us against thinking that our art lies in the imitation of others traditions. The material is at hand waiting and workable.

The original poem by Miss Goldston reflected many touches of poetic genius.

Mr. R. G. Doggett in his characteristic way sang two selections from the composition of Mr. Will Marion Cooke.

G. S. Ruffin

Read the next few issues of THE JOURNAL.

That sophomore certainly had lots of nerve. Those seniors were awfully cruel to him in his own meeting

Mr. Mercer Favorably Impressed with Howard University

The following letter from Mr. E. C. Mercer, who visited us a few days ago is highly encouraging to the work Howard is trying to do.

My dear Dr. Parks:

This is the first opportunity I have had to send my most cordial thanks for the many courtesies and kindnesses shown me during my recent visit to Howard University. I cannot begin to tell you how much I enjoyed and was benefited by my stay among your students. The hospitable treatment accorded me by the students of Howard University found a very warm response in my Southern heart. I had no idea that you had such a wonderful University. Of course, I had heard a great deal about Howard, but one can obtain very little definite and accurate information from hearsay. After coming in touch with your university life my admiration for the colored race, and my appreciation of the fact that higher education is beneficial to that race, has increased 50 per cent. I do not think I have visited any American university where the student body was more orderly and more sincere in their endeavor than they are at Howard.

Again thanking you for your many kindnesses, and with very best wishes, believe me to be,

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Sophomores of College of Arts and Sciences Give Banquet

Under very auspicious circumstances, the enthusiastic members of the Sophomore class of the College of Arts and Sciences gave their banquet on the night of April 18th, 1913. The affair was one of excellent spirit and given with greater eclat than ever.

The uniformity of the young men, in evening dress, gave added dignity to the occasion, and was only excelled in appearance by the excellent taste of the young ladies, in their selection of attire. All things considered, one could hardly wish to see a more resplendent, yet dignified aggregation of college men and women than was here in attendance.

The program was edifying, to say the least. Dean Kelly Miller, following an instrumental duet, by Misses Parker and Desmukes, made the opening address. He emphasized the special advantages of the college training Howard offers and sounded the note of high standards of leadership. Following this were orations, musical numbers, etc.

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The success of the whole affair is due to the foresight and ability of the President, whose plans were so perfected that even his detention could not mar them.

Howard Wins the Last Basketball Game of the Season: 43-13

On Last Friday night the Howard quintet played the last game of the season, beating the Hiawatha Cardinals 43 to 13. The Varsity has been out of training since the game with the Monticello team of Pittsburg, hence, it was thought that the contest would be a bit more even. Both teams had a record of being undefeated for the season; thus the fight was a struggle for the district championship.

In the first half Captain Gray's boys ran over the Cardinals at will, finishing this half with a score of 32 to 2. In the second half the Varsity held up and allowed the Cardinals to get in a little scoring.

In this game Manager Nixon showed the public that he was of the come back type; he played the game through in old time style. To see the old combination on the floor again gladdened the hearts of the fans, for they all knew that some classy sport was in store for them.

This game was significant, in that it was the last in which four of the quint will participate for Howard; as Nixon, Oliver, Gray and Sykes are going out this year, leaving only Gilmore, Lewis and Curtis of the old guards.

LINE-UP

HOWARD	Position	CARDINALS
Sykes	L. F.	Mabry
Nixon	R. F.	K. Miller
Gilmore	C.	Savoy
Oliver	R. G.	Holland
Gray (Capt.)	L. G.	Lewis

Summary

Substitutes, Henderson for Miller; Timer, Curley. Scorer, Lucius Brown. Referee, J. H. Brown. Umpire, Mr. Compton. Score, Howard 43, Cardinals 13.

Howard Drew goes Sixty Yards in 6 1-5 Seconds

Patterson N. J., April 17. In winning the second heat in the sixty-yard sprint at the Elks' Athletic Carnival here last night Howard R. Drew of the Springfield (Mass.) Training School, national champion short distance runner, it was announced, lowered the world's record of 6 2-5 seconds by one-fifth of a second. There was some doubt, however, as to the accuracy of the timers' watches and no claim will be made for a new record. —Washington Star.

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Friday, April 25, 1913

EDITORIAL

¶ Tonight closes the important debating season of the year. On to night six of the choicest heroes of Howard will show forth their best talent, and struggle hard to show intelligence over Wilberforce and Union to wake up in morning to find their names sung with praises, if they win and hissed down, if they lose. That is all. The JOURNAL thinks that more recognition should be given the men who year after year hold up the fair name of Howard on the debating

rostra; this is just as important a phase of college life as athletics. The next issue of the JOURNAL will be a Debating Number.

¶ For years the cry among the students has been fairness in the election of a JOURNAL Staff. Last year, the Faculty Committee on Student Publications working on this contentism threw the matter open for public election among the students of the Teachers College and the College of Arts and Sciences, making it possible for any group of ten paid up subscribers to the JOURNAL from these two colleges to propose a slate of men to be voted up or down at the polls.

The plan now proposed by those who would narrow down the staff to one selected in a joint meeting of the two departments is an attempt to limit rather than foster a more democratic representation. Now, any ten men can put before the voters candidates, but under the proposed plan, this mutual agreement between the two departments on a slate would make the election purely a perfunctory affair; as such a nomination, void of the competitive element, would mean virtually election *per se*.

The selection of a staff was not meant to be a class affair, and the making of it so merely brings on complications and unnecessary wranglings. Men suitable for the positions should be named, so long as they come within the law, regardless of classification. The plan proposed is one to secure not the efficient man, but the popular one; not the man who will work for the success of the JOURNAL, but one who can get the majority vote at a mass meeting. Such a plan means that the JOURNAL Staff will consist of incompetent, inexperienced men.

Every student should think seriously before he takes this leap.

Full account of Inter-Collegiate debate in next issue of JOURNAL.

Tennis Club Organizes

Many of the Students who are interested in Tennis assembled in Chapel on the week of the 14th and under the management of Mr. James D. McLendon organized a Tennis Club. The following officers were elected:

James D. McLendon, Pres.
R. T. Williams, Vice Pres.
S. A. Allen, Sec. and Treas.
O. F. Valentine, Custodian,

Mr. McLendon is seeking from the Faculty special privileges for the Club and in numerous ways is assiduously endeavoring to make this an ideal Club. The Club extends a cordial invitation to join to all those who are interested in Tennis.

Notes

Miss Lucy D. Slowe, College of Arts and Science, '08, now a member of the faculty of the Baltimore High School, attended the presentation of Mr. Guy, given under the auspices of her sorority the Alpha Kappa Alpha.

The concluding lecture of the series on the literature of the Bible, given to the students of the Theological Department, will be delivered by Pres. Newman Thursday afternoon. His subject is: The Exile in its Relation to Literature.

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Big Mass Meeting

Last Wednesday evening a large quota of the student body assembled in Rankin Chapel to inspire a rooting spirit in the rabble for the debate on Friday evening.

The meeting was presided over by Mr. I. R. Berry, President of the Kappa Sigma Debating Club. The cheering was led by Mr. F. A. Taylor, head yell master and Mr. Louis Howard, assistant. All joined with vigor and vim in singing old and new Howard songs and in making the hall resound with dear old Howard yells.

Speeches full of encouragement and inspiration were delivered by Deans Miller and Moore and Professor Gregory. They all emphasized the importance of debating in university life and the big place it should hold in the consideration of the students.

This meeting was something new in Howard; it combined the interest of athletics and debating. There were lantern slides of football teams and separate plays, and scores of various players in the recent games as well as those of distinguished Howard debaters of the past and present. A new feature of this mammoth mass

meeting was a definite recognition of all men who have won honors in any field of activity. All men who had won prizes, medals or what not for any phase of athletics, debating or scholastic work were presented to the student body and their records read out. Martin, the "black streak," had his chest literally covered with medals. Stratton, Powe, and several others presented enviable records.

Six silver cups of varying sizes were shown, indicating the success that Howard men have achieved in track athletics for their Alma Mater.

The Election Saturday

Saturday will be the day for the election of a new JOURNAL staff. As before, there will possibly be two tickets in the field. A ballot was to appear in this issue, but could not be arranged in time for publication.

The thing paramount in the minds of those who vote should not be faction or affiliation of any kind but efficiency. So, voters, when you go to the polls Saturday be sure you are satisfied that the men for whom you vote are such as will work for the best interest of the JOURNAL.

The JOURNAL is the representative news publication of the University; hence in its control should be those who are selected because of efficiency and the highest competency. The matter of popularity and congeniality should be left out of consideration entirely.

Let us all turn out to the polls next Saturday and cast an intelligent, thoughtful vote.

Hippo

Don't forget the Prize Oratorical Contest of the Academy, to be held Friday evening, May 2nd, under the auspices of the Eureka Literary Society. Admission fifteen cents.

Athletics

It is indeed interesting to note the ever increasing interest being taken in tennis. Now, scores of boys and girls who have never been seen participating in any phase of athletic activity are enthusiastically learning the game of tennis. As may be seen in these columns a regular tennis club has been organized promising to place this sport on a systematic basis.

In a few days two tennis tournaments will be played, one of boys and one of girls, for loving cups. Coach Meyers is exerting every effort to heighten the interest in the sport.

Aside from tennis, track athletics are brightly looming up. May 17th, a big inter-departmental meet will be held, in which cups and medals will be offered the winning teams and individuals. The track men from all departments are busy practicing for this big event. Every department is confident of winning. The sharpest rivalry, however, is expected between the College Departments and the Academy.

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Professor Thomas W. Turner Lectures for the Y. M. C. A.

On Monday Evening, Prof. T. W. Turner gave his brilliant and illuminating lecture on "Insects of the Home and Home Environment." As was expected the lecture was pregnant with information and intelligence on insect life.

He took up in detail many of the injurious insects expatiating fully upon their economic value. By way of showing the evil effect of some insect, he pointed out that last year the apple worm destroyed more than \$3,000,000 worth of apples in New York State alone. Further, he showed that in the cattle raising district of the West the tick is playing havoc, doing millions of dollars worth of damage yearly.

He discussed fully the habitat and the effect of environment on various insects. He showed in every case how the situations pointed out could be relieved and millions of dollars economized.

Prof. Turner is a Howard man and since his graduation, done extensive research work in other universities, and, hence, was pre-eminently fitted to lecture on his chosen subject.

The lecture was given to aid the Y. M. C. A. in campaign to raise funds for the extension of its work and efficiency in the University. There should have been a fuller attendance to support a cause so noble and far reaching.

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The Pestalozzi-Froebel Society

On Friday, April 18th, the Pestalozzi-Froebel Literary Society rendered a grand musical and literary programme in Library Hall.

Miss A. L. Franklin and Mr. Ricks upheld very creditably the literary side of the programme. Mr. Caldwell rendered a violin solo, Misses E. B. Dykes and C. Lampton rendered as usual, splendid piano solos, Miss Beatrice Ware and Mr. Doggett displayed great musical talent in vocal solos. The two duets by Misses Wells and M. Johnson, and Miss S. Burke and H. Lee were rendered exceedingly well.

This week the organization will be addressed by Prof. Wm. Carl Ruediger.

All are cordially invited to attend. —H. S. W.

The Y. W. C. A.

The Y. W. C. A. held its last regular meeting on Sunday evening, April 13th, in Miner Hall. Services were led by the President, Miss Frederika Chase. Miss Edith Motte rendered an instrumental solo. After the reading of the Scripture lesson by Miss Alice Turner, the topic, "How can I tell that I love God," was discussed. On next Sunday, April 27th, the topic will be, "The Attributes of a Friend". Topic papers will be read on the subject. Every young woman connected with the University is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Frederika J. Chase, President; Miss Jane Lowe, Vice Pres.; Miss Lillian A. Shaw, Secretary; Miss Lena Thomas, Corresponding Secretary; Miss D. S. B. Jefferson, Treasurer; Miss Pauline R. Oberdorfer, Reporter.

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Bible Classes, Main Building, 9 a. m.
Y. M. C. A., Library Hall, 3 p. m.
Vespers, Rankin Chapel, 4:30 p. m.
Y. W. C. A., Miner Hall, 6 p. m.

MONDAY

Deutscher Verein, Library Hall, 8:00 p. m.
Athletic Association, Library Hall, 8:00 p. m.
Bible Class, Message of the Twelve Prophets, Mr. Walter Dyson, Room 25, Clark Hall, 8:00 p. m.

TUESDAY

Prayer Meeting, Library Hall, 6:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY

Bible Class, The Life of Paul, Mr. E. P. Davis, Y. M. C. A. Room, Clark Hall, 8:00 p. m.

THURSDAY

Bible Class, Outlines of Biblical Facts and History, Mr. E. M. Pollard, Room 103, Main Hall, 8:00 P. M.
Teachings of Jesus and His Apostles, Dr. L. B. Moore, Room 212, Main Hall, 8:00 P. M.
The Gospel in Athletic Phrases, Mr. Alonzo Smith, Y. M. C. A. Room, Clark Hall, 8:00 P. M.
Christian Evidences and Ethics, Dr. Pezavia O'Connell, 8:00 P. M.
Studies in the Life of Christ, Mr. G. W. Hines, Main Hall, 8:00 P. M.
Studies in Old Testament Characters, Mr. T. M. Gregory, Room 47, Clark Hall, 8:30 P. M.
The Social Teachings of Jesus, Dr. E. L. Parks, Library Hall, 8:30 P. M.

FRIDAY

Pestalozzi-Froebel, Library Hall, 3 p. m.
Alpha Phi, Library Hall, 8:00 p. m.
Eureka Society, Main Building, 8:00 p. m.
Moot Court, Law School, 8:30 p. m.

SATURDAY

Kappa Sigma Debating Club, Library Hall, 8:15 p. m.
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Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Presents Mr. Nathaniel Guy in Classical Repertoire

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Guy, who rendered "I Wish Today Were Yesterday" and several encores. This youthful singer fairly thrilled the audience with his well trained juvenile voice. He gives great promise of developing into a premier singer.

Mrs. Gabrielle Lewis Pelham played with excellent expression and interpretation and with almost pianola accuracy and regularity. Schuberts Impromptu No. 2. On a Weber Pianola loaned by the O. J. Demoll Music House, Mr. Lewis B. Thompson interpreted with feeling a number of selections from the master composers, which received the great acclamation of all present. Miss Olive Mae Wells held the audience spellbound with her usual superb contralto, descending at times to the lowest possible contralto and again rising to a middle soprano. Mr. James Wright, with a rich bass voice, sang "Thy Sentinel Am I".

The program in entirety from the invocation by Professor W. V. Tunnell to the last number was interesting and to say the least, representative of the highest culture.

The rostrum was tastefully decorated, as only ladies know how to adorn, with palms and La Franc roses and ivy; the emblem of the sorority and pennants were very conspicuous in the back ground.

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Social Clubs and Societies

In order that there may be time for the many proposed student functions in the University it will be necessary to make an addition of several months to our present school year. It seems that the students are trying to make Howard a place of social exploitation. If some check is not put on them they will make it go. Washington is naturally a city of social life, and that life is having great effect upon the students here. The students are forming too many groups. Some are doing it for the social side of it; some are doing it because they are over ambitions and like to be at the head of some organization; and others are simply following. The whole thing is rotten.

Each issue of the JOURNAL announces the creation of some clubs. Each State is trying to form its own Clubs. These clubs are unnecessary. It is certain that no state has any cause in Howard which needs protection or attention. They simply consume valuable time. A German would say that they stand for "Nichts."

At this time of the year, at least it is a hard matter to study, and when almost every night some social function is given there is little studying done. There is more to be had from school than social contact. Some of us will realize that fact too late.

In this Democratic age, it is natural that authorities of Howard will give the students permission to give a number of functions and give them control over the same, but the students want to over do things. They don't know the limit, and don't care if they don't.

Howard should develop the democratic principles of the whole student body, and the whole student body should devote its time to the development of the whole people. Social contact can be had almost anywhere.

The student body of Howard is

a part of a race which has been designated as a purely social race. This characteristic certainly does radiate from the student body here. People who spend too much of their time in social affairs are sure to leave something undone, and history shows that a purely social people never weighs much in the scales of civilization.

Fading Light

The sickly moon is pale tonight!

I wonder can it be

That fading is that liquid light

Which glistened once so free?

Then so perhaps my hope shall fade —

The star whose cheering ray
Off rid me of some threatening shade.

That loomed across my way.

O God let not that glimmer pale,

Desert me in the sky;

To wander helpless in this goal—

My sole relief——— to die!

Otto Leland Bohanan

The big mass meeting held in chapel last Wednesday evening was a howling success. The meeting was well attended and the spirit ran high.

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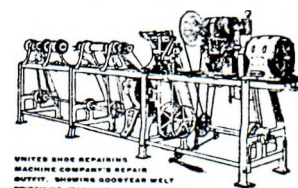
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