The Negro Party

The need of a National Negro Party has long existed. Today it is a necessity, and nothing more clearly evinces the fact than the present political situation. Neither party has done anything in recent years for the Negro. To whom then shall we go or pour out our complaints? Miss Inez Milholland, with remarkable foresight and courage, has proposed the remedy, a National Negro Party. Dr. DuBois has sounded the note and Howard University must echo it.

There can be no difference of opinion as to the need of such a party, to succour us in such political plights as the one in which we now find ourselves; to build up a solidarity; and so unify our voting strength as to render it unnecessary to curry the favour of either one of the two big parties, or to be concerned with them in one way or another, except as it becomes pertinent to peruse their tickets and accept or reject offers and pledges made in return for support on election day.

Howard University should be the beacon light of the Negro's political well-being. Because of her superior advantage for civic freedom and political training, Howard University should sound the call to the Negro Party.

Such a movement, we realize, is a form of segregation, but it is inevitable. Segregation has been thrust upon us with pernicious malice. We have been forced to accept a lot no choice of our own. We must, with virile integrity and common sense, evolve a far reaching good out of an intended evil. The idea is neither frothy nor stupendous. The all important requirement is men, brave, courageous, uncompromising men of political wisdom.

Howard University must show her hand. One hundred and twenty-seven Howard men answered the roll call at a republican convention to do service to another party of another race. With unshakeable confidence in their loyalty, we believe there will be as many Howard men to respond to the call of their own party for their own race. We urge you, fellow Howard men, to read the current issue of The Crisis. Think of the proposition of a National Negro Party. If you are able to read the signs of the times, and (Continued on Page 2)

Love Beside The Fire.

The pride of autumn fades away on wooded vale and hill,
The days are growing grayer and the nights are growing chill,
Then, hey for home, and happy eyes, and joys that never tire!
We'll face the worst that winter brings, with love beside the fire!

O, sweet as youth the springtime was, and fair were summer's bower,
And gayly flowed the pageantry of autumn's golden hours
With sadness from the hills we saw their sunlit days retire,
But winter brings us back again to love beside the fire!

So bolt the door against the blast, and start the cheerful blaze,
And let us sit, sweetheart of mine, and talk of olden days.
Of days when first you woke in me the dream of young desire.
When yet I hardly dared to hope for love beside the fire!

The Stylus and its Mission

Of the many organizations in Howard University, none should be given a higher place among our academic activities than the Stylus. In all the leading institutions of learning, we find at least one periodical devoted exclusively to literary expression. It was primarily for this purpose that the Stylus was organized.

This society composed of students of the School of Liberal Arts, who have demonstrated that they possess an unusual degree of literary ability, is entering upon the second year of its existence. By a critical study of the various forms of composition, the members gain a keen understanding in that form of expression for which they are best suited.

The magazine published by the Stylus represents the best individual work of the society. Last year's issue was indeed, worthy of the highest praise. The favorable comments heard outside the University evidence the fact that such an organization is fulfilling its mission. As the leading Negro institution, Howard has a large responsibility resting upon her. The Stylus is endeavoring not only to produce a literary periodical but also to develop our future writers.


A Thought

"Put your faith where it will be safe; and the only place where a faith ever can be safe is in the shrine of an action." —Brooks.
perceive what you must come to sooner rather than later, if you believe in the proposition, then echo it from the house top, practice it, live it. And if on account of time, we do not win any notice it, live it. And if on account of election, we shall ultimately succeed in securing National recognition for the voting mass of Negroes in this "land of the free and home of the brave."

The Girls' Glee Club

The young ladies of the College and Conservatory departments, in Miner Hall, organized the first of the year, the Girls' Glee Club of Miner Hall; at the first regular meeting after the try outs, the following officers were elected:

President, Miss Revella Hughes; Vice-President, Miss Nannie Board; Secretary, Miss May Harper; Treasurer, Miss Nannie Day; Librarian, Miss Lillian Lawrence; Assistant-Librarian, Miss Carolyn Grant. Business Committee: Misses Harper, Byrd, H. Lawrence and Darden.

The club is at present working on a Chinese operetta, which it hopes to present sometime in the near future.

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Class of 1919 Entertains at Dean Miller's

On Saturday, October 23, the young men of the Sophomore class of the College of Liberal Arts entertained in honor of their girls and invited the members of their sister class, the Seniors, to spend the evening with them. The affair was decidedly unique, such features as a "Card Waltz" and a "Spot Dance" serving to relieve the monotony of the ordinary social.

The "Spot Dance" was won by Miss Grace Wells and Mr. E. S. Wright. The young lady was awarded a handsome box of writing paper. Miss Hattie Mitchell received a beautiful box of chocolates for drawing the name of the "lucky man" from a hat containing the names of the men in the house.

The rooms were decorated with Japanese lanterns, the class colors, and the class banner. The illuminated numerals, "1919," over a foot high, heralded the presence of the Class of '19 and welcomed the guests as they arrived.

After the refreshments were served, a grand march was conducted. Souvenirs, green and red eye glasses, tied with old gold and black, and little Tippery caps, decorated with butterflies and streamers, were given to each person. During the last dance everyone wore these souvenirs and danced "Home Sweet Home" amid a shower of confetti and tissue ribbon.

—E. May Harper.

Greater Self Control

Self control is the goal toward which every man and woman should diligently strive. The supreme purpose of education is to develop in men the all important element of self control, and Howard, with all educational institutions, is striving to accomplish that purpose. But when we look into our meetings, such as the latest of the Athletic Association, we are at a loss to account for the surprising and shocking lack of will power, control of thought, speech, and action exhibited there by college men. Certainly, consideration must be given to the human element in man, to the usual results of enthusiastic advocacy of any cause and differences in opinion, but upon none of these grounds can be justified the conduct at recent athletic meetings. We may strive for student government, but we can never expect it until we have shown the proper capacity for it. Men are no more granting rights upon the mere claim that they are rights, but upon the demonstration of ability to use properly those rights. Why will not the men who compose the Athletic Association decide to exercise greater self control in future meetings, to prove their ability to govern themselves and greatest of all, prove Howard to be in some measure accomplishing her purpose. —W. S. N.

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The Young People’s Branch of W. C. T. U. had a large and enthusiastic meeting, on Sunday evening, October fifteenth, in the Assembly room of Miner Hall. A large number of new members were taken in from those who were present. The next regular meeting will be held on Sunday evening, October twenty-ninth, at six-fifteen. All students of every department and members of the various faculties are invited to be present. The following officers were elected and will be installed by the Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.: President, Miss Nannie Board, College '18; Vice President, Mr. Q. A. Connolly, College'17; Secretary, Miss Ruth Mason, College'18; Asst. Secretary, Miss Nannie Day, College '19; Treasurer, Miss Grace Randolph, Music Department; Chaplain, Mr. E. S. Shirley, Theology '17; Pianist, Miss Pearl Neal, Academy'17; Auditor, Mr. Ernest L. Cook, Commercial College '18.

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Kappa Sigma Debating Club

For the benefit of the new students, as well as for some of the old students, we wish to call attention to the Kappa Sigma Debating Club. In recent years, as everyone knows, Howard has not maintained her former high standing in athletics, such as football and basket-ball; but in debating, Howard has succeeded in building up an enviable reputation. One victorious team after another has been sent out to win laurels for the University.

The ability which these teams have shown has been due in a large measure to the training they have received in the Kappa Sigma Debating Club. The aim of this club is to foster interest in debating and to insure the continuance of our success in this activity. Meetings are held weekly on Thursday nights in Library Hall, and all students of the College of Liberal Arts are eligible to membership. The Kappa Sigma manages all interclass debates. Members of the club try out the candidates and train those who are fortunate enough to make the debating teams.

This year in addition to the annual Freshman—Sophomore debate, the club is arranging for a Junior—Senior debate, which promises to be very interesting, since it will be the first competition of any kind between the two upper classes. Besides the interclass affairs, the Kappa Sigma manages the intercollegiate (Continued on Page 6)

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EDITORIAL

The Editorial, under the caption "A Student Council," which appeared Oct. 18, in an issue of The Journal has been the cause of our gaining some valuable information. Since the publication of that article we have been informed by a leading member of the faculty that a complete scheme of re-organization, including a Student Council, was planned last spring by the combined faculties of the University. This scheme is now in the hands of the Board of Trustees. It has the full support of the faculty. We are glad to learn this and we hope that some immediate good will come from it.

Sage Sayings

“A real sweet girl is never deceitful.”

“True learning is dressed in simplicity.”

“A divorce suit is the result of a misfit in love.”

“Sometimes a widow makes a hit by posing as a Miss.”

“Skin-deep beauty is all right if the girl has the money.”

Most men are willing to confess the sins they can’t lie out of.”

“Men with money can keep their friends by not lending it to them.”

“The sweetness of some women remind us of sugar-coated bitter pills.”

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By order of the Deans the Freshman-Sophomore rush was indefinitely postponed. There is evidence of considerable regret among the students, but this action on the part of the University officials seemed best. If the suspension of the rush this year means a more wholesome manifestation of class rivalry in future years, we cannot but feel the postponement to be a blessing. After the undesirable occurrences near and on the campus a few days ago, we may well be thankful for any action that will lead to greater rationality in under class rivalry. There is some encouragement in the fact that extremes in any conditions are usually followed by reaction in the opposite direction, and we believe that after the latest incidents, a loftier spirit and a far more dignified deportment will characterize activities.

Relative to the virtues of the rush itself, it can be said that there is a strong opinion in Howard that whatever virtues it may have are far outweighed by its evils, and that without loss to student body or University as a whole it may well be dispensed with.

The Rush—Hazing

We certainly believe that a modification should be effected. In the first place the rush is attended by greater danger than may be generally realized. Each year men are carried off the field, and it has been due to good fortune alone that more serious injury has not resulted. Men of all degrees of physical strength, without the slightest preparation enter the contest. Last year at University of Pennsylvania a man lost his life in the class contest, a contest considered by some no more dangerous than our play rush.

In the second place, there is an improper spirit created by the rush and manifested before it in countless sporadic outbursts. The fact that the rush is practically an unorganized, confused, and disordered affair, seems to have a psychological effect, which is shown by the disorderly way in which class rivalry is manifested before the rush. An elimination, or at least a modification, of the rush would certainly tend to arrest the promiscuous fighting which is so much in disfavor.

Now, concerning hazing, or a more mild initiation. This is a subject of great concern to both student body and faculty. Any person of fair mind will agree with the officials in not permitting extreme forms of hazing; but the student body is desirous of continuing the practice, and surely the faculty would not object to mild and reasonable forms of initiation. Life is needed about the University, and what would lend greater life than regular amusing, yet reasonable initiation of new students? Most representative schools engage in initiation that is harmless yet amusing. There are forms of initiation that are acceptable to students and not objectionable to University officials. Why, then, cannot Howard follow in the line of these schools and help restore some of the wholesome and much needed Howard spirit?

The situation has now reached a point where some step must be taken. The faculty awaits action by the students. The students desire opportunities of self exertion. Now let the students act. This is a task for the Council of Upper Classmen. Let the Council, while the time is ripe, thoroughly investigate these questions, conclude what it thinks best, and act. The way is open, and delay may be costly.

—W. S. N., '18

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On the Annapolis side, the game was a huge success, because they had held Howard to one touchdown, and a step backward for Howard. Still, the fact that the game was for practice than for championship, places Howard's poor showing in a different light.

The game was further characterized by the absence of "inside football playing" on Howard's side, and by frequent substitutions. The regular varsity line-up, however, did not oppose Annapolis. These two facts are very significant. Still, the game served its purpose: it gave the men a chance to face strange contestants, and it gave the coach a chance to observe more closely their weaknesses. Could such games be played more often, Howard's team would be stronger.

Manager Booker and Captain Grinnage feel confident that Howard is producing a great eleven. They deplore the lack of a training table for the men, but are greatly encouraged by the manner with which the team does things. Let the authorities of the University and student body do their share, and Captain Grinnage feels certain that the members of the team will do theirs.

**Summary**

**Howard** Position **Annapolis**

Gilmore Left End Pinkney
McCain Left Tackle Spencer
Lee Left Guard Bailey
Marshall Center Cramble
Booker (Mgr.) Right End Corbert
Matthews Right Tackle Dogan
Johnson Right G. Henderson
Stratton Quarterback Emley
Grinnage (Capt.) L. H. B. Harris
White R. H. B. Brown
Pinderhughes F. B. Green (Capt.)


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Basket Ball Outlook

The outlook for a successful basket-ball team is inviting. There is much raw material from which the varsity five is to be selected, and, happy to say, coach Curtis is giving all of them an equal chance. At present, the greater part of the practice is given to passing and other stunts which will put the men in good physical condition. Starting so early is a good asset to the basket-ball players who cannot fail to reward Manager Penn for his foresight and expressed determination to win every game. With such an elaborate schedule before them, the team must practice incessantly to make the season a success.

**Kappa Sigma Debating Club**

(Continued from Page 3) debates. Already a challenge has been received from the West Virginia Wesleyan Institute, one of the white colleges of the South. Many more challenges are expected.

The Kappa Sigma performs a great work in the University in sending out teams competent to meet opponents from some of the leading colleges. In order to perform this work well, it needs the support of the students. So let everyone who feels he has any ability in speaking—and this appeal is made especially to the newcomers—join the Kappa Sigma Debating Club. By doing this he will not only be showing the proper Howard spirit but will be gaining the advantage of a thorough training for the platform. —Jennie E. Mustapha, '19.

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The Alpha Phi Literary Society, under the guidance of its new President, Miss Dorothy Pelham, seems about to emerge from its recent state of lethargy into one of greater activity. This is evidenced by the larger attendance, the improvement in the order, and the interest shown in the discussion of questions dear to the heart of every progressive Howardite.

The meeting on Friday, October 18th, was exceptionally interesting and beneficial. In the discussion of the question “Should the annual Freshman-Sophomore Rush be abolished,” Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors, young women as well as young men, expressed their sentiments. Although no decision was rendered the majority favored a physical contest between the lower classes at the beginning of the year, as a means of securing class unity, but were opposed to the Rush as conducted at present because of its unfair, cruel, and inhuman character. The singing of Howard songs and the reading of the Journal, by Mr. George Washington, which dealt with real live thoughtful questions of the day instead of the ordinary campus “gleanings” added much to the general atmosphere of the meeting. It is to be regretted that more do not attend these meetings and profit by this opportunity to express themselves freely as well as by the many timely suggestions for a better Howard.

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If you can dream and not make dreams your master;
If you can think and not make thoughts your aim,
If you can meet with triumph and disaster
And treat these two imposters just the same:
If you can bear to hear the truth you’ve spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build ‘em up with worn-out tools;
If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings
And never breathe a word about your loss:
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: “Hold on!”
If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with kings, nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much;
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds’ worth of distance run,
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Mr. Daniel W. Bowles, '11 (Law) is practicing in Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Neval H. Thomas, '01 (Arts and Sciences), is teacher of History in the M. St. High School, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Dwight O. W. Holmes, '01 (Arts and Sciences), is assistant Principal of the Baltimore High School.

Miss Julia I. Wyche, '15 (Teachers), is teaching in the High School at Norfolk, Va.

Mr. Nicholas M. Vezuff, '05 (Arts and Sciences), is a missionary in Bulgaria.

Mr. Joseph A. Franklin, '15 (Teachers), is teaching in the Garnett High School, Charleston, W. Va.

Mr. I. G. Bailey, '16 (Arts and Sciences), is studying Medicine in the Howard Medical College.

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Thy stately form is my first charm; (A)
Thy velvet skin does me incline (B)
To ask thee that thou wilt be mine. (B)
(I know this line dost thou alarm.) (A)
Thy charcoal eyes, like diamonds be (C)
Thy pearly teeth and carriage grand (D)
Thy tinted lips, thy well shaped cheeks (E)
Are all comforts and joys to me (C)
And only thou canst understand (D)
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