Religious Life at Howard

The religious life is found around two centers, namely the exercises conducted by the University and those conducted by the students.

The Vesper Service conducted every Sunday afternoon is the general weekly service and is directly under the charge of the President. This service lasts one hour. It has shown a very marked improvement over a year ago in every respect. The fine personality of President Thirkield and his splendid eloquancy ability serve to make his rich and thoughtful sermons highly appreciated. This is shown by the largely increased attendance, more than double that of last autumn. Many friends of the University have come into an appreciation of the splendid short service on Sunday afternoons; the members of the University who lately attended the service as a duty now do so as a pleasure. To miss the Vesper Service is to be deprived of one of the most enjoyable hours of the week.

The other University meetings are the Sunday morning Bible classes and the Tuesday evening prayer meeting. The Bible classes, always interesting, have continued their work uninterruptedly. The Tuesday evening meetings have shown a marked increase which is lasting well, indicating that the augment is due to interest and not to curiosity.

The Christian Endeavor Society is composed of the young ladies and young men of the University. The weekly meetings on Saturday evenings are always well attended and its progress is constant. It is one of the student organizations which believe in a rapid change of administration. During the school year there are three elections and only once in eight years has an administration been re-elected. These swift changes maintain the interest and the society seldom lags.

The Young Men's Christian Association as its name implies is composed of the young men of the University. It is a systematic and useful body. These student organizations emphasize of course the religious life of the student. But the social side is not neglected. Among the most delightful events of the year are the social gatherings under their auspices.

The University is truly non sectarian. Among the faculty and students are representatives of nearly every evangelical church. No particular creed is emphasized but all work in concert for common moral and religious benefit.

Press Forward!

When trials stare you in the face,
Press forward.
Without a start there is no race,
Press forward.
An open heart and willing hand
Can rule the fiercest of the land,
And help the weakest one to stand—
Press forward!
If hope and comfort ne'er you find
Press forward!
Be of good cheer and placid mind,
Press forward!
Whether in hunt or fox or deer,
Whether in front or in the rear,
Cheerfulness keep ever near.
Press forward.
If opposition blocks your way,
Press forward!
Hold your courage in grand array,
Press forward!
Not a flower in the field
To the wind declines to yield,
But with obedience as its shield,
Presses forward.

G. S. Worlvey.

Dr. Alice Hanson Luce

A Bequest

By MAXWELL N. HAYSON, H. U. '08.

I HAVE always considered it a piece of rare good fortune to have come under the immediate spell of this personality, the subject of the present sketch, than whom, among all my best teachers, men and women of exceptional parts who have made a decided appeal to me, there have been none to equal in her dominating, refreshing and broadening influence.

Her fame had already traveled space to me, not unmixed, as I thought, with certain conscious mannerisms, and I must say that I was not altogether prepared, the morning of my first class with her, to receive this forsooth oracle of Delphi without an expansive smile, which her grand manner provoked. But I was soon to learn that these modes of gesture and expression were the genuine hall marks of a woman of vital and consummate culture.

Two years ago not yet forty, she was imperially molded, tall, large and fair, with blue eyes, a generous mouth, Grecian nose finely chiseled, a magnificent blond, of a Juno rather than Venus type, of pulchritude, and what is more, tho from Boston, with the broad a too, albeit none of your lantern-jawed spectacled dispensers of wisdom, smelling of morocco and the lamp, but debonair, rosy, savoring of field and hill. In dress she observed a golden mean between the ultra-fashionable and pedagogic plainness.

Allied with these physical graces was her uncommon erudition.

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FROM THE UNIVERSITY JOURNAL, WASHINGTON, D. C., NOVEMBER 2, 1906.

The Significance of Hearst in New York State.

The indications of a Hearst victory in the gubernatorial contest of New York State is quite significant, and a source of no little alarm to the conservative republicans of the state. Possibly the alarm is intensified because it has been predicted by some political prophet that the governor of New York state for 1907 will be the next president of the United States. Whatever may be the outcome of the election the present outlook is doubtful for Mr. Hughes, the republican nominee, despite the fact that President Roosevelt has highly endorsed him. History shows that the really successful politician is not he who comes preaching some new doctrine of which the people have neither heard nor dreamed, but the one who comes upon the scene giving form and expression to the thoughts and prejudices of the common people. The present results in New York state seem to justify our calling Mr. Hearst such a politician. For however much we the conservative element of the nation may shudder at the progress of socialistic ideas, we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that they are deep-seated and significant, and that nothing short of a revolution will wrench them from the popular mind. The whole truth of the matter is that the people are not satisfied, and will not be made so, however much political schemers may laud the present prosperity of the country. The thought is universal and deep-seated that corporate wealth has gotten too much of this world's goods to the injury of the common people, and this belief cannot easily be taken from them. We take it that Mr. Hearst has rightly interpreted the popular will, and may land victorious in the gubernatorial contest. The thought is universal and deep-seated that corporate wealth has gotten too much of this world's goods to the injury of the common people, and this belief cannot easily be taken from them. We take it that Mr. Hearst has rightly interpreted the popular will, and may land victorious in the gubernatorial contest. For nothing but something new and different has been added this year; also some of the latest musical magazines. The library is gradually being enlarged, the addition this year being 410 books and 776 pamphlets. Already room is wanted for the yearly increase of books. We are glad also to call the attention of the students to some recent improvements in the library reading room, in the building of racks for the magazines and papers, and the acquisition of two dozen chairs. Students will no longer have to call to the librarian for the magazines and the papers, but will have free access to them at the racks. Not only will this save time but an opportunity will be afforded to know what periodicals the library contains.

Our president is exceedingly active and is endeavoring to give the students every means of culture in his power. In our first issue we published the change in the library hours, which are 9 to 12 a.m., 2 to 5 p.m., 6 to 8 p.m.

Will not the students show their appreciation of this extension of the hours by a larger patronage?

Societies

Alpha Phi.

At the last meeting of the Alpha Phi Literary Society there was an interesting discussion relative to the method of procedure in arranging for the annual debate. It is hoped, however, that this debate may occur without unnecessary friction and that its success may not be marred by unfeasible schemes. If all work unselfishly for the good of the organization these minor matters will soon be settled in a highly satisfactory manner. We have only to remember how discord and dissatisfaction were injected into the preparations for the Intercollegiate Debate last year. The disastrous result should serve as a warning forever.

The splendid service of Miss Eloise Bibb as critic can not be too highly commended. Miss Bibb has at her command true literary ability of the first order. Her critical judgment and fine taste. Her critiques are an appreciated event of the program.

An interesting and profitable musical and literary program was rendered.
Y. M. C. A.

Y. M. C. A. is making active preparation for the complete furnishing of its suite of rooms in Clark Hall.

The Y. M. C. A. will be addressed on Sunday, Nov. 4 by Mr. M. A. Morrison of the Senior College Class. An enthusiastic and profitable meeting is anticipated. All young men are urged to attend.

Nov. 11—17 is set apart by the International Committee as the week of prayer for College Associations.

By request of Mr. VanLoo, the President, the Religious Committee is asked to meet on Thursday, November 8, 4:30 p.m.

Dr. Alice Hanson Luce

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Having taken her A. B. degree at Wellesley and the coveted Ph. D. at Heidelberg, the only woman to that date (1889) to win such distinction, she afterwards, first, held the chair of Esthetics at Wellesley, and then that of Literature at Smith. The late President Barrows, her friend, aware of her ability, requested her in 1900 to take the Deanship of Women and the chair of Shakespeare and Modern Masterpieces at Oberlin, thus conferring upon that institution the chiefest among his many blessings.

In her classroom especially was Dr. Luce’s charm of personality and splendid force of intellect felt. To few is it given to perform that service of all the most enviable—that of opening to another’s vision a new and larger world. And how supremely fitted was she for this task, if task it were to her, who wore her immense learning as lightly as the violet June’s morning dew and gave it forth with a felicity without hitch or halt, making any comment on my part seem impertinent to those who shared with me a like great fortune. She was my ideal English teacher, a woman cognizant of not only the best thoughts of all ages and peoples, but with the “gist” and fundamental principles of all the branches of intelligence, with music, art, science, and literature. Since the masters respectively drew on some or all these as their pabulum, it is obvious that to do their creations full justice, a breadth of knowledge, such as was hers, is necessary.

Like all sincerely cultured souls, she was intolerant of petty convention in literature as well as in life—no surface skimming for her; no evading Shakespeare or Balzac on the score of prudishness. She was one with the supremely excellent—to hold the mirror up to nature and in interpreting them, to strike thru husk and symbol to the physical concept itself. For the utmost illumination of any cosmic subject in hand, her marvellous memory was strikingly evinced in her ready citations from “The Vedas,” the great books of Persia, from the Greek, German, or what not, first in the original, and often presupposing our ignorance of eastern tongues, thence in English. These big but easily executed feats of hers, invariably elicited from us smiles of respectful wonder.

She observed throughout her stay at Oberlin the spirit of the English tradition of instruction, to wit, the lecture and examination system, which are best suited her temperament and intellectual gifts. And far from being a hard mistress was she, as likely the observance of such a system implies. Impatient of the listless only, and few they were, with her tender woman’s heart she dealt liberally with the earnest whatever their limited capacity and rarely ever “flunked” a willing student.

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A halloween candy pulling was given in Miner Hall on last Wednesday evening.

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Ball on Howard's 40 yard line. He tried short kick to middle of the field. Once more Howard held firm against the onslaughts of the High School backs, and she kicked out of bounds. Al Cook and Luther Cook made the ten yards for Howard. The line plays were tried again and ten more yards were gained. Apparently Howard had found a weakness in the line, but a fumble lost them the ball. Gray and Martin ripped off nine yards but with only one yard to make lost the ball on a fumble. Howard tried a forward pass which failed. M. Street made her distance in three line plunges, lost fifteen yards for holding, kicked and regained the ball but lost it a few minutes later on downs. Howard kicked out of danger. Fisher for High School made a quarter-back kick. With only a few minutes to play, Howard made her ten yards and when time was called had the ball on M Street's forty yard line. Score: first half, 0 to 0.

In the first scrimmage after the ball was kicked off, Howard fumbled and lost the ball on her 25-yard line. On the first line plunge Francis of High School hurled, this was penalized by a loss of 15 yards forcing them to kick to Howard's 20-yard line. Howard kicked out of danger, and "baby" Giles fell on the ball. Time of half called. Score, 0 to 0.

Howard's first down play was the time-wasting punt. Martin kicked goal; score 6 to 0.

Francis 75-yard run was one of the most spectacular features seen here for some time.

Much merriment was caused by the midget quarterback of the High School. In calling out signals his voice rang loud and clear — "ONE—SEVERN—ELEVEN."

The quickness of Alphonzo Cook was manifest throughout. Al is an old "vet" at the game. Luther Cook did well also.

Medical Freshman Class

The Freshman Class of the Medical College organized itself last week and elected its officers. This Class numbers one hundred and ten.

President, Mr. J. H. Roberts
Vice Pres., Mr. A. S. Reed
Secretary, Mrs. M. V. Lee
Treasurer, Mr. M. H. Hawkins
Serg. at arms, Mr. T. S. Thurman
Ass. Sec., Miss A. S. Burton

Law Notes.

The '09 class of the Law Department of the University elected their officers for this year on the evening of the 25th inst. They are as follows:

President: Prof. G. C. Wilkinson
Vice Pres.: S. L. McLaurin
Secretary: C. H. Tavernier
Treasurer: H. W. Shields
Sergt-at-arms: Nathan A. Scott

PERSONAL

Mr. F. D. Morton '06 is in the city.

Dean L. B. Moore will preach at the Vesper Service on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Diidwo Twe a native African student of Burdett college Boston is preparing an article on Anglo Saxon Christianity and The Negro. He has personally studied the Negro in all parts of the world. His pamphlet promises to be interesting.

Mr. Reginald Smith, Med. '06 paid Washington a flying trip this week. Dr. Smith was en route to New York where he will specialize along a particular line of his profession.
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