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Musical Organizations on the Campus

Many Concerts Scheduled During Present School Year

The year 1924-25 bids fair to become a banner year for the various musical organizations on the campus. Already, elaborate programs are in process of formation by the students who are broadcasting Howard's fame by means of vocal and instrumental productions.

The Glee Club under the leadership of Prof. Roy W. Tipton is planning an extensive tour through the northern and western states during the spring months.

The Girls' Glee Club, led by Miss Caroline Grant, boasts of more musical talent this year than ever before. This organization rendered the "Lost Locket" with Miss Cecilia McConnell as the leading soloist, very acceptably in chapel last spring.

The devoted choir, under the direction of Miss Lulu V. Childers is living up to its past reputation as a smooth singing combination.

Sargent Dercy T. Rhodes, director and leader of the "K. O. T. G. G." band reports that our orchestra will appear in the Artist Course Series at Lincoln Theatre, February 4, 1925, at which time Prof. Wesley Howard will be the soloist. The Artist Course series has become an institution in the musical life of Washington.

The R. O. T. G. band of 66 pieces, the largest in its history is planning a concert tour during the Christmas holidays. Last year, this band entered professional competition and won second prize in the John Wanna Tournament.

The students are fortunate in the growth of the School of Religion at Howard as it is called to the noonday session on Monday, October 26. Bishop Davis at large in the chapel under the supervision of Dean D. Butler Prouty. The subject for the convocation conference is "The Christian Ministry." The public and students are invited to attend all of the sessions. Special attention is called to the three noonday chapel exercises at which time the meetings will be addressed by three of the leading ministers of the country.

The eighth annual convocation of the School of Religion will be held in Rankin Memorial Chapel, October 25th to 30th under the supervision of Dean D. Butler Prouty. The subject for the convocation conference is "The Christian Ministry." The public and students are invited to attend all the sessions. Special attention is called to the three noonday chapel exercises at which time the meetings will be addressed by three of the leading ministers of the country.

On Tuesday, noon, Rev. Robert J. McAlpine, D.D., will speak on the subject "Playing the Game." At noon Wednesday, the session will be addressed by Dr. William Pickens, Field Secretary, N. A. A. C. P., New York City.

The closing noonday session on Thursday will be addressed by Rev. Reverdy C. Ransom, D.D., Bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Nashville, Tenn. His subject will be: "The Spiritual Leadership of Negro Ministers."

Dr. William Pickens to Speak on October 29

Music Issue

Student Council Finally Elected on Campus

First Meeting on Tuesday Sets Student Self Governing Machinery in Motion

After a delay of three weeks, the Student Council, the body governing student activities, was finally elected last week. The first meeting of the newly elected Council was held Tuesday evening. "The function of this organization is to develop in the student body wise and intelligent self control; to preserve and regulate beneficial customs and traditions of The University; and to establish such new ones as promise to be for the welfare of the students; to represent the student body as a whole in all their relations with the officials, faculty, trustees, alumni and similar bodies; and to have charge of such extra-curriculum activities as may be decided upon by the Faculty and administrative officers of the University."

The Student Council is composed of a president elected at large during the spring quarter and twelve members elected as follows: two each chosen separately by the four academic classes, the two freshmen members not having a vote until the beginning of the spring quarter; four members elected at large, two from the Senior class and two from the Junior class.

The election at large was conducted in the chapel under the supervision of the President of the Council, Author M. Brady, Wednesday, October 15. Miss Hilda Davis and C. G. Carrington were elected without opposition from the senior class and Miss Bernice Cline and E. P. Lovett were chosen as representatives of the junior class. The winning candidates at the various class elections were: senior class, L. McKnight and T. J. Anderson; junior class, R. Baskerville and A. J. Blackburn; sophomore class, P. E. Newby and Miss Marion Thompson.

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INTELLIGENCE TESTS FOR FRESHMEN

On Monday, October 15, under the direction of Dean Dwight O. Holmes and Prof. A. B. Beckman, psychological tests for freshmen were held in Domestic Science Hall, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

These annual tests are held to aid the faculty to make estimates of the intellectual qualifications of entering freshmen, in order that a correlation may be made between their actual abilities and their school records.
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THE VESTED CHOIR READY FOR VESPERs

The free list on most Negro publications mounts up to such high proportions that progress is stifled and in many cases bankruptcy is hastened. The periodicals are supported by subscriptions, advertisements, subscriptions and individual sales. If this fact is borne in mind, the frequent list of ‘frequent court’ would be limited to those who contribute, something distinctly different in the advancement of the periodical.

BIGGER AND BETTER "BISON"

(From "The New Student"

The varsity (University of Toronto) asked Gerald Sparrow, one of the members of the visiting Cambridge debating team, for an article dealing with student journalism in Oxford and Cambridge.

Wrote Mr. Sparrow: "You ask me, sir, for my impressions of University journalism in England. I pause to convey these impressions.

"New undergraduates in England are divisible into four divisions. 1. "..."
Football, Baseball
Track

HOWARD MEETS WEST VA.
INSTITUTE TODAY

Coaches Predict a Close Struggle

After a lay-off of two years, West Virginia Institute renews its athletic relationship with Howard today, when the Mountaineers roll bome with the Bison at Griffith stadium this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

West Virginia is bringing a healthy bunch of frontiersmen East in order to insure victory in the revival of the classic struggle. Eaves and Cardwell compose a great backfield combination bet Turner, star end, a d drop kicker had not reported at the beginning of last week. However, many former High School stars are working out daily under the watchful eye of the coach and a formidable team is ready for hostilities.

Whatever the outcome of the visitors bring, they will find plenty of competition in the Howard forward combination. The Bison line from end to end is capable of holding its own in any kind of competition. Coach MacRaid has been perfecting several plays which, if necessary, will be sprung on the invaders at the psychological moment.

Several shifts are expected to be made in the backfield before the game is over. "Bip" Brooks, the sturdy tackle, has been shifted to fullback where his line plugging abilities will balance an otherwise superb combination. The game will be called at 5 p.m.

After several mass meetings in chapel culminating in the great meeting and boodle of last night, the student body is ready to win this game from the sidelines as well as on the gridiron. E. Henderson will referee the game.

former Olympic Athletes

Charles West

Charles West, former Washington and Jefferson athlete, now connected with the department of physical education at Howard University, has had a unique record in athletics. He was a four-letter man at Washington and Jefferson college for three consecutive years in which time he won the inter-collegiate pentathlet championship twice in succession; was the first Negro captain of track team at his Alma Mater; and was picked by Clarence Matthews as a member of the All-American Negro Football Team of all times.

West was selected to represent Uncle Sam in the recent Paris Olympic games, where a technical ruling eliminated him from competition in the pentathlon event. Directly after the games, however, in the Holland National Championships at Rotterdam he broke the championship record in the javelin event by hurling the spear 220 feet, 11 1/2 inches, the farthest the stick has ever been thrown by a Negro in competition.

Cross-Country Squad

Candidates for the cross-country coin which will meet Hampton on November 15 are working out daily under the watchful eyes of Coach L. and H. O. Bright, track captains. They include: Lawrence Green, Andrew Robinson, James Richardson, C. L. Douglas, H. O. Bright, George D. Stephens, C. Pendleton, G. Pendleton, W. Thomas, H. Carter and G. Carrington.

Tennis Results

The finals of the double event in the ladies' tennis tournament held on the campus courts October 11 to

Learn This Song

This is the T-E-A-M team
On which the hopes of Howard lean
We'll defeat old Hampton
Beat old Union
Sweep old Lincoln clean
And on the last D-A-Y day
They will all S-A-Y say
That the team that Howard
Has this year
Is the best in the U. S. A.

We are the B-E-S-T best
Of all the B-E-S-T rest
Come and help us
Put old Howard
Right on top of Lincoln's chest.

Parson Smith is also on the look-out list. Beware, boys!

Harry Payne sees no essential difference between a microscope and a vibrator.

Teddy Blackman, beware! Be sure to say your prayers each night.

Readin' found a card with a prayer on it. We see the card over his bed now. Every night, when he retires, we hear him say: "There it is, Lord." And Harry Payne says, "Ditto."

Every day and in every way Edgar Long is getting better and better as the college ship.

15, inclusively, resulted in a victory for the team composed of Misses Jamison and Holden over the combination of Misses B. Chinm and N. Hall.

A tournament for both men and women began yesterday and will extend over Saturday. M. Goff is managing the contests.

Basketball, Tennis
Rifle Team

THE BLACK Dispatch

By M. A. Terrell

NOTE: This column devoted to the interest of the football squad, will contain amusing and pathetic happenings off and on the gridiron. —Ed.

"Strip," if you don't quite walking like you are hurt the axe will cut your log off. After that, living will be terrible.

"No more girls at tea." That goes hard with Xenia and Jackie.

We all know about C. M. M. at West Va. Institute. Those interested please note.

The Howard Players will soon present "The Eternal Triangle" with Fletcher, Martin and Jamieson in the leading roles.

Prof. — "Mr. Dokes, are you going away this week?"

Dokes. — "Yes, professor, we leave for West Virginia."

Billy Warfield, from whence cometh those ham sandwiches you bring in every night?

Kelly Perry is the confectioner of the squad.

"Bip" Brooks is our batting ram; George Miller admits he's our hand-named guard.

And Marc Terrell is our biggest ham.

We wonder why Polly inquires about "Biff" so often, "Look out, 'Biff," Polly may want a cracker and use the poor boy for amusement.

For fear he will not pass at the Medical School, Waring registered on the hill in addition. That's right, 'Howard, make good somewhere.
IT SEEMS TO ME

By Percy E. Newbie

It is a delightful interest to study the trend of thought of the Southern white boy in the race question.

During my last year in high school I took a course in correspondence. One of the requirements of the course was to secure correspondences in different sections of the country for the purpose of discussing interesting topics. These correspondences were secured through the superintendents of schools whose names were printed on the back of calendars issued by the board of education.

Having always been interested in the race question, I tried and was successful in coming in touch with a high school chap in Mobile, Ala. During the time which we corresponded I received a number of very interesting letters.

I used several of the letters in this school debate of last year. During the "scrimmage" which immediately followed, none of them were lost. The one which is printed below will give you an idea of the intense prejudice in the mind of the Southern white boy.

In reading it, please remember that the boy did not know that I was colored. As you will see we had been discussing the race problem.

Most interesting correspondence for about four months, I very foolishly lost my temper and wrote him such a forceful reply that he evidently surmised that I was colored. His correspondence came to an abrupt end. One of his letters follows:

NORVILLE BROTHERS,
Wholesale Insurance
Real Estate, REnt, Mortgages
Mobile, Alabama
February 19, 1922

Dear Percy:

I received your letter yesterday and the "Letter" today, and enjoyed reading both. I assure you, I agree with you that we should write with some regularity, and will try to do my part toward that end. The "Letter" is certainly a fine paper, and it shows up a good deal of talent in the line of poetry, fiction, and editorials. In the very interesting and I intend taking it to school Monday, to let some of the other students get benefit of it. Our school also, gets a small paper, called the "Station News," a copy of which I will send you as soon as I get a chance at the Editor. It is much smaller than those things there, anyhow.

Now about the Negro question. I think you understand, now, the history of the Ku Klux Klan, and you will agree now that it is not merely a "lynching Party," but a bunch of lawless, blood-thirsty, common citizens. It is not a "secret organization," and certainly it publishes the purpose broadcast. In the Independent Weekly, for January 22nd, there is an article presenting the Northern side of this question, and in the same magazine for February 10th by one by Chester T. Crowell, giving the views of the Southern people, if you can read them both. You ask why we are a couple of a lynchings every now and then. Well, before I answer that, I too would like to ask a question. Are you proud of the number of murders in your victory?

Statistics, which I can furnish if you want them, show that in New Orleans alone in that State in the last year there were 20 murders more than all the lynchings that took place in the South put together. In those murders are "paid," that is, money would change hands. We supposedly are not as badly suspected of this professional killing as you. If you disagree on that, will you change another thing. How about new riots? There were none in the South, and the North has been just as much harmed by them. Why? Because we had a governor to go over a little way, if they happened to be there, they would go to the North. In the South it is very easy to see that each will be accepted one minute, they they will become the issue. I hope you will understand, now, that the South is not less violent than the North in this controversy.

A.D. T. and I think, too, the negroes would have every right to go to the South. They are after the African race, and I am sure they have done wrong too far. In the South, they understand that each will be accepted one minute, they they will become the issue. I hope you will understand, now, that the South is not less violent than the North in this controversy.

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By A. Allen

On Saturday, Georgetown University played the "Mollies" in the American League Park. I couldn't write up the game if I tried. I don't know enough about it. However, there was one thing about the event that I CAN write on because I felt it. In fact, everyone present felt it.

I refer to the great overwhelming school spirit that was displayed. It was one game played on the sidelines. Over on the right, in the bleachers, sat a solid mass of Georgetown men—the whole university, a rabble. On the left, hundreds of Marines pushed the team forward with cheers and songs.

Wongs could not express or describe the school spirit that pervaded the crowd during that game. So forceful were the cheers that they were heard, and the spirit within them, felt far beyond the park.

WAKE UP HOWARDITES! You are fast asleep in a wide-awake city. At the A.D. T. game, the only ones that cheered were the cheer leaders. While "Speedo" was on the gridiron sacrificing his youth—his life—his all, for his beloved Alma Mater, all along the line were "Skunk Mollies," who refused to play their part of the game. After the first half, the cheer leaders were unable to arouse a handful of men to join the rabble.

Not everyone can play football, but many have not the physical ability necessary, but everyone can play his part on the game right on the side lines. During the game with A.D. T., the cheer leaders tended to oxymoron and beeging the rabble to cheer, the "Skunk Mollies" paraded down and down the line with their "skunk ladies."

The Georgetown men have girls. Many of them were at the game, but I think that these boys were with their girls. Not one of them! Howard women could have a great deal in this school spirit situation if they would start encouraging their friends to be with them during the game. They should encourage the "Skunk Mollies" to join the rabble and fight their part of the game. A young lady should disrespect a "Jelly Bean" and let him know that you—those who would—would prefer swinging on her arm to going in with the efforts of the cheering squad.

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Social and Personal

"Shelk" Radham was heard singing, "I've traveled all the way from the North Pole, all the way down to China, but the sweetest girl I ever did meet came from North Carolina."

Wanted—"A girl as pretty as I am."

Apply Bill Pence.

Fredie is seen on the campus very often now. What's the attraction? Not you, Annie Mae?

A. B. Green says, "C is mean, V is sweet, but C is queen."

"Jimmy Mae" is stepping out! Aty boy, McNally, adds another chick to the Texas list.

Portia's hobby still is "Doug," and B. Jones still is Joe Mammie still loves Newell's mug, and Velma can't let "Spider" go.

Be patient, Helen, the social calendar will soon be filled.

Joe Carter is an artist's model.

What makes Edna and Julia smile is "Yes, ma'am!"

Life's saddest moments—Anita when no letter arrives from home.

ORGANIZED ACTIVITIES AND CLASS NOTES

As this is the first appearance of this department, the first meetings of several of the classes were not published. It has been thought advisable, therefore, to announce the officers of the Junior Class, being the first elected, however, they will be first published. They are: President, James Cobb; Vice President, Charles Williams; Secretary, Miss Nannie Lou Appleby; Assistant Secretary, Mr. Scobrooks; Treasurer, Mr. Poulsen; Chaplain, Mr. Robinson; Parliamentarian; B. C. Barkleyville; Sergeant-at-Arms, Messrs. Perry and Bowers.

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Class Meetings

Sophomore Class Meeting

The Sophomore class held its regular meeting in Library Hall, October 16, for the purpose of electing members to the Student Council. The president, Mr. John Cadwell, presented Mr. Waton, a member of the Kappa Sigma Debating Society, was present and spoke at short, plain, yet eloquent fellow, to join them in the debating society.

The president explained to the class the steps that would be taken concerning the Sophomore "Pamflet" class rash, which would be held one day only. The date of the rush has not yet been decided upon.

Under the supervision of Mr. Ready, the president of the Student Council, Miss Marion Thompson and Mr. Percy E. Newlin were elected as representatives of the class, to the Student Council.

At a previous meeting the following officers were elected for the autumn quarter:

Mr. John Cadwell, President; Miss Ellen C. Hilt, Vice-President; Miss Ruth L. Trigg, Secretary; Miss Marion Palmer, Assistant Secretary; Mr. Joseph Rideout, Treasurer; Mr. William Lawton, Chaplain; Mr. Merl. Smith, Sergeant-at-Arms; Mr. Morley, City Journalist; Miss Melvin Dier, Minor Hall; Mr. Sam Thompson, Clark Hall.

At its last class meeting, the Junior class inaugurated a campaign to revive the spirit of Howard University. After the regular routine of business had been gone through, the president delivered an inaugural address along lines of thought that are destined to make it worthy of a place in the annals of the University. The full text of his address and comments obtained in a personal interview are given in another part of this paper. (Continued on page 6, Column 1.)

Class President Outlines Progressive Program

Aggressive President of Junior Class offers remedy for evils of campus life

In his inaugural address to the Class of 36, Mr. James Cobb, newly-elected president, presented several suggestions along an entirely different line from anything that has so far been offered in a class meeting or in any meeting of the student body. It would be well were we able to print the whole of his speech, but as space will not permit, the most salient points in a quite unique and constructive program will be briefly discussed.

In a brief but eloquent address Mr. Cobb first explained to the class his observations and his reaction to them during the summer while on his vacation. He said:

"While away this summer I had an opportunity to be by myself a great deal, and as a result indulged in considerable introspection and retrospection. Being a loyal Howardian, I began to think back over the past year and review the train of events. The one thing that seemed to stand out above all others was the lack of interest in the school, and the poor showing of class spirit except on certain very special occasions.

"Careful thought showed me that the reason lay in the factional spirit of the student body. Whene'er there is honor placed in the hands of the students, the honor goes to a student, not because he is capable of assuming such an honor, or is deserving, but merely because he is a member of a certain faction. As a result, students of ability are overlooked, while those lacking in all the requirements of executives are placed in charge of student affairs. And the result is that those students who think become disinterested, and those who must have some one to do their thinking for them follow the faction leaders. Since those leaders have not thought but their own advancement, the school spirit is destroyed and morale is broken down."

While these ideas may have been expressed by other students previously, nothing has ever come of it. But Mr. Cobb goes a step further. After analyzing the situation, he sets to work to find a remedy for it. And in this direction he seems to have been successful.

He returned to school this year determined, to do something to make Howard the school it should be, if he could obtain the assistance of his class. Quite unexpectedly, he was elected president of the class, and when he laid his plan before his classmates, each one pledged his hearty support to the movement.

In a largely attended, and highly enthusiastic meeting the following program was laid out, to be led by the junior class.

In the first place, the class must co-operate with its officers. There is nothing that so quickly destroys the spirit of a class as disassociation between class officers and members. In this line, the junior class has already led off.

Feeling that there is nothing calculated to encourage school spirit like the Alma Mater, Mr. Cobb has suggested that it be sung at the close of every class meeting, by every member of the class and all present, whether members or no. As he himself remarked, it has been heard on only one occasion.

The chaplain of the class has been asked to prepare a four-line prayer which each member may bow and repeat at the opening of each class meeting.

Since the backbone of school spirit is class spirit, the junior class is working on a program that includes the preparation of class songs, poems, and display of class interest. In this direction also, the class is endeavoring to inaugurate a campaign of elevation.

At present, it appears that the students have no interest in matters of any importance. In a dozen groups about the campus, it is an undeniable

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STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTED

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The notable feature of the election was the almost total absence of friction so common at meetings of this kind. The only exception recorded was the technical objection raised by the president of the council to the two members chosen by the junior class. He declared that the election was invalid because the two girls were elected before the elections at large. The class then voted to sustain their action and leave the question of their constitutionality to the Student Council. The Council on Tuesday night upheld the decision of the class. The officers of the Student Council for the ensuing year are Arthur M. Bratt, president; C. E. Carrington, vice-president; Miss Bernice Chinn, secretary; Miss Marion Thompson, recording secretary; A. Blackburn, treasurer.

CLASS MEETINGS

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The Freshman Pharmaceutical Class met early in October and elected the following officers: President, George L. Samuel; Vice-President, Edith K. Greut; Secretary, Lydia V. Berryman; Treasurer, Julian D. Cooper; Historian, Lucille A. Deacon; Sergeant-at-Arms, Charles S. Amos; Parliamentarian, Charles W. Peyton.

This class is one of the latest that Howard has ever seen, and bids fair to make some of the older classes step to maintain their places of honor among classes.

On October 13th, the Junior Pharmaceutical Class met and re-elected President, F. Burton Mann. Other officers elected were: Vice-President, Gregory Kib; Secretary, Miss Martha P. Rafter; Treasurer, Thomas L. Mitchell; Sergeant-at-Arms, W. C. Bryant.

In common with the advanced classes of the Academic school, this class has outlined a progressive program for the year.

JUNIOR PLAYERS

On Tuesday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m. in Library Hall, the Junior Players will present "Med and Sand," a two-act play by Charles Williams. The play which is set in sunny Spain is reported to be full of rollicking humor, wholesome mirth. The plot cleverly worked up in logical sequence in a side-splitting climax. Manager Striplin promises an evening of enjoyment to all who attend.

Facial will be furnished by Forrest and Tillator Symphony Orchestra.

THE PESTOLAZO-FRUEBEL PROGRAM

The Pestolazo-Fruebel Society's program for Saturday morning, October 25, at 10 o'clock, piano solo by Gladys Davis; selection by James Cobb; movement by Mays, "Med and Sand," and an instrumental trio by Misess, Trigg, Gibbs, and Fairfax.

A UNIVERSITY COURSE IN DANCING

(From "The New Student")

A class "open to beginners in dancing and to those who are anxious to learn the fundamental steps of good dancing" has recently been begun at the University of Kansas. Meetings, open to the entire university, are held every Friday afternoon, the first half of each class being devoted to the teaching of dancing and the remainder to practicing. A small sum is charged for each lesson.

"The University recognizes the fact, that dancing is the foremost form of social entertainment and is anxious to give students an opportunity to enjoy dancing to the fullest extent," said the Dean of Women in reply to the original petition from the men's and women's self-government organization for the establishment of the class.

Junior Class Progressive

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The fact that not a fifth will be discussing anything of any importance either individually or collectively, and the more trivial the discussion, the larger the group. It is the aim of the leaders in this new movement to attempt to remedy this situation.

In this direction, one meeting a month has been set aside for the exclusive discussion of campus problems (their cause and possible cure), and all members are enthusiastically having their spirits enlivened with the spirit of the movement to effect the needed cure. The dean of women, as well as the dean of men, has most heartily approved the plan, and the students are assured of the assistance of the faculty in any move for the best interests of the school.

As the program as already outlined calls for the junior class to take the lead, the class intends formally to begin with a special program rendered by members of the class on Tuesday evening, October 30, at which time a comedy written by two members of the class will be presented.

Several other unusual features will be presented at this time, but the council is not ready to announce them yet. Meanwhile the junior class, by its prominence at all public meetings of the student body, will signify to the school at large that it has already begun to lead off in the campaign to have the course for the junior class, not a fifth in every class.

"I wake up the whole school with my voice," said Mr. Cobb so characteristically expressed it.--"Wake up the whole class."