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## Post-Examination Entertainment

Y. M. C. A. Entertains the Young Men of the University

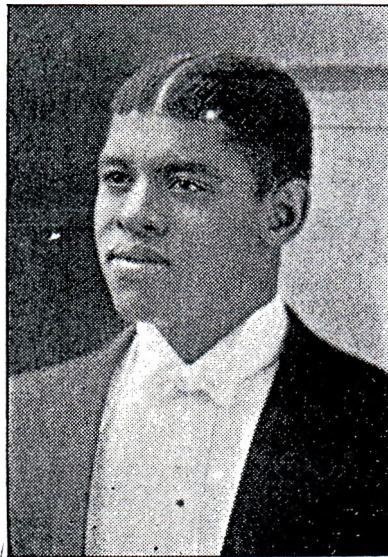
**M**ORE than two hundred of the male students and teachers of the University were very merry partakers in a strong, fellowship entertainment given by the Y. M. C. A. Monday evening as a sequel to the hard and trying examinations of the past week. The Y. M. C. A. rooms were thrown open in general welcome to the young men to use in any form of profitable entertainment they saw fit.

The diversions of the evening consisted of pool, checkers, boxing and general social intercourse. From 8:30, at which time the entertainment began, to 11:00 the pool table was continually surrounded by those who entertained the idea that they excelled in this particular sport; while five checker boards were steadily and continuously in use. About 10:30 the tables in the reading room were moved out and Messrs. Jason and Smith gave an excellent, almost expert exhibition of the pugilistic art. This exhibition was enjoyed by all present.

The special features of the entertainment were, speeches by members of the faculty, and music from the old reliable Academy quartette and the Conway trio. The singing of the quartette as well as the playing of the Conway Brothers was of the usual high order that these boys always give and added very much to the gayety of the occasion, as was shown by the hearty applause accorded them.

Deans Moore and Miller, and Professors Parks, O'Connell and Gregory furnished the literary

regimen. Each of these gave short, pointed, inspiring talks, outlining the far reaching duties of the Y. M. C. A., its relation to the student body, and *vice versa*, and also the place that christian principles should hold in the life of the student. The speeches were all lively and enthusiastic, and fully in harmony with the spirit of the evening, and, too,



MR. ROWLAND W. HAYES

carrying out the philosophy of Attius they gave "A little moralizing, but not too much of it."

A movement was launched and substantially supported by a large majority of those present, to rent a piano for the Y. M. C. A. rooms for the rest of the year.

After being served hot chocolate and sandwiches, all withdrew deeply impressed with, and highly appreciative of the energetic efforts being put forth by President Randall and Secretary Logan together with their co-workers for the building up of the Y. M. C. A. in Howard.

## The Music Department Presents Mr. Rowland W. Hayes in Recital

**F**OLLOWING the policy inaugurated at the beginning of the year, the School of Music of the University will present another of the satellites of the Negro musical world in the person of Mr. Rowland W. Hayes, the brilliant young tenor.

Those who were fortunate enough to hear the wonderful rendition of Handel's "Messiah" by the University Choral Society during the holiday season of 1911 will remember the splendid work and the genius of Mr. Hayes.

The work of this young man has caused the entire musical contingent of this country to wonder. Beginning as a member of the Fisk Jubilee Quartette his achievements have been of such a nature as to win him the very highest commendation from all quarters.

Mr. Hayes is a possessor of a pure lyric tenor voice. In his performances, he combines rare artistic skill with a natural talent and highly developed musical temperament. To hear the sweetness of his voice is to be entranced, and no one who claims to be a lover of the musical art can afford to miss hearing him.

Miss Clarice Jones, the assistant to Mr. Tibbs of the department of piano and a graduate of the Conservatory of Music of Cornell University, will assist at the piano; and Mr. R. W. Tibbs will serve in the capacity of accompanist for Mr. Hayes.

The recital will be held in the Rankin Memorial Chapel of the University on the evening of February 14th. Judging from the sale of seats the artists will be greeted by a large audience.

The net proceeds of this recital are to form the basis of an organ fund.

—E. C. Terry

A Review of Negro Progress

**T**HROUGHOUT this country one month ago, the Negroes of the land celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation. No appreciative race or people would have done otherwise, since January first, dating back half a century, saw the realization of the dream and hope of a people patient, tolerant religious—the rise of the sun of their liberty.

The dawn of liberty came, not as a result of negro activity; not as a sequel to negro toil; not by the spilling of negro blood;—it came as a gift demanded by justice. Although justice demanded liberty it came not in response to the call of justice, it came incidentally as the means to a perhaps greater and more ulterior end.

“My paramount aim in this struggle is to save the Union, and it is not either to save or destroy slavery. If I could save the Union without freeing any slaves I would do it; and if I could save it by freeing all the slaves,

I would do it; and if I could save it by freeing some and leaving others alone, I would also do that. What I do about slavery and the colored race, I do because I believe it helps to save the Union.” Such was the dictum of the emancipator. The preservation of the Union was the end and the abolition of slavery was only a means by which this end was reached.

We shall not discuss at length why the Negro happens to be out of bondage, suffice it to say, the nation gave and the Negro graciously accepted; the question is, Has he made use of his opportunities, and proven worthy of the gift thus made? Based upon the last census, Mr. Monroe N. Work in the *Southern Workman* writes as follows: “No other emancipated people have made so great progress in so short a time,” and the Syracuse Post-Standard thinks that not even the emergence of the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt and their wonderful rise into a powerful nation in the promised land, is more significant than the growth of the Negroes from illiteracy, destitution and helplessness. Mr. Work, in his article which is a summary of census reports, says that the total wealth of the Negroes of the country has increased from \$20,000,000 to \$700,000,000 since 1863, the year they were freed. Especially is increase to be noted in the rapid growth of wealth in the South during the last ten years in the value of Negro property; between 1900 and 1910 the total value of Negro farm property in the South rose from \$177,404,688 to \$492,898,218 or 177 per cent. They now operate in the South 890,140 farms, and Negro farmers, cultivate 100,000,000 acres of land, 42,500,000 of which are under their control.

The Russian serfs were emancipated in 1861. Fifty years after, it was found that 14,000,000 of them had accumulated about \$500,000,000 worth of property,

or about \$36 per capita, an average of \$200 per family. Fifty years after their emancipation, only about 30 per cent of the Russian peasants were able to read and write. After fifty years of freedom the 10,000,000 Negroes in the United States have accumulated over \$700,000,000 worth of property, or about \$70 per capita, which is an average of \$350 per family. After fifty years of freedom, 70 per cent of them have some education in books.

“In 1863 there were 3,960,000 slaves in the South, and their value was approximately two billion dollars, or about \$500 each. At the present time about the same number in the South are engaged in various gainful occupations, and their economic value, about \$2,500 each.” Fifty years ago the negroes activities consisted mainly in common farm labor, while to-day he is engaged in nearly every pursuit in which the white man is engaged. Mr. Work points out. “There are over 50,000 in the professions, teachers, preachers, lawyers, doctors, dentists, editors, etc. There are some 30,000 engaged in business of various sorts. Fifty years ago there were in the South no negro architects.

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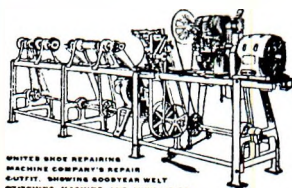
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The Alpha Kappa Alpha intends to prove that a college sorority need not be a factor merely in the social life of the student, but it shall lay its greatest emphasis upon the promotion of the intellectual standards and the mutual uplift of its members. In this regard the graduate members have accepted a brief management of the Sorority, and they shall always stand ready to help their Sorority. Women's problems are becoming more and more complex every day. The women of Howard must take note of the problems and must help to solve them if they wish to take their place in the vanguard of civilization. The Alpha Kappa Alpha shall try to do its duty in preparing to face and master the responsibilities of life.

The officers composing the directorate or Boule for the ensuing year are as follows:

Nellie M. Quander, A. B., Basileus; Ethel G. Jones, A. B., Alpha Anti-Basileus; Nellie M. Pratt, A. B., Beta Anti-Basileus; Minnie B. Smith, A. B., Grammateus; Norma E. Boyd, A. B., Epistoleus; Julia E. Brooks, A. B. Tamiouchos.

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Friday, February 7, 1913

## EDITORIAL

¶ Nature has made but one man, all others make themselves.

¶ The man who follows along the line of least resistance receives the least development.

¶ THE JOURNAL earnestly requests everyone who has not paid his subscription to do so at once. Money is necessary for the running of the paper. The longer you delay the payment of your subscriptions the greater the handicap under which we labor. Those who expect to exercise the suffrage in the election of the

JOURNAL staff are advised to attend to their subscriptions before the first of March.

¶ The great track carnival to take place in Washington in March is a step in Negro athletics directed the right way. It is entirely fitting that an aggregation of the Negroes' best in this phase of the sport should come together in honorable competition. It gives us a chance to see what those of our own race can really do under fair conditions, where they are by no means hampered by the traditional American race prejudice. The JOURNAL should be glad to see this made a yearly function, improved upon each time until it will rank favorably with the best of its kind.

Howard should by all means be represented in this meet. She has shown her superiority over sister institutions in other lines of athletic activity and should be given a chance to get a ranking in the coming carnival, as the leading Negro institution of the world, she should be among the foremost in anything that indicates progress and excellence.

¶ New worlds will have to be made for Howard to conquer.

All the expert semi-professional basket ball quints have shown in the unreasonably extreme demands that they have not cared to take Howard on this season.

Heretofore these clubs have been over anxious to measure arms with our teams. They have contended with them year after year with the same disappointing results, so by now it is to be presumed that these clubs have become tired of the monotony of figuring on the negligible side; hence they are gradually drawing the line on the formidable Howard bunch.

There is, too, interminable difficulty in finding school teams worthy of our steel. Lincoln and Union have gone the road of the vanquished and it will only be a matter of a few days before Hampton, likewise, shall go the

road of destruction, if the games with this institution can be finally consummated.

## Kappa Sigma Election

In its last weekly meeting the Kappa Sigma Debating Club elected the following officers: Pres., I. R. Berry; Vice President, W. E. Ricks; Secretary, J. W. Spann; Assistant Secretary, F. W. Jackson; Treasurer, T. Randall; Chaplain, R. W. Coleman; Critic, H. W. Brown; Sergeant-at-Arms, A. Stone; Parliamentarian, H. A. Long; Reporter, W. A. Pollard; Representatives to the Council, E. A. Love and Charles Owings.

Under this core of officers, many of them tried and experienced, the Kappa Sigma expects to have a superior semester.

## Senior Roster of Officers

On last Monday night, the Senior Class of the school of Liberal Arts elected the following officers for the current semester:

President, James E. Rose; Vice-president, Miss M. Edna Brown; Secretary, Miss Jimmie B. Bugg; Assistant Secretary, Miss Regina Johnson; Treasurer, Miss Olive Jones; Chaplain, J. Paul Johns; Journalist, Frank Coleman; Critic, Owen Matthews.

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**Notes**

Professor Kelly Miller will give the address at the meeting of the Social Science Club, next Wednesday night.

Don't forget the "Lady of Lyons," by the Howard University Dramatic Club, at Howard Theater, February 22.

The Y. M. C. A. will conduct a special evangelical service Sunday. The address will be given by Dr. E. L. Parks.

Pay your subscription before March and avail yourself of the privilege of voting in the election of the JOURNAL Staff.

The preliminary contest for choosing men to represent Howard in the inter-collegiate debates this spring will be held in Rankin Chapel Saturday night. A large number of contestants will appear.

The Muso-Lit, the Colored University Club of Washington, under the joint auspices of the Department of History and the Alpha Phi Literary Society, will render a programme celebrating the anniversary of the birthdays of Lincoln and Douglass, Thursday evening, February 13.

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Huddy Oliver says: "I like my 'U' street, but O, you 'T'."

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At the big races last week several jockeys were, as usual, thrown from their "horses."

Clayborne George has now some big interests in Garfield Heights. "O you summerstrolls."

"Logic may be a normative science, but it certainly is also a 'Seiverative' Science." Beamon.

During Parker's sillness "Papa" Crawford managed his love affairs. Now since Parker is up, he finds that he has no affairs.

At a meeting of the Senior Class last Monday night, it was unanimously decided that Braggo did not and will not ever have 'em.

Miss E. A. C. says that little Vee Villie Vinkie Vinthrop has no parts of 'em because he will not "speak up and 'spress himself."

Jimmie McLendon says he finds it easy to manage four girls. I know he doesn't have reference to Miss O. M., Miss O. S., Miss E. L., and Miss E. M. The last three are city girls of course.

Jerry Luck, while trying to determine the compressibility of steam, having no escape valve for high-pressure, discovered with what force a tightly corked thermometer would hit a concrete ceiling.

All desiring to take the newly instituted course in Library apply to Miss F. D. and Mr. A. W. R., D. L. A. (Doctors of Library Amorology), both recent graduates and now heads of that department.

A stray moon-beam fell on the stone form of a man in the cemetery out in Garfield Heights last

week as Big Chief Chandler passed by. In eleven minutes and thirty seconds, he was at 23-47 Georgia Avenue, thus beating the world's record for a cross-country five mile run, by forty-two minutes.

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The young ladies of the College of Arts and Science held a meeting Friday evening, January 10, in Miner Hall for the purpose of organizing a club to be known as the Arts and Science Club. The aims of the club are social and literary. The club is designed to act as a bond between the young ladies living in Miner Hall and those in the city, in order that a true college spirit may be developed and fostered. The beautifying and adornment of the Arts and Science Rest Room is to be an object of especial care for the Club.

The following officers were elected: President, Miss Mamie Reddy; Vice President, Miss Harriet Heard; Secretary, Miss Beatrice Hardy; Assistant Secretary, Miss Eulalia Lane; Treasurer, Miss Ethel A. Carr; Sergeant-at-Arms, Miss Matilda Rayfield; Reporter, Miss Madre Penn; Critic, Miss Zephyr J. Chisom.

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It is this that is the prime end of the Freshman-Sophomore rush. The harder contested, the fiercer this class contest, the closer the men are going to be drawn each to his fellow classmate, for he will realize that with his fellow he has stood side by side in a contest for class supremacy and with him he has worked for a common end. This same is true with rivalry of every kind between classes whether it be football, basketball, baseball, literary contests or what not, the thing that any one of these is going to promote is going to be class strength, and class enthusiasm.

The true worth of the school is reckoned by the spirit for Alma Mater that it instills into its products. The end and aim then of the school in the beginning should be to inspire the student with a deep, undying, insatiable love for Alma Mater. This end can be best secured by encouraging from the freshman year all kinds of noble, honorable contests; for the spirit in formation during the Freshman and Sophomore years will certainly show its nature and character in the upper class years, and exhibit its strength in the world's battle.

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The following names comprise the active membership of the Sorority:

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The various athletic teams, possibly, serve as the widest and strongest advertisement that a school can put out. It has been the experience even here in Howard that each year, following in the wake of a ten or twelve days trip South, numbers of good men who have never heard of the university except through the baseball team, flock to the university. So with football, specific cases could be cited of men of high scholarship and noble character who have been induced to come to Howard to further their education because of the glory of the football team. It is but natural to suppose that an athlete, when he goes out to pursue a course of

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higher training, is going to that institution that encourages athletics and that is showing some results in athletic endeavors.

For this reason, we find our larger schools, like Harvard, Yale, Princeton and others arranging elaborate athletic schedules, providing for long and extensive trips for their various teams; and to speak of taking mathematics, languages, or the sciences out of the curricula of these institutions would be as well received as a mention of barring any phase of their athletics.

And, too, in an institution where there is no gymnasium, with the hopes of making the team, sets alive in his thoughts, the student possessing any athletic qualifications will through consistent practice sustain and improve his possibilities. Thus, though one may not be fortunate enough to make the team, still he will have received the benefits of muscle building, invigoration and life giving accruing from daily well ordered practice. It is the sacred duty and obligation of the University to give physical development to its wards as well as moral and intellectual training. The prime function of the University is to make men, and not to grind out moral monstrosities or intellectual prodigies.

It is well worth any reasonable sacrifice to send out yearly teams representing all the departments of athletics. These teams help the university, they help the students, and in a large measure show by the conduct of the men composing them the effectiveness of the institution in the life and character of its students. Money expended on athletics is far from wasted.

What is that which plays while it works and works while it plays? A fountain.

Why is a young lady dependent upon the letter "Y"? Because without it she would be a "young lad."

## Do You Know These?

What is that of which the common sort is the best? Sense.

Which is the largest room in the world? Room for improvement.

Why is a kiss like a rumor? Because it goes from mouth to mouth.

Why is a girl not a noun? Because a lass (alas) is an interjection.

Why are lazy persons' beds too short for them? Because they lie too long in them.

Why are the western prairies flat? Because the sun sets on them every evening.

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**Cabinet Day at Y. M. C. A.**

On Sunday, February 2nd, the members of the Cabinet of the Y. M. C. A. furnished the program. Interesting speeches were made bearing upon different phases of the Y. M. C. A. From the president down to the humblest officer, all made the meeting wax warm. The usual number of men attended, and by their close attention and repeated applause, made evident the fact that the meeting was a success.

The next meeting of the association will be the "Big Day". Evangelical service will be the dominant note. Professor E. L. Parks, whose work for Howard University, for the Negro race, for the American nation, like a strong moving undercurrent, is wielding a mighty force, will deliver a special address. It is expected that an unusual number of men will be present to hear Professor Parks.

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**Sophomores Elect Officers**

On the 3rd inst., the class of '15, School of Liberal Arts, elected class officers for the present semester as follows:

President, I. G. Bailey; Vice President, Miss Vergie Porter; Secretary, C. F. Maloney; Assistant Secretary, Miss Ruth Brinkley; Treasurer, E. H. Crampton; Chaplain, J. Franklin; Journalist, P. H. Davis; Critic, H. H. Donald; Constitutional Advisor, H. H. Long; Sergeant-at-Arms, W. A. Pollard.

The officers will be installed on the 10th inst.

**University Notices**

**SUNDAY**

Prayer Meeting, Clark Hall, 7 a. m.  
 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 Ethies, 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-Proebel, 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.

Blackstone Club, Law School, 8:30 p. m.

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