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## A Gymnasium Soon



TO the surprise of many and the delight of all, there will be opened up, very soon, on the main floor of Spaulding Hall, Howard's first gymnasium. The ceiling of the hall has been made exceptionally firm; a small but convenient annex, with dressing booths and shower bath, has been built; gymnastic apparatus, at a cost of about \$1,000, has been purchased; and the "gym" will even be in use soon. The University is providing this place for physical exercise for the students. A trainer will be secured and a fee of fifty cents per month will be charged for the rest of the year for the privileges of the gymnasium. Next year, no doubt, there will be an annual tax for these privileges.

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## The Kappa Sigma Installs

On Thursday evening, February twenty-eighth, the Kappa Sigma Debating Club met for the installation of its officers. Mr. H. H. Long, the recent winner of the "Gregory Prize" in debating, was chosen to perform the installation ceremonies. Mr. Long, on this occasion, fully justified the confidence heretofore placed in his ability. He made a brilliant, thoughtful and inspiring address, one that will not be forgotten soon by the society. The speaker captivated his audience in describing "Ideas, Thoughts, Ideals—things that will aid the Negro while he is on trial intellectually".

Mr. Ricks, the President of the Kappa Sigma, made a stirring speech in behalf of the officers of the society and in a masterly way designated the duties that were to be assumed. He also pointed out very graphically the opportunity

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## Big Conference on Foot Howard Indorses Plan



EVIDENTLY, one of the most auspicious and epoch-making occurrences of the year for colored people will be a conference of college students, professors, and race leaders, which, at present, has been proposed to be held at Atlanta, Ga., from May 14 to 17. John R. Mott, the great religious worker, will lead, and it is calculated that about one thousand delegates will be in attendance.

The plan of holding this conference, was brought to Howard on March 1, by a member of the International Committee of the Y. M. C. A., President Frank Sanders, of Washburn College, Topeka, Kansas. He represented John R. Mott, who, as member of the Extension Committees of the Edinborough Missionary Conference, is securing in various countries of the world great conventions for the extension of missionary work. President Sanders presented his plans to President S. M. Newman, Dr. E. L. Parks, Secretary J. G. Logan, and the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet of the University. The conference will consider especially; the consecration of college men and women for religious and social service, their work for the uplift of their own race, and for the evangelization of Africa. Besides, on account of the great purpose of the conference, Mr. Hunton and other Y. M. C. A. leaders strongly support the plan at this time for the reason that John R. Mott will soon leave the country for a period of several

years and the postponement of the assistance of this able and powerful man would be unwise.

In view of the import of such a gathering, Howard heartily endorsed the plan, and is now contemplating immediate and vigorous effort toward sending a good delegation. Be ready then, all Howard.

### Invitation to Take Part in International Exhibition

Dean Kelly Miller has received a letter from Pastor Paul O. Hentsch, of Leipzig-Lendenau, Germany, inviting the dean to take part and assist in The International Exhibition of the Book-Industry and Graphic Arts at Leipzig. The Exhibition is a significant one. It is under the patronage of His Majesty King Frederick Augustus of Saxony, and will be participated in by many countries.

In his letter, Pastor Hentsch says, "You have no doubt already heard of the great Exhibition that

will take place in 1914 and of which His Majesty King Frederick of Saxony is the patron. When I read the news I ask myself, if it would be possible to show at the Exhibition some Exhibits of the Colored people of America, in whose matters I am especially interested, and I finally succeeded in getting those competent in the matter interested for my plan. So now I am going to collect such exhibits as would be acceptable for this great world's fair.

Here is an opportunity for the Colored people of America, and for those who have devoted their lives to the culture work among the Colored people, to demonstrate what they have done already and what they could do in the future."

Pastor Hentsch, who has secured the supervision of the "Exhibits of the Colored Citizens of America," is interested in the welfare of the colored people. He is the author of a book on the church life of the Afro-American.

### The Manager's Report on "Richelieu"

The question is often asked, "What becomes of the money made by the Dramatic Club?" To our surprise there is no satisfactory answer ever given to this inquiry. This is due, doubtless, to the fact that no full report was ever made to either the Faculty or to the student body. The present manager and his assistants are very anxious to report, through the medium of the JOURNAL, to both the Faculty and the students of the expenditures and receipts of the play presented at Howard Theatre, on Saturday evening, February 21, 1914.

On account of lack of space we are unable to give an itemized report, which, to our minds, would be better; but we shall endeavor to present it in such a way that the students will get an idea of

the present financial condition of the Club.

Gross receipts	\$532.40
Cash received for advertisement	6.00
Total	\$538.40
Expenditures	\$416.95
Cash in University Treas.	121.45
Total	\$538.40

We have forwarded all receipts for both money received and expended to Professor Houston, Chairman, Faculty on Dramatics, for approval.

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appreciation of journalistic conditions and a realization of the difficulties which it has to face.

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Another phase of the situation will be presented in our next issue.

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**Alpha Phi Election**

The semi-annual election of officers for the Alpha Phi Literary Society was held on Friday, February the twenty-seventh. Mr. G. E. Daniels was chosen President; Miss Edna M. Jackson, Vice-President; Miss Cavassa Satterwhite, Secretary; Miss Sarah De Fries, Assistant Secretary; Miss Lottie Gatewood, Treasurer; Mr. Emory B. Smith, Chaplain; Mr. Guy S. Ruffin, Journalist; Mr. L. H. Newman, Critic; Mr. James W. Jackson, Sergeant-at-arms; Miss Jane Lee, Musician; and Mr. A. L. Tunnell, Reporter.

Little interest was exhibited in the election. The keen spirit of competition for honors in this organization, which is the backbone of our literary life at Howard, was sadly lacking. However, the new staff is one of character and literary personal. They have an admirable task before them, and we look to them for a re-awakening of the slumbering literary consciousness of the school.

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Friday, March 6, 1914

### EDITORIAL

In one of our columns, several weeks ago, a consideration from the students was solicited for the organization of the S. P. M. E. whose purpose would be the correcting of errors made in the speaking of English at the University. While the proposition may appear to be a matter of kindergarten, we believe that there is much in it. At least the proposition could be tried. If it is

found unworkable, it can be dropped. The students, then, should give a consideration to the S. P. M. E.

The report is now rife that Prof. Kelly Miller's new book, "Out of the House of Bondage" will appear soon; and many people await with puriency this message from the authority on the Negro question. What will the message be? Will the author, incensed by the increasing onslaught of injustice, advocate something conspicuously radical; or will he, but reinforced with the truth of the race question, continue, in his usual calm and uncompromising manner, to make clear the position of the Negro and demand for him "equal recognition in civil and political rights?" All hail the speedy appearance of the book.

In the several articles, which we shall present to our readers, under the caption, "Loyalty and the JOURNAL", we intend to be very frank. The present situation of the JOURNAL is not new: every year, criticism of some character comes to the staff; the number of subscribers has been about the same for several years; and the paper has been as literary this year as it has been in former years. Then, too, as former staffs, the staff of this year has received many excellent compliments. But notwithstanding that, we know this long standing situation; we feel that the proper support is not given to the JOURNAL; and we offer our criticism on the same.

The Freshman Class of the College gave an "At Home" in Miner Hall, Saturday evening, February the twenty-eighth, from 7:30 to 9:30. Miss Cavassa Satterwhite and her able committee provided a very enjoyable evening to all the young ladies and gentlemen present.

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### The Senior Law Class Confers Final Honors

At a recent election of the Senior class of the Law School, honors were conferred upon the following members:—

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### The Kappa Sigma Installs

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for doing real and effective constructive work in the University.

With the President acting as Business Manager, elaborate plans are being made for the Fisk-Howard debate. It is hoped that this debate will eclipse any ever held at Howard not only in the quality of the debate itself, but also in the interest shown by the student body.

The following officers were installed: President, W. E. Ricks; Vice President, J. W. Jackson; Secretary, Chas. V. Henley; Asst. Secretary, I. R. Scruggs; Treasurer, W. H. Foster; Chaplain, V. E. Perkins; Serg't-at-Arms, H. E. Moore. J. F. W.

### Brackett Club

The Brackett Club, under the auspices of the Sophomore Medical Class held its semi-monthly meeting on Friday evening, February 27, at the University Medical Building.

The feature of the evening was a very interesting discussion on "The Susceptibility of the Negro to the Hookworm," by the president, Mr. Howard Stitt, who brought some interesting points as to its origin and specific relation to the different races. He took exceptions to the theory advanced by some investigators that the Negro was more suscep-

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tible than other races and showed by well investigated facts and statistics that the Negro is not only less susceptible to the Hookworm infection, but also to its effects.

The paper was a credit to the reader showing that he evidently gave the subject careful study and thorough investigation.

In response to Mr. Stitt's paper the Club had the pleasure of listening to a few remarks by Dr. Lyons, Professor of Bacteriology, who not only entertained the Club in speech but after the meeting gave the members a "light repast" which was not only a pleasant treat but a great treat.

E. A. Calloway

### Campus Briefs

Miss Virgie Porter has been ill for a few days, but is out again.

An interesting program was given at the Y. M. C. A. on Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the Theological School.

At True Reformers Hall on February 26, the Academy Basketball team defeated Harrisburg, Pa., High School, score 49-10; and Varsity defeated the Old Guards, score 38-12.

The friends and ex-classmates of Stephen E. Burke, regret very much that, on account of illness, he has been compelled to discontinue his school work in the Medical School of the University of Vermont.

The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority held a social to its newly elected officers Saturday evening in Miner Hall. Dainty refreshment were served and the evening was enjoyed by all the members present.

Mr. C. C. Spaulding, Manager of the N. C. Mutual Insurance Co., the largest Negro insurance company in the world, addressed the

student body at Chapel on Thursday of last week. He is recovering from an illness which brought him to Freedmen's Hospital.

Dr. L. B. Moore, Dean of the Teachers College, gave the closing address last Friday night, at the meeting of the State Teachers and Negro Improvement League of Virginia at Shiloh Baptist Church in Alexandria. Dean Moore delivered addresses in Richmond, Va., and at Annapolis, Md., also, during the past week.

### Seniors of Arts and Sciences

The Seniors of Arts and Sciences recently elected the following officers: President, L. D. Turner; Vice President, Vashti Turley; Secretary, Grace Coleman; Assistant Secretary, Louis Bellinger; Treasurer, W. S. Hanna; Critic, H. E. Moore; Chaplain, C. I. Brown, and Sergeant-at-Arms, Thaddeus McDonald.

The Seniors plan to usher in a new era of "farewell" college days at Howard. Class pins have been selected, class day exercises arranged, a prom thought over, and dates for "Frivolity Day" and "Cap and Gown Day" decided upon.

### Notice

The Weekly Report of the Y. M. C. A. Sick Committee. Mr. Spurgeon D. Neale, Freedmen's Hospital, March 2, 1914.

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### THE DECISIVE EVENT

"There is one good thing that can be said about the annual play of the College Dramatic Club: It always shows just who is who and where he stands."—Dr. Humbert.

Sampson annoys his room-mates very much by singing in his sleep, especially since the act is performed through his nose. The latest stunt heard was that old familiar vacation hymn: "My Wife's Gone to the Country."

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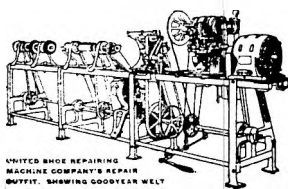
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Temple and Butt did not see "Richelieu"; reason—they were disappointed in securing female companions. Both had obtained two choice seats and after being informed that their ladies were "indisposed" (which is very ambiguous), they took their stand in the snow in front of the theatre and offered the seats for sale. Both lost on the transaction and failed to witness the production.

Rev. Ricks, the Moderator of the Kapp-puh Sick-muh Debating Clupp, was recently heard arguing with the new second waiter concerning some articles of food.

"Why you shouldn't kick", said George, the juvenile sky-scraper, thinking to vanquish him with the Scripture, "the Master fasted for forty days."

"Yes", returned the unshaken Ricks of the Clupp, "but he wasn't paying any board."

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### Delegates Entertained

The delegates attending the Teacher's Association and the Negro Improvement League of Virginia were entertained at the University on Friday. President Newman made a fitting address. After the completion of a short program, a reception was held in the Library and refreshments served to a large number. This reception emphasizes the importance of the close connection between Howard University and the public schools of our neighboring states, which are feeders to this University. The reception was highly appropriate as well as enjoyable.

### Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. Coralie Franklin Cook addressed the Young Women's Christian Association in Miner Hall, Sunday, March 1, at six-thirty P. M. Mrs. Cook said in part:

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the picture, and are able to understand his purpose. So, in one's life, how necessary it is that, we, like this artist have a definite purpose. The purpose of the Y. W. C. A. should be fourfold and should consist of individual development, mutual helpfulness among its members, influencing the life in Miner Hall and in the University and community at large. No phase or activity is too mean or lowly. Remember in 'The Boy and the Angel,' Browning's conception that God missed his 'little human praise' when Theocrite ceased to sing."

One of the most interesting features of the lecture was when Mrs. Cook read from a letter of Miss Eva Bowles, General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. In this letter Miss Bowles said, that the Y. W. C. A. of Howard University is an ideal source from which we may find leaders for our women in the community life to which they will go when they leave school.

### The Academy Entertains the Y. M. C. A.

At the Sunday afternoon meeting of the Y. M. C. A., February twenty-second, an excellent program was rendered by members of the Academy. The program took the form of a symposium, together with the rendition of vocal and instrumental selections. The topic for discussion was, "Lessons from the life of Paul". Those who took part in this discussion utilized the time well in commenting upon the important events in Paul's life, and in showing the practical lessons that might be learned from this great life. The musical selections were fitting for the occasion, and were presented in such a manner as to reflect credit upon those who rendered them. Thus, for the presentation of such a program before the Y. M. C. A. the Academy is indeed worthy of praise.

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**The American Academy**

The American Academy, the School of Classical Studies, chartered by the state of New York and incorporated by the Congress of the United States, sent to Howard recently their announcement of fellowships to be awarded in 1914. One of \$1,000 a year for one year, and another of \$1,000 a year for two years will be given. In order to compete for these scholarships classical students must "submit evidence of attainment in Latin literature, Greek literature, Greek and Roman History and Archaeology, also an ability to use German and French."

These fellowships are more often awarded to instructors who have finished college and have done graduate work, and have had some experience in teaching. Mention is given here of these opportunities because it is hoped that some of Howard's sons will keep them in mind with a view of competing at some future time. There are many such awards offered every year to students who will fit themselves to receive them.

**Notes**

A complete system of student government has been established at Walden University in Nashville, Tennessee.

Mr. Arthur L. Tunnell, Arts and Science '16, has a poem entitled "On Segregation" in March's issue of the *Crisis*. This poem, inspired by the Washington protest meeting, is well worth reading.

At Hampton Institute, teachers and students celebrated Founder's Day on February 1. The address in commemoration of Gen. Samuel Chapman Armstrong was given by Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Rabbi of the Free Synagogue of New York City.

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**A Home Versus Clark Hall**

Clark Hall, the "home" for young men, is fast becoming undesirable as a place of abode for students who wish a studious atmosphere, or at least, a quiet retreat where one might escape the noise of the campus. Two definite causes may be assigned for this: the opening of the fraternity houses has taken from the hall a large per cent of the really earnest students whose influence insured quiet, at least on the two bottom floors; and the Professors who reside in the building seem to have repressed their former inclination to see to it that certain hours at least are observed.

If the authorities provide legislation to prevent the disturbance of study and quiet, mass meetings would promptly be called, resolutions drawn up and the action condemned as humiliating to men and suitable only for kindergartners. But unfortunately, few persons are inclined to regard their rooms as real homes which they should enjoy without taking special pains to let others know they are enjoying them. Individuals who have been in attendance upon meetings invariably have a weakness for "harmonizing" when they return; others, leaving the hall are religiously careful to acquaint their friends—and incidentally others—with the fact. This is probably done with a view of establishing their whereabouts for purposes of safety, but it often causes disinterested and busy persons to commit grave sins by wishing various things not calculated to be the teachings of the Scriptures.

Something must be done to remind the more thoughtless residents—all of whom by no means come from the lower classes—of the discomfort they cause their associates. Authorities should never have to be appealed to in such cases. Let's get together and correct it. —Roman

**The Eureka**

On Tuesday, February 17th, the Eureka Literary Society held a special meeting for the purpose of electing the officers of the Mock Congress. After a keen and spirited campaign the following officers were chosen with scarcely any majority over which they could "gloat": President, Mr. Benton R. Latimer; Vice President, Mr. J. T. Tucker; Speaker pro tempore, Mr. Summer T. Bohee; Clerk, Mr. Jefferson; Chaplain, Mr. B. M. McFarland; and several other equally as important officers.

On Friday, February 27th, occurred the inauguration, and the Eureka passed into Mock Congress. The grandeur, dignity and masterful speeches of the incoming officers, together with the unparalleled installation of officers by Hon. William A. Pollard of the Empire of Great Alpha Phi, might well be taken as exemplary proceedings for the national parties of the "United States of Howard University" when these parties enter politics in 1916.

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