A Call to Howard's Colors

In a previous issue of The Journal, March 10, 1916, Mr. Baumgardner, under the caption, "Revive the Howard Spirit," brought to our attention, in a very forcible and praise-worthy manner, a matter of very grave concern to all loyal Howardites—the waning of the "Howard Spirit." If it be true that the "Howard Spirit," then it is also true that there is no "Howard Spirit," then we have reached a crisis which is most threatening; and, soon, we may become totally engulfed. If it be true that there is no "Howard Spirit," then it is also true that there is no Howard for what are campus, and buildings, and curricula without it? What can the president, faculty and students accomplish or even hope to accomplish without this one common motive power? If it be true that such a condition exists, then they who are responsible for such a condition face a very serious charge. Whoever they are, they are traitors to our peace, our prosperity, our traditions, traitors to Howard. They should be banished!

Calmly receiving the course of events in the world of affairs, we find that grave problems, such as the one which now confronts us, have always been the predecessors of the solution which followed them. Every year is brought with its particular problems. Every age has its genius upon whose shoulder rest the responsibility of finding a solution for these problems. Every nation has its own peculiar problems; its problems of peace, its problems of war. A proper and adequate solution of these problems often requires the most subtle thought of that particular nation's most gifted statesmen. In every sphere of activity, however large or however small, strange difficult problems arise; and the solution of these rests largely with those who constitute the particular group in question.

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The Y. W. C. A. Flower

Dedicated to the Y. W. C. A. on its Fiftieth Anniversary, March 1916.

There is a rare and tender flower,
The joy of every clime;
That decks the rudest nook or bow'ri,\ Nor stays for place or time.

A sweet, a graceful, charming flower,\ That grows in barren sands;
Its bud unblest with sun or shower,\ In desert air expands.

The leaves of this delightful flower,\ Heal like the magic arts,
And move the weight like mystic power\ From sad and wounded hearts.

The petals of this fragrant flower,\ Are sunshine's ready bowls;
They catch its beams from leaf and bough\ To strengthen drooping souls.

The pollen of this treasure'd flower,\ Made woman's cause as one;
It shed on all its liberal dover\ And virtue's way was won.

Whence came they, W. C. A. flower,
That cheers life's rugged way,
And scatters joy like spring-tide shower\ That falls in rosy May?

The gift of this most precious flower,\ Is but the answer'd prayer;
Of womanhood in darkest hour\ With heavy loads to bear.

—Lottie Gatewood, '16.
President of English Chautauqua, Chapter A., Howard University, Washington, D. C.

Public Waiting to See "Herod"

The people of Washington and the students of Howard University are anxiously awaiting the rise of the curtain at Howard Theatre on Saturday evening, March 25th, when Mr. Merrill Curtis and Miss Kitty Bruce, supported by a well-balanced cast, will unfold the pages of History, two centuries of closed, and entertain them with stories of Herod the Great and his court at Jerusalem, the Holy City. The audience will be invited to the beautiful palace of Herod—a palace festooned with garlands and offerings for the Feast of Tabernacles. Beyond will be seen the sacred Hill of Jerusalem, with the Temple courts and the Castle of Antonia, separate from the palace by the verdant Tyropoaeon valley. Sitting on the throne, ceremonially dressed, will be Herod the Idumean, conspicuous for his ability as politician and commander and for his fierce, ungovernable temper. He will imagine that his kingdom is tottering, that he has a formidable rival in his brother-in-law, and he will begin his fearful work of destruction, equaling that of Richard III, not sparing his brother-in-law nor even his own beautiful wife, Mariamne, a princess of the Asmonian family.

The audience will then witness the result of a conflict between the ambition of a man of low birth, who has risen, by sheer shrewdness, to the highest office within the gift of his government, and that of the people, who clamor for a ruler of royal blood.

Next comes the story of love—
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MANYANA

By

Stephen Rose

Author of "The Verdict of Democracy" etc.

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But when I had opened and read its contents, I found that it was a request from the officials of the hospital that I call to see Miss Sims, the daughter of the murderer. Without stopping to consider anything further I thrust the letter into my pocket and quickly departed for the hospital, for I remembered Plucky's plea for his daughter on the last day of the trial. I was also led to believe that since he had manifested all good will toward me even though I had frequently brought him to punish me, that he had placed me in charge of her affairs from which I myself may derive some benefit. However, I boarded a car and soon arrived at the building to which I had been summoned so often in the interest of some departing individual. I entered the spacious corridor and then made my way to the office from which I received all necessary directions for locating her. Just as I reached the second floor, one of the nurses, greeting me, said,

"Oh, Mr. Wendell, I was just about to call you. Please hasten for she is just alive and that is all."

"Is it that serious?" asked I.

"Yes," replied she softly as we hastened along the corridor and entered a ward. "She has called for you so pitifully that I could not refuse to summon you." As I approached the bed around which was placed a screen, I saw a pale face and emaciated form lying upon it almost breathless. She opened her eyes and gazed at us most distressfully.

"Can she talk," said I softly addressing the nurse beside me.

"I don't know," replied she, "if she can it is the first time since yesterday. She rallied enough yesterday to call for you but she has said very little since she has been here. We have tried in vain to get some information concerning other relatives beside her father, but she won't talk nor will she answer our questions." The girl made no reply to the nurse's assertions, but when I approached her and grasped her hands, the tears began to stream down her cheeks. I cannot express that feeling that came over me, but before I knew it, I had taken from my pocket my handkerchief to wipe her eyes and then mine own.

"Miss," said I, "this is Mr. Wendell; do you know me?" She made no reply, but, closing her eyes, gave a deep sigh. There I stood watching that frail, prostrate form, struggling with death so that time and again she seemed almost gone. Finally she opened her eyes and began to move her lips, I drew closer to her. As I looked into her eyes, a familiar something seemed to impress me so, that I began to ask myself where had I seen this expression before. Oh, yes, it was Plucky Sims' expression exactly. He could not deny her, for she bore the stamp, that soft, but weird

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But there may be those of you who doubt if Howard ever possessed any real genuine spirit and enthusiasm, and it may be that you have good reason so to doubt. However, if this be true, we merely invite you to consult Howard’s record for the years 1909 and 1913 inclusive and under the caption “Resadjudicata,” note the decisions given her in football, baseball, and debate. If you think our records partial, consult those of Lincoln, Fisk, Atlanta, Wilberforce, Shaw, Union, Hampton, and Tuskegee; all confirming our version of the matter.

What further and better evidence than that of our defeated rivals? But these victories were born of a spirit which was greatly augmented by the spirit born of victory. This spirit has been most fittingly termed the “Howard Spirit.” Yes, it was during the period referred to above that Howard was at her zenith. She was great because of her peerless football star, “Terrible” Terry, her invincible Gray, Allen, Oliver, Nixon, Brice, Tyson, Westmoreland, and “J. B.,” who helped to make up her victorious football eleven. It was a pleasure to see “Terrible” Terry break through the whole defense of his opponents and make one of those sensational runs for which he was famous. Lovers of the game and football experts declared him to be the fastest big man they had ever seen. He was a master. Howard was great because of her many straight victories in baseball over her sister institutions throughout the South. Brice, “Tobe” Wilson, the Sykes brothers, Huddy, Tyson, Turner and Bell are remembered and honored by all Howardites; and colored colleges of the South can never forget them. Ask Shaw what she thinks of them.

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More Honors for Adolph Hodge

Reprinted from the “Norristown Daily Herald”

The many friends of Adolph Hodge will be pleased to learn that on Thursday he graduated second in his class from the School of Pedagogy, Philadelphia. He was but 6-10 of 1 per cent. behind the leader. The showing made by Hodge was remarkable, as he has been working nine hours a day besides attending school. He was also allowed to complete the two-year’s course in eighteen months. Besides his excellent work at his studies, Hodge was also coach of the baseball and basketball teams representing the school.

Since September first Hodge employed his spare time teaching in a white grammar school at Fifteenth and Race streets. He is at present teaching in a colored school under the Board of Education.

At the commencement exercises last week Hodge won the first gold prize, given by the Alumni Association for the best thesis on some original subject. The title was “The Asserted Retardation Among the Negro School Children.”

Mr. Hodge is a graduate of the Norristown High School and at that time was awarded the Ralston prize for drawing. He also secured the Adams prize of $50 when he graduated from Howard University.

Mr. Hodge was graduated from the Teachers College, Howard University, 1913.

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passionate love, love mingled with the fiercest jealousy, love which demanded the execution of the woman closest to the man’s heart.

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ATHLETICS

Geo. B. Washington, Editor

Academy Defeats the Commercials

Before one of the largest crowds of the season, the Academy basket-ball team lowered the colors of the Commercial College quint at the gym last Saturday afternoon by the score of 12 to 8. The game was hard-fought from start to finish and the enthusiasm of the supporters of both departments added a typical touch of the "Howard Spirit" to the occasion. Up till last Saturday the Commercial Five had been victorious against the other teams on the hill and was proclaimed the best departmental basket-ball team of the season. The Preps fresh from their victory over Baltimore High School disputed the claim of the Commercials and the two teams came together last Saturday.

Everyone expected the Commercials to win but to the contrary the Preps outplayed them in every department of the game. The great team-work of the Commercial Five, which in other contests has proved itself superior to that of its opponents, was unable to stand up under the terrific defense of the Academy boys. Time and again the Preps led by Captain Gaskins shattered the erstwhile championship hopes of the Commercials, and demonstrated that the Academy basketball team must be classed as the champion of the hill. If the Preps had played the same kind of basket-ball during the early part of the season as they have played in the last two games, their record would have been as clean in basket-ball as it was in football.

Baseball Outlook at Howard

From present indications the baseball team that will represent the White and Blue this season ought to bring the championship to Howard. Manager Stone has eight regulars of last season around which to build up a team. This nucleus together with the large number of the new material that has reported should give us a winning nine. Captain Parks is highly elated over the caliber of his new recruits, who are determined to make the regulars hustle for positions on the team. For the past two weeks the men have been put through a course of training at the gym, but beginning with this week daily practice will be held on the baseball diamond in order to put the men on edge for the southern trip.

The team will leave for its southern tour on March the thirtieth. The following schedule of games will be played: V. N. and I. I. at Petersburg, Va., March 31; Shaw University at Raleigh, N. C., April 1; Biddle University at Charlotte, N. C., April 3; Stirling College at Greenville, S. C., April 4; Clark University at Atlanta, Ga., April 5; Morehouse College at Atlanta, Ga., April 6; Atlanta University at Atlanta, Ga., April 7; Morris Brown College at Atlanta, Ga., April 8; Livingston College at Salisbury, N. C., April 10. The schedule for the remainder of the season will be given at a later date.

The regulars of last year are Davis, Wiley, Tebau, Sykes, Manager Stone, Brice, Avery, and Captain Parks. Among the new candidates for the team are Lee, Carter, Johnson, Henry, Cox, Green, Hill, Stitt, Gunn, Hill and Coleman.

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The worth of such an organization is inestimable, in that it has a static influence on its members and those interested in the subject. Very frequently it happens that many young people refuse to continue the course in mathematics because they find no practical value and are discouraged. But now the student will find an incentive to specialize or at least conquer the dire enemy of the common horde. Let us welcome the “Pythagoreans” and trust that they will live up to the standard of their illustrious namesake.

— W. S. Burke, Official Reporter.

The Community and the Colored Child

The following outline upon the subject “The Community and the Colored Child” may be profitable in the study of the Race Question from the standpoint of the treatment of children. It is the basis of a paper read in Baltimore at the Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections by Professor Geo. Wm. Cook, A.M., LL.M., dean of the Commercial College, Howard University.

COMMUNITY AND THE COLORED CHILD

A. Community.

   1. Schools.
   2. Police.
   3. Courts.

2. Police.

3. Courts.

   a. Playgrounds.
   b. Fete day.
   c. Public baths.

5. Public Charities.
   a. Child-caring institutions (not correctional).
   b. Hospitals.
   c. Charity and correctional institution for children.

B. Activity.

1. Churches.
2. Private schools.
3. Private hospitals.
4. Y. M. C. A., etc.
5. Y. W. C. A., etc.
6. Boy Scouts, etc.

B. Colored Child.

1. Well to do.
2. Working child.
3. Dependent on account of age.
4. Independent on account of age.
5. Delinquent because dependent.
6. Delinquent by nature and disposition.
7. Enforced.

C. Duty of Community.

1. Support.
2. Protection.
3. Encouragement (individual and communal).
4. Sanitary surroundings.

D. Product.

1. Good case.
2. Bad case.

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...glance of the eye that one could not forget. There she lay quietly, but staring into my eyes with an interest that I could not express. My heart went out to her with a pity that I had never felt toward any one before, and my response to that feeling of pity and endearment was such that the nurse said, to which I made no reply.

"You are very well acquainted with her, I see," I said, placing my ear close to the dying girl's trembling lips, hoping that I might glean something in reference to the part that I should play in her affairs.

"I couldn't help it," whispered she. "Father ruined my prospects. I couldn't see father taken from me and then you— " Here she paused, I waited for her conclusion, but in vain. Her eyes closed slowly; her breath came faint, but quick. Indeed I became terrified realizing that she was leaving me without an understanding as to what I should do, and then leaving me with what to me might have been some accusation. I urged the nurse to administer a hypodermic, which request was carried out.

"I have only done my duty," I said, looking up at the nurse, but hoping that the girl could hear me. "Her father is to blame because he placed himself in the position to be punished, therefore, he like any other criminal was dealt with in accordance with the law. I have only done my duty," said I, "I have only done my duty," and then unconscious of where I was, I buried my face in the pillow beside the girl and sobbed bitterly. As I raised my head, the number of attendants had increased and among them was my own physician and friend Dr. Lansing.

He approached me and grasped my hands with the advice that I should remain in bed for a week in order that I might rest my nerves. Silently we watched the departing creature, who never spoke again. Quicker and quicker came those heart beats, a gasp and then no more.

As the last ebb of life died away, my heart throbbed with emotion and I had to be led from the ward into an adjoining room, where Dr. Lansing administered some kind of an anesthetic. As I sat collecting my wits, the nurse placed in my hands a large envelope which seemed stuffed with something, I didn't know what. "Miss Sims asked that I give you this," said she.

"Thank you," replied I, "but did she say anything else?"

"Well— no—" answered she, "nothing that one could depend upon."

After I had sufficiently recovered from my experience during which I had lost sight of the fact that this was my wedding day, I arose to take my departure; while the nurses stared at me surprisingly. But I, conscious of their

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inquisitive glances, said, "I hope you young ladies will pardon me. I have surely acted like a woman today, but I couldn't help it."

"Yes," said Lansing, "Mr. Wendell has not sufficiently recovered from his strenuous task in solving the murder case; he is overworked; he needs more rest." At the same time he followed me down to the door, and I seized the opportunity to remind him that I was to marry that night. With a much joking and an admonishment that I take some rest, he bade me "Goodbye."

I knew not where to turn my steps. I must confess that I was ashamed to go home or to Ethel's. However, I darted into a barber-shop where I ordered a massage to refresh my countenance and then I betook myself to my office where I placed the stuffed envelope in my safe until later.

As I made my way to Ethel's I thought how negligent I had been in not inquiring as to the burial of the girl whose interest I was controlling. Therefore I slipped into the nearest shop and rang up the hospital.

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