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## The Negro Exhibit's \$100,000

A Clear and Explicit Statement from  
Secretary-Treasurer Hilyer, Show-  
ing How the Government's  
Money is Being Expended

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For

NORFOLK, VA., April 23.—In response to what is believed to be a very general desire to know how the appropriation of \$100,000 that was made by Congress to aid the colored people to make an exhibit of their progress in this country is being spent, Mr. Andrew F. Hilyer, the Secretary-Treasurer of the Executive Committee, having charge of the expenditure of this fund, has authorized the following statement:

"The Executive Committee took charge of this work on the 14th of January last. After spending several days in going over and disposing of the accumulated correspondence, examining and checking up the books and accounts and formulating a statement showing the outstanding obligations against the fund, it developed that the building could not be constructed for the \$30,000 that had been originally set aside for that purpose and that no responsible contractors could be found who were willing to undertake it for less than \$40,000. Accordingly a contract was made with Bolling & Everett, the colored contractors of Lynchburg, Va., and signed on the 6th of February for the construction of the building for that sum. Their contract does not include the architect's fees, the equipment for electric lighting and decoration of the building, which the committee is planning to make very elaborate, nor the cost of partitions, booths, and decorations

within the building. It is estimated that these items and the cost of granolithic walks leading up to the building and of beautifying the grounds will cost at least \$15,000 additional. We shall consider ourselves fortunate if the cost of maintaining the building seven months, cost of lighting, insurance on exhibits, maintaining guards, janitors and attendants and other necessary and incidental expenses can be kept under \$10,000. \$2,000 have been set aside for the preparation and distribution of an exhaustive report, showing the progress of the Negro race as exemplified at the Jamestown Exposition, \$1,500 for the award for stationery, telegrams, printing, etc., \$1,500 for the award of prizes on certain classes of exhibits—a total of \$70,000, which amount is fixed and determined—leaving but \$30,000 to be expended in getting up the exhibit. Of this \$30,000 not less than \$10,000 had been already spent or contracted to be spent before the committee took charge. The Executive Committee, therefore, will not have at its disposal to be expended in getting up the exhibit to exceed \$20,000. From this sum must be paid the salaries and traveling expenses of its employes while engaged upon the work of the exhibit; the cost of transporting the exhibits to and from Jamestown and the cost of installing the same in a way to make it attractive to the visitor.

"There is one thing that the exhibitor may be absolutely assured of, and that is that the committee will see to it that a sufficiently large surplus will be kept on hand to pay for the return of all exhibits to their proper owners. No matter what other interest or feature may have to be cut down, it is the determination of the committee to see

to it that all material loaned to it for this exhibit is safely returned.

"I have been employed in the auditor's office for more than 24 years and have introduced in our system of records and bookkeeping the same system that is in force in the Treasury Department. The money is being disbursed by a disbursing officer of the Treasury by check, under the rules and regulations governing the disbursement of all government appropriations, upon proper vouchers, when approved by the Ter-Centennial Commission. There must be a clear and explicit statement covering every essential detail about every item of expenditure. While all expenditures are under the control of the committee, we do not disburse one cent of the fund. As this is a public appropriation, I am keeping my books and records open and intend to make the method by which this Executive Committee has expended and accounted for this appropriation one of the important exhibit features of the Exposition, and any one coming to Jamestown can see for himself just how every dollar of this fund has been expended.

"It will be seen from the foregoing statement that the amount at the disposal of the committee for exhibit purposes is very small and the committee will greatly appreciate every lover of his race who will do something to aid the Negro exhibit without being paid."

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The catalog for 1907-8 is in press. It will be somewhat changed in form. The announcement of revised courses of study, which place Howard in line with the most progressive institutions in the country, will no doubt be received with interest.

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### Need of a Gymnasium

One of the greatest needs of the University at the present time is a suitable and well equipped gymnasium building. There is now no generally available indoor athletic apparatus and scarcely a place where even the most simple indoor gymnastic exercise can be had. The earnest desire for such a building is increasing, and it is the hope of many that this desire may early be gratified. During past years various plans have been discussed and rediscussed concerning the raising of a fund for such a purpose, but almost always the promoters have passed out from the University before they could carry their cherished ideas into execution. The lack of means among the students has alone been the

cause of their not supplying themselves with what is considered by many a necessity.

The weather of the greater part of the school year is such that outdoor games are out of the question. Only during the football and baseball seasons can any kind of sports be engaged in, and the fact that some provision should be made for the winter months can be established almost without argument. The general health of the community, tho good, would be improved, and "mens sana in corpore sano" would be more of a reality; the young ladies would have other means of recreation than walks around the ellipse; the inevitable improvement in scholarship would be almost immediately noticeable; the athletic prestige of the institution would take a boost, for all spring would not be required to recover the form lost during the winter. These and other advantages to result would seem to present a very strong case why the matter should early be taken up by those able to carry it thru to a successful issue.

### The World of Education

Barnard College of Columbia sent five delegates to the Peace Congress.

Lehigh University has granted only two honorary degrees in her whole history.

Harvard will soon install in her department of geology a seismograph and her scientists are to give special attention to the earthquake disturbances of New England.

Triangular intercollegiate debating is gaining favor. Yale, Harvard, and Princeton are about to form a league. One question is selected and each college has two teams, one affirmative and one negative. On the same evening, at the three different schools, the debates occur, and are bound to cre-

ate great interest. Training for the event is easy, since the two teams from each school contend against each other in practice. The feasibility of the plan was shown recently when the two Princeton teams on the same evening defeated both Harvard and Yale. For some years such a triangular league has existed between Pennsylvania, Cornell and Columbia and between Amherst, Wesleyan and Williams.

Chancellor Day of Syracuse University has called on the presidents of American colleges to take a hand in checking vice and intemperance, which evils, he thinks, are on the increase among undergraduates. He has received considerable unfavorable criticism for this move.

The Ezra Cornell Centennial is being celebrated today, 26th inst., at Cornell University. It is arranged that all the undergraduates take part in a parade around the campus, the students bearing their respective college colors and marching in the order of the foundation of their colleges.

The Delta Upsilon Fraternity will hold its seventy-third annual convention with the chapter at the University of Minnesota next October.

The regents of the University of Wisconsin are considering the advisability of appointing an expert auditor to examine the books and accounts of the university four or five times a year, and they have under advisement also the appointing of a business agent to assist the president in duties of a purely administrative character.

At Cambridge on June 1st a great inter-collegiate track and field meet will occur participated in by many eastern colleges and the University of Michigan. On account of the intense rivalry and closely matched teams great interest centers in this meet. On

the other hand the meet of the Western inter-collegiates at Chicago which occurs on the same day is almost void of interest for with Michigan in the east, the University of Chicago is sure to have a walkover.

During the winter indoor season just closed there were ten sports in which the championship title was awarded. The following shows the sports and the 1907 champions:

Basket ball—Yale  
Hockey—Princeton  
Chess—Columbia  
Fencing—Annapolis  
Bowling—Columbia  
Wrestling—Yale  
Gymnastics—New York Univ.  
Swimming—Princeton  
Water polo—Yale  
Association football—Haverford

David Starr Jordan, president of Stanford University left last Sunday for Australia and New Zealand. At the University of Sydney he will deliver a lecture on the "American University System." He will remain in Sydney several weeks lecturing on different subjects to the several colleges.

More than 1200 athletes will compete in the University of Pennsylvania's thirteenth annual relay carnival, on Franklin Field, Philadelphia, Saturday, 27th inst.

#### PRIZES FOR ESSAYS

A committee composed of Professor J. Laurence Laughlin, University of Chicago, Chairman; Professor J. B. Clark, Columbia University; Professor H. C. Adams, University of Michigan; Horace White, Esq., New York City, and the Hon. Carroll D. Wright, Clark College, thru the generosity of a business firm of Chicago, offers in 1908 four prizes for the best theses on any of the following subjects:

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Competitors are advised that the studies should be thoro, expressed in good English, and, altho not limited as to length, they should not be needlessly expanded. They should be inscribed with an assumed name and whether in Class A or Class B, should state the year when the bachelor's degree was or is likely to be received, and should be accompanied by the real name and address of the competitor, and the institution which conferred the degree, or in which he is studying. The papers should be sent on or before June 1, 1908, to J. Laurence Laughlin, Esq., University of Chicago, Box 145, Faculty Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

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of successful studies will vest in the donors, and it is expected that without precluding the use of these papers as theses for higher degrees, they will cause them to be issued in some permanent form.



BY MISS BESSIE T. MCKINNEY '10

For the joy set before thee,  
The Cross.  
For the gain that comes after  
The loss.  
For the morning that smileth  
The night.  
For the peace of the victor,  
The flight.  
For the white rose of goodness,  
The thorn.  
For the spirit's deep wisdom,  
Men's scorn.  
For the sunshine of gladness,  
The rain.  
For the fruit of God's pruning,  
The pain.  
For the clear bells of triumph,  
A knell.  
For the sweet kiss of meeting,  
Farewell.  
For the height of the mountain  
The steep.  
For the waking in heaven,  
Death's sleep.

#### Alumni Notes

Mr. Chas. S. Darden, Law '04, is enjoying a successful practice in Los Angeles, Cal. He has been admitted to practice before the Supreme Court of the State of California, and makes a specialty of real estate and personal injuries. He is attorney for the Afro-American Co operative Laundry Co., of which he was promoter, chief organizer, and sole incorporator, for the Los Angeles Sunset Investment Co., and for the Afro-American Mercantile Produce Co., capital-

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ized at \$70,000. He was the candidate of the Prohibition party for Judge of the Police Court in 1906.

Dr. J. S. Outlaw and Dr. A. C. Garrott, of the Medical alumni, are successful practitioners in Los Angeles.

The following is a clipping from the St. Augustine notes in a Jacksonville (Florida) paper:

Dr. George W. Coffee, the young dentist who opened his office here, at 65 Washington street, a few weeks ago, is now enjoying a lucrative practice. Dr. Coffee is a graduate of Howard University Washington, D. C., and possesses both a thoro knowledge of dentistry and an attractive personality. These two qualities have, in the short time that he has been in our city, gained for him many friends and an extensive practice with an enviable reputation. The writer took occasion to visit his office a few days ago, and was invited into one of the most completely furnished dental parlors in the state. The doctor has all the latest improved furniture and implements, among which might be mentioned a hydraulic chair and a gas vulcanizer.

Memorial services were held last Sunday evening, April 21st, in honor of the late Attorney Reuben S. Smith, of the law alumni. The exercises were under the auspices of the Howard University Law School Alumni Association and consisted of remarks by Mr. Fountain Peyton, president of the Association, reading of resolutions by Mr. Geo. H. DeReef, an account of the life of the deceased by Mr.

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The calendar of events for commencement week will be issued in our next number.



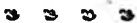
The flag on the main building was kept at half mast last week in honor of Dr. Teunis S. Hamlin, the deceased president of the Board of Trustees.



The great track meet of the Interscholastic Athletic Association will take place on Howard campus May 30th.



Last Sunday morning President Thirkield preached the anniversary sermon for Dr. Norman at the Metropolitan Baptist church, a large audience being present on the occasion.



A letter from Secretary W. A. Hunton of the Y. M. C. A. from Tokio, in "the Sunrise Kingdom," has been received by the President. Mr. Hunton has a set of photos of Howard which he is exhibiting in the Orient.



#### Y. M. C. A.

Prof. Ewell will address the society at 3 p. m. Sunday.

The meeting held at Clark Hall on Thursday evening will be led by Mr. E. T. Newman.

Do not forget Sunday morning meeting. It begins at 6:30.

An important cabinet meeting will be held at Clark Hall on Saturday at 12:30.

On Thursday evening, May 2, there will be a business meeting of the Y. M. C. A. All members of the society are requested to be present:

"Moral Arithmetic" was the subject so ably discussed by Prof. Miller on last Sunday afternoon. By adding one noble trait after another he showed how to build a strong, symmetrical, Christlike character. Let us heed his instruction.

The Y. M. C. A. is beginning to do the work for which it really stands. The students of the University in general are becoming more interested and they are giving it their support. To the faculty as well as to the officers we are greatly indebted for this enthusiastic interest.



#### Baseball

Much fatigued after traveling during the night, the baseball team arrived at Petersburg on Thursday morning. Owing to the noise and bustle of the day it was impossible for the players to sleep and they appeared on the field for the afternoon's game greatly unrefreshed.

The game was played with snap and vigor on Howard's side until the fifth inning, when an unfortunate error allowed two Petersburg men on bases to score. Then it was that Howard went to pieces and not until too late did they recover themselves. Score, Petersburg 21, Howard 6.

At Shaw on Friday, the weather cleared after a rainy morning which had left the field muddy and heavy. Howard played well, but could not win from the heavy Shaw aggregation. Shaw was held down to two runs until the end of the seventh inning when a batting rally of the North Carolinians won the game for them. Score: Shaw 9, Howard 4.

On Saturday morning the teams again met. The game was a closely contested one and lasted eleven innings. At the beginning of the ninth Howard was three runs in the lead when a costly error at third base allowed three men to reach home plate thus tying the score. No runs were made in the tenth. In the eleventh, a long hit by a

Shaw batter brought in the winning run. Score, Shaw 8, Howard 7. Washington pitched the early part of the game and Bell, the latter.

The game at the St. Augustine School resulted in a victory for Howard. Score, 7 to 6. Hunter pitched for Howard.

At Durham, N. C., on Tuesday Howard played a ten-inning tie game with the N. C. M. I. Club. Score 4-4. Bell, pitcher.

At Durham, N. C., on Wednesday, 24th, Howard gained a victory by a score 9 to 3. Hunter pitched.

It is feared that the team will be somewhat weakened when Cashin leaves. Francis has an injured knee which handicaps him. The pitching staff is a trifle inexperienced but plucky. The team is playing in such a way as to win praise from all spectators. Clean, sportsmanlike work, free from wrangling and dissension, has characterized their trip.

#### Song Service

The appearance of the University Choir last Sunday in its second song service was by its great success another tribute to its efficient director Miss Lulu V. Childers, who thru her indefatigable energy and marked ability has raised the musical tone of the University to a standard scarcely to be realized; and to the entire chorus of thirty voices who followed her baton with confidence and precision and rendered the program published in in our last issue to the very great pleasure of a large audience which filled the chapel to its utmost capacity.

The soloists, Miss Pearl G. Lampton, soprano; Miss Mayme Chase, soprano; and Mr. W. D. Giles, tenor, each elicited much praise. The singing of Miss Chase in Rossini's "Inflammatus" was especially good, this difficult solo bringing out the range and quality of her voice to perfection. Another pleasing feature was the rendition of Schubert-Liszt's, "The Omnipotence" by the male chorus.



Mr. C. C. Gill, Theo. '07, has received a charge in Washington, Pa. He will return in time for his examinations and will remain until after commencement.

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