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HOWARD UNIVERSITY

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Dedication

To our dear friend, courageous and sincere, inspirer and comrade of our noble moods, whose unfailing sympathy with our hopes and whose loyalty to all our best interests has created a bond that the years shall not sunder—with deep affection this book is lovingly dedicated to the scholar, the athlete, the educator—

DEAN DWIGHT OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES

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DEAN D. O. W. HOLMES
Foreword

We, the staff of the 1931 Bison, sincerely hope that this annual may be the medium for keeping ever afresh the fond memories of the glorious days spent together at Howard. These days of companionship and close association will live forever in our memories—as durable and lasting as adamant. The scythe of Time may sweep from the field of memory many incidents which seem so clear, but may this Bison of 1931, as a book of records, help us to relive our days at Howard.
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The Long Walk

And who of us have never trod
The Long Walk down to Main,
And lingered on its beaten path
In sunshine and in rain?

When winter lay upon the hill.
And cheerless was the day.
When weird and chilly blew the wind
As we went down the way:

When spring the leafing trees did bud,
When blossoms first broke through
On bush and bough and tulip beds
That they might live anew:

When autumn brought her tinted leaves
To strew the rugged walk.
While some did loiter there to amuse.
And some to quietly talk?

And who of us have ever thought
The Long Walked played a part—
And knew one-half possessed a laugh.
The other a broken heart?

—Edna Burke.
In the face of discouraging pessimism of his friends, it is a tribute to the memory and unceasing efforts of General Oliver Otis Howard, distinguished military leader of the Civil War and philanthropist, that in 1867 he should be instrumental in founding a university which on March 2, 1931, celebrated its sixty-fourth anniversary. This university, unique in its purpose and relation to the Federal Government, has through this long space of years sent forth more than 8,094 graduates to every State in the Union, as well as to other countries of the world.

The University, whose purpose is primarily to train leaders of the Negro race in the various arts and professions, was conceived in a prayer meeting for mission in the First Congregational Church of Washington, D. C., on Monday, November 20, 1866.

It was the proposal of Dr. D. B. Nichols that the institution should be named for the "American philanthropist, the commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau, the true friend of the downtrodden and oppressed of every color and nation of the earth, General Oliver Otis Howard."

The first years of the existence of Howard University were years of excitement and untold disappointment. It appeared that the great project of Negro education would fail. But the marvelous faith of its supporters and the unceasing labors of its friends helped the University to remain intact and enter upon a period of steady, although slow, growth.

The University opened in a rented frame building with four students on May 1, 1867. The finances which sustained the work of this decade, begun on that date, were received purely by accident. But by 1873 the Trustees received aid from the Freedmen's Bureau, which, with the help of that money gained from the sale of much of the original land, cleared the University of debt and started an endowment fund. But the panic of 1873 materially influenced Howard University and necessitated the reduction of salaries and the closing of several of the University departments. However, in 1877 the University recovered, and began the period of expansion that in 1931 is culminating in a constructive program of vast proportions.

The first president to inaugurate the period of development and expansion was Dr. W. Patton, whose reorganization of the University was continued by his successor, President J. E. Rankin. With the administration of President Thirkield, who succeeded Dr. John Gordon upon his resignation, pursued a policy of material expansion. His policy was further continued by
Dr. Stephen M. Newman and Dr. J. Stanley Durkee, who were elected to the presidency in turn. It was during the administration of the latter, 1918-1926, that the collegiate and professional divisions of the University were reorganized with advanced standards, the secondary schools of the University were eliminated entirely, and a new dining hall and gymnasium-armory-stadium erected.

On June 30, 1926, Dr. Mordecai Wyatt Johnson was elected to the presidency of the University. Since the beginning of his administration the Medical School Building has been completed and a Medical School Endowment Fund has materialized. Other physical features of the University have been added: Three women's dormitories are now under construction: plans for a chemistry building have been completed, and appropriations have been authorized towards the construction of other plants as well as the grading and beautification of the campus.

Dr. Johnson has not limited himself to the improvement of the physical plant, but has been engaged in a survey of the internal organization of the University, enlargement of its faculties, and further standardization of the educational resources.

The School of Law has been reorganized and established on a full-time day school basis, the conditions acceptable to the American Association of Law Schools, thus giving Howard University the only first-class law school for Negroes in the United States.

The College of Dentistry has been organized and transformed from a three-year school with a low entrance requirement and operating under a vice-dean to a four-year school based upon two years of college work as entrance requirement and with an enlarged faculty that brings it to a state of efficiency which fully meets the requirements of the State of New York, the most exacting State in the Union in regard to its dental requirements.

The faculties of the under-graduate divisions have been practically doubled, thus relieving a terrible strain upon the professors and making possible more effective relationship between faculty members and students.

During the administration the Congress of the United States passed a measure authorizing annual appropriations to the University. Previously the Federal appropriation was generally held up on a technicality.

The present support of the University is supplied by appropriations from the Federal Government, student fees, income from endowment and philanthropic contributions. In the fifth year of his administration Dr. Johnson secured $1,760,000 from the Federal Government and more than $2,000,000 from private philanthropy.

Numbered among recent gifts are $250,000 from the General Education Board toward a half-million-dollar Medical Endowment, a like amount being contributed by alumni and friends of the University: $130,000 from the Gen-
eral Education Board for the equipment of the new Medical Building: $200,000 from the Hubert estate for the development of the University program of Medical Education; $20,000 from Mr. Julius Rosenwald for research in Zoology.

The courses of study are divided into several departments: College of Liberal Arts, College of Education, College of Applied Science, School of Music, School of Medicine, including Medical, Dental and Pharmaceutical Colleges, School of Religion and School of Law. Each college is classified as an "A" college in its respective group.

The College of Liberal Arts offers curricula leading to degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Sciences, Bachelor of Science in Commerce and Finance. The College of Education offers degrees of Bachelor of Arts, and Bachelor of Science in Education. The College of Applied Science offers degrees in art, architecture, civil, mechanical and electrical engineering, and home economics. The School of Music offers degrees of Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Music in Harmony. The School of Religion offers Bachelor of Divinity and Bachelor of Theology degrees. The School of Law offers the degree of Bachelor of Laws. The Medical School offers the degree of Doctor of Medicine; the Dental School, Doctor of Dental Surgery; the Pharmaceutical School, Pharmaceutical Chemist and Bachelor of Pharmacy. In the Graduate School the Master of Arts and Master of Science degrees are offered.

As to extra-curricula activities, the University maintains several literary organizations and debating clubs for students. There are a number of societies for encouragement of dramatic classics, music, history, education, religion, foreign languages, chemistry, and finance and commerce. The Student Council is the controlling body of all student activities.

The following fraternities have chapters at Howard University. For college men: Alpha Phi Alpha, Omega Psi Phi, Kappa Alpha Psi and Phi Beta Sigma. For college women, the following sororities: Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta and Zeta Phi Beta.

During the sixty-four years of existence Howard University has steadily grown, and has rendered increasing service to its constituency and society in general. The quality of its instruction and character of training have led to full recognition of its educational work by leading educational authorities. This recognition is due in part to the vision of the founders and in part to the excellent leadership that has been maintained throughout its existence. It has fulfilled the wish of its founders, and under the guidance of the present administration it bodes well to reach greater and untold heights.
We need say little of Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, President of Howard University. His entire life has been a record of profound achievement and stands out as one due to inspire, prompt and encourage every young Negro student in the world to greater personal achievement. He is a fearless leader, an excellent administrator, and a true friend of the student body of Howard University. The high respect and regard of the students for Dr. Johnson was most ably demonstrated recently. Under his administration Howard University is experiencing a growth unprecedented heretofore in all its history. The success of his work in the University is excellently exemplified by the arduous greatness of the things he has done. A non-partisan policy has characterized his administration, and the further progress and advancement of the University is assured by his constructive program.
DR. EMMETT JAY SCOTT, A.M., LL.D.

Dr. Emmett Jay Scott, well known to every student in the University, came to Howard almost twelve years ago to serve as Secretary-Treasurer. His office is a strategic part of the University organization. Additional executive officers and more clerical help has made it one of the most efficient administrative cogs. The service it renders and performs is very well known to all of us. Dr. Scott's activities have been wide and varied throughout his entire life. He is a speaker and a writer of ability, and is today, without a doubt, one of the most influential American Negroes living. His services have been rendered not only to the Negro race, but to the entire United States, and it is unsurpassed in its scope. His friends and admirers are numbered among all people and races in this country and abroad.

FREDERICK D. WILKINSON, LL.B.

The student or former student who had contact with the old registration system at Howard can appreciate best the change that has come and which has evolved into the present system of registration. This change has been gradual, and is due to the untiring efforts of the registrar, Frederick D. Wilkinson, who has devoted the past eleven years of his life to making the registration procedure at Howard as simple as possible for the students. Many details, we learn, are yet to be eliminated, and in due time we predict a flawless system of registration. The registrar's office is one of the most important in the University. In it records of all students in the professional and undergraduate schools are kept and are available at all times. The efficiency of the registrar's office and the centralization of these records have greatly facilitated the work in the University. Registrar Wilkinson's life has been dedicated to his work, and his work is something of which he can be proud.
HOWARD UNIVERSITY is fortunate to have as its Dean of Women Lucy Diggs Slowe, a woman whose untiring efforts, versatility and foresight have made her outstanding in the field of education and social service. Dean Slowe is a woman greatly loved and admired by all who know her well and appreciate the depth of her character and the strength and breadth of her mind. She has, we believe, become the intellectual and spiritual leader of the women of the campus, creating a desire in them for wholesome recreational activities in art, literature and music. Her work has touched practically all phases of the student's life, and her interest in student activities has been deeply manifested.

WILLIAM B. WEST, S.B.

The "Big Brother," as our genial and well-liked Dean of Men is affectionately called, only tells a small part of the frank and honest esteem the general male student body holds for Dean William B. West. He comes into intimate contact with more male students than any other executive or teacher in the University. A more thorough gentleman and good fellow could not be found. He came to Howard University in 1922 as a general liaison officer and Y. M. C. A. Secretary, and later, in 1925, he became Dean of Men. His office has served as a clearing house for male students with all their varied problems. Through his efforts a great change has taken place in the spirit of Howard men; fraternity antagonism has been almost abolished, an employment bureau and a room registry system has been instituted. Male students can always find a cordial welcome from Dean West and a willingness to help them.
EDWARD PORTER DAVIS
A.B., A.M., Ph.D.

Dean Davis' service has been continuous at the University since his graduation from its College of Arts and Sciences twenty-three years ago. No member of the University faculty is more generally liked and admired. He is a stern disciplinarian, yet one who will always go to the limits within the law to satisfy the needs of the students. He is greatly concerned about the thorough liberal education of the younger generation of Negroes. The teaching profession needs more men like Dr. Davis; men who have not simply drifted into the academic life, but men who are interested primarily in the student and who feel a personal responsibility for the fullest development of the student's powers. In the College of Liberal Arts, with its faculty of more than a hundred, just that is attempted, and we believe it is achieved under the direction of Dr. Davis.

DWIGHT O. W. HOLMES, A.B., A.M.

The College of Education is under the able direction of one of the foremost Negro educators, Dean D. O. W. Holmes. The varied life of Dean Holmes in the field of education has served as an inspiration to many of the youths of Howard University. His advice and counsel is sought by all on matters pertaining to campus and student life. He is not only appreciated by all true Howardites, but by the public in general. He is serving on many committees of national importance studying the problem of Negro education. He holds positions of honor in the Association of Negro Colleges, the Colored Teachers Association, and other educational bodies of significance. Under his supervision the College of Education has increased its faculty and facilities. He has greatly added to its progress by selecting the members of his faculty from the few Negroes who are specialists in the field of education today.
LEWIS K. DOWNING
A.B., S.B. in C.E. and E.E.

The College of Applied Science is doing excellent work in the thorough preparation of young Negroes for the opportunities to be found in the fields of Engineering, Home Economics and Art. It is rendering a service unlimited in its scope and possibilities that are necessary to the advancement of our civilization. Howard University is fortunate in having as the Acting Dean of this College one of her own sons—Lewis K. Downing. His practical experience and extensive traveling for study, as well as his educational training, have played important parts in fitting him for the deanship. He is accorded recognition by many technical engineering bodies. His students are great admirers of his ability and the knowledge he has of his work. They find in him a ready helper in all problems that grow out of their work and their general welfare and relationship to the University family.

LULU V. CHILDERS, Mus. B.

The School of Music of Howard University aims to train musicians in the liberal culture which cannot be found in the private studio. It endeavors also to thoroughly coach the students in the social sciences, modern languages and literature so that they may draw on other fields for that power adequate for their full development. The numerous advantages connected with the University make the accomplishment of this aim easy. One of these advantages is the thoroughly trained faculty of the School of Music. Miss Lulu V. Childers, as the Director of the School of Music, through her great efforts and the help of her faculty, has brought the School of Music to a high place in the University family.
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DAVIE BUTLER PRATT, A.B., B.D., D.D.

The students in the School of Religion speak most highly of Dean Davie Butler Pratt. His years of service to the University have been many. In the School of Religion men and women are offered an excellent opportunity to prepare themselves for various kinds of Christian service. The school occupies its own home, with increased faculty and more facilities. It is rendering a service of great significance in religious work. There is a graduate school connected to the School of Religion, and it also conducts a correspondence department. Annually extension institutes are held at different centers and a convocation is held on the campus. Many other services and activities provide for its students an outlet. It is one of the outstanding schools of the University family.

WILLIAM STEWART NELSON, A.B., B.D.

Resident Johnson showed excellent judgment and a deep regard for leadership and ability when he chose Professor William S. Nelson as his assistant. The position is a new one at Howard University, and Professor Nelson is the first incumbent. He has handled very well indeed the great number of administrative details and duties which ordinarily would fall to the President of the University. Professor Nelson is active also in student and faculty affairs on the campus. The promotion of group thinking and discussion among students on the campus claims much of his interest and time. He is also the director of religious life among students.
THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION, under the direction of the acting head, Mr. C. W. Davis, has progressed far beyond expectations. It has enjoyed unprecedented growth. The department has grown from an insignificant cog to a dynamic force in the University family. The growth and expansion of this department is due largely to the efforts of Mr. Davis and the very able faculty that serves this branch of our University life. This new interest that has been created in Physical Education may be attributed to the fact that the students are allowed to elect the kinds of recreational activities in which they are interested for fulfillment of the Physical Education requirements. The Physical Education Department, under the guidance of Mr. Davis, is the largest in the history of Howard University, and if we may judge the future by the past, it bodes well to exceed even itself in the years to come.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR WOMEN is under the able direction of Mrs. Mary R. Allen. Since her incumbency Mrs. Allen and her assistants have exerted great effort in bringing the department up to its present standard. Many graduates of this department are holding responsible positions at various institutions throughout the United States. Mrs. Allen has been able to place many of her graduates personally. This department is probably the youngest in the University family, and we may well expect to see it take its place with the much older branches in a few years.

THE STUDENT GROUP IS EXAMINED PERIODICALLY AND FOLLOWED UP CLOSELY TO INSURE THE CORRECTION OF ALL UNCOVERED PHYSICAL DEFECTS. THIS PROCEDURE IS AIDED BY AN EXTENSIVE EARLY CONSULTATION CARE WITH THE AIM OF CLEARING UP ALL MINOR COMPLAINTS IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT SERIOUS DISABILITY. THE STUDENT IS ENCOURAGED TO REPORT FOR MEDICAL CARE EARLY IN THE EVENT OF ILLNESS. THESE TYPES OF MEDICAL CARE UNDOUBTEDLY KEEP THE STUDENT BEST ABLE TO PURSUE UNIVERSITY LIFE WITH THE LEAST HANICAP OF LOSS OF ENERGY, THE GREATEST CONTENTMENT, AND THE MINIMUM DISTRACTION DUE TO HEALTH PROBLEMS. BEIDES THE ACTUAL CONSERVATION OF LIFE, THERE ARE THE FEWEST POSSIBLE DAYS LOST FROM CLASS WORK.

THE ATHLETE IS GIVEN SUPERIOR HEALTH CARE IN THE PROTECTION OF THE PARTICIPANT AGAINST THE STRESS AND STRAIN OF SPORTS TO THE UTMOST AND ALLOWING ONLY THOSE PHYSICALLY ABLE TO TAKE PART.

CAMPUS SANITATION AND HYGIENE IS GIVEN ATTENTION THROUGH THIS HEALTH AGENCY. THE COMMUNITY CANNOT BE NEGLECTED IN THE PRESERVATION OF HEALTH OF ITS MEMBERS.

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University Physician, Director of Health Service
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The Department of Public Information

The Department of Public Information is no mere news agency nor local information bureau. It is rather an office of public relations, interpreting to the outside world the policy program and contributions of the University to human welfare.

A twofold objective is the aim of the Department, namely, accounting to the public for the performance of an educational responsibility, and fostering good-will toward the University in accord with the principle that "interest presupposes information."

This task is performed through the medium of the public press and various university publications of both informational and promotional types, exhibits, and by means of direct contact through personal interviews and public addresses.

The office is affiliated with the American College Publicity Association, and is responsible for the University news service, publications, including the General Catalog, Departmental Bulletins, Booklets, Brochures and Circulars, and has charge of all University advertising, including athletics.

News releases are sent out weekly to more than one hundred Negro papers in addition to releases to the local Sunday papers and occasional releases to the local dailies and the national distributing agencies.

The office conducts a clipping service of more than one hundred Negro weeklies in addition to the service provided by Romekie Press Clipping Bureau and the Public Clipping Bureau, the two latter covering metropolitan dailies and current magazines.

Close unofficial relationship is maintained between the Director of the Department and student organizations, making available friendly council concerning the possible reaction of public sentiment to student opinion and activities.
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"Bee"
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EDUCATION
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KAΨ
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EDUCATION
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ESTHER HALL BRAXSTON
Douglass High School, Baltimore, Md.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
MARY EDNA BURKE
"Ande"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Vice-President Class 1, Social Committee Class 1, 2, 3; Mu Lambda Lambda 1, 2, 3; Vice-President 3; Student Council Corresponding Secretary 2, 3; Stroller's Cup High Scholarship 1, Honor Roll 1, 2, 3; Associate Editor Bison 3, Hilltop Editor Women's Activities 3, Stylus 3, Pestalozzi-Froebel, Vice-President 2, 3; Kappa Mu Honorary Society, Committee on University Assembly 2, 3; Delta Sigma Theta, Vice-President 2, President 3; Intercollegiate Debater 1.

"Know the best that has been said in thought and make that best prevail."

CHARLES KENNETH COLEMAN
"Ken"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"Seek the substance, not the shadow."

WILLIAM CALVIN CURTIS
"Bill"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
LIBERAL ARTS
Le Cercle Francaise, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Kappa Mu.
"Onward, Upward."

WALTER HAMILTON ENGLISH
"Walt"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"He that lives on hope will die fasting."

M. ALMITTIE CHATMAN
"Smitty"
Duquesne High School, Duquesne, Pa.
"Pick out your peak and climb."

HELEN ANN COOPER
Howard High School, Wilmington, Delaware.
EDUCATION
History Club, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.
"Just do your best."

BEATRICE C. DOCKERY
"Bea"
Huntington High School, Newport News, Va.
EDUCATION
"To thine ownself be true."

RHEBA MARIE EVANS
"Bunnie"
Howard High School, Wilmington, Delaware.
EDUCATION
Women's Glee Club, University Choir, Musical Arts Society.
"The days that make us happy make us wise."
GLADYS ANNE FITZGERALD
Douglass High School, Baltimore, Md.
EDUCATION
Class Soc'y 1, 2, 3, 4; Howard Players 2, History Club, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Hilltop 2, 3; Women's League Treasurer 2, 3; Delta Sigma Theta Soc'y 2, 3; Record Soc'y Y. W. C. A. 3, 4; Kappa Mu.
"Be Wise."

ETHEL E. GARNER
Western High School, Paris, Ky.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"The character of no man is fixed until it has been tried."

JOHN A. HARRIS
Masten Park High School, Buffalo, N. Y.
EDUCATION
R. O. T. C. Band, Musical School Orchestra.
"Tis music that tempers the discouragements of the day."

EDWARD E. HOLLOWAY
"With youth and ambition I will succeed."

LILLIAN M. GARY
"Lil"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
Women's League, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, History Club.
"Perseverance is the road to success."

SARA NAOMI GASKINS
"Na"
Smithport High School, Smithport, Pa.
EDUCATION
Musical Arts Society, Le Cercle Francais, German Club, Kappa Mu.
"To be good is noble."

ETHEL J. HART
"Little Bits"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
History Club.
"Think twice, speak once."

ETHEL A. HOUSTON
"Baby"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
Spanish Club.
"To play the game for all that is in it, To play the game and play to win it."
HELEN MARIE HARRIS

LIBERAL ARTS
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, German Club. Le Cercle Français.
"We build the ladder by which we climb."

ELINOR DARE HAIRSTON
AR
"Dare"
Columbian Heights High School, Winston-Salem, N. C.

EDUCATION
"Let no man underestimate you."

ALTHEA HICKS
"Allie"
Englewood High School, Englewood, N. J.

EDUCATION
Senior Class Vice-Pres., German Club Vice-Pres., 4, Economics Club Sec'y 3, 4; Acapella Chorus 3, 4; Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Director of Educational News, Women's Dinner Chairman, Y. W. C. A. Sec'y 3.
"In ourselves are triumph and defeat."

DAVID FRANKLIN JEFFREYS
Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
Mary Potter School, Oxford, N. C.
Business Department, N. C. College, Durham, N. C.

LIBERAL ARTS
Commercial Club, Contributing Editor, Commercial Outlook; University Scholar 1929-1931, Department of Commerce and Finance.
"Our lives are largely made up of the things we do."

GUSSIE IONE HEARD
"Gus"
Booker T. Washington High School, Atlanta, Ga.

EDUCATION
The end of man is an action and not a thought.

ETHEL E. HEYWOOD
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.

EDUCATION
Physical Education Forum.
"A man who has lost confidence in himself can lose nothing more."

RICHARD HENSON IRVING
"Dick"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.

LIBERAL ARTS
Sabres Club Secretary, Zoology Club Treasurer, Lt. R. O. T. C.
"For us all some sweet hope lies deeply buried from human eyes."

ALICE J. JORDAN
"Al"
N. C. College, Durham, N. C.

EDUCATION
Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, House Gov't Sec'y Miner Hall, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"All beautiful sentiments in the world weigh less than a single lovely action."

twenty-nine
JAMES WILLIAM JONES

"Jim"
Dunbar High School. Washington, D.C.
APPLIED SCIENCE
Officer's Club R. O. T. C., Daubers
Club Pres. 4, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society Art Director, Rifle Team
"Let your conscience be your guide."

ALVESTA P. LANCASTER

"Ve$$
Tyrone High School, Tyrone, Pa.
EDUCATION
"To thine ownself be true.
And it must follow as the night the day.
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

LOWELL CARLETON LOMAX

"Low"
Cushing Academy, Ashburnham, Mass.
LIBERAL ARTS
Tennis Team 3, 4; Basketball Team 4; "H" Club Swimming Team
"It is in genius that man's power lay."

WILLIAM ALEXANDER

MORRIS, JR.

"Bill"
Stanton High School, Jacksonville, Fla.
EDUCATION
Student Council 4, Hilltop 1, 2, 3, 4; Editor-in-Chief of Bison 4; Board Athletic Control 4; Manager Basketball Team 4; Class Social Committee 1, 2, 4; Y. M. C. A. Secretary 2, Florida Club President 2, 3; Pestalozzi-Froebel Society Treasurer 3, 4; French Club 1, 2; Student Laboratory Instructor in Physics 2, 3, 4.

EDNA LENORA JORDAN

AKA
Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.
EDUCATION
"Fame is the fragrance of heroic deeds."

HARRY MOZENIA LANDERS

AKA
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
LIBERAL ARTS
R. O. T. C. Major, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society President, Officers Club, Rifle Team Capt., Omega Psi Phi Keeper of Records and Seals
"Love and work and live life to its fullest and with honor."

MERCER MONTGOMERY MANCE

AKA
Allen U., Columbia, S. C.
LIBERAL ARTS
Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Treasurer 3, 4; Class President 2, 4; Debater 2, 3, 4; Oratorical Contest 2, Hilltop 4, Chairman Class Social Committee 3, Kappa Sigma Debating Society, Treasurer 4, Board Athletic Control 3, 4; Inter-Fraternity Council 3, 4; Treasurer 4, Baseball 1, 2
"Hold fast to the highest ideals that float across your vision in moments of exaltation."

RUTH E. MATTHEWS

AKA
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Stulas, Hilltop Staff, Women's League, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Ma Lamba Lamba, Dramatics Club
"Tis not what man does that exalts him, but what man would do."
ROLAND C. McCONNELL
"Mac"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
R. O. T. C. 2nd Lt., History Club
Treasurer, Sabre Club, Ass't Manager
Football Team.
"Know thyself."

DELLA RHETA MUNNERLYN
Manasquan High School, Manasquan, N. J.
"Mooney Myer"
EDUCATION
Y. W. C. A. Vice-Pres., Women's
Glee Club, History Club.
"Do the duty which lies nearest
with a smile."

NOBLE FRANK PAYTON
KAΨ
Camden High School, Camden, N. J.
LIBERAL ARTS
Student Council 4, Pestalozzi-Froebel
Society, German Club, Junpsi Alpha
Psi Vice-Polemarch, 1 Keeper
Exchequer 2, Inter-Frataternity Council
1, Ass't Student Assistant in Chemistry.
"The one thing of value in this
world is the active mind."

OTTO BRYANT RAMSEY
("Sam"
Emerich High School, Indianapolis, Ind.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Spanish
Club.
"The race is not won by the swift,
but by him who endures to the end."

ELSIE MARIE MILLER
"El"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
German Club, Women's League.
"In mutual sufferances lies the secret
of true living."

LILYANNE GLASCOE
"Lakey"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Physical
Education Forum.
"Excelsior."

CORINNE J. PRINCE
Central High School, Cleveland, O.
EDUCATION
Women's Glee Club, Musical Arts
Society, History Club Sec'y, Stylus.
"We have to turn to poetry to in­
terpret life for us."

S. ESMERALDA RICH
"Esme"
Lincoln High School, Rocky
Mount, N. C.
EDUCATION
History Club Vice-President.
"A day for toil, an hour for sport."
C. EROVELLE RHETTA
Douglass High School, Baltimore, Md.
LIBERAL ARTS
"I count life just a
To try the soul's strength on."

CLARICE E. SHORTER
"Rutty"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"No man is born into the world
whose work is not born with him."

EVARETTA MADELEINE SIMS
"Evie"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"Semper fidelis."

REGINALD WASHINGTON
"Reggie"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"Meet the future without fear and
with a manly heart."

WALTER N. RIDLEY
"Walt"
Huntington High School, Newport News, Va.
EDUCATION
"My friends are my wealth."

CAROLYN A. SILENCE
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"Character is better than reputation."

LOUISE ELLINGTON STEWART
"Lou"
EDUCATION
"Vincit qui sc vincit."

THELMA MAE WARWICK
"Peanie"
East High School, Rochester, N. Y.
EDUCATION
"Be cheerful and keep smiling."
HARRY T. WEBB

**“Beany”**

English High School, Boston, Mass.

**EDUCATION**

Football Capt.-elect 3; Glee Club; Business Manager 2; President 3; Physical Education Forum President; Sigma Delta Lambda.

"The selling of a great hope is like the selling of the sun."

MARGUERITE M. WILLARD

Charlton High School, Beaumont, Texas.

**LIBERAL ARTS**

Y.W.C.A. Cabinet 4; Economics Club Sec'y 3.

"Don't let no one man worry your mind."

PAULINE A. GASKINS

Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.

**PESTALOZZI-FROEBEL SOCIETY.**

"Keep a pluggin’ away."

CECIE R. JENKINS

**AKA**

Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.

**EDUCATION**

Kappa Mu President 4; French Club; Women's League; Alpha Kappa Alpha President 4; Honor Rolls 2; 3.

"If I do not keep step with my companions

It is because I hear a different drummer."

FLOYD F. WILKerson

**“Tex”**

Booker T. Washington High School, Dallas, Texas.

**LIBERAL ARTS**

Men's Club;

"The heights of great men were not attained by sudden flight."

HENRIETTA WILLIAMS

Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.

**EDUCATION**

Dramatics Club Sec'y, Spanish Club, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.

"I am a part of all that I have met."

THEODORA C. WILLIAMS

**“Teddy”**

Ballard High School, Macon, Ga.

**EDUCATION**

Student Council 3, Vice-President 4; Y.W.C.A. Cabinet 2, 3, 4; Kappa Mu, Miner Hall Gov't President, Delta Sigma Theta Sec'y, Honor Rolls.

"Nothing great is achieved without enthusiasm."

MARMON LERESSA CATHEY

**“Res”**

Rutherford High School, Rutherford, N.J.

**LIBERAL ARTS**

Acapella Chorus, French Club, Women's League Sec'y 3, German Club, Women's Glee Club.

"We arrive at virtue by taking its direction instead of imposing ours."
THE BISON 1931

CHARLES HILL BALTIMORE
"Charlie"
Armstrong High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"The measure of a master is his success."

ALONZO J. DAVIS
"Al"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
LIBERAL ARTS
Sable Club, 1st Lt. R.O.T.C.,
Ass’t in Psychology.
"All things are ready if our minds be so."

HELEN MINERVA MEREDITH
"Babe"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Art Club, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"The pleasure of life is according to the man that lives it out, not according to the work or place."

GEORGE EARL PEACE
Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.
LIBERAL ARTS
Track Team 2, Rifle Team 2, 3,
German Club, French Club, Economics Club.

CARL DUBOIS COLEMAN
"Weasel"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
German Club, 1st Lt. R.O.T.C.,
Rifle Team.

PORTIA G. FERGUSON
Miner Normal, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
"Success is bringing all men around to thoughts of master-minds."

ESTHER CAROLINE PEYTON
Miner Normal, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Daubers Club.
"Every spirit makes its house, but afterwards the house confines the spirit."

EVELYN LEANOR SMITH
"Smitty"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
School of Music.
Glee Club, Musical Arts Club,
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"A good word is an easy obligation: but not to speak ill requires only our silence which costs us nothing."
OLIVE H. ARRINGTON
AKA
"Hat"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
APPLIED SCIENCE
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"It doesn't matter what we succeed in doing, it only matters how hard we try."

MARGARET M. BOMAR
AKA
EDUCATION
Daubers Club.
"Lifting as we climb."

LEONA E. GRAY
AKA
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Biology Club, Women's League, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"Patience is the necessary ingredient to genius."

HUBERT GRANT HUMPHREY
1944
"Hot"
Westfield High School, Westfield, N. J.
LIBERAL ARTS
Social Committee Class Chairman.
Track 2, 3; German Club, Bison Staff.
"I want to be happy."

LUCILLE L. BARNES
Z&B
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
History Club, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"Each achievement you make is a rung on the ladder of success."

KATHERINE V. FRANKLIN
Z&B
"Kat"
Jefferson High School, Los Angeles, Cal.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"Find a way or make one."

EVELYN M. GRAY
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
German Club, Women's League, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"As a man thinketh so he is."

ANNIE RUTH HALL
Z&B
Williston Industrial School, Wilmington, N. C.
EDUCATION
"Not at the top but climbing."
SAMUEL WATSON HOWARD
Kappa
"Sam"
Christianburg (Ind.) Institute, Cambridge, Va.

LIBERAL ARTS
Asst. to Dean of Men. Political Science Club Secy-Treas. 3, 4; German Club, Spanish Club, Chairman Committee on University Assemblies, Committee on Religious Life, Inter-Fraternity Council Publicity Director.
"Genius is mainly an affair of energy."

RALPH H. JONES
Theta
EDUCATION
Class Treasurer 1, 2, 3, 4; Pennsylvania Club President 3, Men's Glee Club. R.O.T.C. Staff Officer 3, 4; Hilltop 1, 2; Bison 4; Acapella Chorus.
"I would rather be right than be president."

LILLIE RUTH ROBERTS
AKA
Norcom High School, Portsmouth, Va.
EDUCATION

DAN TERRY REID
"Dan"
Dunbar High School, Lexington, Ky.
APPLIED SCIENCE
Stylus, Daubers Club.
"Happiness is the result of work well done."

VIVIAN E. JENKINS
AKA
"Viv"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Women's League Treasurer 4, Kappa Mu Treasurer 4.
"Still achieving, still pursuing."

SEIFERT C. PYLE
Theta
Manual Training High School, Brooklyn, N.Y.
Glee Club, Manager Soccer Team, Choir, Dramatics.
"Satisfy your own conscience."

CATHERINE V. RICHARDSON
Delta
"Kitty"
New Rochelle High School, New Rochelle, N.Y.
EDUCATION
Class Vice-President 1, Y.W.C.A. President 1, Dramatic Club, Chair; Acapella Chorus, Bison Staff 4.
"Sooner or later the fellow who wins is the fellow who thinks he can."

CORNELIA JAY REID
Delta
"Connie"
Hampton Institute, Hampton, Va.
Dramatic Club Vice-President; Daubers Club Secy; Pestalozzi-Froebel Society; Acapella Chorus.
"Thy modesty is a candle to thy merit."

thirty-six
ELAINE L. SMITH

Omaha Central High School, Omaha, Neb.

"A man can have no better ambition than to serve his day."

NANNIE M. TRAVIS

Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.

"Keep a going."

HAROLD H. WHITTED

Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.

"Little Red"

German Club, Sabre Club, 1st Lt. R.O.T.C.

"There is a bigger job awaiting your ability to handle it."

ETHEL M. BROADNAX

Garnett High School, Charleston, W. Va.

Education


"Not too sober, not too gay, be a good true girl in every way."

LOIS GWENDOLYN SCALES

Aka "Gwen"

Columbian Heights High School, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Education

"Keep smiling."

SELMA E. WHITE

South Side High School, Newark, N. J.

Education

Women's League President 4, Vice-President 3, Delta Sigma Theta Treasurer 3, 4.

"Thou hast the patience and faith of saints."

DELILAH L. WILLIAMS

Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.

Education

Daubers Club.

"Ever sincere."

ESTHER M. HALL

Williston Industrial School, Wilmington, N. C.

School of Music

University Choir President, Pi Alpha Nu Musical Society, Women's Glee Club President 4, Acapella Chorus, Y. W. C. A.

"Strive to be useful not great."

thirty-seven
RUTH NORRIS EDWARDS
Kittrell College, Kittrell, N. C.
Durham, N. C.
LIBERAL ARTS

J. ROBERT LAWSON
Virginia Seminary, Lynchburg, Va.
LIBERAL ARTS

ORA GIBSON
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION

ARTHUR C. BULLOCK
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
LIBERAL ARTS

THOMAS E. HAWKINS
Johnstown High School, Johnstown, Pa.
LIBERAL ARTS

HOWELL HOWARD
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
LIBERAL ARTS

DOROTHY E. DOUGLAS
Delaware State College, Dover, Del.
EDUCATION

VIRGIL H. LUCAS
Central High School, Louisville, Ky.
LIBERAL ARTS

"My life is a fault at last I fear though I do my best I shall scarce succeed."

"They can who think they can."

"All good and great and happy actions are made up of blank todays."

"Keep a cool head and win."

"It is a friendly heart that has plenty of friends."

"Give the world the best that you have, And the best will come back to you."

"My way of joking is to tell the truth. It's the funniest joke in the world."
DOROTHY LATHAM
Washington Irving High School.
Tarrytown, N. Y.
LIBERAL ARTS

MARY FORRINDA QUANDER
Dunbar High School and Miner Normal School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
"Patience and perseverance moveth mountains."

EDITH I. GIBBS
Dunbar High School, Ardmore, Pa.
LIBERAL ARTS
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Pennsylvania Club, German Club, Women's League.
"To be rather than to seem."

ALLEL J. POITIER
St. Augustine College, Raleigh, N. C.
EDUCATION

EILEEN F. BROOKS
Peabody High School, Petersburg, Va.
EDUCATION
Psychology Club, Pestalozzi-Froebel Society.
"Not failure, but low aim is crime."

SUSIE E. MILES
Dunbar High School, Washington, D. C.
EDUCATION
Economics Club.

GEORGE D. THORNE

LIONEL F. SWAN
Pamphylian High School, Trinidad, B. W. I.
LIBERAL ARTS
Editor-in-Chief, Hilltop 4, Kappa Sigma Debating Society President 4, Varsity Debater 3, 4, Sigma, Committee University Assemblies.
"Life would be doubly beautiful if people left out the bolognay."

"LFR"

"Sue"

"Phi Sigma"
THE BISON 1931

NETTIE M. BROOKER
"Nell"
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, Women's Glee Club. Dean of Women's Club
"The beginning of wisdom is the consciousness of ignorance."

MRS. FRANCES B. DAVIS
"Frankie"
Claflin University, Orangeburg, S. C.
LIBERAL ARTS
"Climb though the rocks be rugged."

PENROSE E. GOODALL
"Doc"
Technical High School, Scranton, Pa.
LIBERAL ARTS
Track Team 1, 2: R.O.T.C. Band 1, Hilltop 2, 3; Stylus, Bison Staff 2, 3; English Club, French Club
"Some day our time will come."

ROLAND B. SCOTT
Lincoln High School, Kansas City, Mo.
LIBERAL ARTS

CHARLES T. CHASE
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
R.O.T.C. Band.
"If at first you don't succeed keep on trying until you do."

LAWRENCE EDELINE
Dunbar High School, Washington, D.C.
EDUCATION
Daughters' Club.

JAMES E. ROBERTS
Aurora High School, Mount Pleasant, Pa.
LIBERAL ARTS
German Club, Pennsylvania Club
"Right."

EDWARD THOMAS
"Little Caesar"
Wilberforce University, Xenia, 0.
Chamber of Commerce, President Bison, Assistant Business Manager, Asst. Manager of Co-operative Book Store.
"There is no substitute for hard work."
Alma Mater

Roared against the eastern sky,
Proudly there on hilltop high,
Far above the lake so blue,
Stands old Howard firm and true:
There she stands for truth and right,
Sending forth her rays of light,
Clad in robes of majesty,
O Howard, we sing of thee.

Be thou still our guide and stay,
Leading us from day to day,
Make us true and real and strong,
Ever hold to battle wrong:
When from thee we've gone away,
May we strive for thee each day:
As we sail life's rugged sea,
O Howard, we'll sing of thee.
A Message to the Senior Class from the President,

Mercer M. Mance

Human activity in life's battle is not eternal, but transitory. Those who contribute and shape the affairs of the social order today must surrender their places to those who in their turn must follow them. And so society advances further up the road of civilization in proportion to the contributions which each generation makes towards its development.

We are nearing the commencement of life's battle. We must take our turn in the activities of life. By our preparation we fit ourselves to perform the task which is before us. Are we fits or misfits? The answer to this question will determine whether or not we have spent these years of preparation in vain. The contributions which we make to the world will determine whether or not we are fits or misfits.

The world is before us. In it there is a function for all of us. Our life is valuable and complete in so far as we perform the function set for us. There is nothing more beautiful than a complete human life of service. There is no joy that can come to an individual than to be able to look back over a complete life of service. No greater good can come to the world than for every individual to contribute to humanity a complete life of service.

Generations of men and women come and go. But the efforts and contributions which each makes are their bequests to the world. Let us make our lives full of worth-while achieving, so that when the time comes for us to give up the torch there will be no question as to our place in the galaxy of the world's benefactors. The world awaits us with its heartless rivalries, its hasty judgments, and its engrossing difficulties. May our preparation so fit us to meet life's problems instead of concealing them.
EARLY in the fall of nineteen hundred twenty-seven, six hundred eleven youngsters, full of nerve, pep and vitamin "B," found their way into the open arms of our Alma Mater. In spite of the vigorous reception accorded us by our lords and masters, the innumerable sophomores, we found there a sweet repose. Yea, sweet! Even as the nectar from Jove's cup.

We first became acquainted, as a group, on the second day of our arrival on the campus. The oracle of the Administration Building—the bulletin board—had most sagaciously informed us that we were to report to the chapel at eleven a.m. prepared to listen to some ardent senior effervescence about how much joy it gave him, as a representative student, to welcome us to this mighty stronghold of erudition and to receive final instructions about completing registration.

Thus at the appointed hour all roads led to the chapel. How vividly do we recall that Dr. Johnson was then only a sophomore in administrative residence, and that we, while worshipping him as an educator, looked askant at his athletic policy. We also recall the President of the Student Council, a most dignified individual, who most benignantly acknowledged our entrance into Howard University. How will we ever forget our "Big Brother," Dean West, who on this day told us most emphatically that the sophomores couldn't haze us, as the faculty had forbidden such? We were then told that we were the fortunate few among countless others who had clamored for admittance to the "Capstone of Negro education," and we were admonished to disregard the more frivolous social aspects of college life, to gird on our armor, and to bravely persevere to the end. We were dismissed with a "Bless you, my children," and with the inspiring words still ringing in our ears.

Oh, the terrors of that first registration. Verdant girls and still more verdant boys ran hither, thither and yon, each trying to fool the other into believing that he or she was busy and that the nightmare of schedule making was almost completed. Now we ran into the main building trying to catch some elusive departmental head, then over to the "gym" to consult some sympathetic advisor. How we pouted, fretted and fussed ('tis said that some of us cussed) when these ill-advised masters of knowledge tried to rope us in on Chemistry 1, Physics 1 and Zoology 9. Then followed the terror of getting signed up on the class roll. First we ran all over the main building, only to find out that the person we sought was over in the "gym." After finding him we were sent back to the chapel to get a dean's signature. This scurrying all over creation would not have been so bad had it not been for the two or three hours wait in a line until our turns came, and then only to have doors closed right under our noses. Thus after four hours we had done only one thing—and that was irrelevant.
With many a sigh we observed professors gather up their appurtenances and, in spite of the fact that they looked as if they had just been drawn through a clothes wringing machine, sweep grandiosely down the halls. But we knew that in the morning that we would not have so much trouble, and also we would not be quite so tired. Our prognostications were to no avail, for the "pamie" that slept that night was a greater magician than Houdini.

While we had been running all over creation like a chicken with its head cut off the forces of the sophomores had been augmented by a number of degenerate juniors and not a few moron seniors who thought that laws were passed to be evaded, and they thereby set about defying the edict of the faculty against hazing. The cards were stacked against the male members of the class from the beginning. In the first place, our arrival was untimely in that the previous year Howard had the greatest football team that ever wore the Blue and White: consequently the entire student enrollment had increased to be "ibidem" with the potential championship of the incoming season. Then, too, each member of the frosh class thought the other an upper classman, and instead of trying to meet we tried to avoid meeting.

Those of us who had brave hearts unpretentiously skulked into Clarke Hall and went to the dining hall to dinner on that first day. Those of us who went to the shows in town either of the first nights had much to regret upon returning to the campus, as all entrances were patrolled by groups intent upon teaching the "dogs" their places. Many hats (yes, they were worn in those days) were lost, as well as a great deal of breath in attempting to elude our fervent pursuers. Those of us who stayed in the dormitory remember until this day how we felt in getting "H's" cut into our "good moss" with "Double O" clippers.

The fair damsels of the class hardly fared any better, as they were prevented from using cosmetics. We, the male members of the class, thought surely that we had the most homely set of "femmes" that first quarter, but as time wore on we found that what our girls lacked in looks they made up in enthusiasm. We were astounded one week-end to learn that all the girls of the freshman class were under restrictions because they had dared to fight back at some smaller number of sophomores who attempted to intimidate them. We, the men, did not sit back and hold our hands either, as we had quite a few sophomores and one or two juniors walking around the campus with heads that were trying very hard to give an external as well as an internal appearance to a billiard ball.

During those first two weeks of that first year the drug stores did a land office business in liniment, for many a "pamie" sported a sore back, sore arm and sore leg as a result of "rustling up trunks." So much for the frivolity and sorrow of the first year.

As is the usual custom, the Student Council organized our class. When the meeting was called about one-sixth of the constituency of the class responded. Oh, the joy of the elections of that first year. Except for little groups that happened to hail from the same locality, we were not bothered with cliques. No politics were attempted, and the election truly represented the candid opinion of that serious group assembled for the purpose of banding together in a fellowship that would be enduring. As a result the following people
were elected: Lyman V. Williams, President; Katherine Richardson, Vice-President; Gladys Fitzgerald, Secretary; Ralph H. Jones, Treasurer; Edgar Beanum, Chaplain, and William Gist, Sergeant-at-Arms. After accomplishing this the Student Council officers left us to our fate. We set about drawing up a constitution, a committee was appointed, with Ralph Jones as chairman and the following members: Mercer Mance, Edward Taylor and Katherine Richardson. The constitution was drawn up, presented, and accepted by the class.

We then decided that the class colors would be red and white. We organized our forces, and in the annual freshman-sophomore football game we were the victors, vanquishing the sophomores to the tune of 6 to 0. The fight that followed the game will long remain in the minds of many as one of the classic free-for-alls on this campus. Near the latter portion of the last quarter of the game the sophomores began to depart from the stadium. We cheered their departure, as we thought they were running because they were whipped. However, when we heard the final shot of the gun announcing that the freshmen had won the game, we (the girls included—even though they were on restrictions they came to our game) acted as if pandemonium had broken loose. We also cheered when some high class moron (senior) informed us we had to take Clarke Hall, as the sophomores had barred all entrances to it.

With a roar of rage we descended upon the entrance leading in from the historic Long Walk. We were met by a stream of water from the fire hose. Again and again we rushed, only to be washed away. Ten brave “pamies” withdrew from the mob storming that door to confer. They decided to rush the other door that led into the dormitory. Fortunately the few sophomores that had been guarding it had left it to help at the other door. We rushed into the building and up to the second floor, and came downstairs in back of the sophomores protecting the door. They were more than surprised when we opened up with our hose, and as we had them between two forces, we proceeded to “beat them down.” All this time not a monitor could be found, and Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins apparently thought that discretion was the best policy, and so they were not seen. Our good “Big Brother” West also was conspicuous by his absence.

The freshman-sophomore debate found us as well prepared, and our forensic potentialities were displayed by Mance, Taylor and Whitfield. We lost the debate by a count of the judges, 3-2, but Mance won the cup as the best speaker.

Our next signal success was in the realm of society. We gave a “Prom” that year that few classes have equaled, either before or after, and we did not go in debt to do so. Over five hundred guests attended, and the palmenshrouded orchestra tried to outdo itself in our behalf. Our beautiful new banner graced one of the walls of the dining hall, floor lamps gave soft illuminations that added to the colored lights above. No less personage than Dr. Johnson—the President of the University—looked on from the balcony. Thus we closed a most fruitful year.

After a summer of bell-hopping, waiting, pullman portering and numerous other diversified activities, we returned with heads a little larger than the previous year. We immediately began to display the fact that we had deteriorated mentally by hazing everything that looked like a freshman. We continued this outdoor sport until ten of our members were sent home. This further
lessened the percentage of the class, as only three hundred nineteen had returned. The Julians, Colemans and other demagogues had clipped the wings of quite a few of our fledglings.

This year when we reorganized we found that only a faithful few would come out to meetings, and they were prompted to do so more or less by new fraternal and sororal affiliations. The question of who was the better man for a position in the class meant practically nothing. Our different claims and aspirations made us a house divided against itself. Men heretofore considered "hail fellows well met" became "chicken" overnight because they dared to pledge to the fraternity of their choice. Women who a few months before caused certain hearts to flutter and enthusiasm to burst forth anew suddenly appeared on the horizon bearing new titles. "Biffers," just because she had determined to cast her lot with a certain sorority or perhaps did not want to join one at all. So at this critical stage of the game we found that although a year of tribulations had banded us together into what we thought would be an indestructible fellowship, personal animosity had destroyed this with one blow. Elections revealed a new administration had arrived. The successful politicians were: Ralph H. Jones, President; Katherine Richardson, Vice-President; Gladys Fitzgerald, Secretary; Leroy Clay, Treasurer; David Beasley, Chaplain, and LeRoy Swift, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Events of this year rolled along smoothly. We first completed our intimidation of the "panics" until we were assured that we were the "cocks of the walk." We then proceeded to lay away all opposition of Mr. Booker (President of the freshmen) and his cohorts. So efficient were the monitors that very little hazing was done. Then, too, quite a few of the male members of the class had suddenly developed a "chicken" complex, and refused to support the projects advocated by the class. Of the five percent of the entire class that was guiding the policies of the class, fully sixty percent were girls.

The "Prom" this year was not as elaborate as the preceding year, due to the lack of funds. Many of the classmates who had participated the year before felt that the "Prom" would be just another dance, and therefore did not choose to come up with $1.50 class dues and $1.50 "Prom" tax. The burden of the whole affair was borne by some seventy-odd people, and the proceeds from the cloak room helped pay the orchestra for the night's work.

During this we had a change of administration. For the spring elections Ralph Jones refused to be a candidate for re-election. Mercer Mance was elected to serve as President the remainder of the year. LeRoy Clay was elected Vice-President, while Jones was elected Treasurer.

As juniors we retained our numerical strength almost intact, there being three hundred and twelve of the original class enrolled. Up to this point Mance and Taylor had represented us on the Student Council. Our representation was increased this year, and as a result Mance, Taylor, Theodora Williams and Pauline Myers represented us in 1929-30. At our regular elections we found that a new politician had appeared on the horizon and had jockeyed his horses so that he was the successful candidate. It was none other than Eddie Taylor, President. All the other officers remained the same. During this year Ralph Jones won the individual competitive drill on R. O. T. C. Day.
Later in the year we gave the Junior-Senior "Prom," which was not as successful financially as we had hoped it would be.

Our attention was then focused upon the annual spring elections for Editor-in-Chief of the *Hilltop* and President of the Student Council. After much placarding, painting and soap-box oratory, Edward Taylor was elected as President of the Student Council and Lionel Swann was elected Editor-in-Chief of the *Hilltop*. William Forsythe was elected as Associate Editor.

Later the general election of Student Council representatives was held. The successful candidates were William A. Morris, Jr., and Mercer M. Mance. In our class election of representatives, Miss Theodora Williams and Noble Payton were the successful candidates. Mercer Mance was elected President; Althea Hicks, Vice-President; Cecie Jenkins, Secretary, and Ralph Jones, Treasurer.

William A. Morris, a new student who had not started out with our class, was elected Editor-in-Chief of the *Bison*, and J. Robert Lawson was elected Business Manager.

The greatest disturbance of our college life came during our senior year—the agitation against the administration of Dr. Johnson. It is a notable fact that on the student committee that worked in behalf of Dr. Johnson may be found many of our classmates, namely: Mercer Mance, William Morris, Ralph Jones, Theodora Williams, Louise Stewart and H. K. Nyabongo.
Class Will

The Class of '31, being of sound and outstanding minds, do hereby declare this to be our last will and testament, overruling all other wills filed heretofore.

To the Class of '32 we will our poise and dignity.
To the Class of '33 we will our unusual intellectual ability.
To the Class of '34 we leave our unsurpassed wisdom and inspiration.
To the incoming freshmen we leave all the privileges that we did not get and anything else they can get away with.
To the faculty we leave our dignified caps and gowns.

It is with fear and palpitation of the heart that we relinquish these products of our years of painstaking toil before mirrors and teachers. It is our fondest hope that our heirs may guard and revere them.

To those we leave behind we relinquish the privilege of rising at seven a.m., breakfasting breathlessly, and hurrying to class.

The dining hall especially invites those who have galvanized stomachs.
To some tender heart whose soul burns with a desire for service, Pauline Myers, with great trepidation, leaves her social service aspirations.
To Cleo Pullins, a maiden of romantic aspirations, Reba Evans leaves her bi-monthly crushes.
What physiological property of which Evaretta Sims is prime custodian—blushing—is left to the care of a modest freshman, Aileen Hinson.

The position of High Priestess of the Temple of Fashion, now tended by Cecil Nicholson, is left to Thelma Salette.

The championship of our school's athletic prowess is left by Glascoe Mack and "Tommy" Hawkins to Chester Fortune and Paul Chester.
To Seifert Pyle, Nyabongo leaves his princely robes.
To "Red" Beanum, Noble Payton leaves his culture and refinement.
Theodora Williams leaves her popularity to Thelma Preyer.
Darnell Johnson leaves his loving ability to Fred Minnis.
To Ariel and Marshall, Almitte Chatman and Cheyney leave their secret love nests.
Ruth Edwards wills her personality to Grace Young.
To Jane Avant, Pauline Myers leaves her gift of gab.
To Marie Moss, Ethel Garner leaves her excess poundage.
Helen Eagles leaves her ability to "make up" to Helen Dungee.
Edna Jordan leaves her dignity and poise to Grace Desmond.
"Hots" Humphrey wills his extensive wardrobe to John Marshall.
"Joe" Drew leaves his physique to Boswell.
"Sam" Howard leaves his ability to "carpet bag" to Merrill Booker.
Louise Burge leaves her voice to Helen Smith.
Gussie Heard leaves her feet to Thada Green.
Louis Welters wills his petiteness to James Coggs.
Mercer Mance leaves his "camel hair" to "Buster" Schanck.
Jack Bond wills his gift of eloquence to Paul Sinclair.
Kitty Richardson leaves her "queenly highness" to Rosa Bonds.
Edna Burke leaves her prestige to Willard Phillips.
Almitte Chatman wills her height to Lillian Morris.
Gussie Heard leaves Paul Smith to Helen Lucas.
To Wilhelmina Smith and Aileen Diggs, the Class of '31 will "Bill" Morris.
John Harris leaves his musical ability to Alvin Woods.
"Bob" Lawson leaves his filibustering ability to Virgil Lucas.
Lucius Robinson wills his ability to "con" the profs to anyone who wishes to try it.
L. F. R. Swann leaves the editor's job he is now holding to Matthew Mitchell.
Althea Hicks wills her modesty to Margaret Wilson.
Ethel Houston wills her candy selling ability to Charlotte Chaester.
"Maggie" Diggs wills her nonchalance to Adel Jones.
Earl Anderson leaves his business-like manner to Fred Allen.
The Senior Women of Miner Hall will all the rooms in the new "dorms" to all under-classmen.
All seniors who eat in the dining hall will better meals to those who are to follow.
To Thada Green. Ethel Garner leaves her shape.
Aileen Poitier leaves her winsomeness to Sylvia Means.
Edna Burke wills her secretarial ability to Lorraine Robbins.
All the foregoing we, the Class of '31, bequeath and bestow upon those who shall follow in our footsteps, trusting our high standards may not be lowered, and that these gifts may not be sullied by those to whom in boundless love we entrust them.
To this we affix our names in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one, the fourth month and the twenty-third day.

(Signed) THE SENIOR CLASS.
Prophecy

Ever since Herodotus, Thucydides and Xenophen, various class histories have been written; but it is only at times that true reports of what will happen have ever been written. It is quite conformable to fact that many attempts have been made to predict the future, but they are usually at variance with what really does happen. But such is not this case. What is told here may be unusual, but you may rely upon it. It shall be related as it happened.

While the prophet was pondering over an intricate problem involving the application of principles of education to practical life, his brain became so wearied that he was about to give up in despair and resolve that the hardest thing to solve next to "What is education?" was how to apply what he had learned to his classes, when there suddenly came a voice from nowhere saying, "Why not leave that tedious task and dream awhile?" "Why not?" he said. He laid aside his work and curled in a comfortable armchair, and was about to dream of ancient days when the voice said, "Think not of the past. Know the future. It is not well to seek it always, but you are one of the favored few and may see what shall be. Follow me."

He followed. The voice led him through a labyrinth of winding stairs and twisting ways until they came to a huge room, wherein burned a candle. At the farther end of the room was an immense mirror. "This," said the voice, "is the magic mirror. Look carefully." He looked.

The mirror changed. There appeared before my eyes a magnificent office upon whose doors there was engraved in gold letters: "Mercer M. Mance. Attorney-at-Law." The door opened, and within were Mr. Mance himself and Mr. William A. Morris, discussing the possibilities of winning a case involving the rights of the cat of one neighbor to catch the mice in another neighbor's yard. Before I could hear the conclusion they reached the scene changed to that of a hospital.

Within this hospital I noticed the Misses Katherine Richardson and Naomi Gaskins nursing many war-stricken heroes of the "War Between the Apes and the Kats." Groaning and in much misery, but quickly becoming better each time his hand was held by one of the nurses (I could guess whom). General Walter Ridley, looking as healthy as he did in his college days, despite the fact he was in bed.

A brilliant light obscured the scene, and there arose a charming shop displaying the latest in feminine modes. Wondering who was the proprietor, I looked at the window and read: "Elinor Hairston. Modiste." Within were several customers agreeing and disagreeing as to what frocks and which hats were becoming. Among them were the Misses Gwendolyn Scales and Madeline Shipman. It seemed strange that Vi wasn't along with her sister, but I concluded that the younger Scales was perhaps visiting in Philadelphia.
But the next picture made me feel sentimental. The cozy living room of a cottage was revealed. There sat Louise Pearson reading a book of poems by L. F. R. Swann, while on the floor two curly headed youngsters were busy with their blocks. This soon faded.

In its place I saw a theater in Kalamazoo. Blazing headlights showed these words to all: "Gussie Heard and Her Rollicking Ramblers." When I looked in there was 'Gussie' on the stage taking several encores. "Who would have thought it?" I murmured.

Next I was shown a schoolroom in Macon, Ga. There was Theodora Williams expounding the literary theories of Johnson and Shakespeare to thirty-five seemingly bored high school pupils. Looking more closely, I noticed that her left arm was in a sling. I could not but wonder whether it had been sprained or over-gesticulated. But my thoughts were interrupted when I viewed several more rooms of the same building and found among the teachers Edgar R. Beanum, professor of Somnolenceology; Corrine Prince, professor of poetry technicology; Harry Landers, instructor of physics; Penrose Goodall, assistant in studiology.

This soon shifted to another scene in which a huge building with the sign "H. Whitted and T. Whyte. Real Estate Dealers." appeared. I must admit the establishment did justice to the capabilities of the young men.

But my biggest surprise came when I found myself looking at the familiar Science Hall of Howard University. In the laboratory devoted to research in zoology were Caroline Silence, William Wesley Walker and James H. Smith. I could hardly restrain myself from rushing to the mirror and inquiring as to their success. But at that time Melvin Sewell entered the room and informed the workers that they need not continue their work at present because of a most important debate that was to be discussed in the Chapel by Henry Binford and Archie Moore, professors of archaeology, on "Are Human Beings Fossils?"

However, I was overwhelmed when a picture arose that looked suspiciously like the sunny beach of Malibu, California, and lolling in the sun I saw Althea Hicks and John Harris. What they should be doing in the movie colony's exclusive resort I did not know. But I surmised that "Johnnie" was evidently making sound movies and featuring his saxophone. Naturally "Allie" would be there. But the voice warned me to control my excitement, because more wonders were to be seen.

To recover myself I closed my eyes, and when I opened them I saw the Corcoran Art Gallery, in which works of contemporary artists were being featured. Among the crowd I saw one group that was particularly interesting. The voice told me it was composed of those persons whose works were on exhibit. Who were they? None other than Cornelia Reid, James Jones and "Dan" Terry. When I saw their works I could only exclaim over their originality. I confess I could not understand the significance of any, not being able to tell if they were hung up correctly or not. One occasionally looked as if it were upside down.

Just across the corner from the gallery I noticed a recent stand had been erected. Peering closely, I saw the sign, "Eat Jenkins' Candy." "The Jenkins Sisters." Because the salesperson did not look as either of these two had in
their college days, I drew closer. It was none other than that excellent keeper of Howard's Candy Booth, Ethel Houston. How good that Cecie and Vivian were giving employment to their old friends.

As the candy stand still remained I concluded that more was to happen there. I was not disappointed. Approaching the stand, in long frock coat and the necessary habiliments of a minister, was Noble Payton. Buying a stick of gum, he presented it to a little boy who was tagging along behind. With a whoop of joy the youngster rushed away, while there came up a person whom I thought to be Floyd Wilkerson. This latter asked Rev. Payton, "Who was the little tyke?" "That," replied Rev. Payton, "was little Hayden C. Johnson, Jr." With that the scene changed.

Next came Miss Selma White in such an environment that I concluded here were two souls with but a single thought.

Then a beautiful reception room filled with talented and learned people. The hostess was Miss Margaret Willard, society leader. To attend her social functions was considered a great favor. The center of attraction for the evening was Miss Gladys Fitzgerald, prominent mineralogist, just returning from abroad with specimens for her already extensive collection.

An orthodox Protestant Church next caught my eye. Would you believe it, in the pulpit was Rev. Hubert Humphries? His address was entitled the "Thoughts Received Upon Reviewing a House Built by a Mason of Brown Stone."

At a large hall there was Miss Thelma Warrick presiding at a Woman's Rights Association meeting. Among the members were the Misses Carrie Rucker and Hortense Tinsley, debating "Shall Men Be Allowed to Vote?"

But what could beat this? In the House of Representatives at Washington, D. C., I saw Lucius Robinson filibustering on the subject of appropriating funds to the school of vocal music in the deaf and dumb asylum for the blind established by Darnell Johnson, philanthropic major of the "War of Matrimony." Among the spectators I saw Pauline Myers and "Dot" Latham.

By this time I had become tired of standing. The owner of the voice had evidently noted this, and said, "Seek no longer to look into the future: the thread of prophecy has come to an end."

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The administration of athletics at Howard University consists of a Board of Athletic Control composed of three students, three members of the alumni, three members of the faculty, together with the Secretary-Treasurer of the University, who is permanent treasurer, and the head of the Department of Physical Education for Men, who is secretary. This Board is responsible for the general athletic policies of the University as well as for arranging for and carrying out all intercollegiate athletic contests. It elects all student managers of athletic teams and makes rules of eligibility consistent with the rules of the faculty and the conference to which the University belongs.

The Board of Athletic Control takes its responsibility seriously, since it appreciates the importance of athletics in the life of a trained man. It is especially interested in the character-building side of competitive athletics, and is very appreciative of evidences of a high type of sportsmanship. With this particular ideal in mind, it feels proud of the 1930-31 athletic teams of Howard University, and hereby extends its felicitations to these teams for exhibiting, as they have, a high type of sportsmanship in all contests into which they have entered.

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The Department of Physical Education of Howard University

The Department of Physical Education of Howard University is divided into two parts, the Department of Physical Education for Men and the Department of Physical Education for Women. Mr. Clarence W. Davis is the acting head of the Men's Department, while Mrs. Mary R. Allen is the head of the Department for Women.

Even though the two parts are separate, the requirements in both are the same to a large extent. However, the difference in the two departments is purely a matter of activities. The women activities are soccer, hockey, playground baseball, archery and swimming.

Mr. C. W. Davis writes the following on the Department of Physical Education for Men:

"The Department of Physical Education for Men at Howard University consists of three main divisions: First, the department of required work, which takes care of those students who are taking required courses in Physical Education. These students take, during their freshman year, at least one quarter of swimming, one of outdoor games, and one in health education. During their sophomore year they are permitted to elect any activity which they enjoy playing and with which they are familiar. These activities are such as basketball, playground baseball, swimming, soccer, track and field athletics, touch football, golf, and other such games.

"The Department of Physical Education for Men also has within it the department of intramural athletics. This department is primarily interested in those competitive phases of athletics which exist within the walls of the University participated in by students who have not sufficient promise for intercollegiate athletics. The activities of a competitive nature consist of playground ball, basketball, boxing, wrestling, touch football and swimming. This department offers very enviable opportunities for pleasant recreational activities.

The Department of Physical Education for Men also has within it the department of intercollegiate athletics, which is usually the best known in the University. This department is primarily interested in that phase of intercollegiate athletics which makes it possible to develop high character and manhood. The schedule of activities consists of football, basketball, track, soccer, tennis and swimming. The department has a service course for students with remedial physical defects. Students who show organic muscular weakness or inability are given special work for the correction of such defects.

"The Department of Physical Education for Men has enrolled in it a large number of students who are specializing in Physical Education for their life work. These students take a four-year course preparing them to be teachers of health and physical education. They are given practical work."
COACH THOMAS VERDELL began his second year at Howard University as coach of the football team. He issued the call for candidates at the usual early time, and many of last year’s veterans answered the call. Captain Mack, Marshall, Hawkins, Whiting, Ellis, Stokes, Lee, Shelton, Hagan and Payton were among the first to answer the call to the gridiron.

The schedule of the “Bisons” called for eight games this year, and so Coach Verdell began his work of conditioning the men, and later he taught them the new tricks he hoped to pull on the opposition this year. After weeks of hard training the pigskin chasers wended their way to Charlotte, N. C., to encounter the Johnson C. Smith’s “Golden Bulls.”

In the first game of the season the “Bisons” and “Golden Bulls” played a scoreless tie game. Even though the “Bisons” showed greater strength, they were unable to push over a touchdown and win. Three times during the game Howard came within Smith’s ten-yard line, but fumbles by the backfield men lost the ball on each occasion. The play of White at quarterback, Drew, fullback, Captain Mack, end, Greenlee, Hawkins, Stokes and Whiting on the line featured the “Bisons”’ initial try for the season 1931. Martin, Williams and Foulkes played best for Johnson C. Smith.

WEST VIRGINIA 7; HOWARD 0

The “Bisons” came home from their jaunt into the Southland to engage the “Yellowjackets” of West Virginia State College. Coach Verdell had pointed his charges toward this game, as it was considered the first real test of the season. Howard was the pre-game favorite, but West Virginia had other ideas about the matter. They showed us that they had no respect for the football experts who had picked Howard to win.

The “Yellowjackets” presented a versatile running attack that was centered around a halfback named Edwards—and how that man Edwards could run. He reeled off runs of forty-three yards, twenty-five yards and eighteen yards. He also mixed a few shorter runs to make the day’s work complete. Late in the third period Edwards crossed the “Bison” goal line for the only counter of the game. The punting of Nash and the runs of Edwards furnished the thrills up to this time. In the fourth quarter Marshall began flipping forward passes to all corners of the gridiron, and most of the passes were caught by our backs or ends. However, the game ended with Howard in possession of the ball on West Virginia’s twelve-yard line.

HOWARD 44; LIVINGSTONE 7

In the second home game of the year the “Bison” machine began “hitting” on all eleven, and snowed the Livingstone team down under a score of 44 to 7. In the first three quarters the “Bison” backs scored practically at will. The line outplayed the Livingstone line to the man. With the forwards charging in the old Verdell manner, there was little for the backs to do other than widen their scoring averages. White, Marshall and Taylor led the home boys in scoring. Late in the fourth quarter the Livingstone team was able to push over a score on the second team. In this game the scoring punch of the “Bison” team that was thought lacking came to light. The backs ran the ends and received passes from Marshall, practically burying the Livingstone team under the hoofs of the “Thundering Herd.” Coach Verdell was well pleased with his charges after this game. In this game many new stars came to light,
as Tom Walker was substituted at center and gave a good account of himself. John Edwards also played in this game. "Sally" Hall astonished the stands by punting over forty yards consistently. Here were the finds Coach Verdell made on this eventful day.

HOWARD 6; NORTH CAROLINA STATE 2

The fourth game of the season was played at home against North Carolina State College of Durham, N. C. The "Bisons" were once more victorious, this time by the score of 6 to 2. The score sounds as if the teams were playing baseball, but you may believe me when I say that the boys were playing the good old game of football. The "Bisons" had underestimated the North Carolina "Tigers" strength. However, the "Bisons" were able to carry the pigskin across the Tarheel boys' goal line before the end of the first half. Line-bucks featuring "Red Bank" Taylor and end runs by Marshall soon put the ball in a scoring position.

Taylor took the ball over, and the "Bisons" had the game in the bag.

North Carolina came back strong in the last half, and it seemed for a while that the boys from the South might tie up the game. However, the strong "Bison" forward wall would stiffen at the right time and check the advance of the North Carolina backs. Late in the fourth quarter one of the North Carolina punts got away from Marshall and rolled over the goal line. Marshall recovered the ball, but was tackled before he could advance it from the end zone. North Carolina was awarded a safety, thereby making the score Howard 6, North Carolina 2.

VIRGINIA STATE 16; HOWARD 13

The Howard "Bisons" journeyed to Petersburg to encounter the strong "Hilltop" eleven of Virginia State College. This was the "Bisons" fifth game. Early in the first quarter State took advantage of the first break of the game. A bad pass from center went outside the end zone and was an automatic safety for State. On the next play Bounds, all C. I. A. A. fullback, ran for a touchdown, and then kicked the extra point, giving State a nine-point lead. The "Bisons" then found themselves and retaliated by scoring a touchdown. Passes from Marshall to Hall and Taylor placed the ball on State's five-yard line, and Taylor crashed over for the score. Howard made the extra point. The score was State 9, Howard 7.

The second half opened with both teams trying to get a break. Howard got the first break when Marshall intercepted a State pass and ran forty yards for a touchdown. He failed to kick the extra point. Howard was now leading by the score of 13 to 9.

The "Bisons" kept this lead throughout the third period. However, State
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came back strong in the last period and scored a touchdown following a march on line-bucks by Bounds, the big fullback. Bounds also kicked the extra point. This spelled defeat for the “Bisons.” The game ended with State on the long end of the score of 16 to 13. Oliver, Lewis, Crop and Bounds played best for State. Marshall, who was hurt during the last quarter, Taylor, Walker, Hawkins and Hall played best for the “Bisons.”

HAMPTON 13; HOWARD 6

In the sixth game of the season the “Bisons” traveled to Hampton, where they played the “Seasiders” in their own backyard. The “Bisons” played a great defensive game in the first half, which ended in a scoreless tie. However, the “Seasiders”’ versatile backs began to find openings in the second half, and soon the Hampton team was ahead by the score of 7 to 0. They maintained this lead throughout the third quarter, and added another touchdown to it in the last one. Edwards, who was substituted for Marshall near the end of the game, won fame for himself by intercepting a Hampton pass and running forty-five yards for a touchdown. The game ended soon after the score.

HOWARD 13; VIRGINIA SEMINARY 6

As a preparation for the Lincoln game on Thanksgiving, Coach Verdell took his protegés to Lynchburg, where they met the eleven that represented Virginia Seminary. Most of the regulars were left at home, and the second team played the game. The scrubs gave a good account of themselves. Score, Howard University 13; Virginia Seminary 6.

HOWARD 2; LINCOLN 0

The “Bisons” were primed for the big game of the year, the “Howard-Lincoln Classic.” The game was played in Washington at the American League Baseball Park, commonly known as the Griffith Stadium. The “Bisons” entered the game the underdog for the second year. The year before Howard startled the sport world by holding the powerful “Lions” to a scoreless tie in “Philly.” Little did the followers of the Blue and White expect a greater surprise this year.

The “Lions” came to town praising the “Mighty” Sydnor, Lamar, Bennett and Captain Jerry Harmon. Lincoln had lost only one game previously, and had played a tie game with Hampton. All these things raised Lincoln’s stock from a football standpoint. The “Bisons” knew all the facts about the Lincoln team, and were ready to do their best.
The game was called late, as usual. Howard was on the defensive most of the first quarter. The punting of Hall took the "Bisons" out of many tight places. Time and again he punted great distances, aided by a strong wind. Lincoln threatened thrice during the first half. These threats were of no avail, as the "Bison" forwards broke up the Lincoln plays when the "Lions" came dangerously near their goal line. Harmon and Lamar carried the brunt of the Lincoln attack, while Marshall, Hall and Taylor did most of the Howard ball-carrying. The Howard line was outplaying the Lincoln forwards. The first half ended with the teams tied, 0-0.

In the second half Howard scored a safety, which proved enough to win the game. Edwards was sent in for Captain Mack. In the early stages of the third quarter he blocked one of Harmon's punts, the ball rolling outside the end zone. The score at the end of the third quarter was Howard 2, Lincoln 0.

The last quarter was a very exciting one. Both teams carried the ball deep into the other's territory, but no score resulted. Near the end of the fourth quarter Howard scored a touchdown on a blocked punt, but the score was not allowed because a substitute was on the field at the time the score was made.

Lincoln was the stronger of the teams offensively, but the great defensive game played by the Howard team more than matched the thrusts of the Lincoln backs and the forward passes that were thrown mostly to the winds. The Howard team checked and double-checked practically every trick that the "Lions" tried. This accounted for the great victory of a team that played "heads-up" football over a confident team.

Once more we write a victory in the "Annals of History" for the "Bisons" of Howard University.
The basketball team of Howard University had a very successful season considering the fact that a new system was instituted by Coach Waller, who served his first year here at Howard. Out of the nineteen games played, the team was able to win ten games.

Coach Waller was handicapped early in the season when two of the star players were declared ineligible by the Registrar. This was soon followed by illness to two of the remaining players. However, in the face of these handicaps, Waller was able to produce a team that was able to win most of its games.


The next game resulted in the “Bisons’” first loss of the year. At Petersburg, Virginia State College defeated the “Bisons” by the score of 29 to 27 in an overtime period. Just before this game Beasley and Forsythe were declared ineligible. This threw a pall over the “Bison” camp, as Beasley was the captain. However, the boys fought hard, and succumbed to the State team after playing an extra period.
The "Bisons" then went on a trip that carried them to Lynchburg, Va., where they met and defeated the Virginia Seminary team by the score of 31 to 24, and to Charlotte, N. C., where they met and defeated the strong Johnson C. Smith team in overtime period by the score of 39 to 34.

The "Bisons" opened their home schedule by losing two games, the first to Morgan by the score of 38 to 24, and the second game to Lincoln by the score of 35 to 27. The "Bisons" then journeyed to Baltimore, where Morgan won its second game from the "Men of Waller" by the score of 39 to 21.

The "Bisons" then came home and were able to win the first game by the score of 38 to 24 from St. Paul.

The following week the team lost two games on the road to Union and Hampton by the respective scores of 37 to 28 and 36 to 22.

The Howard basketeers came home, and during their brief stay were able to win three games. First they defeated J. C. Smith for the second time by the score of 31 to 19. Later they defeated Virginia Seminary by the score of 34 to 29. Revenge was sweet when the "Bisons" were able to defeat Hampton by the score of 33 to 28.

The "Bisons" met Lincoln in New York and in Orange, N. J., and were unable to stop the strong "Lions." The scores were 22 to 16 and 40 to 12.

The "Bisons" then came home to make their final stand of the season. They were able to win three out of the remaining four games. Virginia State defeated the "Bisons" on their home court by the score of 25 to 22. The "Bisons" easily defeated Union, Livingstone and North Carolina A. & T. College. The scores were 38 to 17, 35 to 20 and 33 to 17.

During the season Hall, Taylor, Smith and Syphax were the outstanding players for the "Bisons." Taylor served as captain of the team. Hall and Taylor were placed on the second All-C. I. A. A. team.

Lee, DePriest, Norman, Swift and Edwards fitted in nicely with the above-mentioned four men. It was around these men that Coach Waller placed his hopes.

Next year Hall, Syphax, Smith, Taylor, Lee, Edwards, Norman and DePriest will be available. We may expect a team that will carry the Blue and White colors to many victories.

In all, Howard scored 452 points against 438 for their opponents. Howard won ten games and lost nine games.
Soccer

For the first time in the history of Howard University soccer was recognized as a minor sport, and is sponsored by the Board of Athletic Control. This state of affairs was brought about primarily through the efforts of Prince Hosea K. Nyabongo, a native of Africa. With the help of Mr. R. O. Murray, Nyabongo was able to convince the Board of Athletic Control that soccer should be instituted as a minor sport. Previously soccer was sponsored solely by interested students under the guidance of Nyabongo.

The soccer team enjoyed a very successful season this year, and were able to win the championship for the second consecutive year. However, they were not as successful this year as they were last year, when the team went through the season undefeated. The team lost one game—to Hampton by the score of 4 to 3.

The soccer team started practice early this year under the guidance of Coach Arthur Waller, and most of the veterans of last year's team were present, and so the problem of players was soon solved. Before the start of the regular season the team played many exhibition games between the Varsity and the second team. Then the day of the first game arrived. Eight games were scheduled.

The first game was between Howard and the All-Stars. The All-Stars put up a formidable fight in the first half, which ended in a scoreless tie.
ever, the Varsity, led by the fleet Nyabongo and Roberts, soon took matters into their own hands. Two goals were scored in the second half, and the "Bison" soccer team walked away with its first victory of the year.

HOWARD 1; MEDICS 0

The second game of the year was between the "Bisons" and the Medical School. The Medics team was composed of many old-time Howard stars. The Medics showed the "Hill" boys that they were up to all of their tricks, and actually outplayed them during the first half. However, the "Bison" squad began "clicking" in the latter stages of the last half, and scored the goal that spelled defeat for the "doctors."

HOWARD 4; LINCOLN 3

The Howard team traveled to Lincoln University, in the woods of Pennsylvania, for the third game of the season. Here they met a ferocious "Lion" and tamed it to the tune of 4 to 3. The Lincoln team at this stage was one of the best-balanced aggregations that the "Bisons" met during the season. The playing of Azakewie, Hobson and Maupin of Lincoln and that of Nyabongo and Roberts of Howard were the features. This was the first taste of collegiate competition that the team had met for the year, and they deported themselves in a manner commendable to Howard University.

HOWARD 4; HAMPTON 0

The "Bisons" opened their home collegiate competition against Hampton, and easily defeated them by the score of 4 to 0. The play of Sumner, the Hampton goal keeper, kept the score as low as it was. He was able to throw himself in front of many of the Howard shots at the goal and save a point for his Alma Mater. However, he was not able to stop all of the barrage, and consequently the "Bison" forwards got four by him. Brown, Gray, Nyabongo and Roberts played best for Howard. O'Daniels, Williams and Sumner played best for Hampton.

HOWARD 1; PROFESSIONAL SCHOOLS 0

The Medics,smarting under the early defeat of the season, were out seeking revenge. They came back to play the "Bisons" under the name of the Professional Schools. However, they were not able to fool us. The Medics had imported a few new players from some unknown source. They played their usual driving, dribbling game, and had the "Bisons" on the defensive most of the game. However, the "Bisons" were able to score early in the first half, and as the game progressed they were satisfied to hold their lead and win by one point.

HOWARD 3; LINCOLN 1

The "Bisons" met the "Lions" of Lincoln here in their own back yard and defeated them by the score of 3 to 1. The game was a reproduction of the one played earlier in the season.

The "Bisons" later ended the season by losing to Hampton by the score of 4 to 3.
Three years ago swimming was instituted at Howard University as a minor sport. A team was organized under the swimming instructor, Mr. Clarence Pendleton. At that time the team was able to win all of its meets and claim the championship of colored colleges.

The team of this year has had only one meet, because they were unable to get competition of a collegiate nature. However, the team has been practicing daily, and in the near future hopes to schedule more games.

The swimming branch of the Department of Physical Education, under whose auspices the swimming team functions, promotes a Life-Saving Institute annually, and the members of the swimming team and members of the student body who wish to compete for their Red Cross emblem are allowed to participate. For three years the Life-Saving Institute has been a success, and the enrollment grows annually.

The members of this year’s swimming squad are: Nyabongo, Drew, Webb, Aubrey Allen, “Babe” Swift, Randolph Jefferson, Stanley Smith, Alphonso Lyons, and Petie.

From this squad Mr. Pendleton feels that he can select a team that will give a good account of itself against any kind of competition.

Aside from the men’s swimming team, Mr. Pendleton is entertaining high hopes of having a women’s team in the near future. Many of the women of the University are expert swimmers, and some of them participate in the Life-Saving Institute yearly. It is from these interested participants in the Life-Saving Institute that Mr. Pendleton hopes to build the nucleus for his team.
Track

The track team, under the leadership of Coach Verdell, is giving a good account of itself on the cinder paths this year. It has been many years since Howard has been so formidable on the track.

At the early stages of the season Coach Verdell found himself in possession of many veterans. Many of last year's stars returned to don the spiked shoes. Among them are Larry, star dash man and hurdler; Fernandes, middle distance and miler, who always gives a good account of himself; Mack, a star of the dashes; Cheyne, C. I. A. A. high jump champion, and others. The record-breaking medley relay team returned intact.

In the first meet of the year Howard sent nine men to Greensboro, N. C., to compete in the games of N. C. A. & T. College. These nine men gave their all, and Howard was able to finish third. Morgan won the meet, and A. & T. nosed out Howard by a mere half point.

The second big event of the season was held in the "Bisons'" own stadium. Here the trackmen were able to gather enough points to finish fourth. The Lincoln "Lions" came to town from the "Woods of Pennsylvania" and walked away with the meet. Lincoln scored fifty-two points. Howard was able to gather only twenty points.

The team is entered in the C. I. A. A. Championships that are to be held at Hampton Institute in the near future. Coach Verdell is not predicting the championship for the team, but he thinks that his team will be up among the winners when the final event is run.

The performance of Cheyne in the high jump, the discus, the 440 and in the medley relay is encouraging. Mack should keep on scoring in the dashes, and so should Larry. If the increased competition of the championship games can cut into the "Lions" scoring column, then we may look forward to Howard finishing near the top, if not on top.

Tennis

The tennis team this year is exceptionally strong. With the addition of Gerald Norman, fourth ranking player, the team coasted to a win over Lincoln on Howard's campus.

In the C. I. A. A. championship tournament held at J. C. Smith in Charlotte, N. C., Gerald Norman won the singles championship, and the doubles team of "Spike" Harris and Lee went as far as the semi-finals before they were eliminated.

One more match is carded before the close of the season. The netmen are to travel to Petersburg, where they will engage the Virginia State netmen.

The team is composed of Norman, Harris, Robinson, Syphax, Lee, Lomax, Ukkerd, and Walker, and is coached by Arthur Waller.
ACTIVITIES


The Student Council

The Student Council of the undergraduate colleges of Howard University is the governing body of all student activities sponsored by student organizations. The Council is composed of those representatives elected by each class and by the University at large to perform all duties that are outlined in the constitution of the body.

It is the purpose of the Council to create an interest in extra-curricular activities; to secure some measure of recognition in the arbitration of matters pertaining to student discipline; to sponsor the social life of the campus; to present to the student body any matters of vital importance to them; to submit new constitution to the student body for ratification; and to stimulate interest in athletics of the University. It is also the administrator of the student's extra-curricula fees, and gives aid to student organizations whose program are hampered because they lack sufficient funds.

Quarterly the Council entertains the leaders of varied groups on the campus and discusses campus problems with them. In this manner the Council is able to keep in contact with the vital problems that face the student body. Also possible solutions for the problems facing the student body are offered at these quarterly meetings.

By public address and with conferences with the Faculty Committee on Discipline, the Student Council attempts to secure recognition in matters pertaining to student discipline. In such matters the efforts of the Council have not been without success; although official recognition has not yet been given them, indications point to a speedy realization of these aims.

The new constitution has been completed and was presented to the student body for ratification. It was accepted by the student body. It has been presented to the Faculty Committee on Student Activities. As yet no decision has been reached by this august body.

Only one matter of vital importance to the student body as a whole that required a mass-meeting occurred this year in the crisis faced by our beloved President, Dr. Mordecai Johnson. Under the direction of the Council a committee of fifteen was appointed and propaganda and publicity from the students' point of view published.

The Council feels that it has won the respect and whole-hearted support of the student body; the increasing number of students who bring their problems to it for solution and settlement; the increasing number of conferences with faculty committees on student problems are expressions of confidence of the intelligent adjudications in the Student Council.

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THE BISON 1931

The business of editing the Bison of 1931 was made pleasant by the co-operation of the staff. The members of the class and the members of the Bison staff have made this book and willed it to posterity. We wish to thank all who have contributed towards making the Bison of 1931 a success.

It is our sincerest hope that the Bison will not serve as just another yearbook, but as a source of inspiration to our classmates. May it help them recall the many pleasant moments spent at Howard in the years to come. If this purpose is realized, we of the staff may then feel that our work is well done.

To you, our classmates, we will the world success and the Bison of 1931.

We have attempted to place in these pages those memories of college days, that, with the advance of the mystic haze of years, will transmute the rollicking pleasures of school days into golden memories.

We realize that education is as eternal as man and as versatile and arduous a task as the life of man.

We have had many difficulties, but to quit would mean to admit defeat and faltering faith in the vicissitudes and pleasures of education, but to preserve in spite of the many odds and amid all the joys means honor and ultimate success. We have bound these pages with such an end in view, that looking forward to the day when with old friends about you the mantle of time will be cast aside and you shall see with lightened heart the early days of life.
The Bison 1931

The class can never learn to appreciate, as we of the staff do, what a colossal undertaking the Bison is. To try to express appreciation for services rendered is to hitch our wagon to a star indeed. Yet these pages would not be complete without some tribute to the many who have "given till it hurts" of their time and effort.

How hard it is to express gratitude for unstinting thought and planning and effort—such as was given the Bison 1931 by Mr. J. Munro Henderson of the Dulany-Vernay Co., printers and publishers of the Bison; Graphic Art Service, designers and engravers: Mr. Scurlock, our congenial photographer. The class can never know their patience with us in our ignorance of the highly technical vocations.

Then we wonder how we were able to persuade Dan Reid and Bill Chase, our ever-busy artists, to make contributions to this publication in order that it may be a success.

The staff is ever thankful to the Committee on Student Activities, especially Prof. L. Z. Johnson, Dean West and Dean Slowe, for their prompt action on the contract. Much unnecessary "red tape" and dickering on their part was eliminated by their co-operation.

So we could keep naming the numerous people who have aided materially, yet space and time will not allow. However, before the list is closed the Business Staff is to be congratulated for its fine contributions, which made possible this book. Mr. Lawson and his co-workers deserve all the praise that this Bison will receive. Miss Juanita Williams and Miss Ethel Houston are thanked for their services, which they rendered unstintingly.

The authorities have been more than considerate in granting privileges. Emory Smith has acted more than a mere counselor by adding his many valuable suggestions. He also placed at our disposal the numerous "cuts" and portraits in the publicity department.

The material of this book is not even pleasant for perusal without painstaking wading through ads, athletics and outgrown witticisms. But life is that way. Life is full of necessities. The things that you get from life come day by day, week by week, and not in brilliant splotches of unadulterated pleasure. So stand on down the field of Howard University history, our four years of residence; a record not very inclusive, not very brilliant, not very lucid, but nevertheless a record—the Bison 1931 of Howard University.

W. A. M.
The Hilltop

Of special import to the students of the University is the student paper, "The Hilltop," the officers of which are elected by popular vote each year. The paper presents student opinion, and is ready and accessible for student creative work.

The retiring administration feels that it has carried on the work executed in meritorious fashion by the administrations that preceded it. Several new feature columns were added to the paper. Conspicuous among these are: "Among the Greeks," an interesting and entertaining column of the activities of the fraternity and sorority groups, edited by the able Mary Wade; "Our Neighbors' Business," by Ruth Matthews, a review of the events at other colleges and universities; "Meet the Profs," by Matthew Mitchell, giving biographical sketches of some of the intensely interesting and prominent individuals on the faculty; and "The Question Box," by Prentice Thomas, a collection of opinions on specific problems.

If the paper has been successful, the major part of the credit must of necessity go to those individuals who unobtrusively and uncomplainingly gave their time and service to it. One must pay tribute to the news staff, which was larger this year than previously. News hounds like the Misses A. Scott, A. Colbert, Louise Stewart, Angie Taylor, Edna Burke, and the Messrs. Fred Minnis, Ralph Jones and "Bill" Morris were largely responsible for whatever interesting news the paper contained.

We cannot mention those willing to work without speaking of Elaine Smith, who stepped into the breach made when the editor of "Kampus Komics" withdrew from school in the winter quarter and made the column highly entertaining and readable.

For the first time in the history of the paper there was a "Miss Hilltop" contest, sponsored by the circulation manager, Ruth Bellinger. This contest, we believe, is of great significance.

And finally we must remember the co-operation of every department of the University. The work of the paper has been made enjoyable by the courtesy extended its representatives by the publicity department and by the office of the President.

In retrospect, then, we believe that the movement toward a Hilltop that will be the peer, if not the superior, of any college publication is well on the way, and we may hand down to the incoming administration our beloved Hilltop with the following injunction: "Guard well what we have done. Do all that we could have done, but failed to do. And carry on thence."

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The Howard University Engineering Society

The Howard University Engineering Society was organized in 1923, and is one of the active student organizations of Howard University.

Its members consist of professors and students of Architecture and Engineering. The purpose of the Engineering Society is to promote fellowship among the architects and engineers of Howard University. It also provides an outlet for student ideas, establishes and maintains contact with the alumni, secures employment for the students, and presents lectures on Architecture and Engineering.

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The Pestalozzi-Froebel Society

Students of the College of Education at Howard University have a unique organization known as the Pestalozzi-Froebel Society. This club has more of an extra-curricula nature and has as its aim self-expression on the part of the students.

The society was organized over twenty-seven years ago for the purpose of fostering and encouraging professional interest in the field of education and in order that prospective teachers and those in the field of education might come closer together to discuss and evaluate problems. In the earlier period the society had unparalleled success, but the war of 1914 served as a retarding factor on its progress. This was true not only of the Pestalozzi-Froebel Society, but of all the clubs on the 'Hill.'

In 1923 there was a great revival in the interest in the club. It began again with new vigor. Persons enrolled in the College of Education and those with teaching as their ultimate aim are eligible for membership.

This club has been working mainly under student control and the sponsorship of the members of the faculty of the College of Education. Its meetings are held regularly every first and third Tuesday of each month. Since these prospective teachers of today are the faculty personnel of tomorrow, a club of this nature is almost a necessity in keeping the student cognizant of the educators, trends and movements in the field of education. From its very nature a club such as this would have a well-earned popularity. And even though the club has advanced to a great extent there is more to be done, and those who are left behind have as their aim the carrying of the club to those heights.

This year the club had as its project the publishing of a Bulletin known as the "P-F Bulletin," featuring items of interest to those in the field of education at the school and others in sympathy with the movement. It has also changed its official personnel from the usual parliamentary type to the school organization. That is a miniature school system. The officers of the club are elected by the members of the club.

The club wishes to take this opportunity to express its appreciation to Mrs. Eva T. Honesty for her tireless efforts in aiding the students in successfully putting over their program for the year.

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The present organization was founded under the name of the SABERS on November 3, 1931. It is an outgrowth of the old R. O. T. C. Officer's Club. The Officer's Club dates back to 1923 and has always been confined to commissioned officers of the R. O. T. C., however, each member of the class was considered a member of the Officer's Club. Membership in the SABERS is elective by unanimous vote. Members for the next year are elected at the last meeting of each school year.

The annual military formal of the Officer's Club has been considered one of the highlights of the social season at the university for seven years.

The ideals of the SABERS are primarily, patriotism and citizenship. The organization promotes a wholesome respect for authority and encourages initiative and leadership. The SABERS stand for military courtesy, punctuality, truth and respect for self and others.

For the first time in the history of military training at the university, each cadet officer was this year, equipped with a saber.

THE SABER ROSTER

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Kappa Sigma Debating Society

Kappa Sigma Debating Society was founded at Howard University to foster intellectual contests in the form of debates. Under its auspices are held intercollegiate and all interclass debates.

The work of the organization has been of especial significance this year. Not only have interesting intercollegiate debates been arranged, but a deep appreciation and interest in debating has been aroused in the University. These are evidenced by the unusual number of forensic contests among various clubs on the campus and the debate form of examinations given in several classes.

This year we had as guest opponents at the University such old rivals as Fisk University and Morehouse College. The debating team made two trips, one South and the other West. Next year holds promise of more numerous and, we are confident, more interesting debates.

As a mark of esteem for meritorious service on the platform, Kappa Sigma awards honorary keys to qualifying debaters. This year the honors go to the Messrs. Mance and Swan, who have led the University’s debating attack for two years in the case of the latter and three years in the case of the former.

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The Physical Education Forum

In the fall of 1930 a group of professional students in physical education decided to form a club for "all professional students and faculty members of the Department of Physical Education at Howard University."

The name "Physical Education Forum of Howard University" was chosen by the body, and a committee set about drawing up a constitution.

The purposes of this forum, as expressed by its constitution, are to stimulate scholarship, to gain a wider knowledge of physical education programs in other professional schools, to acquaint its members with outstanding physical educators of the world, and to foster and promote research in this field.
BESIDES making a creditable showing in academic circles, the Class of '33 has played its part in extra-curricular activities. This exemplified in that the class has successfully conducted two Friday assemblies this year, each meeting with the approval of those present. Also in Miner Hall the class initiated a program in the form of Sunday evening book reviews and discourses on noted authors. The purpose of these meetings was to stimulate an appreciation of literature among the students. Members of the faculty and students contributed to the success of these programs.

Perhaps the most gala event presented by the class this year was the colorful manner in which it opened the "Prom" season. This affair, held February 6, 1931, will be remembered as one of the most delightful incidents of the season.

The successful year 1929-30 closed with the appropriate event, the "Class Get-Together," in the form of a picnic held at Highland Beach. Incidentally, this affair, the first of its kind given by a class on the "Hill," promises to be an annual affair, to which the class is now looking forward.

From all appearances the Class of '33 has every intention of continuing its constructive program during its remaining years at Howard.

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Student Council Representatives
LORRAINE ROBBINS and CHARLES LOFTON
Mid the shouts and cheers of the huge crowd, a glistening new aeroplane landed on the campus of Howard University, September 29, 1930, under the skillful guidance of Registrar F. D. Wilkinson. Immediately its occupants declared themselves the class of 1934. To replace their departing pilot they elected Alvin Wood, who has served them well and faithfully for three quarters.

The class distinguished itself early by having its name inscribed on the loving cup of the Student Council by winning three events from the sophomores, namely, Freshman-Sophomore Rush, Freshman-Sophomore Debate, Freshman-Sophomore Football Game. Another cup was won by Leroy Scurry of the class emblematic of the best speaker in the debate.

On February 22 the class sponsored a dinner in honor of George Washington. An interesting program was rendered and an excellent dinner was served. The dining hall was graced by the class banner of green and gold, and a few placards provided the necessary atmosphere.

The climax of the campus social life was reached on March 6 at the Freshman Prom. The dining hall was beautifully decorated, and the music was furnished by Hardy Brothers. Miss Muriel Kellogg, chairman of the social committee, deserves special mention for her ardent spirit and ceaseless efforts.

Buy your binoculars now, for the class of 1934 will soar to unheard of heights during the coming years.

**OFFICERS**

- **Alvin Wood** President
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- **Vincent Cephas** Chaplain
- **Audrey Moseley** Secretary
- **Cleveland Jackson** Sergeant-at-Arms
The Scroller Club

The Scroller Club was organized in 1919 at Ohio State University. This club is composed of pledgees of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. At first the clubs were organized in certain sections of the country, but now it is a national organization.

The Scroller Club is active at Howard University, and always participates in all extra-curricula activities. The Scroller Club of the year '24-'25 presented a cup to the freshman gaining the highest scholastic average for the year. This cup has been handed down from year to year. The reason for the donation was to inspire the students to higher ideals and higher scholastic attainments. This principle is one upon which Kappa Alpha Psi is built.

Next the Scrollers of the year '29-'30 presented the president of Kappa Mu Honorary Society a loving cup. The president of Kappa Mu is the person with the highest scholastic standing for the year. The Scrollers have also been active in basketball, football and track.

Among the notables in the Scroller Club are: Thomas W. Walker, letter man in football; George Morton, president of Pharmaceutical Class of '34; Jesse O. Deckman and Howell Howard, members of the Bison staff; Joseph Travis, president of the Senior Law Class and an assistant instructor; Stanley Smith and William Brooks, members of the Engineering Society.

The pledgees as seen on the picture are:

GEORGE JONES
G. HAROLD COVINGTON
HOWELL HOWARD
JESSE DEDMAN
WILLIAM BROOKS
JOSEPH TRAVIS
HAROLD LEWIS
GEORGE HANDY
GEORGE MORTON
THOMAS WALKER
STANLEY SMITH
JOSEPH BRANHAM
MELROSE CARRINGTON.

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The Pyramid Club

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SMITH, HELEN
WEEKS, LILLIAN
WILLIAMS, T. C.
BAILEY, CLARK

DUNCAN, ANNIE
GIBSON, ARTEA
HUESTON, MARGARET
REDMAN, EDNA
SMITH, OTWINA
WHITE, SELMA
YOUNG, ADENA
ROBINSON, AVIS

THE PYRAMID CLUB

ALLENE HINSON, President
FLORENCE PHILLIPS  Adele Jones
GWENDOLYN BRABHAM  Charlotte Schuster
HELEN TRIGG

The Pyramid Club is composed of freshman women who have expressed their desire to become affiliated with Alpha Chapter and have exhibited desirable qualities in their activities on the campus.

Colors—Cream and Crimson

Flower—Violet

"Intelligence is the Torch of Wisdom"
Dear Friends:

With the beginning of Spring we all seem to begin new things and build new hopes. Ten of us freshmen are building new hope on the first step of the ladder of a nation-wide sisterhood. We are the little sisters "of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority."

We, the members of the Ivy Leaf Club, as we are so popularly known, are so hopeful and interested that we have a host of plans we hope to put through this Spring and early next Fall. Among our plans is a party for our "big sisters." We have written a play, and are going to present it for the benefit of the great multitude. We hope that our "big sisters" will be oh, so proud of us when all is said and done.

I can't go further without telling you who the "little sisters" are.

SYLVIA MEANS .................................................. President
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JOY POWELL, WILMOTH GREEN, MAYLENE JAMERSON, HELENE BROOKE,
MARY BEATRICE MORRIS, and

Yours truly,

MURIEL KELLOGG.

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Zeta Phi Beta

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Ariel Houston ...................................... Anti-Basileus
Katherine Franklin ................................ Grammateus (Recording)
Mildred Williams .................................. Grammateus (Corresponding)
Esther Peyton ....................................... Grammateus-Tamiouchus
Keturah Whitehurst ................................ Marshall
Florence Graves ..................................... Jerveler

In 1920 a group of young women at Howard University organized a Greek letter organization known as the Alpha chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. The purpose of this group is to foster lofty ideals of finer womanhood and maintain high standards of scholarship. Since the organization of this sorority there has been organized in different parts of the country twenty-one undergraduate chapters and six graduate chapters. This organization has as one of its greatest activities the observance of "Finer Womanhood Week," which takes place the second week of February annually. During that week members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority who by their achievements have helped to stamp Zeta in the minds of the public are presented under the auspices of the various chapters.

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Mildred Williams
Nannie Travis
Ruth Hall
Esther Peyton
Ariel Houston

Esther Hall
Ethel Rowe
Lucille Barnes
Katherine Franklin
Florence Graves
Keturah Whitehurst

Violet Harris

ninety-one
The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was founded at Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., in 1907. Soon afterwards Beta chapter was established at Howard University, Washington, D. C. The chapter is housed in a spacious and well appointed house at 1917 Third Street, Northwest, not far from the University campus.

Beta chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha is active through its membership in many phases of extra-curricula activities. Besides supplying a large number of leaders in student affairs, it is active in dramatics, debating, and in the forum. Its aim is to uphold the highest standards set by the University, whether they be cultural or purely academic. Alpha, in upholding the cultural and academic side of life, does not neglect the social aspect of university life.

The fraternity draws its membership from all the colleges of the University, both graduate and undergraduate, as well as those who have already passed through the walls of learning.

Annually the fraternity sponsors a "go-to-high, go-to-college" movement. Scholarships are awarded annually to meritorious students—graduates from high schools or in colleges.

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THE Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was founded at the University of Indiana on January 5, 1911. It had its birth in a unique conception, and it was the accomplished aim of the founders to organize a Greek letter fraternity wherein all the ideals of true brotherhood, scholarship, culture, patriotism and honor are realized and prevail. The fraternity has been a national organization since its founding, and there are now scattered in the leading universities over the United States more than fifty active chapters. It has been the policy of the national organization to place chapters only where there is the sanction and the co-operation of the college authorities.

The fraternity ably supports its national movements. The Housing Fund is by far the most ambitious program that any fraternity has undertaken, and will eventually result in adequate housing facilities for the chapters. Through its "Guide Right Movement" the fraternity has assisted many high school men to choose the right form of training which will point them to successful preparation for their life work. They are assisted in adjusting themselves to whatever occupation seems best fitted to their individual case. The Scholarship and Research Loan Fund enables the worthy of the fraternity to obtain knowledge that will fit them to give to the world the fruits of productive scholarship.

The national organization publishes each month a magazine, the Kappa Alpha Psi Journal. It is the only Negro college fraternity monthly in the world, and compares equally with any such similar publication. To those members who have achieved high distinction, its highest honor—the Laurel Wreath—is awarded them. Kappa men are prominent in the social, business and professional life of America.

The Xi chapter of the fraternity, located at Howard University, was founded on December 17, 1920, and had as its charter members seventeen of the outstanding students in the University at that time. Since its founding Xi chapter has contributed from its membership men who have been active in every phase of student activity in the University.

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November 17, 1911, at Howard University, Washington, D.C., the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was founded by three men—Brothers Oscar J. Cooper, Edgar A. Love, and Frank Coleman—in company with Professor E. E. Just. These three men, having thoroughly gone over the situation, saw keenly the necessity of such a movement, and decided to plant the first "mother" chapter of a Greek letter fraternity to be founded in a Negro institution at Howard University.

Today the fraternity numbers eighty-three chapters, located in the leading college and university centers of this country and Canada.

More than three thousand stalwart "Sons of the Shield" bear Omega's standard onward to a future made brighter by the glorious reflection of a fadeless past.

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Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity

Founded 1914

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THE LPHA CHAPTER of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, true to the Sigma motto: "Culture for service, service for humanity," is pressing onward with all the momentum of seventeen years of progressive existence to the realization of the ideals of the founders of the fraternity.

Realizing that the highest type of college man is the college man with a dream, to the conversion of which into an actuality he dedicates his life, Sigma has striven to instil into her sons those ideals of culture and scholarship which convert men into gentlemen and students into scholars.

The activities of the sons of Sigma on our campus indicate that these efforts have borne fruit; for in every avenue of campus activity Sigma men can be found doing their share to make Howard a better Howard and themselves better men.

But Sigma is not satisfied with ideals alone. She believes in bringing them to earth, where they are to be practiced. She realizes that no group of Negro college men can truly consider themselves representative unless they are intimately connected with the problems of the race to which they belong and of which they are potential leaders. Hence Sigma has been sponsoring a yearly program dedicated to the betterment of the Negro's economic status. This program, in the form of "Bigger and Better Negro Business Week," has for its purpose the awakening of Negroes to the fact that Negro business must be enlarged and improved if the Negro is eventually to emerge from economic slavery.

As year by year the movement grows and the Sigma message goes home to millions of Negroes all over the world, Sigma smiles contentedly at her labors and looks forward with assurance to the future.
Howard Through a Student's Eyes

Howard UNIVERSITY is an ideal institution of learning. By learning is meant intellectual, social and physical education. With the most capable man, Dr. Mordecai Johnson, serving as President, Howard has at present offered to its students the teachings of the most brilliantly qualified faculty of any Negro university of America or of the world. However, no institution is yet so complete that it has not room for improvement. Dr. Johnson, the Board of Trustees and other Howard enthusiasts have shown to the student body and the world that they are striving to make Howard a still greater university. Daily for the past few months the students have witnessed the breaking away of soil by the noisy steam machines and the careful, technical laying of bricks growing into more stately buildings. The students are seeing the faculty increase from A. B. quality to M. A. quality and from M. A. quality to Ph. D. quality. The buildings are still incomplete and the faculty still growing in number and quality. Our faculty quality, however, is still rather scarce to find; but when Howard fails to find what she wants she makes them.

Every year Howard sends away certain professors and promising students who have done impressive work to institutions where they can acquire all that education has to offer. What will all this finally result in? This is the question, and I will answer it. Within a few years from now Howard will be a 'Greater' greatest of Negro universities of the world. She will be equal in statutes to the great Howard and Yale universities of America. Degrees of all varieties will be at her disposal. If only our forefathers who dreamed of this years ago and who predicted it could be here to see it all, we are sure they would weep with joy.

With the future of Howard gradually coming into view, the present Howard also has its admirable features. For the school year that is drawing to a close the students can say with assuredness that the faculty, fraternities, sororities, clubs and other school organizations have all carried out a very successful school year. The students have had an opportunity to show their allegiance to Howard, to their President, and to the race in general. Going out into the world is another group of professors, doctors, lawyers and business men who have successfully qualified to carry on in their respective fields and to further extend the reputation of Howard. Those who have gone before have upheld their Alma Mater, those who go now will continue to do so, and those who go in the future will do so by carrying with them the teachings of the stronger and greater Howard.

HOWELL JAMES HOWARD, JR.
Be strong
and womanly.

Today, girls.

It was sixty
years ago.

Garden

Onions
THE BISON 1931

CLASS OF '31 AS FRESHMEN

CLASS OF '31 AS SOPHOMORES
Dean George William Cook

For three years Dean George William Cook served as the Alumni Secretary of the General Alumni Association of Howard University. He recently resigned that position and has been elevated to the Trustee Board of Howard University. Dean Cook received the highest number of votes ever given to any alumni member of the Board.
THE new Alumni Secretary chosen by the Executive Committee of the Alumni to serve until the annual meeting in June, is Linwood G. Koger of Baltimore, Md. Mr. Koger graduated from the College of Liberal Arts in 1918 and from the Law School in 1922.

During his student days he was very enthusiastic and served as chief Cheer Leader in College. He was also a dramatic reader and member of the University Glee Club.

During the World War Mr. Koger was on the committee which helped to work up the training camp for Colored Officers at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. He also helped to raise the finance for sending student speakers into the field in the interest of the movement. He was commissioned as a First Lieutenant from Fort Des Moines and was in actual combat overseas.

Mr. Koger served for four years as President of the Baltimore Branch of the N. A. A. C. P. and was for a number of years President of the Baltimore Howard Alumni Club.
No Schoolin'

I jest ain't made fo' schoolin'
Or larnin' outa books.
Jest ain't nachal
To set 'n' read in nooks.
But I se made fo' roamin'
'Round thru all de yeah,
Seein' all de critters
God done made down heah.
I laks to heah de singin'
O' de birds dat flitters 'round,
Or see dem try to teach
De young what falls 'pon de ground.
Or settin' on a railin'
Lookin' into space,
Heah de bees hummin'
As dey goes fwum place to place.
Oh, I laks all de animals
What God has give to us.
Eben when dey's fightin'
Raisin' lots o' fuss,
I laks to find a woods
Whe' eberything is still.
To sleep when I is tir'd
O' climbin' up a hill.
I eben likes de winter,
Walkin' thru de snow,
Wif de wind jest blowin'
An' wondrin' whe' to go.
I meets all ma buddies,
An' we talks o' lots o' things.
Settin' round de fire
An' eatin' while we sings.
O' politics an' 'lections.
O' what sombudy stole.
O' lots o' wuilty things
You wouldn't uv been tole.
An' de mo' I travels
An' sees de things I do.
I jest ain't made fo' schoolin',
Or larnin' two an' two.
FORCES OF INSPIRATION

LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING
Class Poem

Four years have rolled along, too fast:
Behind each one of us there lies—
A spending of this time in study.
The day is done, the waning golden sun,
Sinks slowly in the distant West.
Twilight falls, the skies are bordered
With tints of azure, blue and gold.
The sun grows red, the clouds overhead
Turn gold, then gray and cold.
Our work is done, our prize is won.
Our college days are past.
Let the rooms and walks re-echo
The best of this successful class.
And while we linger, we'll sing a song,
To days of study that used to be:
Schooled in lessons of truth and duty,
We march to the open roads.
To obey the distant call that bids
Each to his place in life.

CORINNE PRINCE.
Passing

I think it over without despair.
Brief be the light I share—
Myriad things of the night,
Unriddle shade of twilight.

Before me pass in streams
The bright bubbles of dreams
They are tinted with gay rays
They burst, float on airy way.

I've shared many a rhythmic tune,
Danced and talked to the moon.
Brief be the poet's joy I pass
To secret things that last.

Corrine Prince.

Joy

These are things of joy—
The wreathing smile of a baby—
The chirping birds on wing
The soft blue of dreams—
The awakening unveiled by love.

Corrine Prince.

The Long Walk

Spring:
Trees
Bending over.
Touching one another.
On the long walk.
Rain:
Trees
Leaning over.
Wetting each other.
On the long walk.

Fall:
Trees
Swaying over,
Covering each other.
On the long walk.

Wind:
Trees
Blowing over.
Fanning each other.
On the long walk.

Winter:
Trees
Covered over.
Clinging to each other.
On the long walk.

H. G. Humphrey.
Longing

It quivers helplessly in my throat:
The long-drawn sigh of a heart in pain.
I'd set it free with a gladsome note—
But it sobs and chokes and seeks in vain:
Olympic heights, the poets' own home,
The yellow-tasseled meadows green,
The sullen sea with dress of foam.
The canopied and starlit scene,
Secluded rest in woody glen.
A bird's true carol filling all.
A habitat not known to men.
One leafy barrier for a wall.
Oh, it quivers helplessly in my throat,
The rending sigh of a heart in pain.
I'd set it free with a gladsome note.
But it sobs, and chokes, and all in vain.

A Soul's Wound

Because I thought I'd found in you
A friend whom I could trust,
My very soul was sundered wide
By one unkindly thrust.
A thoughtless act, your lips revealed.
But still it brings no surcease.
To leaking ache nor painful heart
Where throbbing never cease.
I do not censure what you did—
It is not mine to blame.
My soul forgot your humaneness
And it was yours to maim.
I had a love too strong for you
No mortals should reveal.
The power to wound was given you—
But not the power to heal.

End

one hundred twenty-four
The Musings of Howard Seniors After Four Years of “F” Facing

“What is this thing called education?” asked “Red” Mance after arguing with a group of students who are registered in the College, at whose helm we find the congenial Dean Holmes.

“I’ll bite,” said Sinclair. “What is it?”

“I’ll tell you fellows,” said “Bill” Morris, displaying more ignorance than is usually his quota. “Education is the thing we have been pursuing these four years, and lo, at this late stage we realize that it has eluded us!”

“You,” they all agreed. “That’s it.”

“Hey, fellows, this argument isn’t getting us any place,” piped Ralph Jones. “What I want to know is this—have you fellows paid your class dues the four years you have resided under the wings of our Alma Mater?”

“All right, you old wet blanket. I knew that you were chicken all the time. Why bring up an argument like that. Here we are in the graduating line, and you talking about class dues.”

Sinclair then left his old gang, the senior class, with tears streaming down his cheeks. “This hurts me, fellows, more than any of you would suspect,” he said.

Enter “Kitty” Richardson and a “gang” of Deltas. “Hey, boys.”

“Lo there,” said Mance. “Have you girls seen Kat?”

“Now there you are, always asking about Kat. When are you going to let some of the other girls rub your red hair?” asked Edna Burke.

“I wonder what Mordecai’s doing down front, he can’t give us our diplomas,” said “Bill” Morris.

“So do I,” agreed Mance.

“I bet the commencement speaker will be as dry as the Sahara,” yapped “Gussie” Heard.

“Sh-sh, here comes the faculty,” shushed Theodora Williams. “Some of those gowns haven’t been pressed since they were worn in high school.”

“I wonder if Omar the Tentmaker made Professor Huguely’s gown,” said Elinor Hairston.

“No,” said “Gwen” Scales. “He rented one of Ringling Brothers’ old tents.”

“Who wants a drink?” asked Almitte Chatman.

“I do,” replied the angora chorus.

“So do I,” retorted “Almighty.”

“Something has been worrying me for years,” said Mance. “In fact, it has been a mystery to Scotland Yard for hundreds of years. My father worried about it. All the members of the intelligentsia of Columbia, S. C., are still thinking about it. Now that we are about to graduate, I am thinking of...”
as I hope that each and every one of you will consider this question carefully. If any one of you are able to solve this astounding mystery within the next five years, I hope that you will have enough class pride left in your weak, depleted carcass to inform each and every one of us. The question that has been such a mystery, lo, these many hundred years—the question that baffled the populace of Columbia and the question I am about to ask you is, "Who killed Cock Robin?"

"Hey, Mance," squeaked N. Payton. "When is a question a question?"
"That's a good question," said Mance.
"What's all this fuss about," squawked Big Ethel (meaning Miss Garner).
"Oh, go milk a duck," woofed Juanita Williams, who was passing by at the time.
"Say, John Harris," piped Harry Landers, "who are you looking for, Allie?"
"Why do you ask foolish questions, boy?" answered Johnny.

As we look around us we see the various animal groups forming near the graduation lines, namely: The Apes, the Kats, and in the distance we see the Scouts and QC's.
"Is this the Howard commencement or a menagerie?" asked Ruth Matthews.
"It must be a menagerie," said Esther Braxton, "because we have with us Vivian Jenkins, and she is the Little Bear."
"I wonder who the faculty thinks this graduation is for, anyway," squelched Reba Evans. "They are trying to 'hog' the whole show."
"I wonder if this procedure is pedagogically correct," mused Ridley as he glimpsed Professor Daniels passing by.
"I hope that Howard will get some good-looking teachers in the future," harped Sam Howard. "These on docket now are too bad."
"Well, you can't get an apple from a sycamore tree," warned the elderly Floyd Wilkerson.
"Just imagine," chimed Edna Burke enthusiastically, "some day students will be waiting in line to hear some of us give a commencement address."
"Yup," said "Cecie" Jenkins, "and I'll get even then."
"How are you going to get even," asked Gladys Fitzgerald, "when you are too short to reach up to the microphone?"
"When I start speaking to students on such occasions as this I am going to do a Floyd Gibbons and sit down. Nobody wants to be bothered with a lot of hot air in the middle of June anyway," squeaked Beatrice Dockery.
"Well, the lines are beginning to move at last. Gee, but I'll be glad when I put my fingers on that old sheepskin," said Ethel Houston.
"If you owe Emmett anything you won't get that sheepskin for quite some time," cautioned Dan T. Reid.
"I hope that I will get a good seat where I can go to sleep without attracting attention," yelled James Jones.
Humor

She was rejected by the sororities because she thought:
1. Manual Labor was a Mexican gentleman.
2. Epsom Downs was a purgative.
3. Gretta Green was a Jewish debutante.
4. President Hoover monopolized the vacuum cleaning business.
5. The Prince of Wales was a deep-sea fisherman.
6. The Unknown Soldier had fought with a mask on.
7. Obesity was a nickname for Elizabeth.

WHAT FISH, HONEY?

Wife (reading newspaper): It says here that a girl, single-handed, landed a fish weighing 145 pounds at Asbury Park.
Hubby: What's his name?

HOW'S YOUR PRONUNCIATION?

He: What made you jump out of the car last night and run home?
She: I was being chaste.

"You say your father is in the hold-up business?"
"Yes. He manufactures garters."

A Chinese student in a mission school was studying Hamlet. In paraphrasing "To be or not to be," Hung Lee said, "To am or not to were."

INCONSISTENCY

He told his wife he could live on kisses, and then started in to helping himself in some other cafeteria.
He was so satisfied with himself he went out to the zoo and congratulated the stork.

COMPOUND INTEREST

"So you met Alice today?"
"Yes. I hadn't seen her for ten years."
"Has she kept her girlish figure?"
"Kept it? She's doubled it."

Gussie: "Are you a doctor also?"
Soda Dispenser: "No. I'm a fizzician."

Dean Holmes has a favorite pastime-telling incidents of football games in which he participated. Here is one of his favorites:
Howard was playing one of the other schools, and the game was a close one. However, after each play one of the Howard men would be carried from the field injured. Soon it was found that most of the men injured played opposite a certain player on the opposing team. This man was searched, and it was found that, instead of using the regular pads, he used a horse-collar for padding. Most of the Howard men who ran against this fellow who was bedecked with a horse's collar were injured.
In the good old days, when Howard football players were men plus, Dean Holmes was their captain. Dean was also the lightest man in weight on the team.

The story is told that when the Howard team on which Dean Holmes played got in a scoring position and all of its tricks failed, they would pick Dean Holmes up bodily and throw him across the goal line with the ball. In other words, Dean Holmes was catapulted across the goal line. What a Dean!

Webb: "Why don't you wear calico any more?"
Thada: "Oh, I just hate to see myself in print."

RED HOT

Arriving home from a party, friend wife took her hat and slammed it on the floor. "I'll never take you to another party as long as I live," she said.
"Why?" asked hubby, amazed.
"You asked Mrs. Jones how her husband was standing the heat."
"Well, what of that?"
"Why, her husband has been dead two months."

Cop: "Say, you, looking for trouble?"
Bill Morris: "Yes. Have you seen my wife?"

Take your wife down a peg. Tell her she's not nearly as important as your pants.
There are lots of places you can go without your wife.

Tommy Hawkins: "How is your football team this year, Tom?"
Tommy Verdel: "A lot of good sports."
Tom H.: "That's the same kind of a team we had years ago."

THERE IS TIME

As the year in silence draws down upon us all,
And curtains scenes of by-gone days in folds
Of sombre hue: save when to memory's call
Or mellowed twilight, a transient thought that holds
A lingering dream, long since locked away,
Returns to fill my soul, in all its strength,
With one desire for that youthful day;
Recalls the visions that I dreamed at length:
I like to think that there is time to view
The wistful tendrils of the ivy vine.
That clinging make the Chapel ever anew
A building that cannot be told in line;
But wrapped within itself upon the sod,
Can breathe the beauty of soul, and seemingly God.
—E. BURKE.
Things We Would Like to See and Hear

A new science hall, with equipment enough for each student.
Ethel Garner playing the part of a skeleton in our anatomy class.
"Bill" Morris running for Congress in Florida.
Mercer Mance arguing a case before the Supreme Court of the United States.
Ethel Houston horseback riding in New England.
Eighty per cent of the students in Chemistry 1 passing the course.
Chapel crowded to hear the report of a student who has attended a convention.
Noble Payton haranguing a mob to take up arms against the Anti-Chemistry Society.
Edna Burke giving a discourse in French, Spanish, etc.
"Buster" Schanck running for President of Student Council.
Kelly Miller holding a class without wise-cranking on one of its members.
Margaret Wilson with a set of knocked knees.
Allene Poitier the size of Ethel Garner.
Walter English without his R. O. T. C. uniform.
Ethel Broadnax in a swimming suit.
The library crowded on a holiday or week-end.
Howard winning the football, basketball and track championships of the
C. I. A. A.
Cheyney strolling about the campus without Almittie.
How some of the fair co-eds won the track medals and gold footballs
they are wearing.
How 'Woof' Taylor got his racehorse suit and Panama hat.
Where Gabriel the Archangel is practicing on the horn he is to blow in
the future.
How Nyabongo became KING.
What caused Holloway to settle down.
The graduating class of Howard University numbering over a thousand.
The campus of Howard University ten years from today.
Why Papa sews the stitches if Mama cuts them out.
Coach Waller sitting quietly at a baseball game.
Professor Dorsey quietly enjoying a show without talking to himself and
disturbing the audience in general.
Discovery of the fourth dimension by Professor Bauduit.
Every member of the class of '31 making a noble contribution to the
affairs of the world.

"Those, not in favor
of long dresses
should be more patient
for fashion, like
people. Have their
ups and downs."

one hundred thirty-one
Moments in the Bison Office

"Say, Bob, why in —— don't you see to it that all the fees are in?"

"When are you going to do something, you big sap?"

"Who is running this Bison, anyway?"

"Nobody."

"We ought to have a staff meeting today. Why didn't you place the announcements out?"

"Why don't you do something yourself sometimes, big boy?"

"Think you are a smart guy, eh? Well, I'll show you. You can't tell me how to do the things I already know."

"You are some editor, if you would ask me. I don't see why the class would make such a mistake. I wish they would hold the elections over again."

"You're not so hot as a business manager yourself."

"Here comes some of the staff members now."

"What's the trouble with you goofs? You must think this Bison is a lot of bull. Where is that copy you were to hand in today?"

"Yea, where is the copy?"
"*?*!??*," from the staff.

"You guys can't use that kind of language up here. This is a respectable office."

"Sh-sh-sh. Here comes a cash customer."

"Hello, Ethel. Want to pay your Bison fee?"

"No. I want to know what makes the green grass grow."

"Come back some other day."

"This is the worst Bison staff Howard has ever had," growled Ethel.

"Where do you get that stuff?" said the editor.

"You can't talk about this staff like that," said the business manager.

"Our editor is positively the best of any yearbook in the country."

"He must be from the country," piped Ethel.

"None of your smart talk, young lady," spoke the editor. "And remember that we also have the very best in the University in the person of our business manager. Without him this great book would not be possible, and to think you show your appreciation for him by hard words."

"I'm sorry. But I still think you are both big stiffs and a drawback to the Senior Class."

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One hundred thirty-three
The End

Oh—

It's not the glories that we have won,
Nor the triumph in fields of lore,
Nor the sheepskin that's given our work,
Crowning what has gone before.

But—

The knowledge that in our years of toil,
We've seen the smile of a friend,
That softens the thought of parting soon,
As the pathway nears the end.

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