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TO THE HOWARD SENIOR CLASS OF 1929

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HOWARD UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 29, 1929

No. 10

GLENWOOD E. JONES President of Student Council

Back in happy freshman days emerged from the mass of over 600 class members the leader of the group. Those 1925 days were days of a high class spirit. The class spirit was so high, in fact, that there was inherent in it a general



tendency to rebel against the college freshman rules. Nobody understood those rules; nobody, therefore, wanted to accept them. Here some restraining influence was needed, and that restraining influence had to come from within the group to be effective.

Glenwood E. Jones was that influence. He held the class in line by emphasizing the necessity of creating and maintaining even at personal sacrifices a healthy college tradition. He pointed out that these rules, obnoxious and even seemingly ridiculous, emphasized each stage of college progress from lower orders of disadvantages to places of greater favor. The kind of character Jones was then he has remained throughout his college career.

Coming from the Virginia State College at Petersburg, Va., he entered the various activities of the University with zeal and was five times elected president of the class of 1929. He was equally interested in our athletic activities and was assistant manager of the football team in 1927, and was assistant manager of the baseball team in 1928.

From the beginning he was an ardent student of Military Science and Tactics in our Reserve Officers Training Corps, in which he is now a first lieutenant on the staff in charge of plans and training. He represented the student body during the autumn quarter at the National Students' Federation of America, held on the campus of the University of Missouri, Columbia, Mo.

He is a College of Liberal Arts student in the Department of Commerce and Finance. In this connection Jones must have heard John Dewey thundering that education is not preparing for life, but is life itself. Jones puts this theory into practice. He is not merely preparing to be a man of business; he is now, and every day, a man of business. In this he ex-

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MAZIE HUBBARD WINS POPULARITY CONTEST



The Bison of 1929 announced the winners of the first Howard University Popularity Contest. Miss Mazie Hubbard, '29, from Sedalia, Mo., was the winner, and was crowned "Miss Howard." Miss Cozette E. Walker, '29, from Tampa, Fla., was second, and was crowned "Queen of the Bison." Miss Odalie Ewing, '30, from Dallas, Texas, was third, and was crowned "Most Winsome." Miss Zerita Stepteau, '29, from Baltimore, Md., was fourth, and crowned "Most Charming."

The contest, the first of its kind to be held on Howard's campus, was conducted by the Bison for the purpose of finding the most popu-

lar co-eds, and for finding subjects for the feature portrait section, which will be a thing of beauty and wonder in the 1929 Bison.

The final votes which were canvassed from students, alumni and friends are as follows:

- Miss Mazie Hubbard, 7,212;
- Miss Cozette Walker, 7,212;
- Miss Odalie Ewing, 6,100;
- Miss Zerita Stepteau, 6,080.

The manager of the Bison wishes to announce that the 1929 Bison is on the press now, and will be available for distribution by May 20. The number of copies is limited, and students are advised to get their subscriptions ready.

Putting A Question Up To Howard Students

By Edward H. Taylor, '31

Are fraternities and sororities the cause of color segregation at Howard University?

This is a question which requires the careful and unbiased consideration of every student at Howard University.

When students enter Howard University from various parts of the country, they immediately seek companionship among members of their class. We find the freshman boys and freshman girls gradually organizing. Each one respects the other and seems to glory in his company. At this stage we might consider these eager students as being a combined class.

After about three months of this collective school spirit, we find a break in the class and the persons of light complexion seem to organize into a body of their own. The brown skinned ones are also des-

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BUBBLE CHASERS

By Robert T. O'Neal

Before coming to Howard, the undergraduate hears all sorts of miraculous tales about Washington's society, and also that of Howard University. If you are from down south you were possibly told that Howard is a social school, where students can run wild and have a gay time. On the other hand, if you are from up around New York or Boston, you have no doubt heard discussed Washington's "Sedate and Cultural '400'."

Contrary to these allusions Howard is neither running wild, nor is Washington's "400" discussing morals and pretty poems over tea cups. It is a frequent attitude of those who come to Howard to believe that Washington is a dull and uninteresting place. They have this belief because the position for which they strove in Washington was unattainable. They did not know that Washington is a town

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THE HILLTOP EDITOR

Baxter Don Goodall (Don G) entered Howard University with the class of 1929, after leaving high school with a record that is parallel with his college record. During the four years at Howard his activities have been varied and numerous, among which we find: Freshman-Sophomore Debating Squad 1925; head cheer leader; associate editor,



and editor-in-chief of the Hilltop, three years; member of Board of Athletic Control, two years; Student Council, three years; representative to C.I.A.A. Conference at Hampton, and at Petersburg; membership in Kappa Sigma, Alpha Sigma, Stylus, and International Clubs. First Lieutenant (Staff) R.O.T.C.

Dean D.O.W. Holmes Elected President of Association of Colleges for Negro Youth

The Association of Colleges for Negro Youth held its fifteenth session at Knoxville, Tenn., as the guest of Knoxville College, of which J. Kelly Giffin is president.

Dean D. O. W. Holmes, of Howard University, was elected president to succeed President J. L. Peacock, of Shaw University, who has guided the destinies of the body since 1921. President J. Kelly Giffin, of Knoxville College, was elected vice-president, and Dean J. T. Cater was elected secretary-treasurer for the ninth time.

For several years the chief activities of the association have been directed toward bringing about an examination and a classification of the institutions for Negroes doing work of collegiate grade. To this end, through a committee, it initiated the movement which resulted in the survey of seventy-nine such institutions by the United States Bureau of Education, whose findings were recently published in Bulletin No. 7, of that Bureau for 1928.

Principal W. A. Robinson, of the Knoxville High School, was a guest of the association and spoke on the necessity of the accreditation of high schools for Negroes. Dean Theodore H. Jack, of Emory University, was also present and spoke.

Chancellor W., if you have anything to do with your future, you are destined for a great career.

ABOUT THE SENIORS

By Ivan Earle Taylor

To the class of '29, this column is dedicated. We could never hope to catalogue all the mighty deeds that they have done for Howard during their four years' stay. We can but mention a few here. We cannot even mention all the seniors who are outstanding, for one reason or another. We may only mention those whose lives have touched ours, and left it richer for the contact.

To the seniors all, we offer a word of affectionate congratulation for having borne all the hardships incidental to a college generation; for having successfully evaded the nice little rules and regulations with which they were buttressed on every hand, and avoided punishment for the evasion. Here are but a few reminiscences of them and of what they have done.

Glenwood E. Jones, the ablest president the Student Council has had since the first organization convened. A man who says little and means it. It is said that hair and brains don't go together, and "Prexy" has been bald from the time he was a baby. But in all seriousness, he is an honest, able and inspiring co-worker. We predict certain success for him.

Baxter Don Goodall, the radical, who became conservative within a year. Holder of all offices available by the will of his fellow students. Ready of temper, but quick to forgive. Editor-in-chief of the Hilltop for two years, Student Council, etc. He seldom shows his hand with the ladies.

"Lil" Johnson, pretty and from New Haven. You have heard of New England Culture. Lil has it. So gentle, so loveable, but it isn't safe to say any more along those lines. We weigh 145 pounds, and Ben weighs 245.

Wilhelmina Drake. Just as we were wondering if there were any loveable girls anywhere, we met Billie, who knew (but that is too personal). One surely can't say, fat and good-natured of her, for she isn't exactly fat, but she surely has all of the genuine good nature in the world.

E. A. McLaughlin. Maybe you haven't heard of "Mac," for he is modest and unassuming; but whenever we have wished to talk good sensible stuff, we have sought him out. He will make a successful preacher.

Theodus Conner—much loved and admired by the women-folk; manager of the great football team of '28; Student Council representative from way back. A good all-round man, who kept his head while at Howard.

Gladys Harris. Space would run out on us if we could tell all we felt. One of the few ladies of the senior class holding office. An able and consistent worker on the Student Council, and on the Bison of '29. A firm believer in the Gospel of Luke.

Harriet Ferguson. Here is a striking exception to the rule that beauty and brains don't mix. Who would you rather be in love with than your present girl? Harriet!

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MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1929

THE PASSING OF THE '29's

Soon the class of '29 shall sing its Swan Song. Sad hours are now approaching us for soon, yes, too soon, it will be the hour of commencement and farewell. Some of us will meet again and linger awhile to talk over the good old days and the happy hours spent at the Hill "far above the Lake so blue," but not all. When they linger and talk of the good old days of the class of '29—what will your story be? Will it be in words of gladness or in words of "it might have been"?

This is the time when, as classmates of '29, we should feel closer together than ever before. Let us forget the unpleasant hours of the past when we have felt as enemies when we pulled away from each other while trying to solve our class problems. Let us think of the golden hours we have had; let us cement the ties of friendship we have made here during our four years of residence.

To us the "Long Walk" seems to re-echo sadly our footsteps; the Library, the Chapel, Science Hall, the class-rooms—all are becoming dearer and nearer to us. In these few remaining days, class of '29, let the *Good Old Howard Spirit* that we knew back in '25 (which we made ring out like thunder the second day we were on the campus as Paenies) be revived within us. Let us begin to look towards these silent walks, buildings, and grounds as shrines, so that when we go out from Howard, we, the class of '29, will sacrifice until it hurts to keep ever alive the Howard and class of '29 traditions.—B. D. G.

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of closed circles, which assume a "frigidaire" attitude toward any unsophisticated new-comer. It is when the aspirant has felt the cold rejecting hand that he goes away and says, "I do not like Washington it is an indifferent place, so unlike the warm hospitality to which I am accustomed to at home."

The latter, however, is an unfortunate state of affairs, which the individual brings upon himself, solely because he seeks a false ideal, as the foolish little girl who let herself become affected to tears just because she couldn't afford to keep up with a certain group. She does not know that after all these people whom she is seeking are in most cases not genuine and are sunny weather friends. They last as long as her success lasts, and if she loses that, she has lost her smart friends.

Of course it is a game for the clever; some play it and succeed. But with her inexperience the little school girl is invariably devoured by the wolves.

About the smartest thing a woman in Washington can do is to teach school. This means a check in the vicinity of ninety dollars every two weeks. With that amount she may buy anything that her heart may desire, from a doctor to give her social standing, to a Flying Cloud to give her social speed.

But just being a school teacher does not always imply that the individual has reached society's peak.

Upon the peak live those select few who can afford to keep up lavish apartments and throw expensive parties. They gaze down with contempt upon those who are not able to make their set. They are looked up to, idolized, and their position envied. Sometimes "the peak" we shall call them, see fit to take in a co-ed. She must be to the manner born and their type. This means that she is able to dress and can stand the pace. And like the fluffy kitten she purrs with pleasure while they play with her, sometimes only to be dropped from their laps never to be taken up again.

Any school boy who is easy going and with a degree of smoothness in manner is accepted with the proper introduction. He is never exactly liked by the "hubbies" and beaux, but is held on to by the madams because—oh well, because hubby has his little outside flirtations and they must be cared for.

Howard Issues Its Summer School Bulletin

The Bulletin for the Howard University 1929 summer session is just off the press and ready for distribution. It shows a faculty of thirty-five members offering ninety-one courses in seventeen departments with Professor George N. Lightfoot as director.

Registration will begin on Monday, June 17, and continue through the 25th, after which persons admitted will not receive credit. Classes will start on June 19.

The entire plant of the univer-



James "Pete" Tyson. One seldom hears of a great athlete graduating, especially here at Howard. But "Pete" will graduate, for he is the good hard-working type. This spirit has characterized him on the football field, on the basketball court, and in aquatics. He has been manager of this and captain of that for ever so long. A good mixer, a good square fighter, a good friend—what more could one ask of him?

One of the few girl members of Kappa Mu in captivity.

Milton Curtis Calloway. Erstwhile politician, advisor, etc. A successful college barber. A good hard worker, and surely one of the best dressed men on the campus. We predict a great future for "Babe."

Charles H. Manney—known to all. A politician born and bred. Charles has some novel ideas as to dress. He forgot something when DePriest came. The ablest and most successful president of the Political Science Club ever had. When we get ready to divorce the first wife, Charles H. Manney will get the case.

Steve Stanford. The great exponent of Chesterfieldian manners; president of the great senior class, and everything else in sight. Always happy; a friend to all, especially the ladies. We believe

THE VALUE OF THOROUGHNESS

By Lorenzo R. Berry, '31

Thoroughness consists in doing the little things of life as though they were the greatest things in the world. The people of today who believe that the little things of life are of no importance lack that quality of thoroughness, which is very essential to the successful

career of an individual. The little things of life are, for example: One's use of the English language in every day life, one's health habits, and one's method of study.

Not until one understands that the great things of life consist of a combination of small things will one begin to measure up to this quality which is exemplified through the successful individuals of today. If one possesses this qualification, it will mean all the difference between a life of success and happiness, and one of misery and failure.

Skill and excellence are acquired by few. The few who are skillful and excellent are those who are thoughtful, careful, and industrious. Then, too, they have an unceasing desire to do their very best in every task that is at hand. The thoughtless and lazy cannot stand on equal grounds, either socially or academically, with the thoughtful and industrious person. The employers who hire men to do work that requires skill, excellence, and forethought, have regularly discharged one person after another, for negligence, incompetence, and consistent breach of duty. The cause of this lack of thoroughness can early be seen when the thirst for excessive pleasure (which not only creates a distaste for labor but renders one incapable of doing the efficient work and of properly

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Chancellor Williams, Editor-in-Chief of the Bison of '29. We could write a book in praise of this modest, unassuming young man. When he was elected editor-in-chief, many said, "Who is he? He can't do it; there are too many difficulties to overcome." But wait, the Year Book will be out, and it will be the best since Dean Cook was a boy. Chancellor refuses to dress up, and he surely looks like a chancellor of something with those massive nose glasses on. You had better meet him before he leaves here.

Steve could make any sorority on the campus.

Cozette Walker. We have never been able to explain the reason for her popularity, except that she is so genteel and pleasing. She won second place in the Bison popularity contest, and deserved it. An example of how charming a brilliant woman can be.

Mazie Hubbard won first place in said contest, and how all Howard applauded, for really Mazie is charming. Have you ever seen her angry? We wonder if anything could spoil that even temper?

Robert Dandridge. "Bob." Well here is a man consistent in all things—love included. A brilliant debater, who won much prestige for Howard. A certain success in



Anthony Pierce—Well! Where shall we begin? Maybe we had better not begin, for wherever student publications are concerned Pierce is an able and faithful worker. Congenial and friendly to all, especially at 2460 Sixth street. We predict that he will make a successful husband.

the years to come. Present president of Kappa Sigma.

George Whitted. We have always wondered how George would look in real modern clothes. He was manager of this year's basketball team. He is one of the ablest men on the Board of Athletic Control. A good sound fellow.

Gene Weathers. A scholarly, gentlemanly man. Handsome, say we, and faithful to the cause of love. We bet Gene will make good.

Norma Parks. Another honor student, and a refutation of the theory of the unmixability of beauty and brains.

Louise Black. Well, where shall we stop? For as Cicero once said, "It is easier to find a beginning than an ending." She is all that heart could wish.

To all other seniors whom we have failed to mention because of lack of space, or because we did not know them personally, we affectionately dedicate this column.—I.E.T.

GLENWOOD E. JONES

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emphasizes the 20th century conception of practical education.

In the spring of 1928 the crown of a successful college career was awarded him when he received the greatest honor in the gift of the students, the presidency of the University Student Council. In this office he has labored to co-ordinate the labyrinth of diversified college organizations, classes and activities to the end that there will develop a new and greater college spirit, forever the handmaiden of a new and greater school. Here we have a vision that dares look beyond the present to the distant horizon in the attempt to apprehend the things that are best for prosperity.

fulfilling one's duty)becomes evident.

At no other time in life will one greatly feel the need of thoroughness than when one is competing with a thorough and competent person. Therefore, if we as students of Howard University would only develop this quality while our minds are young, then we need have no fear as to our future—for the services of the thorough men and women are always in demand.

PUTTING A QUESTION UP TO HOWARD STUDENTS

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tined to form a group of their own, if they are not considered among those of the fair group. Now the group which is left is naturally a dark group who are thrown upon their own resources.

Finally the hour for pledging in to fraternities and sororities arrives and we find these fraternities and sororities seeking the brotherhood and womanhood of those persons who are of light complexion or who are light brown skinned. Very few are chosen from the third group or darker set. They are forced to go through their college caeers without being a fraternal man or sorority woman. In few cases, however, some men are chosen from this group because of their extreme extra curricula activity. Sorry to say this does not often happen in the case of sororities.

Now, the question arises as to why should these various colors split into groups so readily? Is it because they believe themselves to be better than their darker skinned brother or sister? Is it because the character of those darker people are injurious to the well-being of the university? Is it because the darker group are less intellectually inclined than the fairer group, or is it because these organizations have poisoned the minds of the individuals?

I am rather forced to believe that these various organizations are behind these groups, causing them to segregate themselves. The term "organization" here is meant the various individuals that go to make up the fraternity or sorority. The students of light complexion or brown skinned seem to be the only ones considered eligible to be pledged. I wonder what is stopping the darker element.

It might be that color is the standard of these fraternities and sororities, as "white" is the standard of the white race in the United States and over the world where he dominates. No person is largely considered unless he has this dominating color which is "white." He, therefore, seeks to avoid colored association, in order to protect the barriers of recognition and standards. But I hardly think that fraternities and sororities are founded on this basis. I don't believe that the founders of these organizations so intended it to be this way. I rather believe that they had certain fundamental qualities, characteristic of a person desirous of becoming connected with that organization—among them being character, scholarship, manhood, or womanhood.

Speaking of character, I might say that I believe every person chosen for a fraternity or sorority should possess this thing called character. Do you think they do? On the other hand, many persons are on the outside who also are of good character. Then why haven't they been considered?

Furthermore, many of this fairer group are pledged during their freshman year, and often remain in the various pledgee clubs until their junior year. The reason being, (although they are of light complexion) that no special advantage to their scholastic achievement is rendered. On the other hand many persons who do not possess this choice color have obtained considerable high averages and still have not been considered for an organization.

Still further, we might consider the quality of manhood or womanhood. A person chosen as a pledgee for these fraternities and sororities should possess this quality of manhood or womanhood. They should be willing to stand upon their own feet and think out matters themselves. They should have

the courage enough to say that, "I think this is right," or "I don't think this is right." But assuming that these chosen groups do possess this quality of manhood or womanhood, does it naturally follow that this quality is only concentrated in the students whose color is of light complexion? Does it not seem possible that there are members of the darker group at the university who do possess this quality of manhood and womanhood? Then why aren't they given a chance in certain fraternities and sororities?

You fraternity men and sorority women look about you. See if you cannot find some dark students who possess a character worthy of note. A character which no one can challenge.

Consider the scholastic achievements of those darker students of the university and see if you cannot possibly find some with good characters, who might also be engaged in extra curricula work.

Open your prejudiced hearts and see if you cannot possibly find a real man or a real woman among the darker element at the university. Men and women who have the courage to say as Abraham Lincoln said, "Let us have faith that right makes might, and in that faith, let us dare to do our duty as we understand it."

With these careful observations, can you honestly say that there is no one in this darker group who possess these outstanding qualities of character, scholarship, manhood or womanhood? If your answer is "yes," then the university has failed in its purpose. But, if your answer is "no," then I fear that fraternities and sororities have failed in their purpose. And if it be the case that there are dark students who possess the fundamental qualities of these organizations, then may I ask, "Why have they not been approached? If it is because they do not measure up to the standard, then what is the standard? The answer is obviously 'color.'"

Therefore, if you light skinned students do not consider yourselves better than your darker skinned brother or sister; if your character is no better than those of the darker group, if the darker group is not injurious to the well-being of the university, if the darker group is no less intellectually inclined than those of the fairer groups, and if the organizations have not poisoned the minds of the individuals, then change your method of selection. Make it your business to choose those persons who do possess these qualities regardless of tint of skin. But, if you must segregate, make it a segregation between those of a good character and those of a had character; of those who possess good scholarships, and those who possess bad scholarship; of those who prove themselves to be real men and women, and those who possess no manhood or womanhood at all. Through this method you will not only be selecting men and women by the real manly and womanly spirit, but you will be offering a solution to that poisonous disease, "race prejudice."

JUNIOR PROM ENJOYED BY MANY

The Junior prom in honor of the senior class was held Friday, the 26th, 8 to 12 p.m., in the University dining hall. Music was supplied for the occasion by Ike Dixon's famous orchestra.

This particular prom has outdone everything else of its kind in the past. The junior class, under the leadership of John Hull, its president, and Archie Burrell, chairman of the social committee, worked diligently to insure a wonderful time for all and succeeded remarkably well.

DAUBERS' PLAY, "BIMBO," A SUCCESS

The Daubers' Club of Howard University presented "Bimbo, The Pirate," a one-act play by Booth Tarkington, and two educational moving picture reels, "The Gorgon's Head" and "Vasantesena," April 16, in the auditorium of Howard Medical School.

Bimbo is an unusual pirate in that he allows no swearing or drunkenness on board his ship, nor does he permit women or gambling on board.

The cast of characters were as follows: Bimbo, James W. Jones; Lydia, Cornelia Reid; Robert, J. Percy Bond, Jr.; Driscoll, James D. Jones; the Gunner, Henry M. Hudson; deaf and dumb man, Martin Cotten; man with braided beard, Lawrence Edelin.

"The Gorgon's Head" was produced by the Metropolitan Museum of art. It is the story of Perseus and the slaying of the Gorgon. "Vasantesena," a story based on an incident in a tenth century Indian story was produced by the School of Fine Arts at Pratt Institute.

The play was produced under the direction of James U. Herring and James A. Porter, with the assistance of Mrs. Leona Dudley, teacher in dramatics; Miss Alma Thomas, an alumnae and public school teacher of art; and Miss Ruth Cornell, a teacher in the Vocational School.

The Daubers' Club is a new art organization comprising students who have had one quarter or more in art instruction. The presentation of "Bimbo, The Pirate," was their first class project. The purpose for which it was given was to give the students in design and illustration particularly, practical training in costuming, stage setting, and advertising.

The officers of the club are Herbert Rogers, president; Robert Holt, vice-president; Cornelia Reid, secretary; James W. Jones, treasurer; Elise Crawford, corresponding secretary; Daniel T. Reid, librarian.

TENTATIVE STUDENT COUNCIL BUDGET FOR THE SPRING QUARTER, 1929

Balance on hand end of Winter Quarter	\$ 180.61
Bills unpaid of Winter Quarter	141.91
Balance in Treasury beginning of Spring Quarter	38.70
Extra Curricula Fees, Spring Quarter	1,081.00
Total amount in Treasury for Spring Quarter	\$1,119.70
Appropriations	
The Hilltop	\$ 351.00
Receptions:	
Student Council	\$140.00
Senior Prom	140.00
Miscellaneous	50.00
Y. M. C. A.	26.00
Women's League	25.00
Office Expenses	25.00
Stylus Club	50.00
Radiola Club	15.00
Kappa Sigma:	
Fisk Debate	\$100.00
Lincoln Debate	25.00
	125.00
Mu Lambda Lambda:	
Wilberforce Debate	165.00
Emergency Fund	7.70
	\$1,119.70

Respectfully submitted,
Glenwood E. Jones.

New York will be proud of you when you return, Helen H.; that is if you don't lose your voice chatting with Jack.

Howard Instructors Receive Harvard Fellowship

Ralph Bunche, instructor in Political Science, and W. Leo Hansberry, instructor in Anthropology and Archaeology, have been granted leave of absence to pursue further study in their respective fields at Harvard University. They will leave Howard this fall.

Instructor Bunche will study under the Ozias Godwin Memorial Fellowship for graduate work in government, thus beginning work for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Instructor Bunche is a graduate of the universities of Harvard and California.

Professor Hansberry will study under the Winthrop Fellowship of the Peabody Museum in African Anthropology and Archaeology.

Professor Hansberry is a graduate of Harvard University, class of 1921. Two of his text-books will be completed during the year and will be used as text-books for courses in Anthropology and Archaeology.

Congressmen Visit Howard University

Congressmen Louis C. Cramton, of Michigan; Burton L. French, of Idaho; and Frank Murphy, of Ohio, members of the sub-committee of the House Committee on Appropriations in charge of Interior Department Appropriations, were visitors at Howard University, recently. The visitors addressed a large audience of students and faculty at the University Assembly Hour in Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel. Special music was rendered by the University Choir. President Mordecai W. Johnson presided.

Mr. Cramton spoke of the record of usefulness of Howard University, and its greater potentialities. As author of the Cramton Bill, which was embodied in legislation, adopted in the last session of Congress, authorizing appropriations to Howard University, Mr. Cramton expressed great hopefulness for future development of the institution.

He paid tribute to President Mordecai W. Johnson and expressed pleasure in the opportunity to work with such an able educator and to help bring his dreams to reality.

Dr. Johnson next introduced Mr. French, who urged students to make the most of their opportunities for self-improvement and for service to country.

Mr. Murphy spoke of the present age as presenting a great challenge to intelligence, urging students to investigate facts and think for themselves; to avoid dissipation and debauchery.

Each speaker was greeted with applause and a college yell, led by Stephen R. Stanford, of the senior class.

SENIORS ORGANIZE ALPHA SIGMA

A new society of senior students has been organized at Howard University and will be known as Alpha Sigma. It comprises ten men who have gained prominence as leaders in university activities during their four years in Howard University in athletics and in major extra curricular activities. The nine charter members are Milton Calloway, Glenwood Jones, Baxter Goodall, Chancellor Williams, Robert Dandridge, Theodus Connor, Anthony Pierce, James Tyson, Stephen Stanford.

Mildred T., since you have had the engagement ring, time has put itself on wings and flown—but, after you get its mate, time will put itself on a snail and crawl.

Howard Professor Buried From Andrew Rankin Chapel

Funeral services for Mortimer Grover Weaver, Jr., were held on Wednesday afternoon from the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel of Howard University. Burial was in Harmony Cemetery.

Mr. Weaver died at his home, 3519 Fourteenth street, northeast, April 14.

He was the salutatorian of his class at Williams College in 1925, graduating with the degree of Bachelor of arts. He made Phi Beta Kappa at Williams, and also Delta Sigma Rho, a debating fraternity with only a very few colored persons among its membership. Harvard University gave him the degree of master of arts in 1926. He taught at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical College, Greensboro, N.C., and was offered the deanship of that school, but declined it to accept a position on the faculty of Howard University.

He is survived by his parents, Mortimer G. and Mrs. Florence E. Weaver; a brother, Robert C. Weaver, and his grandparents, Robert J. and Mrs. Rachel T. Farley.

Among those attending the funeral from out of town were President and Mrs. F. D. Bluford and Prof. George Love, of A. & T. College, Greensboro, N.C., where Mr. Weaver taught for two years; his brother, Robert a senior at Howard University; and Harry T. Burleigh the celebrated composer, a relative of the deceased.

Pallbearers were Mr. Weaver's high school chums, who are now students in the professional schools of Howard University; Henry Lincoln Johnson, Jr., John West, Montague Cobb, Clinton Burke, James Walker and Lowell Wormley.

A mixed quartet of students sang Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar," and Lester Dorsey sang the solo, "I've Done My Work."

FRIENDS

By J. E. Raynor

O, he told her that he loved her,
And he vowed his love was true.
Yes, he said she was the sweetest
Little girl he ever knew.
Then he made a sweet proposal,
Asking her to be his own,
But he saw a modern flapper;

Then he left her all alone.
Ah, but friends are so deceiving;
Some will tell you to your face
That they love you as a mother,
But they leave you in disgrace.
Nearly everybody has friends,
Children have them, so do grown,
But if you can't find a true friend,
It is best to be alone.

Famous Sayings

"Tony" P.: "At, Frances, let us make up. It was your fault."
Frances: "I won't! I won't make up at all."
"Tony": "No, it wasn't yours, it was mine."
Frances (smiling): "I will, I'll make up."

Sweetheart Days

It is a lovely sight to see,
The charming Ernestine, and he ("Bob")
Strolling beneath the campus tree
Amid jagged shadows
Of mossy leafless boughs,
Loitering in the moonlight
To make her gentle vows;
And then they were married. What then?
Ask no more, but whistle over the rest.

"Slim" B., when you become a lawyer, you will have at least one redeeming feature. Your height will attract the attention of your audience.

Howard Students Attend New Jersey Conference

In a conference to consider the theme, "War's Challenge to Christianity" which convened at Brown's Mills, N.J., April 2 to 5, Howard University was represented by A. Franklin Fisher and Lee I. Phillips.

There were 200 delegates enrolled, representing different nationalities from practically every country in the world. Of this number there were only four colored, the two Howard delegates, together with Davis, of Yale, and DeWitts, from Drew Theological Seminary.

The conference was sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee of Philadelphia. The prevailing sentiment expressed and upheld at the conference was against war and in favor of international peace.

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"DRINK DEEP"

With Apologies to L. T.

Drink deep of all this beauty which the night brings like a queen with jewelled hands and feet; Drink of her boon and fleeting loveliness, Here in our veiled and quiet retreat, Drink deep while birds with softly lifted wings Hover above in restful quietness, Lest they should startle us in our embrace, Drink of the poignant mystery of things.

There shall come nights of bitterness and pain, When we shall mock this veil of moon and stars, And yearn for this sweet hour to return again, Our hands shall strike on dull unyielding bars.

Drink of this boon, before it is too late, Drink long and eagerly with bated breath, Beyond our horizon there wait The lean crouched forms of Grief and Pain and Death.

Drink deep of beauty and drink deep of love; Wait not for fairer days that are to be;

Stretch forth your hand to touch the farthest star, And dream forever of our ecstasy.

Ivan Earle Taylor.

"Bob" Mance, what is your aim in life? You can't play two women and live.

A. Gibson, it seems to be a hard matter for you to get yourself straight with your admirers. Isn't that right?

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BY CARRIE RUCKER

A GERM ESCAPES

My heart leaped to my throat. For one burning moment I stood motionless, my eyes riveted to my desk top. A solitary test tube lay flat on the dull black surface, and from its mouth a thin gleaming stream of liquid had trickled out over the edge of the desk and on the floor. That liquid bore swarms of the deadly leprosy bacilli, and there where the fluid had splashed on the floor was a wet smear. Someone had stepped on the spilled liquid and had carried with him the germs of the most horrible disease known to mankind.

What to do? God! what to do? I hurried to the laboratory assistant and pointed to my desk. "What is it?" she asked. I glanced around, fearing the presence of some student. "Leprosy," I whispered. Her eyes widened with horror. She reeled, and I held her to save her from falling. Instantly, my classmates gathered around us and demanded to know what happened. "Spread away, fellows," I cried; "one of you have upon the soles of your shoes the bacilli of leprosy."

No one moved, nor spoke. They stared at me, half fear-stricken. "It's true," I cried, and again I pointed to my desk, and to the floor.

The face of my desk-mate went white. "It's me," he gasped, and instantly the crowd shrank away from him.

"Miss Hart!" my classmates shouted. "Call Miss Hart!" And I ran to her office. Thank heaven she was there. Quickly I told what happened. Hardly had I finished than she rushed me to the scene of terror. With trembling hand I showed her the significant signs. Forgetting all thoughts of caution in her anxiety she quickly picked up a slide and smeared a drop of the liquid upon it. For ten long minutes she examined the fluid under a microscope. At last she raised her head and turned towards me.

"Idiot, come here!" she called, in words not quite soft and gentle. At her command, I peered through the eye-piece of the microscope. Nary a sign of the dreaded leprosy

bacilli could I see; instead, harmless streptococci wriggled sarcastically before my vision.

"Your carelessness is exceeded only by your stupidity," Miss Hart advised me, motherly it seemed. "Perhaps the spring heat has affected your brain." Imagine my embarrassment. Theodore H. Homer. Columbia University.

Ben's Prayer

If I for a minute left you, If I for a minute failed to feel your breath, Perhaps I would die, dear Lillian, Yes, die a natural death.

Charming Cozette W., may be gone, but not forgotten, because her name will remain to grace the portals of the class of 1929 as "Queen of the Bison."

(Sound from without): Knock, knock, knock.

Professor: "Come in!" The knocker: "O-ah, professor, will you read this notice?" The class: "Te-hee-hee!" Exit—Charles Manney.

Flora G., I wonder if your heart takes an extra three or four beats as commencement draws nigh? Several causes may be the result of the excess beats.

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D. Ferrebee, who would ever have thought that you would have fallen so hard?

"Babe" S., let me remind you that "Guff" has some dirt on you.

Ethel H., what is your life work supposed to be?

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