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ENTHUSIASTIC MEETINGS HELD

Plantation Songs Sung by Cadets In Uniform—Stories of Indian and African Life Told by a Student—Dr. Frissell on the Value of Folklore—Tribute to Negro Music.

By N. BARNETT DODSON.

Philadelphia.—The midwinter financial campaign conducted in the interest of the Hampton (Va.) Normal and Agricultural Institute, which closed in this city on Monday, March 4, was in many respects the most successful on record. Besides the two meetings held here, similar gatherings were held in New York, Brooklyn, Boston, New Haven and in Orange, N. J.

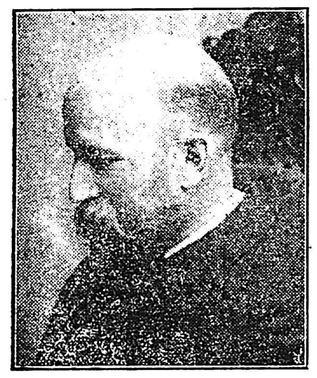
The musical and literary programs for the various meetings were rendered by the students in the party, Dr. H. B. Frissell, Major Morton and a number of influential educators and men of prominence in public life, who told of the good work and wide influence of the school and why they believed it should receive the hearty support which it is entitled to.

Among the speakers at the different meetings were Dr. Frissell, principal of the school; Major R. R. Morton, Dr. James M. Taylor of Vassar college, Dr. Booker T. Washington, Professor Henry Farnam of Yale college, Dr. James M. Ludlow, the Hon. George McAneny of New York, Mr. Frank L. Babbott, president of the Brooklyn Armstrong association, Mr. Robert C. Ogden and the Hon. Joseph H. Choate.

The plantation songs sung by thirty Hampton cadets in uniform and the stories of Indian and African life told by Wolf, one of the Indian students who are taking the blacksmith trade at Hampton, and Madikane Quandyane Cele, a Zulu graduate in wheelwrighting, were instructive as well as highly amusing.

Dr. Hollis B. Frissell, who has been the principal of Hampton institute since 1893, spoke on "Negro and Indian Folklore." He said in part:

"The children of the emancipated slaves were generally taught to forget all that reminded them of the long



DR. HOLLIS B. FRISSELL.

years of race bondage, and the more enlightened of their children are only just awaking to the fact that in forgetting those old spirituals or religious songs they are allowing a priceless inheritance to slip away from them. The Indians, although not so prone to despise that which is exclusively their own, have been inclined to guard it jealously from the scrutiny of the white man.

"So it is that many of their traditions, songs, customs and crafts have been permanently lost. The present day Indian undoubtedly owes his retentive memory, his quick ear and his fleet foot chiefly to the ancestors who memorized the long stories and the detail of the complex ceremonies and whose strenuous physical training developed suppleness and endurance. Each race of mankind has its own peculiar riches, and each must contribute something to the civilization of the world.

"The warlike Zulu tribe of South Africa has many customs and ceremonies strikingly like those of the aboriginal American. The Zulu love song, sung under similar restrictions, conveys the same message, and the war dance has not only similar steps, but the same purpose of inciting to bravery and endurance. In slavery the Negro lost entirely his love songs and his war songs. In their place grew up the labor songs, a few game and dance songs and a vast number and variety of spirituals or plantation songs.

"Of the Negro music Walter Damrosch has said: 'If proof positive of a soul in the Negro race should be demanded it can be given, for they have brought over from Africa and developed in this country, even under all the unfavorable conditions of slavery, a music so wonderful, so beautiful and yet so strange that, like the gypsy music of Hungary, it is alike the admiration and despair of educated musicians of our race. In it they pour out their joys and sorrows in a naive but wonderfully moving fashion, and, in the face of such testimony of emotional and aesthetical beauty, who dare deny them greater possibilities in the work of liberation of mind and soul which is now going on?'"

ADVANCE IN EDUCATION.

New Members of Faculty at Howard University Arouse Interest.

Washington.—It is encouraging to note the continued increase of interest in the study of modern languages at Howard university as indicated by the large enrollment in the classes, especially in German. Within three months after Dr. Schmidt took up his work in German there was a marked growth in interest and enthusiasm. This advance has been kept up through the addition to the faculty of Mr. James S. Thomas, who was elected instructor in German at the last meeting of the board. He has fully justified the high estimate placed upon him as scholar and teacher. A German club of over sixty members has been organized, where all the proceedings are carried on in German.

While the high water mark in attendance in the School of Theology reached last year has not been wholly maintained, yet the work in this important department shows progress. The accession of Dr. Pezavia O'Connell to the chair of Bible history, church history and Hebrew and Greek Scriptures brings to the work a man of unusual scholarship, vigor of thought and deep religious devotion. Besides the work in theology, Dr. O'Connell has thrown himself with deep interest into the religious work of the university, besides impressing Washington and the outlying cities and towns through his personality and vigorous religious utterances.

Alumni Association Broadens Work.

It is a truism that the larger life and influence of a real university are not in its buildings or grounds or in its faculty or student body, but in its alumni. One of the discouraging features in the past history of Howard has been in the fact that there has seemed such a slight attachment to the university on the part of the great body of its alumni. It is gratifying, however, to note a decided growth of interest on the part of the alumni. The annual meetings have greatly increased in attendance. The luncheon tendered to the alumni by the board of trustees has been of marked value and greatly appreciated.

Within the past few months there has been an advance in larger plans for the unifying of alumni sentiment and loyalty as has not been seen before in the history of the institution. A strong executive board has been formed, a well defined constitution has been prepared and adopted, a secretary has been employed for reaching the last alumnus, an official list of members is being prepared, and plans looking to a great reunion at commencement have been formulated and are being pressed on the attention of the whole alumni body.

The gymnasium project, which started out with much hope, but almost wholly declined in interest after the first $1,000 had been raised, has been taken up again with vigor. It is planned to keep up this work until the $10,000 goal is reached. There are eleven city organizations of the alumni, and others are being formed.

GREEK LETTER MEN HOLD FINE POLITICAL DEBATE.

Constant Party Support or Independence In Voting Considered.

Perhaps no organization of a literary character occupies a warmer place in the hearts of Philadelphians than the Iota Sigma (Intercollegiates') club of that city. The Intercollegiates' club was organized a little more than a year ago for the purpose of getting the colored students together, believing that such association would benefit each one and that student life would have more effect upon the community. The success of the club is largely due to the loyalty of its members and also to the encouragement which the organization has received from its immediate friends and the general public.

The club represents five colleges—namely, University of Pennsylvania, Temple university, Medico-Chirurgical college, Philadelphia Dental college and the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. Among the activities of the club are to be found a basketball team, a track team, a baseball team, a tennis team and a glee club.

The debating team met the Harrisburg (Pa.) Intercollegiates' forum debaters on March 8, subject for discussion, "Can a Citizen Better Serve His Country by Consistently Supporting One Party Than by Being an Independent Voter?" Those representing the Philadelphia Intercollegiates on the affirmative were Philip J. Jones and George C. Hayes of the University of Pennsylvania and Whittier H. Wright of Temple university. Those representing the negative were Luther L. Newman, Stewart Davis and Denny Bibbs of Dickinson college of Pennsylvania.

The debate was held at Cherry Memorial Baptist church, of which the Rev. William A. Creditt, LL. D., is pastor. Great interest was manifested throughout the city in this meeting, which was the most popular literary event thus far this season.

Hawkins Fights For People's Rights.

The colored people of Baltimore should give their moral and financial support to Lawyer Ashbie Hawkins in his fight against discrimination on the bay steamboats, says the Baltimore Afro-American Ledger. It is a fight for the rights of the people, and he ought to be sustained. It has been demonstrated that we can accomplish something if we go at it in earnest and in the right way. Lawyer Hawkins is not fighting his own battles, but the battle is for the people, and the people should sustain him.

EMINENT COLORED MEN

Who Hold High Official Posts Under Their Respective Governments.

Under the caption "A Polished Gentleman of Color" a London paper as far back as 1850 had the following interesting item: "We understand that the government has appointed a gentleman of color to the office of British consul at Liberia. This is, we believe, the first instance on record in which a gentleman of color has received a similar appointment from our government.

"On the introduction of the new British consul at the foreign office his personal appearance excited no inconsiderable interest. He is a man of superior intelligence and of highly polished exterior."

The name of this early Negro diplomat was Hanson. He was a doctor of divinity and a native of Cape Coast Castle.

He held the record of being the first Negro appointed a consul to represent a white government abroad. America followed England's example eighteen or twenty years after by sending J. Milton Turner, a simon pure Negro, as United States minister resident and consul general to the republic of Liberia.

The appointment was made by President Grant. Mr. Turner was a Missourian, a lawyer and an able orator. This information is verified by the records of the Negro Society For Historical Research, Yonkers, N. Y., of which Mr. John E. Bruce is president.

AGBEBI MAKES HIGH MARK.

West African Graduate Third In Class of Fifty-seven.

Among the successful graduates from the Birmingham university, England, recently was George Debays Agbebi of Lagos, west coast of Africa, nephew of Dr. Majola Agbebi of Lagos, who stood third in a class of fifty-seven, composed of Chinese, Japanese, East Indians, Scotch and English students.

Mr. Agbebi will take up civil engineering as a profession. He holds splendid testimonials from his professors, who speak of his accomplishments in the highest terms. Mr. Agbebi is a polished young man and made some strong friendships among his Japanese and Chinese classmates and before settling down to his profession will very probably spend some time in the orient visiting these friends.

BROOKLYN YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

Lexington Avenue Branch Needs Physical Culture Department.

The committee of management of the Lexington avenue branch of the Young Women's Christian association in Brooklyn held a special meeting recently for the purpose of considering the wisdom of adding a gymnasium to the physical work of the association. Those who are members are asking for such a feature, and there are scores of young women who have expressed their intention of joining as soon as the branch affords such opportunities for physical culture.

Mrs. A. W. Hunton, the well known clubwoman and worker for uplift among young women, presided. Among the speakers were Dr. Eliza Mosher, Mrs. Newell Dwight Hillis, wife of the noted pastor of Plymouth church, and Dr. V. Morton-Jones. A full discussion of the subject was had and the general opinion reached that the gymnasium at the present time would not only benefit the present membership, but would bring the work up to a high standard of efficiency.

Dr. Mosher's subject was "The Value of Gymnasium Work For Women." She said in part:

"As far back as 1855 or 1860 Dr. Lewis of Boston, looking ahead of his time, favored physical culture for women, but the adoption of bloomers, for which the world was not ready, set the work back." The heads under which she spoke as being benefited by gymnastic exercises were nutrition, waste, shape and symmetry of the body, self expression, intellect quickened through action, pleasure and recreation and benefits to motherhood. Among other things she said:

"Gymnastic exercise improves nutrition, destroys the old tissues and gives new life to the body. It helps to carry off the waste, and with it are carried many diseases and ailments common to the human family. It also increases muscle, thereby giving strength to the body. It quickens thought into action, and that in turn gives life and energy to the mind."

Dr. V. Morton-Jones in her brief address in part said:

"After a soldier marches all day, despite the fact that he is tired at night, he will go out to some entertainment and dance all of the evening, thus proving that his system calls for a change. It is just so with girls. They need a variation of recreation. They will work all day and seek some kind of enjoyment in the evening. This building is very much in need of a gymnasium. The house is completely taken up, but the girls need a diversion. The right kind of dancing is all right. We cannot be too averse in our criticism of this feature of enjoyment until we can substitute something better for it."

Biennial Convention of Clubwomen.

The executive committee of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs in co-operation with the president, Miss Elizabeth C. Carter of New Bedford, Mass., has begun active preparation for the next biennial convention, which will be held in Hampton, Va., in August.

The KITCHEN CABINET

I HAVE learned that success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed.
—Booker T. Washington.

MEAT DISHES.

As a variety in the preparation of meats is something the housewife is constantly aiming for, the following will be new to many:

Smothered Beef.—Cut a pound of lean beef in dice, season with a teaspoonful of salt, an eighth of a teaspoon of sugar and dredge with a tablespoon of flour. Cover closely and cook at least an hour. Some meat will require more time to be tender. At serving time pour off the gravy that will have gathered; add an equal bulk of water and thicken with a tablespoonful of flour rubbed to a paste in cold water. This is also excellent with the addition of vegetables.

Cannelon of Beef.—Mix together a pound of uncooked beef chopped fine, the yolk of an egg, a tablespoonful of chopped parsley, two tablespoonfuls of bread crumbs, a teaspoonful of salt, a few dashes of pepper, the juice of half an onion, and a teaspoon of lemon juice. Form into a roll six inches long and bake thirty minutes. Baste every five minutes with butter melted in a cup of boiling water. Serve with tomato sauce poured around it.

Paprika Schnitzel.—Cut two pounds of thick veal steak into small pieces, roll in seasoned flour and fry brown in fat from several slices of salt pork. Remove the meat from the pan and add two tablespoonfuls of flour to the remaining fat; brown lightly and pour in gradually the strained liquor from a can of tomatoes. Add a slice each of onion and carrot, a bayleaf and a bit of mace, then return the meat to the sauce. Cover closely and simmer three-fourths of an hour. When done remove the meat, season the sauce with salt and paprika and strain on a platter.

Chicken With Macaroni.—Free cold chicken from skin and bone, cut in inch bits and simmer till very tender. Cook macaroni or spaghetti to make an equal bulk, mix with cooked chicken, adding any gravy that has been left over. If not moist enough, add a little cream or milk. Cover with buttered bread crumbs and bake until hot and well browned.

CANDIES.

A most delicious fruit candy that will keep for weeks is called

Turkish Sweets.—Take a pound each of dates, figs and walnut meats and put through the meat chopper. Mix well with powdered sugar and a little lemon juice enough to make a paste. Roll out and cut in any desired form or pack in glasses and cover with paraffin paper. This makes a delectable filling for sandwiches or it may be used dipped in fondant or chocolate for choice bon-bons.

Butter Scotch.—Boil together a cup of sugar, a fourth of a cup of molasses, a tablespoonful of vinegar, two tablespoonfuls of water and a half cup of butter until brittle when tried in water. Turn into buttered pans to cool and when partly cooled mark off in squares.

Chocolate Caramels.—Put two and a half tablespoonfuls of butter into a kettle and when melted add two cups of molasses, a cup of sugar and a third of a cup of milk. Stir until the sugar is dissolved and when the boiling point is reached add three squares of chocolate, stirring constantly until the chocolate is melted. Boil until when tried in cold water a firm ball is formed. Add a teaspoonful of vanilla just as it is taken from the fire.

Wintergreen and peppermint wafers may be made by flavoring and coloring fondant and melting it over hot water so it may be dropped in small teaspoonfuls on waxed paper.

Chicago Nuggets.—Boil together until the soft ball stage a cup of brown and a cup of white sugar and a half cup of water, stir in a half teaspoon of soda, a teaspoon of vanilla and pour over the well beaten white of an egg. Beat until it holds its shape when dropped on a buttered sheet, add a half cup of nut meats and drop by teaspoonfuls on a buttered sheet.

Nellie Maxwell.

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