

READJUSTMENTS AT HOWARD TO MEET NEW REQUIREMENTS

New York (CNS) At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees of Howard University held here at Prince George Hotel, Fifth Avenue and 28th street, Monday several important personnel changes were made in the administrative offices of the University, including the abolishment of the position of assistant to the president; discontinuing the office of university architect; the printing office; and the book store. The offices of the secretary-treasurer were separated and Dr. E. J. Scott, the only secretary-treasurer the university ever had, was appointed secretary and Mr. Virginius Johnson, present director of the budget at the university, treasurer, effective January 1, 1933.

Dr. Abraham Flexner, chairman of the Board and the following trustees were in attendance at the session: Mordecai Johnson, Louise C. Ball, George W. Crawford, Rolfe Cobleigh, John R. Hawkins, Walter G. Crump, Victor B. Deyster, Albert Bushnell Hart, C. H. Pope, Sara W. Brown, Thomas Jesse Jones, Jesse E. Moorland, Peter M. Murray, Marcus F. Wheatland, Charles H. Garvin and Channing H. Tobias. The executive committee of the Board was in session from 8 to 10 a. m. and the full board from 10 a. m. to 4:35 p. m.

After dinner at the hotel at 5 p. m. Dr. Flexner gave out the following statement:

"The Board of Trustees of Howard University, at its meeting on October 25, 1932, adopted new By-Laws to provide a simpler and more efficient administrative machinery for the University. The principal results of the new setup are to redistribute official functions more in accordance with best academic practice; to place official duties where they logically belong; to reduce administrative expenses by the careful avoidance of duplicated functions; to free the administrative staff from a mass of administrative detail which heretofore has taken time which could be better devoted to the larger problems of the University; to centralize in one office the business functions and affairs of the University.

"The Board then appointed a Committee to consider an report upon the necessary re-adjustment to meet the new requirements. This Committee reported at the meeting held today, and after full consideration of its various recommendations, the Board made the following personnel changes:

Dr. Emmett J. Scott was appointed to be Secretary of the Board of Trustees and Secretary of the University, effective January 1, 1933. On and after that date the following duties are specifically assigned to the office of the Secretary, in addition to such others as the Board may hereafter appoint: All secretarial duties of the Board of Trustees; all secretarial duties of the Executive Committee; official keeper of the records and archives of the University; in charge of Publicity; maintenance of a bureau of official information of the University; all arrangements for reception and entertainment of visitors and guests of the University; arrangements for meetings of the Board; arrangements for Commencement exercises; in charge of promotional activities, especially the development of a supporting constituency outside from Congressional aid, and assisting and co-operating with the several Schools and Divisions in their student campaigns; publication of the University catalogue, and the bulletins of the several Schools and Departments, and other official documents.

"These duties, of course, like those of all other officers, will be undertaken in co-operation with an under the supervision of the President of the University. Dr. Scott accepted the appointment to the new position.

"Inasmuch as the bureau of official information of the University has been assigned to the office of the Secretary, Mr. Emory B. Smith, as Director of Public Information, has been transferred to the office of the Secretary, and will be under the direction and supervision of that officer. This transfer is also effective as of January 1, 1933.

"Mr. Virginius D. Johnson, who is at present serving the University as Director of Budget, has been appointed Treasurer of the University, effective January 1, 1933. A survey of the Treasurer's office for the purpose of internal re-organization consequent upon the centralization of all of the business of the University therein, is now being made by Mr. Thaddeus Hungate, Financial Director of Teachers College of Columbia University, who has been loaned to Howard University for this service. There will be no internal changes in this office until the survey by Mr. Hungate has been concluded.

"The position of Assistant to the President of the University has been abolished. Mr. Hill who is now temporarily filling this position has been transferred to the School of Religion.

"At the October meeting, the Board ordered that the construction of the three remaining buildings for which appropriations have been made be proceeded with at once. Upon completion of these buildings, the Board will in the future relate architects' services to building projects as and when appropriations for the same are made, and will treat each such project as a separate financial entity. Under this policy and in the face of a large growing deficit, the Board voted to discontinue the architect's office at the close of the fiscal year in June, 1933. The annual budget for this department on its present basis is approximately \$25,000. The action of the Board in respect to this office is not based on personal considerations. On the contrary, it is the disposition of the Board, other things being equal, to give the present University Architect the preference in the employment of architectural services for future buildings.

"The same necessity for retrenchment compelled the Board at its October meeting to discontinue the Printing Office at the close of this fiscal year; and to discontinue and liquidate the Book Store immediately.

"Hereafter the whole roster of appointments to administrative and teaching positions in the University for the succeeding year will be presented to the full Board of Trustees at its annual meeting in April. The only exception to this rule will be appointments to vacancies occurring subsequent to that meeting, and to offices created thereat, and also to vacancies for which suitable candidates have not been found by that date. Those exceptional cases will be left to the action by the Executive Committee of the Board as heretofore. This action does not affect employees other than administrative and teaching offices."

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but also to teach society how it can best cooperate by no trianing the youth as to avoid the many entanglements that the youth of today now encounter.

In developing this ability the participants must be congratulated for their willingness to study and master technique, language and expression (while others were playing or loafing) and thus preparing themselves for an opportunity, such as they recently enjoyed, winning laurels for themselves and the institution.

And, no doubt, the University of Michigan professors who gave of their time, for months, in coming to Jackson, teaching and training the boys in the art of voluble expression, must feel highly complimented in the wonderful demonstration given by their prison-students, and the professors must rejoice with the administration, that their experiment in this form of education has proved entirely justifiable.

RADIO Stage AND Screen

"HOLLYWOOD BLACK-OUTS"
(by BOB STUART)

Well here goes—HOT off the grid-dle—what the boys and girls in Hollywood are doing and why—Let's start off by wishing Edward G. Robinson and Karen Morely a Happy Birthday—they probably need it—All of the girls are anxiously waiting to see the gowns that (M.G.M) Adrian has designed for Helen Hayes—Looks like Davey (Sonny Boy) Lee will make a comeback—Good luck Davey—Warner Bros. are going to Star Bette Davis in "Ex-Lady"—Oh yes—Have you tried the latest for reducing—if it keeps up we will soon see Kate Smith playing the part of a midget—Try it—Just drink yourself a lot of pomegranate juice and see what happens—Billie Burke opening in "The Marquise" for a return engagement—Lon Chaney fans are flocking to see the short "The Good Old Days" in which the beloved Lon appears—Palm Springs taking on the appearance of Bermuda with so many of the Stars taking up bicycle riding—Maurice Chevalier returned to Hollywood last night—he starts work on "The Way to Love" for Paramount shortly—Big film turnout for the U S C—N D football game last Saturday—Among those present whom I happened to see—Norman Foster and the missus Claudette Colbert—Eleanor (Olympic Games) Holm—Ginger Rogers—Tom Mix without Tony—Did you know that—Jack Oakie—Al an Hale—James (tuf-guy) Cagney—Pat O'Brien and several others once disported themselves as gentlemen of the chorus on Broadway—They are going to glorify the one and only Garbo—Plan to start shooting Feb. 1—Title I hope—"Greta the Great" seen and heard at the Mayfair—Dick Boswell and Mary Brian—Joan Crawford tossing a natal day party for the one and only—Doug Jr.—cake and all the fixin's—Norma Shearer—Clark Gable—and others helping them celebrate—Wera Engels—German sensation—looking the boys and girls over Mrs. Skeet Gallagher and thirty guests—Looks like Jesse Lasky will star Leslie Howard in "Berkeley Square"—scheduled to be his fourth release for Fox—Guy Kibbee has decided that he no longer cares to be a Big Butter and Egg man—wants to do quieter parts—hobos—detectives and such—but maybe Jack Warner and Darryl Zanuck his production boss will think differently—Dorothy Wilson RKO's ex-steno seems to be getting the same kind of a build up that made Joan Crawford a Star—Katherine Hepburn is going to do an Amelia Earhart—her next part is to be that of an aviatrix in "A Great Desire"—Believe it or not—one of the extras in Paramount's—"King of the Jungle" is named Tow Sawyer—Shades of Mark Twain—One of the Greatest sights in Hollywood each year is Santa Claus Lane—the rest of the year it is known as Hollywood Blvd—the film capitals main drag—the stars on each electric light stand each year it is better—portraits of ard—Santa Claus himself in the flesh—leading a big parade each night—thousands of different colored lights festooned across the street—trucks equipped with big fans throwing movie snow on the parade—quite a sight my lads and lassies—quite a sight—Autograph hounds have found a new place to hunt—hardly a day goes by but what some star appears at one of the Los Angeles courts—if it keeps up they will have to transfer court trials to one of the studio sets and sell tickets—Zasu Pitts re-cuperating after a very serious operation—Warner Brothers used tele-scopic lenses on 14 cameras to shoot the USC-ND game—Recent poll of theatre owners shows Wallace Beery as greatest male draw—Universal is sure a stickler for authenticity—During the filming of "Private Jones"—the scene of which is laid during 1918 Lee Tracey had a scene in which he had to throw a half dollar—Studio experts finally found one that was coined in 1918—Another one of Broadways hits—"Clear All Wires"—is to be filmed by MGM—The new board of Directors of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for 1932-33 will hold its first regular business meeting tonight—Ralph Farnum is organizing a Calif. Polar Bear Club—idea is to go swimming all winter at Malibu, hoo—Be sure and see Brian Foys new picture—"I am a Fugitive from a Chain Store" plenty laffs—El Brendel believes that people who live in glass houses should not throw parties—Mary Pickford has a new idea—and a good one—all

members of her household have agreed to exchange Xmas gifts. They are going to take the money and buy things for the needy—and they say that Hollywood has no heart—Shar-lyne is making a bit hit in Frisco—playing in the Stage success—"Brief Moment"—Bill Cocke jr.—present holder of the worlds glider record is building miniature sets at Paramount—Ole Man Flu has been having quite a time around the studios—David Manners is his latest victim—Here is your chance—These are some of the things the boys and girls out here would like Santa to bring them—Marlene Dietrich wants a nice Island off the coast of Calif—Cary Grant wants 40 or 50 mystery novels Richard Arlen—Twenty-four hours sleep—Stu Erwin wants a shell proof sense of humor—and poor little Sylvia Sidney wants a home without a telephone.

TEACHERS OF COURSES IN RURAL SOCIOLOGY AND RURAL LIFE

Washington, (CNS) The United States Department of Agriculture through the Bureau of Agricultural Economics Farm Population and Rural Life has recently published a directory of teachers giving courses in rural sociology and rural life together with their schools and places of location.

Among the several hundred listed are to be found the following:

Alabama: S. A. Haley, A. and M. Institute, Normal; E. A. Grant and Jessie Parkhurst, Tuskegee Institute, District of Columbia; Thomas L. Brown, Miner Teachers College, Washington; Henderson H. Donald, Howard University, Washington, and Howard W. Thurman, Howard University School of Religion, Washington.

Georgia: Charles Bullock, Spellman College, Atlanta; V. A. Edwards, Morehouse College, Atlanta; and J. A. Green, Clark University, Atlanta.

Kentucky: M. B. Lanier, Simmons University, Louisville; and E. M. Norris, Kentucky State Industrial College, Frankfort.

Maryland: Miles W. Connor, Coppin Normal School, Baltimore.

Mississippi: A. A. Latting, Jackson College, Jackson; and J. C. McLaughlin, Alcorn A. and M. College, Alcorn.

North Carolina: F. L. Atkins; Winston-Salem Teachers College, Winston-Salem; G. Victor Cools, St. Augustine's College, Raleigh; C. E. Dean A. & T. College, Greensboro; Streetor, Olive D., Bennett College for Women, Greensboro; and H. F. Wilson, Brick Junior College, Brick, N. C.

Pennsylvania: Robert M. Labaree, Lincoln University, Lincoln.

South Carolina: G. E. Nelson and Josephine Robinson, Benedict College, Columbia.

Tennessee: Norman Frost, Peabody College, Nashville; and G. A. Yates, Tennessee Wesleyan College, Athens.

Texas: C. H. Butler, Guadalupe College, Seguin; M. C. Butler, Bishop College, Marshall; and V. E. Daniel Willey—Colege, Marshall; W. R. Harrison, Prairie View State College, Prairie View and William H. Jones, Tillotson College, Austin.

Virginia: F. Bouldin, Bishop Payne Divinity School, Petersburg; Gordon B. Hancock, Virginia Union University, Richmond, Jenkins, F. Raymond McLaughlin, Union Theological Seminary, Hampton Inst., Hampton; H. W. Inary, Richmond and James T. Young Virginia State College for Negroes, Petersburg.

West Virginia: Preston C. Johnson, Bluefield State Teachers College, Bluefield.



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PRISONS AND PRISONERS
by Clifford C. Mitchell

A group of Jackson prisoners recently brought much credit to Jackson Prison and their efforts have been published as news in quite a few daily papers, as well as our own School News. We refer, specifically to the debaters who recently won a two to one decision over a group of Detroit debaters in the auditorium at the New Prison.

What is written here, therefore, is not news but an analysis of the facts that made the debater's feat news. Jackson prisoners have achieved signal success in literary efforts; musical accomplishments; general entertaining ability; arts; as inventors; prize gardeners; agriculturists; mechanics and as experts in a variety of vocations, and now as debaters.

These achievements have all come about from the same cause and that is a policy of educating and encouraging the prisoners to exert every effort towards developing any latent talent that they might possess. And under such a system it is but a natural result that out of several thousand prisoners many individuals will forge themselves to the front displaying an ability equal to, if not actually surpassing, that possessed by others and from all walks of life.

Debater! That's a new one! Who ever heard of a prison debating team contesting with a debating team from the free world? Baseball games, football games, basketball games and many other kinds of athletic sports—yes, but never a debating outfit before.

But there is no reason why prisoners shouldn't develop themselves into wonderful debaters for in all prisons are to be found many prisoners with a magnificent voluble ability. The only trouble has been in using that ability in the wrong channel.

Many prisoners have found themselves in prison simply because they possessed the ability to sell the city hall to some stranger; a masonic temple to some investor; a Brooklyn bridge to a speculator; and "gilt-edge" bonds to bankers.

We do not insinuate that any members of the Jackson debating team ever possessed such uncanny voluble ability—we merely mention that many prisoners in many prisons have possessed such ability. Imagine what such ability could do once it is harnessed up with the right kind of useful energy?

Such ability, once the mind has been such ability not only to teach other thinking, will carry its possessor far, for the world today is in need of men who can not only think clearly but who can express themselves clearly to others.

Prisoners need missionaries with such ability not only to teach other prisoners the road they should travel

Greetings from
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LATVIAN CONSUL IN PITTSBURGH GATHERS RACE RELATIONS DATA

Pittsburgh, Dec.—John Joseph Gorrell, Vice Consul of Latvia, in Pittsburgh, has been supplied with data on race relations by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People to whom he applied for information. Mr. Gorrell expressed deep interest in the "very important and great work" of the NAACP, and stated that he wished the information for use in articles which he writes for magazines and newspapers.

Mr. Gorrell besides being supplied with publications by the NAACP, has been put in contact with Homer Brown, President of the Pittsburgh branch and with Robert L. Vann, editor of the Pittsburgh Courier.