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**BOOKER T. WASHINGTON**

Great Negro Educator Will Lecture Here Monday Night.

Booker T. Washington lectured Monday, Oct. 21 in Normal Hall at 8 p.m. There is no admission fee. Mr. Washington was to have lectured Monday morning last, but had to postpone the engagement. He spoke in Ann Arbor this week under the auspices of the Oratorical Association and was entertained at a dinner at the Michigan Union Club house following his address, at which Dr. Angell and President Hutchins were present.

Born a slave on a Virginia plantation, just prior to the Civil War, in the midst of the most discouraging surroundings, and hedged about by seemingly insurmountable difficulties. Booker T. Washington has risen to his present eminent position as the leader of his race and one of the foremost men of the country, by the sheer force of hard work and a dominant personality.

A career, marked at its inception by struggles to obtain an education while got busy. Undaunted by the heavy suffrage. In the height of the most discouraging times of depression following the great war, and always requiring the utmost of faith and dogged determination, presents obstacles before which the average man stands appalled.

As a boy Booker T. Washington, having gained the elements of his education in such odd moments as he could spare, in 1872 contrived to make his way to the Institute at Hampton, Virginia. Here he made such a record that he was appointed to take charge of the new school for negroes at Tuskegee, Alabama, in 1881. The Tuskegee Institute has since become famous for the principle which it has maintained—that of combing a knowledge of useful trades with book learning in the education of the colored race. Early in life, he acquired a reputation as a brilliant speaker, his address at the Atlantic Exposition in 1885 on the negro problem, creating a sensation. In the following year, he was presented with the honorary degree of Master of Arts by Harvard University.

Booker T. Washington's creed may be summed up in his own words: "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."

**BOTANISTS GO MOSS HUNTING**

The class in Evolution of Seedless Plants, Miss Goddard, instructor, journeyed to Lakeeland Friday afternoon, and there took boat for the seven-mile trip to Portage Lake. The afternoon was spent in gathering water plants. The party were the guests of Professor Lathams at his cottage overnight, and greatly enjoyed spending the evening before the open fire place, while the storytellers and wit not busy. Undaunted by the heavy rainfall of the evening, the class was out early the next morning to gather slime molds, mushrooms, mosses and others of the ill-appearing plants so despised by the crowd but dearest to the hearts of botanists. A call was made at the cottage of Professor Wheeler before the return Saturday afternoon. An amusing feature of the trip was the wild novelty which the party met, thanks to their equipment of collecting bags and the like. A couple of girls on the interurban were overheard debating the question as to whom they were, finally concluding that the party must be an advance detachment of the Boston Symphony orchestra.

**KNITTED SWEATER JACKETS at Zwerger's**

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**WOMEN ADOPT PLATFORM**

Also Hear Report of Jane Adams' Lecture at Ann Arbor

At the second meeting of the Equal Suffrage League held in Starkweather hall, Oct. 11, it was decided to change the name of the organization to the M. S. N. C. Suffrage League. After the business meeting was over, Miss Bertha Buell gave a very interesting report of Jane Adams' lecture at Ann Arbor.

The following platform was afterwards adopted by the league:

"We the undersigned members of the S. N. C., believing that true democracy demands that women assume part of the responsibility of government, hereby agree:

1. To inform ourselves as to the nature of good government and civic politics, that we may secure seats and
2. As an efficient aid to the above to make a study of local civic needs wherever we may be located.
3. To learn as far as possible the need for and the value of universal suffrage.
4. To represent whenever the occasion permits, to arguments against it, and to refuse to join in jests on the subject.
5. To endeavor to cooperate with any individuals or organizations working for Equal Suffrage here or elsewhere.

We are studying hard and conscientiously to become intelligent voters and are finding the study more and more interesting.

Just as we have mastered mathematical demonstrations and scientific problems after applying ourselves to them, we expect to pass in our new study which appeals to us particularly because it deals with the concrete problems of every day life.

Our interest is not in party or office but in human welfare."

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**DATES FOR CONTESTS**

Schedule Arranged for Intercollegiate and Peace Contests

The newly-elected Oratorial Board met Tuesday evening in room 51 to arrange dates for the contests and preliminaries this year. There are two sets of the preliminaries, one leading to the choice of a man and a woman orator to represent the college at the intercollegiate contest at Adrian March 7th, and the other leading to similar choices for the Peace contest held here March 21st. A student may enter the first contest with a peace platform, and then he loses, may take the same oration into the Peace contest.

The Peace contest is held under the auspices of the Michigan Peace Oratorical Association, with six colleges represented, Hillsdale, Olivet, M. A. C., Albion, M. S. N. C. and Michigan. The man getting first place is awarded a prize of seventy-five dollars, with fifty dollars for second place. We are fortunate in securing this annual contest on our own campus this year.

As adopted by the Board, the men's and women's oratorial preliminaries will be held the week of December 10-13; the final contest will occur January 17, with the final contest set for January 31.

Every Normal student, be he junior or senior, is eligible to these contests. They furnish a most interesting as well as practical experience, and the chances are especially good this year for any one with a willingness to work a little to get into the preliminaries at least. The thing to do is to talk over the matter with Professor McKay at once, and begin thinking about a subject.
GOV. OSBORN PLEDGES AID
State Executive Now Ready to Recommend Appropriation for Normal.
Governor Osborn, in his visit to the college last week, took occasion to say that he would work as hard for the needs of the college as two years ago he did against them. He did not oppose the requests of the college at that time because he thought they were unworthy, but rather because the state was deeply in debt. This debt has been paid off, and there is now $1,000,000 on the credit side. The governor promised to incorporate any recommendations for appropriations that President McKenny might make, in his report to the legislature. He himself suggested the need of a new auditorium and an extension to the library, as well as an appropriation to put the buildings into better shape.

DO YOU KNOW THEM?
Senior Wellmaster Willard will be on hand at Saturday's game to cork the enthusiasm of the roosters in his usual effective manner. He announced that the following will be called for, in addition to the siren and locomotive. We reprint the yells and the Field Song for the benefit of the Juniors. The Seniors all know them.

FACTOR BELongs to the Students
Hareen searoom! Who are we? Ypsilanti! M. N. C! Ypsilanti! Normal Ypsi! Rah! Boom! Hip Zoo! rah zo! Quis qui! quis qui! M. S. N. C! triumph! feo! Peninsular! Michigan-Wolverine! Alligators! gazal! gareen! Normal College! The white! the green! Peninsular! Michigan! Wolverines! Rickety rax! go ax! go ax! Giv'em the ax, the ax, the ax! Go more! Go more! Normals! Hareen alive! FIELDS SONG
When our gallant Normals warriors, march to meet the foe,
Confident of victory we'll cheer them on with might.
Green and white is flying, see our colors gay,
For we are going to win the day.
CHORUS
Go you Normals we're for you Just as long as skies are blue.
Go on to victory, Dear M. N. C.
Rah Rah Rah! Show them we are always there With a team that always dare
To fight with all their might for Dear old M. N. C.
Normal yells help conquer, Normal spirit wins the day
Raid for dear old Ypsi and we'll have things all our way;
When the whistle's sounded and the game is over,
We'll have the big end of the score.

PUTTING ON THE LID AT ALBION
Here's consolation for our friends who feel the burden of the new social order in Ypsi:
"Social functions will not be carried on a promiscuous fashion at Albion this year. Believing that local students indulge in too many gastronomic affairs and social "get-togethers" the faculty has adopted a plan that they expect will greatly reduce society gatherings. The custom has long been in vogue here for any organization to go to the president and request a date for a social whenever they think there was a desire for such. Of course the soft-hearted proxy could not refuse the request and would almost invariably grant it. But the old order changeh. No more special grants will be given but in place of these a schedule for each term will be made out. Every organization desiring social functions will have to present the dates to the faculty and they will fix the chart to their own satisfaction. All society affairs, outside of the regular weekly gatherings, that are desired before the Christmas vacation will have to be submitted to the faculty by October 15 and any fraternity failing to do so will be left out.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, OCT 18

College Calendar
Saturday, Oct. 19.—Football with Flint Deaf-Mutes, 2:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 21.—Rucker T. Washington Normal Hall, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 22.—Parliamentary practice class, room 201, 4:45 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 23.—Barrege Ensemble in Normal Hall, 8 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 25.—Dr. Vaughn in Normal Hall
Saturday, Oct. 26.—Football with Cleary College.

"What Makes a Life Significant?"
It is a common idea among students that philosophy is a mysterious study, wherein black is found to be white and most well-established notions are turned inside out,—a study fit for supermen. Consequently students pass up philosophy from a feeling that it is too "deep," and read "life" instead.

As a matter of fact, we all of us do some philosophizing at some time or other in our lives. We meet sorrows in's and then that make us question their use. We feel that what life really means, what the end of it all is, why human nature is such a queer mixture of animal and god. Philosophy is simply our answers to these eternal questions.

We each of us have a philosophy of our own. We all have an answer to these questions, whether we can express it in a formula or not. Optimism or pessimism, idealist or materialist, religious or agnostic,—we all must be. There is no neutral ground; we stand on one side or another, and be true to our faith—or lack of faith—in the invisible side of life.

In this way we mix up philosophy and its products. We feel certain that philosophy would have a different reputation could every student approach it through the picture-making pages of William James. We are writing this editorial to direct your attention to what we feel to be the sanest and bravest bit of philosophy we have met with. It is found in James's "Talks to Teachers" and is headed, "What Makes a Life Significant?"

He begins by describing a week spent at the famous Chautauqua Assembly. Here he found a community best on satisfying the higher aspirations of men.—Man is made, inspiring literature, healthful athletics, congenial company. There were no diseases, no poverty, no drunkenness, no crime; no police. It was a state of Utopia.

Yet he was astonished to find himself breathing a sigh of relief on coming back into the dark and wrecked world again. He pondered over this paradox until he recognized that what Chautauqua lacked was the element of struggle, of danger, of conflict between right and wrong. And this he thought is just the direction in which the whole world is tending,—moving toward an unpreventable anxiety and dullness.

Through these thoughts in mind, Mr. James was riding toward Buffalo when he happened to see a workman doing something on the dizzy edge of a new skyscraper. It flashed in upon him that here was heroism that he had overlooked. No longer must we look for heights of human daring on the battlefield, but rather in cattle-yards and mines, on lumber trains and freight trains. He says, "It began to seem as if virtue with bony hands and dirty skin were the only virtue genuine and vital enough to take account of. Every other virtue poses not in absolutely unconscious and simple, and inexplicable of decoration or recognition, like this."

Mr. James develops this line, of thought by quoting from Tolstoi and Stevenson, and then goes on to raise the question, "If it is histrionic to recognize the heroic only when it is seen labelled and dressed-up in books, is it not really just as histrionic to see it only in the direct sweaty and dirty shirt of some one in the fields? Is it not with us really under every disguise?" He compares Tolstoi's denunciation of the material lover with the facts of the laborer's life. He shows that his life is not itself worthy of our admiration; that it has to be illuminated with ideals before it rises above mere animal effort. But he is also careful to show that neither is the mere possession of ideals enough. There must be a fusion of the two; there must be ideals plus the fighting virtue—splendid phrase—to carry them into effect.

How many times we say, "That fellow has the stuff!" merely because we have heard him confess his aspirations. James' philosophy teaches us the folly of counting a man significant on such a showing. Not until he back up his culture and refinement by the sternest stuff of manly virtue, can we count his life completely significant. We more educated people are prone to count the ideal aspirations alone,—to idolize good intentions. Hence our heroes are often starchy, half- articulate, soft. The college man can never become the leader out in the world of action that he should be until he revises his philosophy to include the fighting virtue as well as the ideal aspiration.

Anyway, it's a great essay, and we take pleasure in recommending it to those of our friends who have not already read it. You can pin your faith on James.

L. G. H.

It takes loyalty expressed in actual cash to maintain a high grade college paper such as the News aspires to be. Is your loyalty of that sort?
George Blackford, '12 called on Ypsilanti friends during the week end.

Miss Avis Green spent the week end at her home in Corunna.

Mrs. Burton will entertain Friday afternoon a group of girls at tea.

The latest figures on the enrollment are 1,445, about the same as last year.

Mrs. Lin of Britton was the guest of her niece, Gladys Andress, this week end.

Miss Ethel Taylor, of the training school office, spent the week-end in Detroit.

The Treble Clef sorority will give an informal party at the gym Friday evening.

Miss Lena B. Heine, '12, of Pincher, visited friends here Friday and Saturday.

Angela Matteson of Calumet spent Sunday with his sister, Miss Jessie Matteson.

Saturday evening at the gym the Phi Kappa Sigma girls will give an informal party.

Miss Anne Adams, supervisor of kindergartens, spent the week-end in Rochester with friends.

The Delta Phi sorority was entertained at the home of Mrs. F. Gorton Friday evening.

The class in General Zoology made a raid on the ponds at the waterwork s Friday afternoon.

The colored students of the Normal will be entertained Saturday afternoon by Mrs. Burton.

The Freshman class of the Household Arts department is receiving lectures on the history of textiles.

Miss Lillian Treadwell, B. Pd., '12, who is teaching in the Highland Park high school, spent the weekend here.

The Ferris Institute students organized this week with C. A. North telling Downing of the English department appears at the Methodist church Wednes day, Oct. 23, under the auspices of the Ewport League. Stock of Kansas will appear as the second number November 2oth.

The girls’ party given at the “gym” last Saturday evening was such a decided success that Mrs. Burton has planned to give similar parties every other Saturday night. Mrs. Burton and Miss Loomis chaperoned.

New students may be interested in learning that all absences from class are reported to the General Office the same day. This is done partly to discover cases of illness in time to render expert aid through the college nurse. Mrs. Ella McCleary of Gregory has entered college. A daughter is like wise enrolled, while two others are in the high school and the training school, with a son in the kindergartens.

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C. S. WORTLEY CO. STORE FOR MEN
A newspaper rack has been added to the library, with the following newspapers placed therein: Boston Evening Transcript, Chicago Record-Herald, New York Times, New York Tribune, Grand Rapids Evening Press, Springfield Republican, and Ypsilanti Daily Press.

Senior assembly reveals the fact that the class of 1913 has materially increased in numbers since last year. At Junior lectures last year the class was comfortably seated in the rows of seats below the raised tiers, but this year it takes nearly all the seats in the hall.

The need of a college nurse has been fully demonstrated in the opinion of those competent to judge. Even during this bracing fall weather, the nurse has averaged three calls a day, besides assisting in the physical examinations at the training school two hours every day.

All students who expect to finish their courses this quarter with assistance from the appointment committee in getting located, are requested to call at the training school office and fill out memorandum blanks for the use of the committee. This should be done next week.

The Webster Club has elected Wesley Beadle vice-president in place of Clinton Rice, who is not active this quarter, and William Van Tilre representative on the Ortoral Board in place of John Lusignan, resigned because of having been re-elected the Board’s state representative.

Miss Adana and Miss Schwab spoke Saturday and Sunday on the A. S. Ross fruit farm near Rochester, Miss. They report a most enjoyable time picking apples and pears, ripe strawberries. Three quarts of luscious berries were picked for supper on Saturday. How is that for the 12th of October?

The 8th grade has charge of the chapel exercises this morning at the training school. Professor Lathes will read selections from some of James Whitcomb Riley’s children poems and the grade will sing a chorus. These exercises are held at 8:30 weekly and all students are very welcome at any of them.

Have you tried sending the News home to your folks? They will enjoy reading of your college life.

Upcoming events:
- Invitations are out for the 28th of October.
- The News hopes to print its report in part, at least, in its next issue.
- The Western Journal of Education for October reviews a book by a former Normal instructor, Mary Mary Nechem, now at Kalamazoo. The book is entitled “Novel Festivals.”

The News wants its major pages new and intimate—a place for getting acquainted with one another. You can help us by dropping items in the box at the intersection of the corridors in the main building, first floor.