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## MOTHERS AND GUARDIANS TO VISIT BOWIE

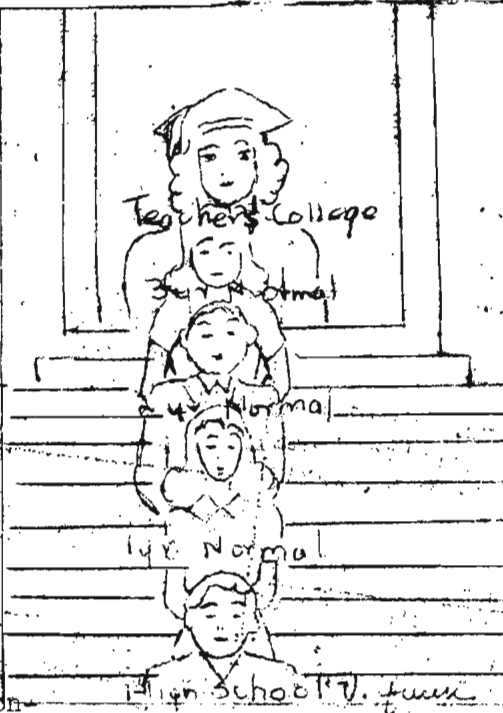
The week-end of May 16-18 has been set aside as Mothers' Week-end at our College in connection with the Annual May Day and Founders' Day activities.

All mothers and guardians of our students have been extended invitations through mail to come spend the week-end as our guests.

On Sunday, May 18, a special program has been arranged at which time music will be furnished by our Glee Club and a discussion will be held on the theme, "The Relationship that Should Exist Between the Home and the School." This program will follow the family dinner at the noon hour where mothers and students will dine together.

Following the program, the mothers, friends, and students will attend an informal reception on the campus lawn.

The committee selected from the House Committees of the men and women's residences consists of Miss B. O. Hill, social and residence director; Mr. H. Gordon Bennett, chairman; Misses Constance Hill, Helen Butler and Miss Piccola Brooks.



ALUMNI TRACE GROWTH OF BOWIE FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO TEACHERS COLLEGE ON FOUNDERS DAY, MAY SEVENTEENTH.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- May 15 - Formal Concert by Music Department
- May 16 - Formal Recital by Poetry Club
- May 17 - Founders Day Program: May Festival; Drama by BATS
- May 18 - Program dedicated to Mothers of students of the college.

Welcome to Bowie, Mothers

## BOWIE OBSERVES FOUNDERS DAY

Founders day exercises at State Teachers College, Bowie, Maryland, will be held Saturday, May 17, beginning at 1:30 p.m. Representatives for each successive step in the growth of the school will each give a three minute talk on "Life at the School When I Attended." Those representing each graduating class are: for high school, Mr. George Crawford; one year normal, Miss Mary Mack; three year normal, Miss Eleanor Miles, four year teachers college, Miss Agnes Queen.

The guest speaker for that day will be Mr. Ralph Waters '27, supervisor of St. Mary's County Schools.

Class songs for each class represented will be sung by students.

There will also be an exhibition of pictures of the school, records, etc. depicting its growth.

## Viola Queen WPA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA IN FINAL CONCERT

The WPA Symphony Orchestra gave its final performance on May 8, in celebration of American Music Week. Our glee club ably supplemented this program.

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A W A K E N I N G

Joyce Hudson

And so it's here again--that balmy, herbaceous, love-inspiring, thought provoking, awe-inspiring, and dazzling season called spring. SPRING! Shout it to the house-tops!--proclaim it to the very hills! SPRING is with us again.

Even now we envision the gentle touch with which the "Painter of Natural Pictures" guides "His" brush and transforms shadow into a harmonious fantasy of tints and pastels. Even now the breezes which caress us have been touched

with the welcome warmth of "Old Sol's" strongest rays.

March was kind. She swept with her strongest winds; washed with her heaviest rains; purified with her heaviest snows; all in joyous anticipation of the "Great Artist".

Enough for the beauties of spring. They are inevitable. Let us think about ourselves. Have we done any real sweeping? any real washing? any real purifying? Have we mercifully, for ourselves, obliterated all of those mean and little thoughts which we have been harboring? Have we made an unbiased check of ourselves so as to determine what is right, or what is wrong with our relationships with others? If not, then "Nature" is ahead of us.--- And, unfortunately, we are not ready for spring.

Fauna and flora are awakening. Are we to sleep on,---or shall we too make necessary preparation and awake with them? Let us all awake to the beauty of spring, each of us radiant, thoughtful, and throbbing with energy to attack and master all that comes before us. Awake to spring--with spring. That is "Nature's challenge."

DEMOCRACY IS SOMETHING DEEPER THAN LIBERTY IT IS RESPONSIBILITY".

Edna M. Prout

In a democracy like ours where we do breathe the God given air of freedom, where we do enjoy the comforts and pleasures of homes that are our own; where we can, to some degree, determine the type of education we want to give our children; where, in other words, we are treated like human beings made in God's image and likeness, we do have a great responsibility. Nations of Europe have had to bow to the despot. Men of great intelligence, men of great accomplishments have been imprisoned, have had the results of their life-long toil stripped from them, have been beaten like animals.

Cities have been devastated, institutions, both material and moral have been torn down and cast aside. The new culture that is arising from this great chaotic condition is of a very warped nature, or so it appears in the eyes of the conservative. The crazy patterns, the warped lines and curves of the modernistic painter seem to be the European pattern. They seem to see much beauty in ruin and

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THE P.T.A. ACCEPTS THE CHALLENGE OF NATIONAL DEFENSE  
 Jeannetta Chase

Only a few times in our American History have the people of the U. S. of America been called upon to face a more serious task, as is now confronting them. Every civic, religious, or welfare organization has joined in, or is now conscious of the emergency at hand. Standing out in this army of defenders is the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers.

The spirit of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers toward National Defense is exhibited in their theme chosen for the National Convention to be held in Institute, West Virginia, July 28 to 30, 1941, "The Place of the Parent-Teacher Association in the Total Defense Program."

What is the place of the P.T.A. in the total defense program? To begin with, the future of any nation is dependent upon the type of guidance given the children who are inevitably future leaders. The parents and teachers of our Nation are sparing no effort to develop the physical, mental, and spiritual child; the whole child.

In the home the parents set up moral ideals and guiding principles commensurate with "our way of living", some of which are accepted voluntarily by the child, others formally taught. In the school the teacher instills these same standards in the hearts and minds of her pupils. The cooperation of parents and teachers strengthens the barrier that is in the process of being established against the possible invasion of unorthodox, unscrupulous war mongers of the European countries.

Certainly good health is an important support in the barrier of defense; for a healthy body produces a healthy mind. The parents and teachers have set up definite objectives for maintaining the health of the Nation's children and youths. Health programs are being fostered in the home, school, and community. Parents and teachers are spending much time planning and serving wholesome meals to their children and improving the general physical surroundings of their homes and communities. Periodic conferences conducted by competent specialists in health education are available to all of the 60,000 membership. The information received at these meetings has made the people more health conscious. Their responses to Negro Health Week; the P.T.A., Summer Round-Up, and other health movements give a favorable impression to us of the fine spirit of cooperation shown by the members of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers.

The call to arms has been issued by our national executive officers. The responses from membership units are 100% strong.

The P.T.A. has caught the spirit of National Defense. Let us march on, march on to Total Defense.

MOTHER: - "Billy, what did you learn in Sunday School today?"

BILLY: - "I learned that in order to get to heaven you have to learn to fly".

DEMOCRACY IS RESPONSIBILITY  
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 destruction.

The idea of democracy comes with the Birth of Christ. The fulfillment of the accomplishment of that idea came with His Crucifixion. Our hope of salvation came with His Resurrection. But His Resurrection gave to us also a great responsibility. By His Crucifixion he purchased for us a chance of Heaven. He placed on us, too, the responsibility of using that chance. Our lives here are filled with many responsibilities; as members of our race we must live our lives, and in a way that they bring honor to the race; as citizens of our state we must be the very best citizens, as teachers, as doctors, as housewives, as husbands and wives, we must be our very best.

The collapse of a democracy comes when the constituents of that democracy collapse; when the internal workings have become rotten or moth-eaten. The collapse of a home comes when the members of that home are forced away from it by death or some other force or when the worms of treachery or despair gnaw into shreds the ties that bind its members together. A well established home never collapses. The departed loved ones are absent physically, but spiritually they are still present and their presence is made felt through our every day activities. Think of the awful responsibility we have of making ourselves worthy of their trust. We have the big responsibility of loving our neighbor as ourselves, imposed upon us by God Himself.

NO VICTORY WITHOUT LABOR

CHAPEL NEWS

The students got a very vivid picture of the contributions made by ancient civilizations to our present civilization through a pageant presented by the freshman class in chapel on April 18. Those responsible for its success were Miss Josephine Brown assisted by a committee of students, Mrs. Mary W. Law, and members of the freshman class.

The Debating Club, which has been recently organized, was responsible for the debate presented in chapel on April 25. The topic debated was Resolved: That the countries of the Western Hemisphere should form a permanent union". Those participating were Constance Hill, Mary Privott, Catherine Quander, Rosie Warren, Ralph Malone, Theresa Hall, and Anne Shockly.

To acquaint the students with the purposes of some of the extra-curricular activities and to arouse more interest in the same was the purpose of the assembly program on May 2. Through skits the students were familiarized with the manner in which various meetings are conducted. Miss Elnora Davis and a committee of students were responsible for the program.

Mrs. Dorothy I. Miller, head of the Home Economics Department of public schools in Washington, D. C., addressed the student-body on May 9. In keeping with our theme for the year, she stated that our motor, as well as mental abilities, should be developed.

Education Serves

V E S P E R S

On Sunday, March 2, Rev. George Nelson, pastor of A.M.E. Zion Church, Bowie Maryland, was our guest speaker. Reverend Nelson spoke concerning the cooperation that should exist between the church, the school, and the community.

Our guest speaker on Sunday, March 9, was Mr. Robert Gray, principal of the Fairmont Heights Elementary School. Mr. Gray spoke on the duties of an elementary school principal; namely, organization duties, administration duties, supervisory duties and social duties. The following items were named by Mr. Gray as some necessities in principalship:

- a - business minded
- b - punctual
- c - frank
- d - community minded
- e - suggestible
- f - know when to do what
- g - know duties, wants, and needs of school
- h - kind - but firm
- i - loyal to officials
- j - hard worker

On Sunday, March 16, Mr. George Crawford, Principal of Robert Moton High School, Westminster, Maryland, was our guest speaker. Mr. Crawford spoke on forgetfulness. He suggested that we forget the following:

- a - wrong doings done to us by others
- b - kindnesses done by us to others
- c - scandal heard about other people
- d - quarrels with individuals
- e - worries and distresses of yesterday
- f - some pleasant things that happened in our

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lives. On Sunday, March 30, Dr. Wilder P. Montgomery, staff physician of the Tuberculosis Department at Freedman's Hospital, was our guest speaker. Dr. Montgomery gave a very informative and interesting talk on the causes, prevention, and cure of T.B. He also answered questions coming from the audience.

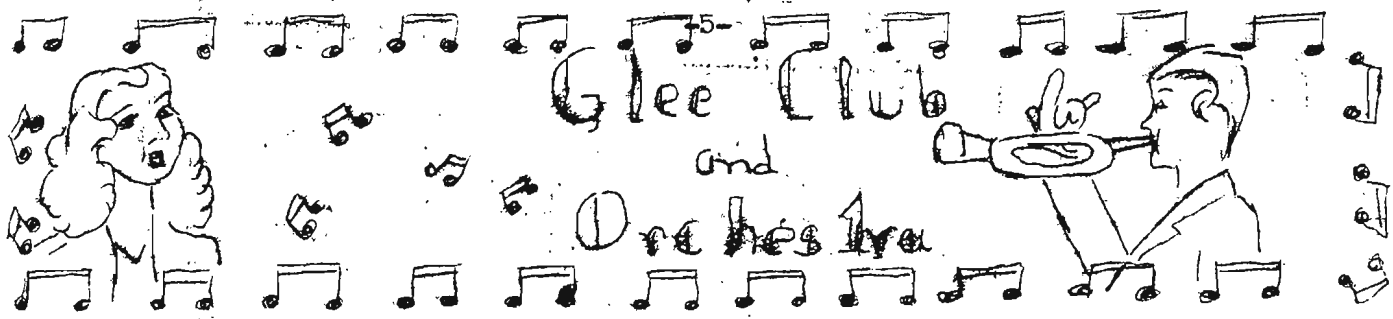
On Sunday, April 6, our vesper program consisted of a splendid Easter pageant given by the members of the freshman and sophomore classes. The pageant was entitled "Shadows of the Cross of Today and Yesterday".

It was on Sunday, April 20, that our vesper program was centered around the speech of Mrs. Strickland and the remarks of Miss Harmon and Mrs. Wally of Kent County, all of whom are Bowie alumni. The audience greatly appreciated their speeches as was evidenced by their loud applause. After the alumni left, reports from the Eastern States Conference were given by Harry Hill, Pennington Mason, Florence Thomas, and Novene Holt.

The second group of conference reports were given on Sunday, April 27, by Mildred Adams, Joyce Hudson, and Benton Adams. The major part of the vesper program was centered around the speeches of two freshman young ladies: Sarah Holley and Novene Holt. These speeches which were enjoyed so much by the audience were outgrowths of the English unit in speech organization.

Richard Brown

The Christian is the highest type of man: Young



### APPEAL, MARYLAND

Our Glee Club re-presented Bowie in a recital at Appeal, Maryland on April 6. The performance which was given in a movie theatre near Appeal, was well attended and received.

### WESTMINSTER, MARYLAND

The Glee Club and Orchestra were presented in a formal recital at the Opera House in Westminster, Maryland recently. They sang and played to a crowded house and were amply paid for their efforts by the hearty applause of the audience.

The students were entertained after the recital at a nearby hall where they danced and were served refreshments.

### LANHAM, MARYLAND

Always willing to serve here at home as well as abroad, the Glee Club answered the invitation of Reverend Nelson, pastor of Bowie, and travelled to nearby Lanham on April 27, where they rendered several selections.

MUSIC, ONCE ADMITTED TO THE SOUL, BECOMES A SORT OF SPIRIT, AND NEVER DIES. IT WONDERS PERTURBEDLY THROUGH THE HALLS AND GALLERIES OF THE MEMORY, AND IS OFTEN HEARD AGAIN.

### GLEE CLUB SPRING CALENDAR

Whee! trips, trips, and more trips for the Glee Club. They will have sung themselves hoarse by the time they have filled all these engagements:

- April 4-Cockeysville, Md.
- " 6-Appeal, Md.
- " 16-White Eastern Star Meeting at Bowie State College
- " 21-Westminster, Md.
- " 26-Arlington, Va.
- May 2-Bel Air, Md.
- " 25-Chestertown
- " 15-Recital-Glee Club and Orchestra
- " 18-Broadcast-Washington, D.C.

### EASTERN STAR RECITAL

On April 16, the Bowie Glee Club and Orchestra were presented in a recital here in our auditorium for the Eastern Star Association. Mrs. Pruitt, wife of our school physician, was sponsor.

Many of Bowie's outstanding white citizens made up the audience. Through letters of praise and personal approval, the Glee Club and Orchestra learned that they had performed creditably.

We are pleased to note that Constance Hill proved to be a capable soloist when she consented to substitute for Joyce Hudson who was suffering from hoarseness.

### BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

On March 28, the Glee Club and Orchestra were presented in their second formal recital in Baltimore.

### BEL AIR, MARYLAND

According to Mrs. L. S. James, who accompanied the Glee Club to Bel Air, Maryland, May 2, the Glee Club sang better than she has ever heard them sing before. Always open to criticism, whether good or bad, the members of the Glee Club, I'm sure, welcomed this favorable comment.

Everett Pattigrew added even greater credit to our institution when he so beautifully played a violin solo, "Cavatina".

Miss Hemmerda Gwynn, who is a member of our Glee Club, read two of her original poems.

### ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

Through the city of Washington and over the beautiful Potomac River journeyed the Glee Club and Orchestra, this time to render their Annual Recital in Arlington, Va. on April 26. Although the audience was small, those who were present were appreciative.

MUSIC RESEMBLES POETRY; IN EACH ARE NUMEROUS GRACES WHICH NO METHODS TEACH, AND WHICH A MASTER HAND ALONE CAN REACH.

BOWIE SENDS DELEGATES TO  
REGIONAL STUDENT CONFERENCE  
William S. Gray

State Teachers College at Bowie was among the five colleges who sent delegates to the fourth Regional Student Conference held at Coppin Teachers College, Baltimore, Maryland on Saturday, May 10, 1941. Those delegates to represent Bowie were Lois Hall, Rachel Ennels, Agnes Queen, Anna Shockly, H. Gordon Bennett, William Gray and Miss Elnora Davis, our faculty advisor.

We are proud to say that Mr. Bennett was chairman of one panel and Miss Davis was consultant of that same panel. Miss Davis received great applause when introduced as the daughter of Brig. General B. O. Davis.

The delegates wish to thank all who made it possible for them to attend this conference.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON P. 11  
Josephine Showell

1. James Garfield
2. Moses
3. Jefferson died July 4, 1826; John Adams died July 4, 1865; James Monroe died July 4, 1831
4. Rat
5. Since salt absorbs heat when it is mixed with ice, the additional heat causes the ice to melt.
6. Sea horse, saw horse, charley horse, etc.
7. (a) Metal helmet;  
(b) Brown derby,  
(c) Three cornered hat.
8. (a) London; (b) Rome  
(c) Washington
9. Level, gag, pip, mum, dud.
10. Your knee would hurt. The patella is the kneecap.
11. Under a chestnut tree.
12. There are no bricks if it is a cement wall.

BOWIE STUDENTS ATTEND  
E. S. T. A.  
Marita Carroll

Novene Holt, Pennington Mason, Florence Thomas, Benton Adams, Edith Claggett, Harry Hill, Mildred Adams, Marita Carroll, Joyce Hudson, Catherine Parker, and H. Gordon Bennett accompanied by Miss Edna Prout, Miss C. Bronte Robinson, President and Mrs. E. S. James, Mr. Gardie Brown, and Mr. William Stanford, represented the college at the annual session of the Eastern States Teachers' Association. The session, which proved most beneficial, was held from April 3 to April 5, inclusive at the Hotel Commodore, New York.

The various panels which had been planned were attended by the delegates who seemed to have been impressed by the business like manner in which they were conducted and the valuable information which was received.

Not only did we attend conferences, but we were able to get a taste of what New York has to offer along cultural and recreational lines. We were able to visit the Radio City Music Hall; others were able to visit points of interest in the city.

I'm quite sure that I voice the sentiments of the delegation in saying that a delightful trip was had by all.

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13. Water at 130 degrees would be ice.

MISS ELLIOTT RETURNS

Miss Ida Elliott, formerly matron here, has returned as assistant in the library.

CLUB ACTIVITIES  
Evelyn E. Brown

The Debating Club on Friday, April 25, presented its first debate to the student body. The topic was: Resolved: "That the Nations of the Western Hemisphere Should Form A Permanent Union for Defense".

The teams were as follows:  
AFFIRMATIVE                      NEGATIVE  
1. A. Shockly                      1. C. Quander  
2. Theresa Hall                      2. R. Warren  
3. Ralph Malone                      3. Mary Privott

This debate was won by the affirmative side.

The Handicraft club is planning a fashion show to be held in the near future.

The "SATIS" are preparing to present their play, "Youth Goes On The Air", for the second time. The first performance was very well given and it was enjoyed by all.

SURPRISE BIRTHDAY PARTY  
Mildred Adams

The greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved, loved for ourselves, or rather loved in spite of ourselves -  
Victor Hugo

"I wonder why Miss Davis wanted me to go to the recreation hall to play the piano", said Miss Hill as she was surrounded with yells of "Happy birthday" on March 16.

This surprise birthday party was given by the Women's Senate, with the aid of Mrs. Moore, our dietitian. Miss Hill was really surprised and expressed her appreciation for the ladies' thinking of her. She was presented with a box of candy by Joyce Hudson.

# Annual May Festival

## BOWIE TO HOLD ITS ANNUAL MAY FESTIVAL

State Teachers College will hold its third annual May festival on May 17. The May Day of this year is somewhat different from those in previous years. The entire festival is a project of the junior class in advanced folk dancing (Physical Education 307). It has been planned, organized, and staged by students of the junior class. It is the first time in the history of the institution that a class has carried on such a project.

Many of the dances to be used are original dances conceived and taught by members of the group.

The May Day activities will include the crowning of the queen, selections from the school's orchestra, folk dances, interpretations, instrumental solos, and a vocal duet.

Both students of the college and pupils of the demonstration school will participate in the activities.

The dances to be used are:

- (1) Mary Had A Little Lamb (Original) instructed by Helen Butler; (2) Over The Heather, Everett Pettigrew, instructor;
- (3) Virginia Reel - William Gray and R. Brown instructors; (4) Varsoriene
- (5) Pease Porridge Hot, Victoria Jenkins, instructor; (6) Dixie (original) Richard Brown, instructor;
- (7) May Frolic (original) E. Somerville, instructor;
- (8) Drifting and Dreaming Lillian Jones, instructor; and many others.

The dances marked  
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CATHRYN PARKER ELECTED  
"MISS BOWIE"

The student body of State Teachers College, on Friday, May 2, elected Cathryn Parker as "Queen of the May Festival" to be held on Saturday, May 17.

Miss Parker is a member of the senior class; one qualification necessary for her selection. Other qualifications were scholarship, personality, poise, fellowship, appearance and cooperative spirit.

Miss Parker's attendants are, Celesta Sherard, Florence Milburn, Murteen McGowan, Elenora Brandon, Ada Jennings, Jeannette Clarke, Evelyn Brown, Agnes Queen.

William Gray

(original) are those dances conceived by the student who is instructing it and which the class felt should be used for the May Festival.

Wm Gray

LIE IS THE CHILDHOOD OF OUR IMMORTALITY.

- GOETHE

## JUNIORS USE ORIGINAL DANCES IN MAY FESTIVAL

As an outgrowth of their physical education class all juniors were permitted to write and teach an original folk dance. Of these dances, eight were selected to be used in our May Festival. The persons whose dances have been selected are Helen Butler, Richard Brown, Elaine Jefferson, Catherine Dorsey, Elizabeth Somerville, Lillian Jones, Everett Pettigrew and Alice Pitchford.

William Gray

## DR. W. C. HANDY WORKED FOR SUCCESS

"No excellence without great labor", said Dr. W. C. Handy as he left with us a brief history of his life on March 29.

Dr. Handy is not only a composer of blues but a publisher as well, and an arranger of Negro Spiritual. He related that he had never had foot in a college until he taught in one; the art song writing with him is simply a natural gift rather than the result of studied growth. All of his compositions, thanks to fate, have been successful.

Among his own compositions he has no favorite, but he tells us that he devotes much of his time to the blues because it is the blues which the public likes.

Life for him hasn't always been a path of ease. He had to work hard for success. In the early years of his career, Dr. Handy told us he had to struggle. - Rosie Warren

FRESHMEN NEWS

Novene Holt

The Freshman Class is busy now rehearsing for the oopretta to be given in June. The chief roles are played by Doris Jones, Cedric Hynson, Pennington Mason, and Lavinia Clanton.

Piccola Brooks wanted to know if, before a couple was married in India, they had to hold a cow's tail, and not be married before the cow moos.

Mr. Stanford asked who had Gray's Manual (a book). Someone wanted to know what kind of specimen that was.

The Freshman Class has been represented at two conferences this year. The Eastern States Conference by Novene Holt and Pennington Mason, and the Fourth Regional Conference at Coppin by Lois Hall, president of the class.

DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL NEWS

Mary E. Mack

The faculty and students of the Demonstration School are busy this spring. Two operas are being rehearsed daily and plans are being made for health week.

The P.T.A. held its regular meeting, Wednesday, March 26, at 8 p.m. Many parents were present. The monthly business was handled and plans were made for the special meeting Wednesday, March 27.

BONE AND SKIN, TWO MILLERS

THIN,

WOULD STARVE US ALL, OR

NEAR IT;

BUT BE IT KNOWN TO SKIN AND

BONE

THAT FLESH AND BLOOD CAN'T

BEAR IT.

-EPIGRAM ON TWO MONOPOLIST

JUNIOR CLASS NEWS

William Wilson

The junior class is about to begin another eight weeks of practice teaching. It's members who have become devoted to the smaller children have been assigned the upper grades; likewise the members who have had the upper grades have been assigned the lower grades. There is one characteristic of the junior class which is going to make them get along in life, and that is the ability to adjust and adapt themselves to any given situation within a short span of time with ease and grace. Since our members are so graceful in their adjustments we are expecting everything to go along just as smoothly as it has been going in the past.

THE JUNIOR CLASS GOES DOWN

SWINGING

John White

"Play ball" was the signal that started the most exciting soft-ball game of the year between the juniors and the sophomores. "And you're out" were white's everlasting words throughout the game. After seven innings of hard hitting and fast swinging, the sounding of the eleven o'clock bell brought the game to an end with the sophomore's third victory over the juniors with a score of 13-12. Officials of the game were John White, umpire, and Cedric Hynson, score keeper.

BE WISE WITH SPEED;  
A FOOL AT FORTY IS A FOOL  
INDEED. - Satire!!!

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

Joyce Hudson

The seniors are glad to be "in" from practice teaching. I think they really enjoyed the work, but we were somewhat worried over the class play. It's all over now "until the real thing comes along and we all are looking forward to September.

Miss C. H. decided very emphatically in class some time ago that we must eat plenty of fresh healthful foods "in order to be strengthly". She beats N.J.H. of the same class for coining words.

The speakers for Commencement are Agnes Queen, Marita Carroll, and Melvin Doweary. The chairman is "yours truly".

The senior girls had a "super-melo-gorgeous" time with Mrs. James on Monday, April 12, at Mrs. James' home. Games, refreshments, and an impromptu program made the evening more than interesting.

Animals hibernate in winter. One senior hominid, to prove that she was different, hibernated in Dormitory B over the week-end of May 9-11 and actually without eating.

The seniors take this opportunity of expressing their gratitude for all that our tireless and energetic faculty members have done during our four years sojourn here to help us along the way. Three cheers for you--for "dear old" Bowie, and for its future success.

The "EYE" extends deepest sympathy to Anna Staten whose mother passed on, May 15.

THE SADDEST THING UNDER THE SKY IS A SOUL INCAPABLE OF SADNESS. -Countess de Gasparin



## Brevities

William S. Gray

Laura Brooks is the first member of the freshman class to introduce one of our vesper speakers this year.

Some students having parents and relatives visit them Sunday, May 4, were C. Dorsey, H. Reid, R. Scott, L. Clanton, and W. Gray.

John F. White was a speaker at the New Farmers of America Convention held at Worcester High School, Snow Hill, Maryland, during Easter.

Constance Hill and Ralph Malone were recently the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pindell in Philadelphia.

Viola Crowner and Celesta Bishop, freshmen, have withdrawn from the school.

Sarah Holly and Novene Holt, freshmen, spoke at vespers on Sunday, April 27.

Ralph Malone has secured employment with the Wissahickon Boys Club of Germantown, effective July first.

Mildred Adams has been selling tags for National Youth Week, April 27-May 4.

Leopold Smith has taken the physical examination required by the Selective Service Board.

Allison Claggett has been inducted into the United States Army, effective May 12, according to his local board. It has been deferred until July 1.

EVERY NOBLE ACTIVITY MAKES ROOM FOR ITSELF -

Emerson

## Faculty News

Gordon Bennett

President and Mrs. James motored to Columbus, Ohio to attend a N.E.A. Radio Conference, May 5-8, in their new 1941 Chrysler.

Miss Edna M. Prout was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Pindell in Germantown, Pennsylvania, May 4. Miss Prout has also visited the Robert Moton Library in Westminster to bring 600 books to our library given by Miss Anna Graves.

Miss Jeannetta Chase is cruising around in her new Plymouth.

Miss C. Bronte Robinson is busily preparing her Glee Club and Orchestra for a series of recitals including a broadcast over Station WINX Sunday, May 18, at 9:30 p.m. Miss Robinson also has a freshman-sophomore operetta, "The Mikado", under way for presentation here at the college.

Mrs. Mary Law and Mr. William Stanford participated in a survey for evaluating the high school at Denton, Maryland. Mr. Hunter and Mr. Spencer surveyed the high school at Upper Marlboro, Maryland.

Mr. William Stanford represented our President at Coppin Vespers, Sunday evening, May 4.

Mrs. Pauline Moore visited her home in Newark, New Jersey to be with her son "Jimmy" during a tonsilectomy, the week-end of May 4.

"IN THE DAY OF PROSPERITY BE JOYFUL,  
BUT IN THE DAY OF ADVERSITY, CONSIDER".

Old Testament



# POETRY



## WHY CHICKENS LAY EGGS

Mr. Brown, our farmer,  
Who's known from all around  
Was met by old Ezekiel  
On his way to town.

"Well," said old Ezekiel,  
"Are your chickens laying?"  
"Yes," said Mr. Brown,  
"My chickens sure are pay-  
ing".

Then said old Ezekiel,  
"My chickens I could choke;  
I've bought so much laying  
mash  
That I'm quite broke".

"I had the self same  
trouble  
Until I got quite smart-  
A sign I placed in the  
henhouse.  
Then the eggs did start"

"What did the sign say,  
That a chicken could detect  
"Some eggs or your neck".

Piccola Brooks

## COURAGE

Hemmerda Gwynn

Out of the hope that lingers  
near me,  
True as the light of a new  
born day.  
I know that life is ever my  
chance  
To show mankind there is a  
faith.

Since hope and faith are  
only few,  
I know there is some other  
way  
To guide and help the falter-  
ing steps.  
That proud men see in utter  
scorn.

And in this way I have the  
truth,  
I have the comfort of my  
friends.

## TO MY BEST FRIEND

From you I get consolation  
And words to cheer me when  
I am sad,  
And yet I don't know how to  
thank you  
For all those kind things  
which seem to make me  
glad.

I often think of you as a  
big sister  
Who advises me when I am  
wrong;  
Then I think of you as a  
mother  
Who will trod that road no  
matter how long.

When you are gone, I am  
almost lost without you;  
I seem to be alone in  
despair

With no one here to cheer  
me  
And make those visions of  
"happiness so clear.

I shall always look upon  
you as my best friend.  
As one who always keeps a  
smile,  
And lets nothing in the  
least worry you  
It's really wise for me to  
adopt such a policy for  
a while.

Martha C. Thomas

Despite the frowns of all  
around,  
I have the courage to go  
onward.

My fears are cast aside to-  
day,  
And ever shall be, if Christ  
reigns  
Within this world of pride  
and fear,  
Over me and all mankind.

Turn into a dark coat of  
blue  
When evening comes.

## MY ROOMMATE'S ABSENCE

(Dedicated to Miss Corinne  
Dorsey)

There is silence in this  
room.  
There are no smiles and  
laughter gay.  
There is only faint memories'  
bliss,  
That speaks your absence  
on a night like this.

Only your clock ticks and  
motionless steps  
That are away fill my ears.  
Only a dim shadow and then  
a cloud  
Hides you from me because  
you're gone.

But here another day,  
must come, and then,  
The deserted spring will  
return again,  
And with it the birds their  
cheery notes of joy,  
For you are the spring  
that will be here.

No blessings quite so great  
have I,  
No truer, kinder, dearer  
friend  
Than you, who in blissful  
days will be  
The happy, cheerful friend  
who rooms with me.

Hemmerda Gwynn

## WHEN EVENING COMES

Velma Ward

I watch the golden sun  
Go down behind the tall  
pine trees  
And far beyond the western  
seas.

I watch the golden designs  
Appear across the cloudless  
sky,  
Above the world so high.

I watch the pale blue

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

QUESTIONS

1. What president of the United States was a banal boy and later a general with the Civil War?
2. Who broke the ten commandments all at once?
3. Name two of the three U.S. presidents who died on July 4th?
4. Name one mammal that is able to fly?
5. What causes salt to melt ice?
6. Name three kind of horses that neither eat hay nor race?
7. What type of hat would the following men wear: (a) Sir Galahad; (b) Al Smith; (c) George Washington?
8. Through what capitals do the following rivers flow: (a) Thames; (b) Tiber; (c) Potomac?
9. Give two words that are spelled the same backwards and forwards.
10. If you fell on your patella, where would you hurt?
11. Under what tree did the village blacksmith stand?
12. How many bricks in a cement wall?
13. Will an iron ball fall faster through water heated to 130 degrees or water at 30 degrees Fahrenheit?

Answers on page 6

COMMENCEMENT WEEK ACTIVITIES

June 8 to June 14, '41

Sunday, June 8, 2:30 p.m. -  
Baccalaureate Sermon  
Rev. Alexander P. Shaw,  
D.D. Resident Bishop  
Central Jurisdiction,  
The Methodist Church  
Baltimore Area

Monday, June 9, 8:00 p.m. -  
Operetta - "The Honey  
Pirates"  
Demonstration School,  
Primary Grades

Tuesday, June 10, 8:00 p.m.  
Operetta - "Rip Van  
Winkle"  
Demonstration School,  
Upper Grades

Wednesday, June 11, 8:00 p.m.  
Light Opera - "The  
Mikado"  
The College Department

Thursday, June 12, 8:00 p.m.  
Senior Class Drama  
"Grand Old Darling"

Friday, June 13, 8:00 p.m.  
Alumni Reception and  
Dance

Saturday, June 14, 3:00 p.m.  
Commencement Exercises  
Mr. Thomas C. Ferguson,  
State Supervisor of  
Physical Education and  
Recreation, Baltimore,  
Maryland

F L A S H

Just before the College Eye went to press, the curtain rose Thursday, May 15, on the dedication of the music department to an evening with "Euterpe". Such highlights as "Il Bacio" by L'Arditi, played by the string trio which is composed of Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Glover, and Mr. Stanford; To a Wild Rose" by E. McDowell, played by a string quartet which included Elaine Jefferson, Elsie Bell; Everett Pettigrew and John McClain, were featured. The Men's Chorus rendered "Blind Ploughman" by Clarke and the Freshman Octette sang "Pale Moon". Special credit should be given Mr. Pettigrew for his beautifully played violin solo, "Cavatina" by Rossini. A vocal solo, "Clouds" was skillfully rendered by Joyce Hudson and "How Like A Rose" by W. C. Handy was the offering of Pennington Mason. The program, having been opened by the orchestra, was brought to a climax with two selections by our band.

Judging from the hearty applause of the audience and from the many compliments received, the program was well appreciated.

Anna Shockly

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DID YOU KNOW THAT?



THE EYE SEES ALL KNOWS NOTHING

1. M. A. (Sr.) and D. M. (Jr.) love to sit alone with only the radio to make it a crowd?
2. L. S. (Jr.) has been stepping out lately, I. S. (Jr.)?
3. M. M. (Soph.) and D. B. (Fr.) have been walking out together? W. F. (Soph.) saw it all.
4. Competitive forces are working between J. B. (Fr.) and C. H. (Fr.)? M. T. (Soph.) is involved.
5. J. M. (Soph.) and C. D. (Jr.) have been seen together lately? Where is C. M. Q.?
6. U. S. (Jr.) still has the art of blind-folding M. J. (Jr.) even while she is looking?

Easy Solutions

If you should get thirsty at night, lift the mattress and you find a spring.

If you want to go driving, there are nails and a hammer in the office.

Would you be afraid to go hunting lions with a club?

That would depend on the number of members in the club.

Fr.: I always get hungry at night after going to bed, What should I do?

Jr.: Take a roll over.

He must not laugh at his own wheeze: A snuff box has no right to sneeze.

Preston

We have a joke that hands us a pat on the back while it kicks the other fellow down stairs - C. L. Edson.

DURING THE HOLIDAYS - THE "EYE" SAW:

J. M. (Soph.) making a call at a home in Baltimore. However, she wasn't home.

W. W. (Jr.) on South Bentz Street.

W. B. (Sr.) on Fairmount Avenue.

H. H. (Jr.) near Third and New York Ave.,

Washington, D. C.

E. G. (Jr.) riding in a 1937 chevrolet.

M. J. (Jr.) at a dance on Sunday.

L. G. (Soph.) in Baltimore County.

P. M. and C. H. (Fr.) beautifying the campus.

C. M. Q. (Fr.) at the home of C. S. (Fr.)

B. J. (Jr.) and E. S. (Jr.) taking a rest

in Mt. Vernon Square.

STUDENT - "Miss Jones, was Washington an honest man?"

TEACHER - "Why, of course".

STUDENT - "Well, why do they close the banks on his birthday?"

NO MONKEY BUSINESS

Don't forget, Florence, we want a new griller. Don't you know what a griller is?

Course I do; It's a big hairy monkey, and if you want one of those things in the kitchen, I am leaving.