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Commencement Address Of The Hon. Tasker G. Lowndes, President Of Md. Education Board

(We feel that Mr. Lowndes' address was so significant, so thought-provoking and full of challenge that we are publishing it in two installments. In addition to the many who heard it and expressed a desire to have a copy, those of our readers who missed our Commencement are hereby privileged to read it.)

I subscribe to the pragmatic philosophy which emphasizes the importance of the functioning of a theory in actual practice. This philosophy holds that whatever exists makes a difference, and that the importance of anything or of any action is measured by the extent that it is of consequence in bringing about a change in practice or in persons. I do not wish for one moment to be misunderstood; this philosophy in no way does violence to an abiding faith in the power of the spirit and the emotions; on the contrary, "it maketh them to live." I believe that our gracious Creator placed us on this earth for a specific purpose, and He has given us the power and potentialities to accomplish that purpose. That purpose, in my opinion, is for man to progress in so far as possible along the road from barbarism to a cultured civilization in which the ideal of the "brotherhood of men and the fatherhood of God" is accepted in all its implications, and demonstrated by the intelligent action of rational human beings who have realized their intellectual, social, and religious potentialities.

Among those powers and potentialities that have been bestowed upon us is that characteristic common to no other mammal, nor to any other living thing—"the fish of the sea, . . . the fowl of the air, . . . the cattle, . . . and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth"—that is, the power of rationalization, the power to think logically and cogently. This is a power

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ANNE SHOCKLEY



BOWIE SCORES AGAIN IN T. B. CONTEST

By Sara L. Brooks

For seven consecutive years, Bowie has been represented among the winners of the Maryland Tuberculosis Contest, sponsored jointly by the Afro-American and the Maryland Tuberculosis Association, in cooperation with the National Tuberculosis Association.

In June 1944, the judges awarded Bowie three prizes, namely: second prize, \$15, Anne Shockley '45; third prize, \$10, Dorothy Ward '44; and honorable mention, a set of books, Vivian Hicks, '44.

Dorothy Ward won first place last year and Rachel Ennels, third. Doctor Macea Williams, one of the judges, in a statement to the Afro, declared that each year the essays show improvement.

Anne and Dorothy selected the same subject: "The Role of the College Student in the Control of Tuberculosis." Vivian's choice was "The Responsibility of the Church and Other Organizations in the Fight Against Tuberculosis."

Awards from the National Contest haven't been made.

Physical Education Conference Convenes At State

The Maryland physical education conference convened at State September 29 and 30 with the theme "Accomplishing Fitness—Our Responsibilities."

Dr. Carroll R. Reed, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Washington, D. C., in the opening address, "What Direction Must Education Take To Develop The Potentialities In American Youth?" showed how the speed and efficiency achieved in the G.I. program hurl a challenge at our schools. Education must be made more extensive, include trades, etc., or else the Government must assume the responsibility.

"Heretofore, physical training has existed merely in theory," according to Miss Bess Exton, Consultant in Health Education. "Now is the time to do away with this mere theory idea and make it a more functional and realistic program," she said.

Mr. Williams Speaks

Mr. Charles H. Williams, Ed. (?), Head of the Department of Physical Education, Hampton Institute, Virginia, stimulated minds in his speech, "Ways Which Teachers May More Effectively Promote Physical Fitness. Credit was given to Kelly Miller who said, "Negroes will make their greatest contribution in the field of physical fitness." Dr. Williams believes that by excelling in physical fitness the Negro can greatly facilitate social progress. "There is no color question in a Joe Louis fight or in the winning of the Olympics by Metcalf. There are many others who can achieve in the area if given a chance."

Mr. Spencer Lectures

Mr. Howard Spencer, M. P. E., Teacher of Physical Education, Coppin Teachers College, Baltimore, formerly of the Bowie faculty, proposed an evaluation sheet broad enough to measure not only the development of children, but also the effectiveness of instruction. A brief outline to insure minimum discrepancy between objective set

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Commencement Address

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terrific in its possibilities, more potent when fully unleashed than any other; yea, verily, than of the sword or the horrendous implements of modern warfare. In the long span of the world's existence wars are but the ephemera! expression of man's inability to solve his difficulties with his fellows by the logical and psychological powers of the human mind; but ideas, the fruit of the mind, good or bad, hold the breath of eternity and fecundity. It is this power to think that separates the bestial from the spiritual in us, and gives us the ideals, the hope, the faith, and the strength to ascent the tortuous paths that lead to rational living. It is a power that we must recognize, nourish, and preserve, for the whole progress of mankind is embedded in its matrix.

Thinking man recognizes that there are certain factors that have much to do with the changes that occur in his everyday life—his civilization, if you please. Some of these forces are good; others are evil. It is man's responsibility to distinguish between the two in so far as he is capable; to repress or

redirect the undesirable and to foster those that hold promise of bringing him improvement. There are many of these forces that would warrant careful and lengthy discussion, but for the purposes in mind this afternoon I shall confine myself to a discussion of one in which we are daily engaged and which is, after all, possibly the most important; that is education.

To return to my opening remarks: I subscribe to a pragmatic philosophy, which is concerned primarily with the differences brought about by an idea, an action, a person. With the exception of religious experiences there is no movement in the orbit of our intellectual or social life that is more powerful in its implications and its consequences than education. I should like to treat this theory from three points of view:—first, the effect of education upon people as a group; second, the effect of education upon people as individuals; and third, the responsibilities of educated people, collectively and individually.

To the discerning man it is obvious that civilization has progressed the most where education has been the freest and most universal, and the converse is equally true. It would be trite to belabor this point. It is equally apparent that in those countries where the individual counts for the most—the democracies—education is most extensive and most universal. There is a reason for this situation; it is that in a democracy universal education is a necessity, not a luxury nor a privilege. We have made and continue to make many mistakes through the free choice of men exercising their political, social, and economic powers in our democracy, but I firmly believe that no intelligent man, despite the terrible holocaust that has descended upon us, can deny that education, imperfect though it may have been, has made a tremendous difference in our way of living and acting. When we consider the plight of man in the so-called "good old days," which were anything but good as compared with our modern point of view, there is reason to have faith that man is progressing slowly and painfully, but manfully, to his manifest destiny.

Public education is a precious heritage in our democracy; a heritage that we must ever cherish and nourish to the fullest in order that our children may continue to have the blessings of "life, liberty,

and the pursuit of happiness." May I quote several statements that have a bearing on this point. I hope you will get the full import of these statements, ponder upon them, and make them a part of your thought and action as worthy citizens of our state and nation.

The first of these quotations you may have heard quoted on numerous occasions. It bears repeating, however, so I am quoting it again—"The safety of a democracy rests upon an enlightened citizenry," said Thomas Jefferson.

In a letter to George Wythe, Jefferson said, "The Tax which will be paid for the purpose of education is not more than the thousandth part of what will be paid to kings, priests, and nobles who will rise up among us if we leave the people in ignorance."

"Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave," said Lord Brougham.

"It is an axiom in political science that unless a people are educated and enlightened it is idle to expect the continuance of civil liberties or the capacity of self-government." states the Texas Declaration of Independence.

So far we have resisted the rise of kings and nobles to dominate us; so far we have not been driven by ruthless tyrants and demagogues; so far we have retained our civil liberties, and with broader interpretations than were first conceived; and so far we have demonstrated longer than any other nation that a democratic people, only imperfectly enlightened, have the capacity of self-government. Public, universal education has made a difference in us as a nation! May we ever preserve and improve this power! It is the price of our liberty and happiness!

To Be Continued

4H Members To Attend Rural Life Conference

By Alveta Smith

Eleanor Hall, junior, and Lillian Ghent, sophomore, will attend the Rural Life conference at Fredonia State Teachers College, Fredonia, New York, October 25 through October 28. At this conference, the two members will take part in different discussions and will also gain new inspiration and viewpoints from speakers, discussion leaders, and from other delegates. Miss Spearman will accompany them.

The Library Corner

By Leroy Contee

How war-minded are you? How much do you know about the various peoples fighting with and against us? We have books in our library that will help prepare us cadet teachers for world citizenry and leadership with a true understanding of other nations and peoples.

Take Russia. Have you read—Dewey—Impressions of Soviet Russia? Tohenkin—Stalin's Ladder? Hapgood—Russian Rambles? Webb & Webb—The Truth About Soviet Russia? Thompkins—Russia Through The Ages? Von Eckhardt—Russia? Vernadsky—History of Russia? Morfill—Russia? Bryant—Six Red Months in Russia? Graham—Russia in 1916? Carroll—We're In This With Russia?

Next time, we'll acquaint you with books we have about another country.

Everybody's talking about post-war planning and post-war problems. Have you read: Johnson—Post-War World Reorganization? Condliffe—Agenda for a Post-War World? Holcombe—Dependent Areas in the Post-War World? Hoover & Gibson—The Problem of Lasting Peace?

We have these and numerous pamphlets on the question. They are yours to read for the asking.

Sophomore Slants

By William Moore

The members of the sophomore class are proud to be back to college and ready for another year's work. We are sorry that we lost some of our honorable classmates; namely, Lily Mae Jones and Lena Jenkins to Howard University, Curtis Thomas to Morgan State College, and Ira Williams, Wilmore Dashiells, and George Cornish.

Our class officers are: President, Lillian Ghent; Vice President, Corrine Gregg; Secretary, Florence Nutter; Assistant Secretary, Hazel Johnson; Treasurer, Amanda Cornish; Chaplain, Elmira Smith; and Class Reporter, Sylvia Wright.

With Miss Lucille Graham, the physical education director as our class sponsor, we feel sure that we will accomplish many worthy things.

A HAPPY THANKSGIVING

AT VESPERS

By Florence Nutter

We, the student body, felt it an honor to have as our first speaker at Vespers our President, Wm. E. Henry, September 17. He discussed the four major qualities that will help us to become successful teachers: "loyalty," "courtesy," "honesty," and "devotion to God."

"Our Present Day Opportunities and What We're Making of Them" was presented by Miss Josephine Brown, our English and History instructor, September 24. Have we been through school or has school been through us?, was a question she asked because of some of the remarks and attitudes in various cases she witnessed during her summer vacation from some of the members of our race who had by some means acquired one of the present day opportunities.

Miss Mary Whiteside, instructor of Education, spoke on the subject "Post War Elementary Education" on October 1. Miss Whiteside emphasized the fact that elementary schools of the future must insure every child optimum physical development, eliminate causes of delinquency through a well-planned program of community improvements and seek to the development of more favorable attitudes and appreciation for people irrespective to race, color, or creed.

On October 8, Mr. Parks, supervisor of Charles County, posed various problems of the communities and how to solve them. He urged us to make use of the things that we have around us and to absorb all subject matter given us.

Our series of vesper programs were varied October 15, by Mr. Ralph Waters, supervisor of St. Mary's County, who delivered a religious speech, with the purpose that we can accomplish more by being alone with no one but God.

"Our Habits and You" was presented by Mrs. Marie Johnson, dormitory director, on October 22. "We are only a bunch of habits which can be changed by you."

SHOE REPAIRING

at

Joe Illig's

Bowie, Md.

FACULTY MEMBER WINS HONORS

By Thelma Thomas

Have you noticed the pin Mr. Wiseman's been wearing? Being curious we asked and found out it signifies that he is a member of the Honor Society, Phi Delta Kappa. This is a national education fraternity with an enrollment of 40,000 members who devote their lives to the study of education. Members are elected on the merits of the graduate work by members of the college.

Prior to 1942, this fraternity had always kept its doors closed to members of the Negro race, but it was in '42 that the color bar dropped and as a result, seven Negroes are now wearing the pins as you see Mr. Wiseman wearing. Two Negroes were admitted this summer, Mr. Wiseman and the Dean of School of Education, Samuel Huston College, Texas. These were the sixth and seventh members to be admitted.

During the summer, Mr. Wiseman not only achieved this signal honor, but he also obtained his M. A. degree in higher education.

The "Eye" is justly proud of you, Mr. Wiseman! Bowie is proud of you!

Junior Jottings

By Geneva Smith

The Junior Class is enjoying the course in industrial arts.

Our models of red clay bowls made by the coil method, and the vases and flower pots made from the plaster of paris molds are on display in the classroom. At any time of the day or night we are free, you will find us trying new models.

We have also begun to work in blue clay for the first time. We found it near the Bowie Race Track. If you would like to see some good handiwork, ask for Anna Mae Queen's models. Are they good? Yes, you'll like them.

Mrs. Law's excellent guidance and the class's ready cooperation make this course a favorite.

In Sympathy

The "Eye" extends sympathy to Mrs. Mitchell in the death of her uncle and to Miss Matthews in the passing of her grandfather.

OUR WORKERS KEEP THINGS GOING

By Eva M. Stuckey

Yes, we have a shortage of manpower, but on the whole, our workers and students are really doing a commendable job in keeping our campus up.

Looking at our farmlands, you will see several students gathering in the harvest. Members of all the classes helped to cut the corn and stack it recently. From the freshman class were: Eloise Fitts, George Harper, Louise Rooks, Priscilla Smith, Royal Thomas, and Richard Dawson. From the sophomore class were: Clarence Dennis, William Moore, and King Anderson. From the junior class were: Eleanor Hall, Leatrice Miles, Alice Jones, Amy Tull, and Myrtle Smith. From the senior class were: Alethea Conway, Agnes Purnell, Geraldine Goldsborough, and Audrey Handy. Others included Miss Laura Mason, Mr. A. J. Pittman, President William E. Henry, his son Irving, and Lawrence Prout.

If you have been in the dishwashing room, you have noticed helping Miss Satterfield are Vernetta Waters and Alveta Smith, juniors.

The junior class is very proud to have one of its members, Eleanor Hall, assisting in driving the school bus this year. Eleanor says, "In the past, driving was one of my hobbies and I received many thrills and joys from doing so. Now the time has come when it means more than just enjoyment to me. Being a chauffeur for the State and serving the public gives me the feeling that I am doing a part in overcoming the man shortage."

Two members of the sophomore class, Laruby Plater and King Anderson, are aiding in driving the bus. Lawrence Prout is also doing his share in driving the big bus.

In our dining room you will find Ethelwyn Johnson, Essie Mollock, freshman; Mildred Wilson, junior, and Gwendolyn Pritchett, sophomore serving as waitresses.

Serving in the cafeteria are DeLores Hill, freshman, and Lillian Ghent, sophomore.

During the principals' and physical education teachers' conferences held here in September, a number of students helped Miss Spearman, the dietitian, Chef Taylor, and Miss E. Brown in preparing for and serving our guests. Helping to prepare the food were Alveta Smith, Doris Johnson, Anna

Clubs Get Under Way

By Vernetta Waters

There's no reason why students on our campus should ever be lost for something to do, for the various clubs offer activities to meet almost every interest.

These clubs are already in action!

The women's senate has done an excellent job in helping the freshman girls feel at home in the dormitory. Our new dormitory director, Mrs. M. G. Johnson, is giving wholehearted support to our program.

We are Christian-minded, too. Just notice the Y.W.C.A. planning for a full year's work.

The Student Mentors arrived on time to welcome the campus newcomers.

Miss Robinson's glee club and band are holding regular rehearsals; several new members have joined each group.

The 4-H club is holding regular meetings and harvesting crops. What does this mean?? Food in the kitchen.

Other clubs functioning are the Handicraft and the "Bats." Their objectives are in the making.

Mae Queen, Alice Jones and Vernetta Waters, juniors. Those who waited on the guests were Eva Stuckey, junior; Lucille Evans, Evelyn Pritchett, Hazel Johnson, Amanda Cornish, Florence Nutter and Frances Roberts, sophomores.

Due to the shortage of help in the dormitory our students are taking over there. Bernice Gattis, Amanda Cornish, Lucille Evans, Ernestine Conway, sophomores, Jean Jones, freshman, and Lois Hull, junior, aid in keeping the halls, bathrooms, showers and foyers clean.

In the laundry assisting Mrs. Taylor are Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, Leatrice Miles, junior, Alethea Conway, senior, Evelyn Roberts and Susie Nichols, freshmen.

Richard Dawson and George Harper are taking the place of Mr. Pittman, who is on the sick list, in feeding the animals.

Last, but not least, serving faithfully as firemen, janitors and nightwatchmen are Mr. Steward and Mr. Brown who are daily doing their utmost to keep things going.

We wish to congratulate all of our workers and extend to them our most hearty and sincere appreciation for their esprit de corps.

Freshman Class News

By Carrie Stansbury

The first installment of the freshmen arrived on or around September 5. The forty-one students have come from seventeen counties; six from Cecil; five from Prince George's; four from Harford and Anne Arundel; three from Dorchester and Wicomico; two each from Queen Anne's, Worcester, Somerset, Charles; one from Howard, Kent, Allegany, Baltimore County, Talbot, St. Mary's, and New Kent County in Virginia.

The majority are from George Washington Carver High School, Elkton in Cecil County. They are Ethelwyn Johnson, Helen Kane, Samuella Frazier, Faye Dorsey, Martha Milbourne and Eloise Fitts.

On Tuesday, September 12, we met to elect class officers. Priscilla Smith acted as Chairman. The following were elected. Carrie Stansbury, President; Ruth Conway, Secretary; Samuella Frazier, Vice President; Francis Moaney, Assistant Secretary; George Harper, Treasurer and Royal Thomas, Assistant Treasurer. Virginia Williams is chairman of the social committee with Louise Rook and Priscilla Smith as members.

Through diligence and hard work we shall become worthwhile beings and contribute our part to civilization. Armed with courage, we shall go forth to meet the challenge with determination to gain victory and hold up the standards of this college of which we are a part. As we soar high, may we be inspired by these words:

We're not here to dream, to drift;
We have jobs to do and loads to lift,

Shunning not the struggle, but facing it,

Knowing 'tis God's will, we shall be strong.

Welcome, New Members

We welcome 12 new members to the Press Club. They are: Sylvia Wright, Lillian Ghent, Helen Kane, Samuella Frazier, Eloise Fitts, Doris Johnson, Vernetta Waters, Eva Stuckey, Agnes Purnell, and Alice Holt. We feel that these members can fill the places in our organization that have been left vacant because of graduation.

To these new comers the Press Club extends a cordial welcome. We hope they will find working with us a pleasure and at the same time, gain many benefits.

Summary Of Celebration Of Fire Prevention

By Eleanor Hall

As assistant Fire Chief of the Fire Squad of State Teachers College I would like to at this time sum up the activities of the week in our effort to build in our minds a consciousness for the prevention of fires.

On Monday, following the broadcast from WFBR which was heard by the students, faculty, children of the Laboratory school and the workmen, our fire squad made a search throughout our buildings for fire hazards. This survey made note of the accumulation of trash and oily rags; placement of fire extinguishers, containers for ashes and cigarettes and the condition of electric wires, connections and switches. These have been reported and attention is being given to their correction.

On Wednesday, the student body assembled in chapel at 3.30 where regulations were explained and demonstrated. Following this meeting the alarm was given and the group orderly moved to safety. Later they were shown how to man a fire extinguisher. A chart itemizing essential regulations was posted on the Bulletin Board as a follow-up of the day's program.

On Thursday evening at 8 p.m. the faculty and students were addressed by President Phil Ryan of the Maryland Fire Association and Mr. J. W. Just, Director of Fire Prevention Services whose office is at the University of Maryland. These gentlemen were introduced by our own local Congressman the Honorable Noah Joffe. These men were warmly received by the audience and their messages served to clinch all the essential thoughts and plans given to protection from fires here through an active program in fire prevention.

Chief: J. Alexander Wiseman
Assistant: Elnora Hall

It's Your Birthday

By Geneva Smith

The "Eye" wishes each of the following a "Happy Birthday" and is hoping that you may have many more.

For the month of October:
Estelle Spriggs, Francis Roberts, Ernestine Conway, Priscilla Smith, Doris Johnson, Eva Stukey, Amy Tull, Lucille Evans, Elmira Smith, Jeanette Conway, Sarah Brooks.

Physical Education

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and outcomes obtained called forth much discussion.

Miss Thelma Gray, teacher of physical education, Lincoln High School, Rockville, gave a vivid description of physical education activities, problems and outcomes as they are at Lincoln High. Lincoln High School's enrollment, like most country high schools, is from the rural population—only 20 percent being metropolitan. One great problem of Lincoln High is the one of social entertainment. Miss Gray re-emphasized the fact that most of the students care only to dance as a means of recreating, jitterbugging being the students' first choice. Members of the faculty objecting and students craving it, has resulted in very little social activity.

This problem caused heated discussion, pro and con. The group never agreed.

Students Participate In Panel

For the first time at such a conference, a student panel consisting of Winifred Lancaster, Helen Gilmore, Audrey King, Alveta Smith, Olivia Tucker, Thelma Thomas, and Muriel Baker discussed the problems of physical education in the high schools from which they were graduated. The panel was so striking and impressive that its members were referred to as "the consultants" by Mr. Ferguson. Their discussion is being recorded in "The History of Physical Education in the State of Maryland."

Miss Lucille Graham, M.A., Teacher of Health and Physical Education, here at Bowie, suggested necessary steps and techniques in setting up an adequate program to promote physical fitness. These suggestions are to be carried out in the different schools.

Demonstration of old country dancing and social dancing were skillfully executed by the juniors. Sixth and seventh grade pupils of the Demonstration School demonstrated various physical education activities.

The principals, in their conference discussed such problems as: a principle and applicatory technique which will serve as a genesis of progress for pupils of different abilities and of varying levels of preparation and for pupils whose out-of-school opportunities are unequal.

Mr. David W. Zimmerman, State Supervisor of Special Education and Attendance, addressed the

New Pump Installed

By Alveta Smith

All of us remember the water system's "going bad" before the Easter holidays last term. Now a new one, costing about \$16,000 has been installed. President Henry graciously gave us the following information about it:

The water leaves a well that is 387½ feet deep and enters the first reservoir at a rate of 90 gallons per minute. It then goes to a purifier called the recidifier that has a blowing apparatus to remove all odors. Then it travels to a second reservoir, thence into a tank, through a meter and into the storage tank.

While in the storage tank, lime is sent in according to the number of impurities found. To further test for impurities, a definite number of centimeters of chlorine is added. The water then passes to a filter tank where other impurities are extracted. It is now clear and goes to another storage tank where it is kept for future consumption.

The system works automatically, manual labor being utilized only in the mixing of lime and chlorine. The system will be tested twice a week by a graduate chemist. To assist with the mixing of lime and chlorine Mrs. W. E. Henry, graduate pharmacist, has volunteered to render her service.

As soon as an "agitator" for the mixing lime and blower arrives, the new system will be put into action.

Chapel News

By Eloise Pitts

Our first regular Friday assembly of the student body on September 15, featured the introduction of the teachers and a welcoming talk by the President, Mr. Henry.

On September 22, the Glee Club appeared in a special program. Especially enjoyed were the spirituals "All God's Chillun Got Wings," "There's a Meeting Here Tonight," and "Hark! Hark! The Lark!" Miss Charlotte Bronte Robinson conducted the group.

group on "The Back to School Drive." Dean George G. Grant of Morgan State College, closed the session with "Some underlying principles basic to the success of a principal."

FROM OUR BOYS IN SERVICE

By Agnes Purnell

From all parts of the globe come reports from our boys who are doing their part to speed us on to Victory.

From France, **Harry H. Hill**, '42 writes: "Dear Editor, (Strange beginnings for an alumnus of our wonderful institution, but time is to blame.) Over here in France where history is being lived and recorded, one would think that thoughts would seldom return to a college campus to pick out some specific event or endeavor. But this thought comes only to those who are not here. Those of us who are representing "State" in this theater know better. (Off hand there seem to be William Gray, Edward Leakins, Everett Pettigrew and yours truly of '42. I've seen Pennington Mason '44 on the road to Berlin.) Events cause our memories to return to State. Often we recall incidents which would otherwise be obscure. Because I've been wondering about State I could think of no better source of information than the school's publication. Could you send me the rates of the paper for this year so that I can keep up with 'Ol State' as she grows? I hope you have a successful year. (As a former staff member of the "Eye," Harry, you'll get all the copies gratis. Editor.)

T/S James A. Hill, who is serving as company clerk at Indian-town Gap, Pennsylvania says: "The army is about as well as any man could expect. Things in my company are going along smoothly. Still, I would rather be at dear 'Ole State' studying hard for that degree that I would probably get next year. But I guess my job now is working for Uncle Sam. I can remember during English Literature the poem written by Richard Lovelace if I am correct, (with my mind crowded with army information) that refers to Duty and Honor before Love. My best regards to all the students and especially to the Seniors. I will do my best to help bring this war to a close as soon as possible; wish me luck when I go overseas which I don't suppose will be very far in the future."

Cpl. France Gates says, "Being in England, now France, has been quite an experience and will prove its worth when I become a teacher."

Sgt. John Butler, who is also stationed in France, says: "Now I am learning what war really is. I'll be glad when it's all over so I can come back home to my family, friends and loved ones."

Rumors have been going around the campus that **Sgt. Mack Simpson '44** was killed in action. Lately he wrote: "I can plainly see that rumors really travel fast. Any way, you don't have to believe every rumor you hear. I am very much alive and doing as well as could be expected."

Recently, **Cpl. J. Sidney Sheppard** and **Saunders Hill** visited "State." When Cpl. Sheppard was asked how he is getting along, he said: "On Oct. 1 vtd. STC Wsh. to esp. app. & enjoy of rtn. to old. alma. Regt. the nec. sht. vst."—In other words: On October 11, I visited State Teachers College. Wish to express appreciation and joy of return to old alma mater. I regret the necessity of a short visit.

Former Pvt. Saunders Hill, now a veteran of World War II, said: "After having served 17 months in the army air forces and received an honorable discharge, I could think of nothing more befitting than visiting my Alma Mater."

Cpl. James "Flick" Robinson, who is serving with the Medical detachment in New Guinea, writes: "During my training in the states I was learning how to save lives rather than take lives. Since I have been in France, now New Guinea, I have experienced a little of everything. War is terrible! You read about it, hear reports over the radio, and see phases of it dramatized in the movies; but we guys know what it is really like. I would give anything to be back at State going to classes and chatting with my friends. This part of the world, even though it is shattered by bombs, still holds a certain beauty, but I know I voice the opinions of other guys when I say, 'There's no place like home and no people who can take the place of those we left behind.'"

These boys and millions of others are doing a tremendous job in bringing this war to a speedy close. We are really proud of the work they are doing. Write to them; they need your letters. As **Kate Smith** says, "If you don't write, you're wrong."

THANKS FROM THE BOYS OVER THERE

By Thelma Thomas

The "Eye" travels too! Copies of the last issue were sent to many former Bowieites who are now in the service and somewhere over there.)

Here are a few of the many (thanks received during the summer. **Ralph "Pat" Malone** stated, "Received your letter containing the "College Eye" a few days ago. Thank you very much. With the last issue of the paper most of my contacts with Bowe left. I was drafted in '41 and have been back only twice since; so my acquaintance with the gang there now is limited to say the least. However, if you would be so kind as to keep me informed as to the happenings on the Campus, I will be very grateful."

"Two days ago I received the paper that you sent me, and I thank you very kindly for it. You know it's always good to read the happenings back at 'Ole State!' It was too bad that I couldn't be there during the past year as I am sure a great deal was missed." This was the impressive reply of **John Butler**.

George Dawson, class of '45 replies. "The recently received issue of the "Eye" was a great morale lifter to me. Reading it made me recollect many happy moments enjoyed at 'State.'"

Says **Cedric Hynson**: "I see by the "Eye" that the faculty and students at 'State' are really doing wonders. How I wish I were there sharing glories with the whole school, obtaining the knowledge that they are, and enjoying the fun of life with all. But I'll return some day (we hope it's soon) and maybe I too will have much to offer."

Instructor Makes Survey

Under the auspices of New York University, **Mr. J. Alexander Wiseman** has conducted a survey on "Juvenile Delinquency in Annapolis" and one on "Housing in Maryland" with special attention being given to the housing project in Annapolis. The latter study is now being used by New York Mayor LaGuardia's Committee on Inter-Cultural Relations.

FACULTY NEWS

By Virginia Hopkins

There are four new members added to our faculty this year; Miss Lucille Graham, teacher of Physical Education; Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell, teacher in one room situation at the Demonstration School; Miss Lucy Bolan, fourth, fifth, and sixth grade teacher at the Demonstration School and Mrs. Marie Johnson, dormitory director.

Miss Lucille Graham lives in Detroit, Michigan. She completed her undergraduate work at the University of Michigan. Previous to her appointment at Bowie, she taught at Athens, Georgia. At spare time you will find Miss Graham busy reading. As for her impression of Bowie, she says, "I like the school all right, but oh how I wish they would construct a straight road to Bowie."

Mrs. Myrtle Mitchell's home is in Pocomoke City, Md. She attended State Teachers College, Fayetteville, North Carolina and Hampton Institute. Before coming to Bowie, Mrs. Mitchell taught at Wilson City School, Wilson, North Carolina. She keeps herself busy by reading, studying psychology, corresponding, dancing, and hiking. Mrs. Mitchell feels that Bowie is a very suitable place for training rural teachers because it has a real life setting which develops an appreciation and understanding of the possibilities of rural life.

Miss Lucy Bolan lives at Louisville, Kentucky. She did her undergraduate work at Hampton Institute and graduate work at Indiana University. Miss Bolan loves to read, sew, and play tennis during her spare time. She thinks this is a very progressive school and really trains teachers for the purpose set up.

Mrs. Marie Johnson, new dormitory director, hails from New York City and was formerly employed at the Glen Burnie School for Girls here in Maryland. Being interested in music, Mrs. Johnson spends much of her spare time studying it. She enjoys being associated with the faculty and finds the students in her department most cooperative.

Miss Sara Hodges, last year's dormitory director and nurse, is kept busy nursing at her home in Norfolk, Virginia.

Freshman Talent Night

By Geneva Smith

The freshmen exhibited exceptional talent on their "Talent Night" October 4. Those participating and their presentations were:

Piano selections—Blanch Robinson, Priscilla Smith and Evelyn Roberts.

Vocal solos—Ilean Jones, Estelle Spriggs and Evelyn Ridgley; Duet—Essie Molock and Blanch Robinson.

Jokes—Susie Nichols and Shelby Barnes.

Trio—Richard Dawson, Samuela Frazier and Royal Thomas; Quartette—Faye Dorsey, Martha Milbourne, Samuela Frazier and Ilean Jones.

Skit—Carrie Stansbury and George Harper; Dramatization—Amy Tull and Mary Powell.

Readings—Ruth Conway, Thelma Jones, Delores Hill, Bessier Skerkliff, and Zephia Presbury.

Dance—Helen Kane and Samuela Frazier.

The most arresting performances were rendered by Essie Molock and Blanche Robinson who sang as a Duet, "Yours;" a skit acted by Carrie Stansbury and George Harper, depicting the change in a fellow after he had been to the "Big City," and the dramatization of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's poem, "Encouragement" by Amy Tull and Mary Powell.

All in all, the Talent Night was most enjoyable.

FROM EXCHANGES

OPPORTUNITY HERE

By Lucille Evans

In the May-June issue of "The Southern Missioner," published by St. Paul's Polytechnic Institute, Lawrenceville, Va., there is an opportunity column. Here is what it says. "There is an urgent need for recent fiction, biography, and travel books in our library. In fiction many old favorites can be used such as "Little Men," "Little Women," "Tom Sawyer," "Robinson Crusoe," "Rebecca," "The Good Earth," and several others."

Knowing that we here at State already have all of the books mentioned and many more, why not read some fiction, biographies, and travel books. There is enjoyment as well as information and inspiration to be found in them. After all, these books are here for you!

SENIORS PRESENT LOCAL TALENT IN RECITAL

By Vernetta Waters

The senior class presented on Friday, October 13, at 8:30 p.m. local talent in a recital. The unique aspect about this recital is that instead of one or two personalities rendering the program, there were many participants. Much hidden talent was disclosed.

A newcomer to the campus, our dormitory director, Mrs. Marie Johnson, gave us soul-thrilling renditions of: "Sylvia" by Oley Speaks and "Lord's Prayer" by Albert Malotte and "Somewhere a Voice is Calling" by Eileen Newton.

We were aware that Mr. Wiseman had many talents, but we did not know he was as versatile as he proved himself to be by his rendition of a saxophone solo, "Kiss Me Again" by Victor Herbert.

Another personality who made her debut was Miss Spearman, whose selection "Because" proved very pleasing to the audience.

Mrs. Mary W. Law made the comment: "I haven't played a solo for ten years." To the audience this seemed unbelievable for with her selection, "Sonata Pathétique—Allegro Con Brio" by Beethoven plus an encore "Waltz in A Flat" by Brahms, she proved to the audience that she must have been joking. The musical veterans, Miss C. B. Robinson and Alice Holt, as usual, were at their best.

The atmosphere surrounding the whole program proved that the members of this institution are becoming aware of many more cultural activities in which they can engage. The same atmosphere prevailed throughout the tea which followed the recital with Miss Audrey King acting as hostess.

The other features of the program were: "Moonlight Sonata," Beethoven, Romaine Ennis; "Hold Thou My Hand," C. S. Briggs—Misses A. Purnell and G. Goldsborough; "Ramona," Wolfe Gilbert—Miss L. Polk and M. Reid; "Divinity," "Youth," "Fear," "Original Poems—Miss Edna Prout; "Lullaby," Brahms—Misses E. Molack and A. Handy; "The Rose of Tralle," C. Spenser—Miss Ilean Jones.

To the student body and the faculty this was a night to be remembered.

SUPPORT the WSSCF DRIVE

AT CHAPEL

By Eloise Fitts

The assembly program on October 13, sponsored by the Freya Club, was divided into two parts. The first consisted of a Columbus Day Celebration. Hortense Lee read a paper on Columbus and Vermetta Walls recited Joaquin Miller's "Columbus."

Mr. Wiseman, in the second part, gave a summation of our activities in observation of Fire Prevention Week. Geraldine Goldsborough read the poems, "Desolation" by Griffith, "The Careless Smoker" by Reynolds, and "The Fire Guard" by De Bernardi, jr.

The Rev. Wallace, pastor of Bowie Methodist Church, talked on "What Are We Fighting For?" at the October 20 exercises. Also present was William Bishop, Bowle grad who is now a student in the School of Theology at Howard University. He thanked Bowle for what it had done for him and urged us to make use of every opportunity offered here.

Mr. Doswell Brooks, supervisor of Prince George's County schools, talked to us about our WANTS and our NEEDS on October 6. Emphasizing such points as health versus glamour, and boys versus education, he urged us to take care of our needs before we consider our wants. We fail because we "buy what we want and beg for what we need."

Social Calendar

By Doris B. Johnson

The social committee has planned the following program for the months of October and November:

- October 13—Motion Picture
 - October 14—Senior Entertainment, Miss Brown
 - October 20—Motion Picture
 - October 21—Club or Informal Party
 - October 27—Motion Picture
 - October 28—Corn Husking Bee and Hallowe'en Frolic, Mr. Pittman
 - November 3—Motion Picture
 - November 4—Sophomore Entertainment, Miss Graham
 - November 10—Formal Dance, Social Committee
 - November 11—Motion Picture
 - November 17—Card Party, Social Committee
 - November 18—Motion Picture
- Submit requests for club dates to the social committee.

BOOK REVIEW

By Alice Holt

RAZOR'S EDGE

By Somerset Maugham

Mr. Maugham takes a surprising turn in his latest best-seller by turning to a religious theme. In Larry Darnell he creates one of his most radiant and appealing characters. Larry is an American youth, who as a flier, has looked on death in the first world war. Because of this he renounces his fiance, Isabel Bradley, and the opportunity for wealth and position to seek knowledge and a faith above and beyond human mortality. His search takes him all over the world and reaches its climax in India, where he attains the experiences of the Absolute, which he has been seeking. His saintliness stands in relief against the materialism and worldliness of Elliott Templeton, the prince of snobs. Gray Maturin, financier and husband of Isabel; Isabel Bradley and Susanne Mouvier, representing the feminine cult of social security. Then finally, there is Sophie MacDonald, a childhood friend whom a tragic life has driven to complete degradation, and whom Larry wishes to marry in order to save her. It is found that he has an almost miraculous influence over them.

This book has been described as a novel of ideas, which it is. It is a very good contribution to the problem: how may the spirit maintain its life in a world of corruption? However, the fact that Mr. Maugham included himself as one of the characters to a small degree took away from the novel's power to entertain, if it were read only for entertainment. And yet even that was done in such a unique way that we can almost overlook that. The writing is direct and without affectation. The characters say what they mean, no more, no less; they speak by the book.

In spite of all that has been said Razor's Edge stands with "Of Human Bondage" as one of the great English novels of our times, written and developed as only Maugham can do it.

Students' Criticism

"The book is very interesting. It is different from most books that I have read in that it relates a number of incidents a long time before they happen. However, I dislike the way it refers to the Negro."—Eva Stuckley.

"The whole book was appealing

Freshman Impressions

By Virginia Hawkins

Students entering College for the first time usually form some impression about the school that lasts forever. Let us hope that these impressions will be lasting ones.

Delores Hill says, "The brief period I have been at this institution, I have found both studies and amusements extremely interesting and exciting."

According to Dorothy Johnson, "Bowie is a place where kindness can be found which is an important factor on the road to success."

Carrie Stansbury finds this institution of learning to be both educational and enjoyable, and feels free to grasp any opportunity which she may be fortunate enough to attain.

Susie Nichols believes M.S.T.C. to be one of the finest schools for the training of elementary teachers at small expense.

What is a building without scenery? Read what helma Jones says concerning our Campus. "Bowie's campus is a beautiful place and presents an excellent opportunity to live with nature."

A student body plays an important part in any school. George Harper claims that "The group of students at this College are very friendly and cooperative and everyone is swell to a freshman."

"I find this institution very exciting, delightful, and the student body friendly and sociable," exclaims Royal Thomas.

Ruth Conway thinks "Bowie is really a fine place where the students and teachers cooperate wholeheartedly."

Bowie impresses Richard Dawson as being an institution where all activities are extremely interesting and exciting both in studies and in amusement.

Evelyn Ridgley put her impression in the form of a slogan which we all should repeat; "Hurrah for Bowie. It's all right!"

Priscilla Smith's impression serves as a summary when she says, "The nice buildings, good food, students, faculty, studies, animals, and conveniences make 'State' a swell institution."

to me, but the most impressive individual was Larry—his philosophy, how it was realized."—Thelma Thomas.

Sidelights On The Summer Workshop

By Eleanor Hall

If you had visited "State" any time during the summer of '44 you would have seen a group of farmers busily planting, cultivating, and canning food for the hungry mouths now present at this institution.

Included were Misses Edna Prout, Jeanetta Chase, Ethel Davis, Velma Ward, Anna Walker, Rachel Ennels, Helen Evans, and Florence Tilghman and Mesdames Colen and Henry under the instruction of Miss Viva Spearman and Mr. Augustus Pittman.

As a result of their activities we have about 1700 cans of apples, peaches, onions, grapes, pickles, lima beans, corn and string beans.

The farm land also produced peas, tomatoes, squash, pumpkins, tobacco, beets, cabbages, greens and potatoes. Seeing these different foods grow is quite an experience for many of the students here. Need I mention the fact that we are now making use of the food in the appetizing menus planned each day?

We lack man power here at "State," but we have been blessed with the help of some very constructive and destructive agencies—the sheep and goats that we have on the campus. In considering their cutting down of the campus grass, they are constructive, but in their acts of killing small trees and eating some more or less valuable articles, they are destructive.

The water system has been checked, and a new filter system installed. Now we have a greater assurance that the water will be more safe and will supply us throughout the school term, without need of repairs.

Cheer For The Sick

By Thelma Thomas

The Eye wishes a speedy recovery to Mt. Pittman, Agriculturist, who is ill at his home; Miss Hunter, our neighbor, who has just returned from medical treatment in Baltimore; Alice Holt, who has recuperated under her home physician; and to Ernestine Conway, who has left the campus for medical treatment.

Seniors Organize

By Florence Davis

The Senior Class elected the following officers for the year: President, Audrey King; Vice President, Hester Marshall; Secretary, Virginia Hawkins; Assistant Secretary, Rosie Dorsey; Treasurer, Anna Roberts; Class Reporter, Florence Davis; Social Chairman, Anna Shockley.

We hope this term will be a very eventful one. The class has already made an auspicious start. Margaret Brandon, Winifred Lancaster, Hortense Lee, Helen Gilmore, Anna Shockley, Hester Marshall, Aletha Conway and Audrey King have been substituting in the absence of Mrs. Mitchell, Miss Bolen and Miss Matthews, our new Demonstration School teachers.

The class prepared demonstrations for stunts, dances, and games for the Physical Education Conference held here Saturday, Sept. 30. Helen Gilmore, Winifred Lancaster and Audrey King participated in a panel discussion during the recently held Principal's and Physical Education Conference held here.

What's Coming At State

By Alice Holt

All of us are movie fans, aren't we? All of us, too, have a yearning for good movies of different types, especially if the stars have bene winners of Oscars and the like. Well, just to give you an idea of some few which we shall view on our brand new projectoin screen. They are: "Old Acquaintance," Bette Davis; "The Constant Nymph," Charles Boyer; "Destination Tokyo," Cary Grant; "Passage To Marselle," Humphrey Bogart; "Adventures of Mark Twain," Fredric March; "Between Two Worlds," John Garfield; "In Our Time," Ida Lupino, Paul Henried; "Princess O'Rourke," Olivia de Havilland. These are by no means all; they're just a sample.

But listen, jus tbetween you and me, there's a little catch to it. We will not be able to see them until our own machine gets back from (censored.) I predict tomorrow. But, "till then" we always have Mr. Thompson.

A HAPPY THANKSGIVING

SPORTS

By Doris B. Johnson

Will history repeat itself? Why not? Everyone is going out for sports this year; come on, "Ole State," let's get on the run. Softball time is here again! Were you present on Wednesday, Sept. 13, when the tired but happy juniors were beaten by the freshmen, 9-8? If you missed that game, I'm sure you were among the good-natured crowd who witnessed the one between the seniors and the sophomores on the following day.

You should have seen our male population out on the diamond when they defeated the hardy freshmen, 27 to 5. Those boys surely do like their runs, huh?

Now don't think softball is the only sport we have. Visit us on Friday and Saturday nights at our new gym where you'll see such games as volley ball, table tennis, shuffle board, target practice and several others.

Guess what? I consulted "Oui-ja" and this is what he said: "The juniors will make history repeat itself, and be the softball champs for another year." Do you believe it?

Brevities

By Thelma Thomas

Really? Truly?

A change in occupation is as good as a vacation—so that's why Escaline Proctor took over the work of a mail and file clerk for Uncle Sam this summer.

Isn't meat rationed? Yes, but State has 37 piggles and they haven't gone to market either, so let's eat, gang!

Carrie Stansbury, freshman, visited the Chicago Defenders Office during her vacation. Did you get any ideas for the "Eye," Carrie?

Lena Jenkins and Curtis Thomas, now sophomores at Howard and Morgan, respectively, are pursuing courses which "State" could not offer them. We wish them luck.

The only out-of-state freshman is Delphia Pemberton of Quinton, Virginia.

Three day students are enrolled as freshmen this year. They are Irene Butler and Frank Hebrans from Bates High School, Annapolis, and Hortorance Duckett from Highland Park High School.

WE CONDUCT A SUMMER WORKSHOP

Under the leadership of President Henry, our college is making an effort to develop among its students an understanding of rural problems through experience and to build up a real and abiding appreciation for rural life. To this end, the college conducted for the first time, a summer work-shop, concentrating on the areas of agriculture appreciation, food conservation, family relations, and recreation.

Raise Farm Products

Mr. Augustus J. Pittman, agriculturist, guided students in raising approximately 12 bushels of tomatoes, 40 bushels of corn, 20 bushels of turnips, 15 bushels of beets, 15 bushels of squash, 10 bushels of lima beans, and 4 bushels each of cucumbers and onions.

Have Canning Project

Most of these products have been canned under the supervision of Miss Viva Spearman, dietitian and instructor in home-making. To date, 1200 cans have been processed for the use of the school and an additional 500 cans by neighbors. Fresh vegetables from the garden have kept our tables abundantly supplied during the early weeks of the term.

Group Visits Crownsville

In order to help students understand the seriousness of the social diseases in the family life of rural Maryland, Miss Edna M. Prout, instructor in family relations, directed her group in a visit to the State institution for the Negro insane and feeble-minded at Crownsville. There they studied inmates who are confined because of personally and congenitally acquired venereal diseases.

Make Recreation Survey

Miss C. B. Robinson, instructor in recreation, conducted a survey on recreational facilities in Prince George's County. Finding in a few communities wholly inadequate facilities, and in the others, none, the group concentrated on games that might be played in the home, since the home is of necessity the only existing place for recreation. They have recommended that the State Board of Education try to secure federal aid to help meet the recreational needs of rural Maryland.

BUY MORE BONDS and STAMPS



President Henry digging the hole to plant the first of 100 or more fruit and shade trees planted on Arbor Day.

Alumnae News

By Alveta Smith

Of the twenty-nine students who were graduated June 2, twenty-eight have secured positions. Here is the roster: Novene Holt, Anne Arundel; Nellie Ashby, Washington; Sarah Holley, Charles; Aberdeen Bennett, Carroll; Marie Johnson, Charles; Ruby Lane, Worcester; Susie Selby, Dorchester; Selma Winder, Somerset.

Velma Ward, Howard; Esther McNeil, Howard; Helen Evans, Somerset; Florence Tilghman, Kent; Piccola Brooks, Baltimore; Ethel Davis, Worcester; Vivian Hicks, Anne Arundel; Lavinia Clanton, Baltimore; Elizabeth Brown, Howard.

Celeste Whalen, Charles; Gladys Middleton, Prince George's; Sylvia Reid, Baltimore; Pauline Reid, Baltimore; Celeste Sherad, Talbot; Florence Milbourne, Baltimore; Madeline Waters, Wicomico; Allie Peters, Caroline.

Selma Truxton, the twenty-ninth member, holds a Government position in Washington.

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Demonstration School News

By Irene Barclay

No, the Pritchett twins are not alone. The Marshall twins, Marvise and Marve, have enrolled in the campus Demonstration School as beginners.

Various members of the senior class have been working the graded school in various types of physical activities. The First Grade has the largest enrollment since 1938.

The sixth and seventh grades served in the demonstrations held during the Physical Education Conference at this school.

Eye-Ballin'

Who is taking A.H.'s (Sr.) place with C.D. (Soph.)? Ask S.L.B. (Jr.) L.M.'s (Jr.) crush on K.H.A. (Soph.) started something—a flame! How about it?

The Eye wonders when the Seniors are going to have Wednesday night guests.

G.W.H. (Fr.) started strolling with A.H. (Sr.). Now A.H. is singing "I'll Walk Alone."

What are some of the customs on Solomon's Island? Ask E.S. (Jr.) to show you her souvenirs.

Can you Dollo? The juniors will teach you.

How does K.H.A. (Soph.) manage when L.M. (Jr.), C. B. (Fr.) and S.L.B. (Jr.) are at the same place at the same time?

Some ice melted around one of the girls at State. Who? The Eye saw it.

H.L. (Sr.) spends most of her time making articles for what? Don't ask us; ask H.L.

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