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REV. JESSE JACKSON

Rev. Jesse Jackson Commencement Speaker

The Rev. Jesse Louis Jackson, president of Operation PUSH, will be the commencement speaker at graduation ceremonies on Saturday, June 7, 1975, at 10:00 a.m.

'At 32, Jesse Jackson is one of Black America's most charismatic spokesmen," reported Baltimore Sun last January. "His style (is) a combination of Baptist preacher, politician celebrity.

In Washington, D.C. on the forty-sixth anniversary of the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Jackson and his followers marched around the White House demonCongress aimed at guaranteeing jobs to anyone able and willing to work. "Everybody needs a job," he said.

The Rev. Jackson became a national figure in 1966, when he was chosen by the late Dr. King to head the new Chicago chapter of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's Operation Bread-

He was still a student at Chicago Theological Seminary when he organized this program that eventually won about 5,000 jobs for Blacks in white-owned, sity,

strating support for bills in businesses operating in the black community. In 1971, he founded the Chicago-based PUSH (People United to Save Humanity).

Born and raised in Greenville, S.C., he holds a B.S. degree in Sociology from North Carolina A[T College and completed two years at Chicago Theological Seminary in the Bachelor of Divinity Program. He has been bestowed honorary doctorate degrees by Lincoln University, Oberlin College, North Carolina A[T State University, Howard University and Wilbeforce Univer-

He was voted on of the Chicago Jaycee's ten outstanding young men for 1968, and one of America's Ten Outstanding Young Men in 1970 by the National Jaycees.

"Ebony" magazine in 1971 named his as one of the "One Hundred Most Influential Black Americans." He was proclaimed "Humanitarian Father Of The Year," by the National Father's Day Committee in 1971, and has appeared in the World Book Encyclopedia and biography.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson has been interviewed in "Ebony," "Playboy Magazine," the New York Times, "Jet" magazine and "Chicago Today." He has appeared on the Mike Doughlas Show, David Frost Show, NBC Today Show, Issues: Answers and the Tomorrow Show.

Colleges Must Inform Students

Access to Records Provided by Law

The Federal Law, "The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974" provides college students and parents of dependent students ("Dependent" as defined for income tax purposes) the right to inspect official records directly related to students and an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the accuracy or maintenance of records which are inaccurate, misleading or otherwise inappropriate. In addition, the law restricts the release of personally identifiable information about students to third parties without the student's written consent.

The law requires that the college inform its students of their rights under this law. The failure of the college to comply with the provisions of the law can lead to a withdrawal of Federal funds.

The provisions of the law are under three categories: Student Access to Records, Student Challenge to Record Content or Maintenance, and Release of Information.

Access to Records

Students and parents of dependent students are entitled to review educational records maintained by the college. The term "students" includes current students as well as those who have previously attended the college. It does not include rejected applicants for admission. "Educational Records" are described as those files, documents and materials, maintained by the college, which contain information directly related to

The law specifically lists those records and materials which are not available for students and parents to review. They are as follows:

• Private Notes-The private notes and other materials of faculty and administrators that are not available to any other person except a substitute

• Law Enforcement Records-Records used solely for law enforcement purposes.

• Employment Records-The personnel records of employees
 Medical and Psychiatric

Records-Records maintained by physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists and counselors are not available for review. However, a student may, if he chooses, designate an independent professional of his choice to review his/her record.

 Parents Financial Records— Financial statement of parents unless parents give consent.

· Confidential Letters and Recommendations-Letters and recommendations placed in students records prior to January 1, 1975. Students may waive their rights of access to confidential recommendations in the areas of admission, job placement and receipt of awards.

Student Challenge to Record Content and Maintenance

When, in the opinion of a student, material contained in a record maintained by the college is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise inappropriate, he may challenge the accuracy or maintenance of such material in question. In addition, the student is accorded the right to insert an explanatory statement into the record when the contents are challenged and the right to insert the correction or deletion of data contained therein.

According to HEW's guidelines, the hearing mechanism does not have to be elaborate. Informal meetings and discussions, with the student, may be held in an to settle a dispute. However, a formal procedure may be necessary in those cases where the student objects to the action taken.

Release of Information

The law restricts the college from releasing educational records or personally identifiable information without the written consent of the student. "Personally Identifiable" information includes

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Bowie, Hopkins Coop Program

Bowie State College and The Johns Hopkins University are participating in a cooperative program in which the two institutions assist each other in a variety of ways. This program, in its third year of operation, is funded under Title III by the U.S. Office of Education.

Some of the activities include Bowie student enrollment in courses at Hopkins not offered at Bowie, use of Library facilities by faculty and students and participation in cultural activities. In addition, Hopkins will provide us with consultants on request. Interaction programs are held on each campus each year to report on the progress of the program.

To learn more about the program, please contact the Office of Federal Programs in Robinson

Bowie, GW Sponsor Conference

On Friday April 25, Bowie State College and George Washington University sponsored the Conference on Higher Education and the Law. Coordinators were Ada M. Elam, Dean of Students Bowie State and Richard Frankie, Professor of Education George Washington University.

The conference was held in lecture hall 102 M.L.K.C.A.C. building. It began at 8:30 a.m. and run to five that evening covering seven different topics under the over topic of the conference. Guest speakers were George Ward Angell, Phd., L.L.D. Syracuse University, Director of Academic Collective Bargaining Information Service; Joseph

sity, Ass. Prof. of Ed. Georgetown university, Austin Lane, L.L.D., Georgetown University, J.D. Harvard University Dean of Affairs Hopkins University. and Student Indiciary F University, Walter H. Lahn Jr. J.D. Yale University Ass. Att. General State of Maryland, Baltimore, Joan Sessoms, J.D. University of Maryland Acting Chief Higher Education Office of Rights Health, Education Welfare, Barbara Smith, and M.A. Bowie State College Graduate Student George Washington University, Charles W. Stallings, Ed.D. Penn. State University, J.D. University of Baltimore, Dean of the Faculty

Greenberg, Ed. D Boston Univer- Bowie State College, Yvonne Theodore, M.A. Mt. St. Agnes College, Ass Dire. Personnel Services Affirmative Action, John

I was fortunate enough to hear part of Dr. Angell's lecture on Collective Bargaining. He was speaking of the act of collective bargaining and the gains that have been or could be obtained by it for institute of higher learning.

At 10:40, I attended the lecture on Civil Rights, Implications for Students and Faculty. Joan Sessons spoke from that point. Mrs. Sessons presented to us some of the stands on actions taken by

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Lounges, Roads, Parking

Commuters Face Problems

A commuter's situation on campus can be improved immensely. Facilities for lounging consist of a very limited Student Union Building which compasses all the students who attend Bowie. In the Communications Building there are a few scattered chairs in which an attempt to study or relax can be made. Now, a small lounge has been temporarily set up in the basement of the Banneker Building specifically designed for

But is this sufficient? Are there any more difficulties which must be dealt with by the commuter?

First of all, the roads leading to Bowie State College are not what you would call broad. On these roads, a few dangerous bends exist and old loose tree limbs hang over the road, offering a menace to all those riding through. One of the problems arousing from these roads is the inability to commute to school on days of extreme bad weather conditions, such as rain or wind storms, or even heavy snowfalls. On these occasions, boarding students are able (whether or not willing) to attend classes, but some commuters are unable to come anywhere near the

After arriving at school, parking can become a challenge. Unfortunately, parking facilities are also very limited, and so, a new problem arises. Some commuters desire to park their vehicles near the building in which they are going to be in, then again, others are willing to compromise with a spot anywhere on campus. Commuters must remember not to park in areas reserved for faculty, staff, or maintenance; in doing so, they become eligible for parking violation tickets, an honor seldom welcomed.

committee has been organized in the better interest of commuters. This organization can be contacted by calling the office of student affairs in the Administration Building.

Hopefully, conditions will improve to enhance the commuter with a more advantaged look for a better tomorrow at Bowie State held from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with a variety of activities to entertain the young and old. Last year the carnival presented the Mouse Trap Band, raffles, workshops, books for sale, popcorn, watermelon, horse-back riding and games. It was a very successful

All College Carnival

Held Past Weekend

This year, the carnival is getting off to a slow start because people are not willing to "lend a helping hand." The carnival is important in the fact that it brings the students, faculty and administrators all together for a day of fun and

So come on Faculty, administrators and STUDENTS, let's pull together as one and help put together a dynamic 1975 All College Carnival year. Your help and/or contributions will be greatly ap-

For further information, please

Respond Center Here to Help

On April 9, 1975 the Respond the professional experience of Center presented their first coffee house. Admission was free with punch and cookies serving as refreshments. The atmosphere was created by soothing lights. comfortable seating arrangements, even the floor, and soft music. The time was from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m.

This coffee house was done in an effort to make students, here at Bowie, more aware of themselves and the problems here on campus; to discuss these problems openly and/or with a staff member of the Respond Center; to just come and relax for an evening. And that is exactly what happened. Students rapped with each other, as a group, in couples, and with the staff of the Respond Center.

The evening was very successful in our attempts to bring about student awareness of themselves and the Respond Center. If the first coffee house given by the Respond Center turned out as successful as it did can you imagine our next one. which will be coming soon.

Thank you students of Bowie State College for helping Respond make its first coffee house a success and proud to be a part of you. -Lark Brown

The Respond Center located in the lower level of Kennard Hall is a rap and referral service. The students on Bowie's campus need assisting each other in a positive manner. The Respond Center would like to open its doors to any student who wishes to volunteer his time in gaining some rewarding experiences. The rewards the center offers are not in the form of capital gain but a gain in better understanding people. The center will help "this individual" receive some professional training in the 'helping profession." Many of the students of Bowie State College are majoring or minoring in a profession that requires an understanding in dealing with people. These positions in the past were just for a selected few but the policy of the future will be to build a strong army of peer counselars. Many positions will be opened and one will be able to receive training in his spare time.

Any student interested, please contact one of the following: Mr. Clemmie Soloman Assistant to the Dean of Students

Mrs. Corolys Briddell Student Director of the Respond

Or stop by the Respond Center between the hours of 12-8 p.m., Monday through Friday to obtain more information. The center needs you and you need the ex-

Phone 262-3350 Ext. 420-422

Political Science Program Designed for Needs, Career

The Political Science Program at Bowie State College is designed to suit Students individual needs and future career objectives.

The Program offers the students three major areas to choose from. First, a Political Science major can choose to obtain a B.A. degree-with a foreign language requirement-if he intends to go into Graduate School for further studies leading to an M.A. or Ph. D. degree in Political Science. Secondly, a major in Political Science who plans to attend Law School or to enter the Labor market immediately after graduation may opt for a B.S. degree in Political Science. This option does not require a foreign language. Thirdly a Political Science major can choose to obtain a B.S. degree in Political Science with a strong emphasis in Public Administration.

The Political Science department, in addition to the areas listed above, also helps in preparing Students with career objectives in Public and/or International Services through the International Studies and Business Program which is interdisciplinary, and is administered by the Social Science Division.

Perhaps, the greatest asset to a student enrolled in the Political Science Program is the very small student-faculty ratio. This greatly enhances a great deal of interpersonal relationship between students and faculty; and a joint student-faculty Advisory Council affords students input in decisionmaking in departmental affairs.

The Political Science Department, in its attempts to expose Students to the practical aspects of Politics and Public Administration, has developed several programs aimed at achieving this objective. Our Programs have included:

(1) Student Placements as interns with legislators in the Maryland House of Delegates; and in a specific occasion, with a U.S. Congressman.

(2) Administrative and Community Relations Internships at Bowie City Hall.

(3) Voter Registration Drives

and Political Campaign for candidates of the Students' choice.

In addition to these programs, our students, especially those with a concentration in Public Administration are given the opportunity of participating in the college-wide Cooperative Education Program. Students in this program not only earn while they learn, but they also gain the expertise and experience, which to a great extent, will help to alleviate the problem awaiting a public administration major, fresh from college, who more often than not, will be shut out of the job market for lack of experience.

Another important feature of the Political Science Program is the opportunity we afford our majors to participate in the model United Nations Program held annually in New York. This program serves a dual purpose: First, students learn to apply practically things they have learned in the International Organization Class; and secondly, students know more about the intricacies of foreign policy and their implications in World Politics. In the previous years, our students have represented countries like Guinea, Ivory Coast, Nigeria and Sudan, and in the case of the Ivory Coast, our representatives have won an award for their performance.

The Black Speakers series, organized by the department, as part of the Black Politics course. has brought into the College Community distinguished Black elected and non-elected officials. Speakers in the past have included delegate in the U.S. Congress; and snacks. There are comfortable Shirley Chisholm, New York chairs. Lockers, which will be Congresswoman; Channing available for the rest of the Phillips. Secretary of Defense for Civil

The Political Science Department is proud of its achievements so far, and seeks students who will help broaden the scope of these activities in the future. With the relentless efforts of our energetic faculty, and the cooperation of our dynamic student body, an aspiring student is assured of a rewarding experience in the department.

Bowie State College will be pre- contact Ms. Blake or Mr. Richard senting the All College Carnival Dozier at extension 276 between on May 17, 1975. The carnival is the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday.

> According to Richard Dozier, the new assistant to the director of Student Activities, this year's Spring Carnival will cost the participants some "cash" to be included in the activity.

> "It will cost the on campus organizations fifteen dollars to get a table and two chairs for a booth," related Mr. Dozier, in explaining how the Carnival will operate this year. Mr. Dozier went on to say that they hope to get a circus involved in this years affair and it is to be a widely publicized

> "Actually I thought we were giving the on campus organizations a break by just charging them fifteen dollars," Mr. Dozier went on to say. He was getting to the fact that outside organizations would be charged twenty-five dollars to participate. ten dollars more than on campus organizations.

> There will be a fee charged also for the use of generators for electricity, a fee for extra tables and chairs, an extra fee for the Student Union to ship any special materials for the event.

> If the affair comes off like last year's Carnival, it should be a success. The previous Carnival included local groups from the District of Columbia, rides, concessions and the anticipated booths run by the Faculty, clubs, fraternities and sororities.

> One very positive aspect of the Carnival is that is promises to be widely publicized. Dozier said. 'Oh yeah, we are definitely going to have publicity; radio, television and posters. It will be publicized."

> Richard Dozier is the former Student Government Association President who stepped down because he is about to graduate. He has the present position of Directorial Assistant because he needed a job and the administration needed someone to fill the position.

Commuter Lounge Open in Banneker

On Wednesday, April 16, there was a grand opening of a Commuter Lounge on Bowie's campus. Coffee and sweet rolls were served to about forty students who visited the Lounge that day. The Lounge is located in the lower level of Banneker Hall.

There has been a long-standing need for such a facility. It will provide a comfortable place to wait for classes. There are Walter Fauntroy, D.C. non-voting machines providing coffee, soda D.C. Democratic semester, are provided on a first-National Committeeman; and come, first-served basis. Each Frank Render III, former Deputy student who wishes to use a locker is urged to bring his own hasp and lock.

> This is all a temporary situation pending the completion of a new Student Union building.

The committee which has worked on the establishing of the Commuter Lounge is made up of the following persons: Edna Blakely, Charlotte Babicky, Hazel Thom, Eulo Regala, and Lana Rousseau.

BSC History Prof Presents Paper at National Conference

Organization of American Historians held one of three major conventions at the Statler Hilton Hotel, in Boston, Massachusetts. Historians came from throughout the United States to present papers dealing with their research on American History. In the historians' exchange of ideas, there was a conscious effort to present research done on the history of blacks and women.

Dr. Barry A. Crouch, professor

of history at Bowie State College, presented a paper entitled "Self determination and local black leaders in Texas." In his presentation, Dr. Crouch was attempting to demonstrate how black leaders in Texas, both rural and urban, attempted to organize their communities politically, socially, and culturally. Although he was invited to this convention in affiliation with Bowie State College, his trip, hotel accomodations and other expenses were not financed by the school. Even though it is an

honor for Dr. Crouch to be invited to this convention representing Bowie, he will not be reimbursed for any of his expenses.

Dr. Crouch received his B.A. degree at Western State College of Colorado, his M.A. degree at the University of Wyoming, and his Ph.D. at the University of New Mexico. He has majored in Social Science, History, American and 19th Studies, century American History. His postdoctoral work, which has been concentrated on black studies. commenced on September of 1970 Howard University Washington, D.C. He has quite a few publications and has presented a number of papers, most of which deal with Black History in United States. All his historical research is leading to a book length study on blacks in Texas, from 1860-1880.

Dr. Crouch has recently been awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminar Fellowship to study Comparative Perspectives on the History of Slavery and Race Relations in the United States.. He will study at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, under Dr. George M. Fredrickson, a well known scholar in this field.

Such outside determination should not be in vain. The achievements and exposure which this Faculty member has given to this institution should serve an an incentive for the future which now stares at us mysteriously. I'm sure that Dr. Crouch is just one who feels that knowledge can be enriched beyond the gates of Bowie State College. So we must promote such activities, and plant the seeds now, so our future will be one of beautiful flowers of knowledge captured by the reality which is rightfully ours.

Honors Convocation Held in King Center

vocation was held in the Martin Luther King Center Auditorium at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, April 24. The dual purposes of the Convocation were to give campus-wide recognition to the students who have achieved academically and to stimulate other students to such achievements or at least to academic progression.

Dr. Elias Blake, the President of the Institute for Services to Education, was the keynote speaker for the event. Dr. Blake is a nationally known figure in the field of education, and especially interested in education as it exists in the predominantly black colleges. He urged the students to take advantage of the opportunity which is theirs, of being a product of a multiracial college and to use that advantage to bring about a change in the attitudes of the community-at-large.

Awards were made to six groups of students: The students on the Deans' List for the 1974 Fall Session; those students who significantly increased their

Bowie's first Honors Con- cumulative averages in one semester; the inductees into the various Honors Societies; the outstanding students in the various academic departments; those who have been elected to Who's Who. in American Colleges and Universities; and the sorority which achieved the highest academic average among the fraternities and sororities. The Eta Chapter of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was awarded the gold trophy in recognition of this achievement for the year. This trophy will be passed from organization to organization each year.

The Honors Convocation was further enchanced by musical selections by Ms. Junetta Jones of the Music Department and by the Bowie State Chorale, under the direction of Mr. James Young. Ms. Elizabeth Chezik was the accompaniest for the various selec-

The awardees are to be congratulated for their academic accomplishments. The Office of the Deans hopes that the Honors Convocation has been one means

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the following: the name of a student; a personal identifier, such as the student's social security number; a list of personal characteristics which could make it possible to identify the student with reasonable certainty, or; other information which would make it possible to identify the student with reasonable certainty. However, information of this nature may be released to specific individuals, agencies and organizations without written consent. They are as follows:

- · other college officials within the college or local educational agency who have legitimate educational interests
- · officials of other schools to which students intend to enroll
- · authorized representatives of Comptroller General of United States, The Secretary of HEW, Director of N.I.E. or State educational authorities
- · State and local officials to which information is required to be reported or disclosed by State

- · Organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, educational agencies or institutions for the purpose of developing, validating, or administering predictive tests, administering student aid programs. and improving instruction. However, these organizations must not reveal the personal identification of students and such information must be destroyed when no longer needed for study.
 - accrediting organizations
- parents of a dependent student (as defined for income tax purposes)
- · in an emergency if formation is necessary to protect the health or safety of the student or others
- · in compliance with a court order or subpoenas. Reasonable effort should be made to provide notification to student or parents.

The college must keep a record of all individuals, agencies and organizations which have requested or obtained access to students' records.

Directory information includes

the following: student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams,, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and the most recent previous educational institution attended by the student.

The college is required, before making directory information public, to give public notice of the information it plans to make public and allow ample time for a student to notify the college that the information released without prior consent. This provision applies to all college publications which contain the above categories of information (i.e. athletic program, student directory, newsletter).

Students who are interested in inspecing their records may do so at the appropriate office. The Bowie State College Policy including the procedure a student must follow to review his/her record will be available to students in the very near future.

IN MEMORIUM

by Bob Johnson Foreign News Editor

In simple parlance, death is death and simple people call it by its exact name.

Those who take delight in putting on flashy garments on ordinary words call it mortality, or extinction or dissolution, or debt of nature, or cessation of life, or just face that, shore of the great reaper, all of which when stripped of all the pomposity and the false pretences bring us back to the stark reality which the cowards or the pretentious try to run away from.

Death; high-minded, immodest death! It snatched the mother of our good man HAWA KALLON aged 65 years. She was good, she was modest but the great reaper pounced on her so her soul takes its place in heaven above, where there will be no more suffering nor death, where life there is life everlasting. So, Death be

Dr. Kallon himself travels to Africa for the memorial. 10,000 miles across the Atlantic, down to his home town on the West Coast of Africa. The entire student body of Bowie State College asks Dr. Kallon to pick up courage for this great loss. "Accept our heartfelt sympathy for this great loss."

William Shakespeare was quoted as saying that when beggars die, there are no comets, The heavens themselves blaze forth the death of Princes. Death be not proud.

"To die, to sleep no more: and by a sleep, to say we end the heartache and thousand natural shocks that flesh is heir to-It's a consummation devoutly to be wished. To die-to sleep-to

Death be not proud. "For who could bear the whips and scorns of time, the oppressor's wrong, the proud man's contumely, the pangs of despised love, the law's delay . . . the insolence of office . . ." Why? Death layed its icy hands on kings.

Students Represent On National Level

Three outstanding students, sented at the Sixth Annual represent the College at an area conference and a national con-

and Saidu Kebe, Landover, MD, will present papers at the Fifteenth Annual Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Conference,
"EUROPEANDTHE
DEVELOPING WORLD," to be held April 21-24 in Annapolis.

Greecham's paper will be on The Implications of the Present Arms Build Up in The Persian Gulf States and How These Are Related To Europe."

"How Europe is Recognizing the Power of the Third World," is the subject of Kebe's presentation.

Dr. William Kallon, acting chairman of the Political Science Department, and Dr. William Irwin, assistant professor of history, have been assisting these students in preparation for this timely con-

Bowie State was also repre- Women.

from the Department of Political NATIONAL STUDENT SYM-Science have been selected to POSIUM ON THE PRESIDEN-CY held April 11-13 in Reston, VA, by Willie Burleson from vention during the month of April. Washington, D.C., chairman of Jim Greecham, Laurel, MD, Ihe BSC Political Science Club.

Representatives from over 300 colleges and universities throughout the nation attended this distinguished symposium which focused on elements of national leadership.

Concern for national priorities and the dilemmas regarding inflation, recession, and energy policies carried the weekend theme of "Policies and Politics."

Some of the top-ranking government officials who participated in the event were Caspar W. Weinberger, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; William E. Simon, Secretary of the Treasury; Pamela A. Powell, White House Director for Youth Affairs; and Patricia S. Lindh, White House Special Assistant for

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stimulating enlighting lecture.

Immediately after that Mrs. Yvonne Theodore spoke on Affirmative Action Implications for Higher Education, which from what I could gather was an organization that dealt with racial and ethnic problems of the institutions of higher learning.

Walter G. Lahn Jr., spoke on Student Records and the Privacy Legislation of 1974. His lecture dealt with the privacy of students records and data in terms of the

new legislation passed early this year. He explained that the Higher Education Branch of reasons and ramifications of the H.E.W. on civil rights of students new Buckley Statute. A copy is and faculty of the institutes of available at the library. Austin higher learning. This turned out to Lane spoke on student life and the aw, a lecture that each student at Bowie should have attended. It dealt with the laws which affect students in colleges and universities. He was a very profound and explicit speaker and I found his lecture to be most interesting of the five lectures I heard.

Overall the conference was a very stimulating and fruitful experience for myself. I only regret that more of the student body could not or did not take advantage of it.

-Fred D. Carney Jr.

Editorial

In view of the 50,000 young Americans dead in South Vietnam, plus the millions of dollars worth of equipment supplied by the U.S. and abandoned to the Communists during the "Pall-Mall" retreat of the South Vietnamese army, and in view of the regime of President Thieu, seemingly universally heralded as corrupt; it is not in the best interest of our nation to give further military aid to South Vietnam.

Students Beware

At one time or another, tension is present in the students of Bowie. One of the reasons for this is the situations which the students encounter while in college. Having to study and learn several subjects in a limited amount of time, places the students under a great amount of pressure.

Identical situations can affect two individuals in completely different manners. One individual may be affected more so than the other. Some factors which play an important role in tense reactions are anxiety, habits, achievement, environment, and many others.

A high anxiety individual may not be able to either study properly or perform up to par. Other individuals find themselves under so much stress that they get to the point where they cannot operate at all. Of these individuals, you will find those with the lowest grades or with no grades at all. Many even drop out.

Other than the factors mentioned above, tension can be brought about by means which are only visible to the individual himself; such a family problems, personal problems, living conditions, economic situations, lack of selfconfidence, and many others.

What can YOU do? Actually, a LOT! Mental support is essential for survival, and you can provide a great deal of it. Offer a helping hand to those who obviously need it, or those who ask. You can even offer a listening ear, which is of great importance to many. When they are down, cheer them up! Work together, and together you shall succeed.

If you know the problem is out of your hands, maybe you can suggest that the student have a heart-to-heart talk with someone. Who? Well, there are a variety of people available, and maybe one will be willing and able to help the student out, either through advice, or by referral to someone who can either concentrate on the particular problem, or personally get involved. These people consist of advisors, teachers, counsellors, and most important, people who you feel are trustworthy. If you have a good rapport with a teacher, strengthen it by confiding in that individual. It may help.

Personally, I have my own ups and downs too, but, I'm more than willing to help. Don't allow your worries to control your life. Where there is a will, there is a way. If you have the will, there must be a way. No question!!!!!

Beauty

There is one item which can be considered a natural resource and this item cannot be bought, sold, layed off, or closed down. This item is MAN. Even though it is a well known fact that physical beauty is only skin deep, as a natural resource, man can do many things to preserve is beauty. health, and longevity.

We find ourselves at an age where everything seems to be scarce, be it natural or artificial, this does not hold true with man. Natural items are scarce because industrialization reigns over agriculture. Nevertheless, industrial or artificial items can also be scarce due to a recession which has cut down production by laying off workers and closing down

Various methods are used to achieve a healthy disposition and appearance. Health itself can be acquired by eating well balanced meals, resting properly, exercising, socializing, and visiting that friendly doctor once in a while. In this case, the healthy look should come naturally. On the other hand, the healthy look can be attained by artificial means; make-up, false eyelashes, contact lenses, face lifts, plastic surgery, and more. Some of these artificial items may serve their purpose and also be practical in their use, that is, if used properly. Then again, some of these items are absolutely unnecessary.

Make-up, for instance, can be worn to enhance and complement one's better features. In contrast, too much of anything, especially something like makeup, can make your appearance look loud and people may notice you, but they may not be really looking at you, they may be looking at that which stands out, even if it is not appealing or attractive.

An item like contact lenses benefits the appearance of those who already wear glasses, but what does it do for those who didn't? These people may not be aware of the fact that they might actually be impairing their vision while trying to look cute with a different eve color.

There is only one you, so why not take care of that you. If you must wear or use something artificial, be moderate, use your best judgment. Use make-up to accentuate your better features, wear attire that will enhance your appearance. When you look in the mirror, make sure that you have made yourself more attractive, and comfortable at the same time.

Mental beauty generally surpasses physical beauty in the long run. But then again, it is a well known fact that beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

Redskin Debate

It is very unlikely that even those who could benefit from the Redskin's rebate will. On August 3, 1973, almost two

years ago, there were two football exhbition games held between the Redskins and Detroit. At that particular time, Phase III of the Nixon Administration's wage and price controls was in effect. Contrary to Phase III, the Redskins raised their ticket prices to these particular games and consequently the Redskins are legally obliged to return \$1 to \$3 to those who attended the games, according to seat occupied. The total of this rebate amounts to \$180,384. The trick to it is the fact that you must have retained a stub which corresponds to the original

overpriced ticket. The football team, however, will not be legally prosecuted due to a

EDITORIAL PAGE

Letters to the Editor

The quest for receiving funds from the Student Government Association has become a very difficult task. Many myths have been created by members of S.G.A., because of the "he said", "she said" attitude. The Respond Center has been labeled "an ineffective service" due to past problems the center has encountered. In the genesis of the center many of its employees went through trials and tribulations. Nothing has been said about the present day progress of one of the better services on campus. One of the major problems facing the center is proving its worth to narrow-minded S.G.A. members. The center's staff's task in the future will be to prove the center's validity. The prejudices these members have against the center will hopefully disappear after the members learn about the center. The staff knows its responsibility to the student body, but it cannot be effective without the necessary funds. The personal opinions of the S.G.A. members should be put aside. The Respond Center and staff would like to become more productive on Bowie's campus, but the S.G.A. must given some strong assistance.

-Jeffery Levi Crayton II Staff of the Respond Center

Many call me "Fats", "Lump" or "Blimp", but I pass those comments off for the ones that make me feel like a purposely overfed defensive back for the Washington Redskins instead of Humpty Dumpty. Those more favorable comments such as "broad-shouldered", "heavyset" and oc-"broadcasionally lines like, "Boy, would I like you on my team", though can still not hide the ridiculous look I hold while enjoying the sport of bicycling.

While weighing 210 pounds on 5'10" frame, I am definitely not the world's image of the proficient cyclist. Instead I look like a double ice cream cone, but because I enjoy it, I'll continue.

Us "heavies" must take different precautions before setting off on extended bike trips, because of the extra strain on the bike itself. Most problems can be eliminated with some knowledge of bikes and a few extra dollars. The biggest problem, though, are the funny faces, children laughing and the fear of falling off my bike because of my weight. But, as bicycling becomes more popular, there are more "heavies" now and less laughter. Maybe now, bikes will be built for us and people will just accept that there is nothing funny about us "fat boys" on

-W. Frank Schrom Jr.

After three and a half semesters at Bowie State College, I've come to know and to love it as if it were my home. The richness of its history as a Negro College for Teachers and later a predominantly black state college, promotes a feeling of race pride within me. In spite of all the hassles I run into, I

decision made in the case by the Special Federal Court. The court decided that the football team was clear in the case after fullfilling their part in advising spectators prior to the game to withhold their stubs for reimbursement.

regard the students of Bowie State SOLIDATE and I am emotionally bound to your hopes, your downfalls and most of all your dreams.

However, in all sincerity. brothers and sisters of Bowie State College, you and I as the black people of Bowie State leave a lot to be desired. I cannot bring myself to overlook the fact that we, the students of Bowie are solely responsible for all the faults of Bowie as we know them today. Such faults of the college as the lack of lighting on the campus and the unpredictable antics of our guards. Traditional problems which we all can relate to such as egocentric teachers who take pride in failing students by the scores, and administrative leaders wo give us the run around and a lot of red tape. Let us not overlook Robinson Hall, that "Dynasty Divine," dedicated to bureaucracy and ripping us off of our last dime. Then we can always depend on the cafeteria to conjure up some grotesque dish as an excuse for a meal, thus leaving us prey to the painful ordeal of going to the infirmary which has an invisible doctor on duty at all times. or we can sit in the dorm and nurse our stomach aches as a form of entertainment for the evening.

Brothers and sisters I'm not saying we instigated problems which oppress us at Bowie, nor am I saying we caused them. But because of our lack of responsiveness and gutless moral these problems exist. I feel that we, the students of the college, should express immediately the problems which confront us as individuals and solidify so that we can all fight together. For it is the students that make Bowie a college, not the faculty or security or the cafeteria staff or maintenance or the administrators. The definition of a college according to Webster's is "A Collection of individuals all having a common interest." That's us, brothers and

If the students are dissatisfied with anything about Bowie State. it's our duty and our right to raise HELL! I'm very sincere when I say anything, for we are the college and the college is US.

PEOPLE OF BOWIE STATE LET'S LIBERATE, PEOPLE OF BOWIE STATE LET'S CON-

AND as my own brothers and sisters RECALCITRATE!!!! WAKE UP **BOWIE STATE!!!**

All power to you... -Fred D. Carney, Jr.

I would like to respond to the editorial in the April issue of the Ebony Tree.

Bowie State College is the college I selected for a multitude of reasons. I have been a resident of Maryland for thirteen years, and a faithful taxpayer. As a Maryland resident and a contributer to the state, I feel I can take advantage of Bowie State College, which receives from the state \$4.4 million annually.

I am white and proud as you are black and beautiful. We strive for the same thing-a good education.

I am sorry that you feel my presence a threat to your existence and that I endanger the future of Bowie State College. Indeed we are due for some changes and changes are good. I have the same sense of pride and self-awareness as you.

You feel that if white students like myself, have any more power this college is sure to become all white. Bowie State College as a black school would then exclude me. I too need equal opportunity. Rather than excluding, we should think in terms of inclusion. Neither you or I would care to exercise a power that controls or dominates others, be it at Bowie State or elsewhere. It's respect we seek, not power.

Again, I'm sorry you feel an attempt is being made to hide or remove black culture and replace it with a dominant one. Do you suggest we snuff out one to make room for the other or join the two? am willing to accept, respect, and admire the differences in the two. Are You?

Should we continue the stream of division that runs between the two or face the reality that we live with and need to accept both cultures. Bowie State is an institution that tries to preserve the heritage of education to all races. with stress on understanding and respect for differences. Then we can say to the other, being both proud and beautiful-"Right on!". Let's be about the business of learning.

-Edna Blakely

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Synthetic believers destroying their Minds in search to find a peace of mind Synthetic believers not hesitant to say That you haven't any problems So why should you say that the world can't withstand another day Ignorant you are Ignorant you shall stay This way you will not worry about Tomorrow or any other day Synthetic believers playing with words Depression-recession, but we all know. To your neighbor-you're in a recession. To you a depression Synthetic believers in hope to find a Resolution for us all to confer Hesitant that they don't know That we all shall go But they should have the dignity to let Us know that the flight of our future is Within everyones hand and that it can't Be decided by one Synthetic man.

Am I doing what I want to do The assumption would be yes, otherwise Why must I do it Is it because what they consider of a Person born in dirt, slums, ghetto In reality, a way of life Which feeds no sympathy Or, is it because I am afraid Afraid of being surcome by my environment Being junky Being nothing I try hard to be the opposite of what They suspect me to become Among my footsteps there is hope Hope for the people Because of them Where might I be Their future lies within me.

Jerome J. Brady

history of my mind what makes me think and act the way i do? is it my black skin? is it my awakening within? is it because my mind was once bleached white? is it because now i see the light? is it my being persecuted, exploited, and oppressed? is it my search for true happiness? is it the sickness of this land? is it working for the man? is it being the last one hired? is it being the first one fired? is it living in a slum? is it singing.....we shall overcome? is it riding in the rear of the bus? is it realizing what the beast has done to us? is it dying for this land? is it being counted as 3/5 of a man? is it carrying a protest sign? is it standing in a welfare line? is it because my people are being murdered and lynched? is it seeing the beast attack my people and they don't even flinch? is it living in an all black neighborhood?

is it seeing all white people as no good? is it because of police brutality?

is it seeing black reality?

is it being tried by an all white jury in some mississippi town?

is it because four black children died in a church bombed and burned to the ground?

is it because i learned to read and figure?

is it because they once called me a nigger?

is it because of the hate built up in me? is it because i was blind but now i see?

is it my longing to be free?

or is it me?

gailliard h. bland, iii c 1974, 1975

Black Is

B is for the Burden my people have carried so long L is for the Labor we've done to make this nation strong A is for the Anger my people have held within C is for the Confusion that has troubled this nation since it began K is for the Killing that will tear this nation apart until every man is free no matter how light no matter how dark

> gailliard h. bland, iii c 1975

STYLE

Love Comes In All Colors

Love is universal to all colors: Love is a soul's natural gold.

Wisdom, let love be bound to no one color People's mind roots, poisoned by hate has long stolen the claim to fame.

Let no demon obliterate your peace of mind: Or hate shall be crowned until the end of time.

Love comes in all colors Love is sweet-bitter pain imbedded in every human vain.

If the world must have color, people must color it love from their heart With the trademark of a brotherly art.

Love comes in many shades of black and white just an an understanding love can make a wrong thing right, Love's wisdom comes in all colors.

Daniel Queen

Alienated

I know not of this existence, seeing only my reflections gracefully admiring its presence.

I search not to belong, seeking only what I think would be be true heritage.

Knowing that I live without those emotions shared only by lovers. and yes those people who feel some nationalistic strife. I longed to journey into my mind, for some great distance away I perceive my dwelling place as the Utopia of mans' final serge for achievement.

By living in such immanence my awareness will become one with reality, yet find no means of escaping from a society that hides from itself.

Bobby Lee Hall

People masquerading not wanting to be real Hope through this method that they can appeal To the people they think are real Who are also trying to appeal Because they also cannot deal with what is real People wanting to be hipp Whatever hipp may be Talking plenty slang to me But this is not necessary to me But only lets me see that you are trying to be What you think appeals to me You do not have to talk slang to me in hope That I will understand because I speak English just like the next man People masquerading disrespecting one another By calling each and every other disrespectful names Only if they could see that it is not necessary to Be what you think will appeal to another It is pityful to think that these people are not real Because it is much easier to be Real.

Jerome J. Brady

Mother of Darkness

mother of darkness we are one i am your son your long lost son stolen from your side dragged away in chains sailed to the wilderness beaten by the beast made a slave branded nigger labeled nee grow call myself afro-american

the brast told me about you mother but just what they wanted me to hear they tried to make me hate and reject you because black unity is what they fear

although we're separated mother i'll always bera part of you because the same man that colonized you mother is oppressing and exploiting us to

i love you mother and i'm proud to be your son unity among your children of the world i pray soon will come

reach across the ocean and take my hand i am still your son just in a different land

i'm coming home mother maybe not in body, but in spirit and mind and when your children my brothers and sisters are united to-gether as one our power will be divine

> gailliard h. bland, iii c 1975

Only A Child Knows

and will not question now my childhood was the answer.

At the peek of intensity, A time when middle class values have captured me, I sit itemizing all that I own and smile quite pleased with my material gained accomplishments, beaming with pride at a luxurious home not unlike a queen admiring her palace, A queen is what I am today, At this intense moment of my life when I feel power, the power to utilize power and I questioned all and my existence but my existence is but a hand-me-down of that original man, and even he is a creation of this mystery. I found that all I understood I did not understand, because I did not know my full existence. Once again I looked upon all the monetary and material assets that I've carried on top my shoulders which have moved with me all my life, and suddenly they have no weight. I feel an emptiness and I am torn because I am faithless wishing to be faithful to someone, My eyes can see, my hands can touch with final pleas, and wide eyes gazing to the heavens I am denied, like a man who has lost his sight disallusioned my mind reflects better times and fantasy grings back childhood, when I wallowed in nothingness I knew nothing but that I lived filled with a soul, happy to be alive and did not question

By Gaye Charisse Jones

Bowie Professor Directs Play by Langston Hughes



by Willie Mason

Carole W. Singleton was born in Washington, D.C. and attended Dunbar High School before going on to Rockford College in Rockford, Illinois and receiving her Bachelor of Arts degree in Drama.

She went on to complete requirements for her Masters Degree in Drama and Speech at the University of Maryland and recently submitted her doctoral dissertation entitled, "Black Theater As Cultural Communication," to the University of Maryland where she will be conferred with her doctorate in May of this year.

Carole, who is an assistant professor in the Speech and Drama Department at Bowie State College, has been running around like crazy in preparation for the Drama Department's formances of Langston Hughes' play, "Tambourines to Glory" which will be presented May 2nd and 3rd in the Martin Luther King Communication Arts Center Auditorium. The play is being presented in cooperation with the Second Annual Bowie State College Fine Arts Festival.

Carole, who is directing the play, was asked what got her interested in theater in the first place. "I started working in theater in undergraduate school and never left," she smiled. "I guess I've always been prone to that sort of thing.

Many people believe that suc-

cess in entertainment depends on one's being able to be in the right places at the right times. For Carole, she met that requirement as she appeared in a small role in the premier of "The Great White Hope," at the Arena Stage in 1968. "James Earl Jones was the star," she said. "The Arena Stage uses 'local jobbers' in a lot of their presentations." She smiled and continued, "I auditioned and got the part but it's not always

Carole graduated from acting to directing after several other roles including "Marat/Sade" at the Arena Stage and the title role in "Electra" at the Theater Lobby in Washington, D.C.

Mrs. Singleton has taught at Taft Junioe High School and directed plays in several workshops and summer programs.

In 1973 she had an article on the Black Theater published in the November 15th issue of First Folio - Magazine of the Performing Arts, entitled, "Development of Black Theater: Another Renaissance.

Carole Singleton's scholastic ability and performance enabled her in 1971 to receive a three-year Maryland Fellowship from the University of Maryland to work toward her doctorate.

"I've been directing off and on for ten years," smiled the energetic Mrs. Singleton. She continued, "At one time, I was at a point of indecision. I liked direct-

ing better but I had to get acting out of my system. I really think that directing offers more in the way of creativity and interpretation and it gives me a chance to develop a style of my own." Carole paused a moment and went on, 'As director, I have a chance to act as an audience for my actors. I let them know what I feel in the same manner a real audience will when they perform." She con-tinued, "I guess that's why I don't like television work. On the stage, I know how the audience is reacting to me or my actors."

Tambourines to Glory" is the first production from the Bowie State College Drama De-partment this year. "We've work-ed hard on it," said a somewhat weary-looking Carole Singleton. "I know it's going to be good."

There is no admission charge to either performance of the play and Carole and her crew are looking forward to performing both nights before a packed house. It should be an evening of excellent entertainment if the actors are the perfectionists their director is.

Carole Singleton Technical Director: Michael Koss Stage Manager: LaSharn Tucker Ass. Stage Manager:

Lynn Flournov Costume Manager: Joyce Johnson Asst. Costume Manager:

Michael Raikes Minister of Music:

Frankie Collier





SPORTS

Mills, Wilson Selected **All-Conference**

St. Mary's College strong-arm pitcher Joe North was voted the Most Valuable Player in the Potomac Intercollegiate Conference Baseball Tournament after he led the Saints to a 10-3 victory over the Bowie State College "Bulldogs."

The "Bulldogs" showed the class that has been instilled in their minds by Head Coach Robert Cashwell as they accepted their loss as graciously as they had accepted their victories.

Bowie State had its best season to date as they finished with a 13-6 overall record and was 8-2 in the P.I.C. giving them the season conference championship and second place in tournament action.

Pitcher Greg Mills of College

Park and Wilson Collins of Pocomoke, Maryland were both selected to the All-Conference Team.

Collins, whose older brother graduated from Bowie State in 1973 and is currently in Scotland on a Fulbright Scholarship, is married and the father of a baby girl. The 20-year old outfielder, a graduate of Pocomoke High School in 1972 was the team's second leading hitter with a .381 average.

"This is the best team I've ever played on," said Collins. The quiet, left-handed slugger continued, "We've got good offense and real good coaches."



GREG MILLS

Greg Mills graduated from High Point High School in 1973 where he was voted the MVP for that season. This season the 20year old pitcher led all hitters for

average. "We have good fielding bring home two first place and hitting," said Mills. "We're a trophies instead of one first and well rounded team and the coaches have been behind us all

WILSON COLLINS the "Bulldogs" with a .473 the way. I'm just sorry we didn't

-Willie Mason

one second."



Bowie Women Apathetic About Sports

Female students can go to a party or dance on campus and the common slogan you'll hear at such an affair is get off your ass and jam. And you're up and jamming. When it comes to participating in a sport, whether it be a varsity sport or intramurals your apathy is the response that is received. Women, you make excuses like I'm too busy or I have my homework to do, but you find time to party or go to some social affair. I'm not putting down parties and other social affairs but when you

make excuses and find time to socialize, what is that but apathy.

There was a great demand for a new physical education facility and it was constructed. Then the students began to complain that it was never open. So plans were made to open facilities for your use and what did the females do? Let the male students and Whitey dominate its use. When the administration said the facility could not be used for the homecoming festivities, you the

female students were the first ones up protesting. "We paid our activity fees, we have a right to the facilty." The HELL you do! You don't even use it for the purpose that it was constructed.

Now you may be saying I never know when varsity sports or intramurals are going on. My answer to that is you're wrong. If you would stop and read the bulletin boards in the various buildings and not just look over them you would know what's going on. Stop talking when notices are being

read in the cafeteria and CAC building and listen, you would know what's going on.

The rewards of participating in sports activities are numerous. To realize the value of participating, in sports you must take an active part. Women get involved, and jam on sports.

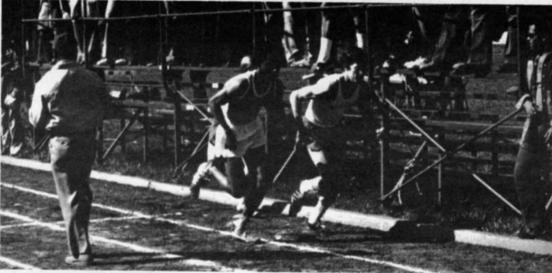
This article may have offended, shocked and even startled some of you. I do not apologize to you if this article has done this. To the ladies who do or have participated

in sports I apologize to you because you should not have to go through this constant frustration of the apathy which is placed on the B.S.C. women as a whole. The ladies that participate in sports I priase you because you strive scholastically first and athleticly second. In shorter terms you're students before you're an athlete; the uniqueness of it all is that you still find time to party and

-Cathy B. Jones (Speedie)

Track











THE BEST OF THE BOWIE GRAPEVINE

ELECTIONS

On May 15th we will all trek to the polls to cast our ballots for new officers of the S.G.A. The registration was held from May 1 to May 6. Let's get ready for the big fight.

KENNARD HALL

A qualified observer of the campus scene reports to us that Bowie has its own fish hatchery. This is Kennard Hall, where the residents have been fighting crabs for the last year.

THE NEW DORMITORY

Well, the roving reporter tells us that the credit standing does not mean psychological maturity. A case in point is Bowie's New Dormitory and its residents. The "mature" students of this school (Juniors and Seniors) have almost destroyed the building. The roving reporter suggests that they get on their J-O-B so that underclassmen don't inherit just an expensive ghetto.

MASS EDUCATION

There has been an attempt by the administration of this school to educate the student masses against V.D. We all know why; the vestages of the Winter fun are apparent in the swollen bellies of the campus. Our reporters suggest that students visit the Respond Center or the Infirmary to become aware of the alternatives to "thought-free-sex." Or as it has been said "Is that a pillow or have you been gaining weight?"

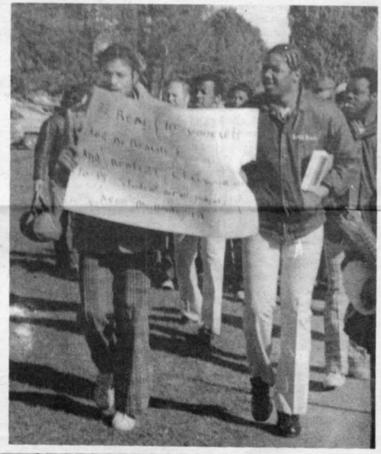
- •Rumor has it that there will be a little porker in the S.G.A. election. A ham filled situation.
- •What happened to the Sophomore Class?
- •Let's watch the Soph. officers!
- •Who is the New Dorm stripper?
- •Ask the people in the Males fifth floor lobby.
- •What happened to the White 1975 Camaro in the Parking Lot?
- •Wouldn't the owner like to know!
- •Rumor has it that Bowie State College will be the first college to have an all girls football team with a starting line larger and heavier than the varisty team.
- •There will be a panty raid coming up in Holmes Hall—so be prepared you sweet little things!
- •What chicken has recently had its wings clipped?
- •He is now waiting to be stewed!

BIG BROTHER IS WATCHING YOU

•Bowie's biggest star ever (who's initials are R.E.N.) who left us just last semester is out of a job. He hasn't been offered a position in 13 years, but is looking for a spot at the Domino Sugar plant. Another piggy situation for a real sweet guy!

- •Rumor has it that the state has invested in Bionic Men and Women. They roam Bowie's campus seeing beauty in everything. \$6,000,000 is a lot to pay for glasses.
- •We should say Pugh around the Allen residence
- •And a short note—there is a trophy in the New Gym for an outstanding male cheerleader—congratulations—not on the trophy, but rather the skirt and pom poms on the figurine up top.

SEE YOU NEXT TIME BOWIE STATE!!!



Not everything that man desires: Shall he acquire.

If a man could acquire half his wishes, he would double his troubles.

- *The worst wheel of the cart makes the most noise.
- *Many complain of their memory. few of their judgment.
- *We are not so sensible of the greatest health as of the least sickness.
- *A mob is a monster: heads enough but no brains.
- *Good sense is a thing all; few have, and none think they lack.
- *Anger is never without a reason, but seldom with a good one.
 *Experience keeps a dear school, yet fools will learn in no other.
- *Look before or you'll find yourself behind.
- *There is no better teacher than experience herself.

