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WHY SHOULD I LOVE

Why should I love, when one day I shall be,
A hand full of dirt, washed away in the sea.
Is it not painful for the one you love to leave,
A world of toil and pain, which was never meant to be.
Could it be, we are born to suffer, love and endure pain,
To prepare us for the day we shall see the great Master's reign.
Why do I love, I will never, understand.
It is too hard, to be, computed by man.

Virgie Jordan

CANCER

I walk upon a cloud.
Each step makes no track
No one knows, where I've been or
Where I am coming from.
They only see me as a shadow
A feature made to resemble me
This is the only impression I can convey
Because I am a unique person
I am a CANCER
If I show you the real me; my life
has ended.
There's no need to be!

THE MIND

The mind can bring confrontation;
or it can bring damnation.
The mind is more deadly than any poison.
A message travels through the mind
faster than any fire across a forest
Once your mind has been contaminated
you are trapped with these thoughts.
Whatever they may be, you may push these
thoughts to the back of your mind. But,
never, never, will you push them out
of your mind.

Darcel Rhodes

CAMPUS PEOPLE

They come from everywhere
Each having a different identity to share.
Each face shows, but no one knows;
What is under their mask. Is it a
heart of stone, or is it a mind of
gold? How can we relate to these folks?
Togetherness is the only hope. Be for real,
Be your self. Don't wear a mask.
Don't be afraid to smile, to chat,
to be human. Black brothers & sisters walk hand in hand across
Bronco's land.

Darcel Rhodes

"THE MEN IN BLUE"

AFROTC Happenings

Four seniors in the AFROTC (Air Force Recruit Officers Training Commission) program were recently named Distinguished Cadets by Lt. Col. Matthew H. Peach, Professor of Aerospace Studies. They were Cadet Jeffrey Blount, Cadet Lt. Col. James McPherson, Cadet Lt. Col. Eddie Carnegie, and Cadet Major Charles Snead. This honor was accorded them in recognition of their scholastic and leadership achievements. From among these four fine men will be named two Distinguished Graduates—an achievement that will be a permanent part of their military records.

Planning for their first annual Military Ball is currently occupying the time of many AFROTC cadets. Ironing out the details is the Military Ball Committee, headed by Cadet 2nd Lt. Michael Woodcock. Struggling to finance the grand plans of Mike's committee is the executive board of the Cadet Welfare Association headed by its president Cadet Major Bryant Roberts. Maj. Roberts has announced that car washes, doughnut sales, and perhaps a raffle are planned. Live music and dinner are to be a part of this formal affair on Dec. 7.

Four FSU seniors are getting a new look at the campus—from 2000 feet up. They are Cadet Capt. Jerry Jenkins, Cadet Capt. Travis Lewis, Cadet Lt. Col. Eddie Carnegie, and Cadet Major Ronnie Allen. Jenkins, Lewis, and Carnegie now have logged about 15 hours in the air, after soloing in quick succession at the 10 hour point. C-Maj. Ronnie Allen will be soloing soon, he began his Flight training later than the others. Their flight training is being provided by instructors of Fayetteville Aviation at Grannis Field under contract to AFROTC.

ALPHAS VISIT CAMPUSES

The Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated toured the campuses of Livingstone College, Barber Scotia College, and J.C. Smith University on Nov. 15, 1974. The purpose of the tour is to meet the brothers of other campuses and share academic and social experiences. The brothers may even entertain the campuses with a few Greek shows.

FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY CONCERT CHOIR

The Fayetteville State University Concert Choir is one of the finest developing vocal examples at the university. Over the past year enrollment and university interest in the choir has improved immensely.

The Fayetteville State University Choir is performing quite impressively this year. So far this semester the choir has performed in Williamston, N.C. That occasion was for Chancellor Lyons' at the Bicentennial Program. In Wilmington at Williston Junior High and the following Fayetteville churches, John Wesley United Methodist, Mount Olive Baptist and First Baptist. The choir will perform December 8, in Maxton.

The choir's main trip will be to Canada during our spring vacation. The choir has been holding sellings and raffles to raise money for this trip. John Wesley United Methodist, Mount Olive Baptist and First Baptist churches have donated their support in the fund raising to aid their trip to Canada.

The director—Dr. Lemuel Berry, Jr. feels that the choir has improved a considerable amount this year and has even higher expectations for the upcoming year. The choir performs works of many composers such as Brahms, Dawson, Lvovsky and Hairston. Although this year appears to be a busy year for the choir, Dr. Berry states that these activities are somewhat small as compared to future.

From all indications the future of the choir appears to be quite bright with many performances of the choir, the school will have one of its best representatives.

"YOUR GATEWAY TO THE FUTURE"

Fayetteville State University has a full-time Placement Service under the Direction of Milton Yarboro. The Placement Office is located in the Smith Academic Building, Room 101 (basement).

The ultimate goal of this service is employment. Toward this end the office tries to establish, maintain and service contacts with as broad a selection of employers as possible with career oriented summer opportunities.

Students interested in graduate school should contact the director of Placement concerning information about different schools, fellowships and financial aid.

MY DESTINATION? MY FATE?

On life's road I travel,
But where I'm headed
I know not.
Clouds surround me.
I am confused.
Mystic is everything with which I am concerned.
I am afraid of tomorrow
Because I don't understand the events of yesterday.
I am afraid of death
Because of life I am confused.
I travel on, yet, I know not
Where my destination awaits or
Where my fate lies.

Ronald "Ron" Williams

I THANK GOD FOR YESTERDAY

Now and then I look back at the past.
I know that if I dwell too much in the past
The light of the present will be dimmed
And that of the future will be extinguished,
But looking back also makes me realize how fortunate I am.
When I look back I shake my head
And I thank God for yesterday.
If there hadn't been a yesterday
There wouldn't be this today.
If there hadn't been a yesterday
Things between us wouldn't be this way.
God took the sunshine from the skies
And placed the love light in your eyes.
From downy flowers He took the dew
And made you, my dream, come true.
Upon the rock of love your face He set,
There by chance and fate we met.
We came to know each other, we had fun,
In time, we became as one.
Because of the lasting relationship that was then began,
Thanks again I give to God for filling yesterday with the sun.

Ronald "Ron" Williams

MY DREAM OF ME

To run and care not where you are going
To run and care not where you have been.
To speak and care not what you say.
To laugh and care not who hears
To cry and care not who sees.
To smile and let the world wonder why
To care and not be afraid to show it.

To feel, to live, to love
To be free.....to be me.

Jennifer Pina

ALONE

Here I stand
surrounded by thousands
yet I'm alone.
Here among those who love me
those who really care
but still encased by loneliness.
I find that there is no escape
except that which is found in the
shadows of my mind.

Gail Threet

Here I sit with all my memories of you.
Thinking of the few precious moments that
we've spent together
Then thinking of all the time that was wasted
Because I didn't know you,
But there's one very special thing that makes
me happy;
I know you now and I always will.

Gail Threet

I'm sitting here thinking
Yes thinking of you,
Of all the good times and all the bad
And all the right and the wrong.
But the very best thoughts of all
Are of all the good times to come.

Gail Threet

Amidst all the confusion of day-to-day stress and strain,
All the hurt and pain that I may feel;
All the anxiety that is stored within me;
And all the uncertainty that I feel,
I find comfort and peace of mind in YOU.

Gail Threet