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EDITORIAL

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America to the rescue, ...again

It looks as though the crisis in Haiti is over.

General Raoul Cedras and his cronies left the country peacefully, and after three years, President Jean Bertrand Aristide can reclaim the reigns of power once again. Aristide was elected by a 70 percent popular vote in 1991 over General Cedras.

Cedras reportedly accepted a million dollars from the United States, along with an offer to rent his four homes. The United States flew 20 of Cedras' closest friends where they wanted to go, and agreed to pay their living expenses. The United States is also paying Cedras \$5,000 a month to rent his three abandoned homes, and paying for his family to stay at a very posh hotel in Panama; this was the incentive Cedras needed to relinquish his powers.

If all we had to do was bribe the dictatorship government in Haiti, then there was no need to send troops there. However, it can be argued that without military intervention, Haitians would still be living under the desperate circumstances in which they were found.

But, doesn't this country have enough problems of its own?

It is true that America is looked upon as the world protector and a country that has enough wealth to spread around. But it seems that every time there is a crisis in an impoverished country, we always have to be the one to bail them out. Our own military excursions should be enough to keep us busy, such as the latest trip back to the Persian Gulf, for another round of sparring with President Saddam Hussein.

Many question President Clinton's motivation for military aggression, calling it an attempt to win back his popularity just in time for re-election. Others suggest that Clinton is only a pawn, because he has little experience in foreign affairs and can be easily persuaded by advisors that involving American troops in foreign affairs is the only solution after many failed attempts for diplomatic negotiations.

We will definitely have our work cut out for us.

Stephanie McCorkle

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LETTER TO EDITOR

O.J. charged for what??

I am aware that your editorials are based upon your opinions and observations, but shouldn't they also be based upon factual information?

The editorial appearing in the Sept. 29 issue of the Banner

stated that O.J. Simpson was arrested for spousal abuse in 1989.

This is not so. O. J. was never arrested for such a crime. The police responded to calls from O.J.'s wife at the time, Nicole Brown-Simpson, but O.J. was not taken

into custody. Nor was he charged.

Stop being Marcia Clark (prosecuting attorney in the Simpson case), and learn the facts.

Elizabeth Battiste
 Beaufort, S.C., junior
 and O.J. Supporter

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The Rev. Sherrie Cook, College Chaplain said, "I really thought that Founder's Day Convocation was one of the best ones that I've been a part of. It was great to see history being displayed before us in the lives of the honorees."

The college received expressions of appreciation from members of the City of Greensboro, the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, the United Methodist Church, UNCF, the alumnae, fac-

ulty and Miss Bennett.

A highlight of the program was the newly formed Reader's Theater group, under the direction of Dr. Gloria Wade Gayles, a visiting professor from Spelman.

Another highlight of the program was the conferring of two honorary doctoral degrees.

Maggie Simpson Matthews, a member of Bennett's 1930 class, earned a degree in sociology from Bennett.

The other honoree, Nelle Otis Coley, earned a degree in education from Bennett in 1931.

"The two honorees are definitely an inspiration to me. They exemplify the essence of truly phenomenal Bennett Belles," said LaTasha Gordon, junior mass communications major from Brooklyn.

The next ACES program, Fall Honors Convocation has been scheduled for Nov. 1.

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Barbara Simmons, chief of Bennett College campus police said, "I pledge to have officers there to provide escorts to students and patrol the cars to prevent theft and vandalism."

"If you don't see an officer, ask a dispatcher in the security house to send an officer over to escort you. They can't refuse."

Richard Hopkins, direc-

tor of campus police said, "Although memos have been sent out prohibiting campus parking, many students have ignored them. Citations have been ordered and actions will be taken against those who violate parking rules."

The first violation of campus parking will be a \$5 fee, the second is \$10, and the third is \$15. Thereafter, cars will be towed at the

owner's expense.

On Sept. 19, memorandums were sent to students informing them that parking permits were available for distribution. Faculty parking permits will be available on Oct. 6. Memos will be sent out following their arrival.

Many permits have already been purchased, but students just haven't picked them up yet.

All Bennett parking permits and Consortium parking permits should be purchased and displayed no later than Oct. 12.

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recent research on the participants in the anti-klan rally during that time; Signe Waller, Ph.D, widow of John Waller and former Bennett instructor in philosophy, will discuss the event itself and the work and histories of the individuals whose lives were lost that day.

The panel is sponsored by the Women's Research, Training and Development Center. Dr. Ruth Lucier philosophy professor will be the moderator.

Editor's Note: Using Nov. 3, 1979 as the lens, a task force of

Greensboro citizens whose lives were touched by the events on that day have been reviewing the status of social issues in Greensboro during the past 15 years and have planned a series of events on the campuses of Bennett and UNCG. The schedule includes the following: A theatrical presentation of "Reaching Towards Nevermore, Kwame Cannon Speaks," at 6 p.m. in Goode gym, Nov. 4. The play will be followed by a panel discussion. A seminar and discussion "Contemporary Issues Facing Our

Community" will be held at UNCG's Elliott Center from 1 to 5 p.m., Nov. 4. For more information contact the Public Affairs office at 370-8678.

Oops, here it is

In the Sept. 27 issue, a headline indicated that Dr. Henry A. Collins is new faculty member in the Social Science division. Dr. Collins is a member of the Natural Sciences Division.