With great pride and admiration, the 1975-76 Lanite Staff dedicates this yearbook to Miss Martha Coleman, who has served untiringly as Advisor to the Lanite Staff for four and one-half years.

Miss Coleman is a native of Humboldt, Tennessee, where she graduated from Stigall High School as valedictorian of her class. She received her B.S. and M.A. degrees from Tennessee State University.

While attending Tennessee State University, she was active with the University Councilors, Student Senate, Women's Advisory Board, Pi Omega Pi, Honorary Business Fraternity, Phi Beta Lambda, Business Club, and President of the senior women's dormitory. Upon graduation, she received the Business Education Teacher's Award.

During Miss Coleman's six years at Lane, she has served in the following capacities: Advisor to the Senior Class, Sophomore Class, Phi Beta Lambda Business Club, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; Chairman of the Business Education Self-Study, Pre-Charm Committee for the Miss Lane College Pageant, and the Awards and Honors Committee. She has also served on various committees in various other capacities.

Miss Coleman is presently Assistant Professor of Business Education and Coordinator of the Business/Secretarial Skills Laboratory.

She attends Morning Star Baptist Church in Humboldt, Tennessee.

MISS COLEMAN, THE LANE COLLEGE FAMILY Says "THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEVOTION AND UNTIRING SERVICES IN HELPING TO MAKE LANE COLLEGE GROW."

-- The Lanite Staff
EDUCATION

* A lack of education is stifling a large proportion of the human race.

* Unemployment is at an all time high, and the crime rate continues to climb.

* A number of Black Americans who want a "piece of the rock" are not getting it.

Black Americans have realized that there are chains that bound them to the many deplorable conditions which they must live in. Black America is breaking those chains and using the greatest weapon of all—a weapon which once was denied us and caused us to lose more years than man cares to admit.

EDUCATION is that weapon of which I speak. EDUCATION is the Hope and Ambition of Black America. It is the wish of Black America that all be educated in the fullest sense of the word, and this EDUCATION of which I speak is not limited to book learning. I speak of the total process.

EDUCATION is the cause which many of our forefathers gave their lives for; it is the dream Dr. King immortalized. In many cases, it is the heaven that Mahalia Jackson sang about. It's Nikki's, Dubois', and Cullen's poetry we've read about.

Black America is getting high on EDUCATION; Black America has a craving for success. Time has passed for depriving ourselves of the opportunities long due us. We should not lose these opportunities by clasping too early in life. Let us be like minions on the war path—devoted and dedicated to a continuous cause.

Let us not be Black, Beautiful, and Deprived; rather, let us get a large chunk of successful living by making EDUCATION our theme. Let's be Black, Beautiful, and Educated!

Let us not hate our white brothers and use this as an excuse for not succeeding. If we would only remember the following famous words by Booker T. Washington, we can do so:

"No man, black or white, from North or South, shall drag me down so low as to make me hate him."

He also said, "Black people should help themselves through EDUCATION rather than political demands.

TOTAL EDUCATION IS THE ANSWER!

--Earl Lanier
ANGLES JAMISON

MISS LANE COLLEGE 1975

MISS LANE COLLEGE, COURT, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS!
"MY BLACK GODDESS"

For ages you have been laughed at because your skin is black, but no more will I allow this laughter to continue. You are the essence of Blackness; your once ridiculed kinky hair must finally be recognized as a halo of African beauty.

MY BLACK WOMAN,
Your succulent ebony breast epitomizes Black pride;
Your narrow waist, bountiful hips, sensual thighs, and the soft, soulful mound of your belly cannot help but invoke visions of the majestic Motherland.
Your legs are soft, smooth, comely, yet strong.

MY BLACK PRINCESS,
You are my Black Madonna;
From your fertile womb has sprung the Black race;
From the Black seeds which I lovingly planted in you have been conceived such warriors as Marcus, Malcolm, and Martin.
From you has come nourishment for the Black race.

BLACK PRINCESS,
You have had to work tirelessly to raise my children because I was not allowed to.
Alas, your luscious brown eyes have been clouded by harsh tears, but they continue to radiate compassion.

"MY BLACK PRINCE"

It is best to abide by existing racist controls I am told,
But I refuse to exist as a non-entity amidst injustices.

They tell me that I am a minority;
My courage, however, makes me a majority.
Defiance will mean certain suicide they say,
But death is a small price to pay for Black Freedom.

I am promised full civil rights one day;
I need no such gifts, however, for I was born with human rights.
I am to believe that I will be "taken care of."
Hence, looked upon as a helpless invalid seeking guidance from the "generous white guardian."

America is the home of the free,
so says the "master."
But over 300 years of bondage proves otherwise.
I can have no culture I am told;
They even tell me that I was born to be a slave.

But I refuse to believe that I was destined to be an eternal picker of cotton or beast of burden, for

I AM THE BLACK PRINCE!

I am the builder of the great African kingdoms of Ghana, Mali, and Songhai.

"MY BLACK GODDESS OF PERFECTION,

I

LOVE

YOU

--Marcus Bullock
It was with great honor that we accepted the position of Editor of the Lanite, 1975-76.

Not knowing what we were to encounter, we forged ahead with great enthusiasm. We soon learned, however, that it takes patience, ambition, and definitely dedication, in order to produce a book representative of our College.

Today, we can say that the job was not easy, but we do feel that it has been well done. We can also say that this was an educational experience that we shall never forget! We truly hope that you will accept our finished product in an educational manner!!! --mistakes, faults, and all.

To our advisor, Ms. Martha Coleman, we say "Thank you for working so untringly with us and for sticking with us to the end. Not many people would have done so."

And to the students, faculty, staff, and friends of the community, we ask that you not accept our 1975-76 edition of the Lanite with criticism, but with praise and with the faith that we will do better next year; for surely we can with your cooperation.

Cathondra Hayes
and
Billy Wesson

TOGETHERNESS FOR A BETTER LANITE ....
Dear Fellow Lantites:

The selection of "Education...The Hope And Ambition Of Black America" as the theme for this year's annual is indeed both appropriate and timely. It is appropriate because we are members of an academic community, and timely because we should be genuinely concerned about what is happening to blacks at all levels of education.

The words hope and ambition denote an eager or inordinate desire, or a yearning for education. Thus, when we say with sincerity that education is the hope and ambition of Black America, we are refuting the implication of a statement by Lerone Bennett, Jr., when he says, "There was a time when black youth chose study over play." On the other hand, we are in agreement with the thinking of Bishop W. H. Miles, first elected Bishop of the Colored (now Christian) Methodist Episcopal Church, when he said to the delegates at the church's first General Conference in 1973, "Next to the maintenance of sound doctrine and godly discipline, the most vital point is the education of our people."

If education is not the hope and ambition of Black America, it certainly should be for those Black Americans who are fortunate in being enrolled in some college or university. It should be for the approximately 700 students presently matriculating at Lane College. Thus, when we are tempted to idle away our time, or become engaged in less productive activities, we should be reminded that our present level of achievement in the socio-economic area can be largely attributed to our level of educational achievement. Furthermore, we should be reminded that there are millions of the less fortunate out there whose hope and faith is in us.

I commend the staff of the yearbook for giving us the challenge.

Very truly yours,

Herman Stone, Jr.
President
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LEADERSHIP AS WELL AS EDUCATION PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE ENRICHMENT OF BLACK AMERICA. AN INDIVIDUAL’S LEADERSHIP ABILITIES ARE DETERMINED BY HIS/HER MOTIVATION, MOBILITY, AND ABILITY TO WORK WITH OTHER PEOPLE. THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS HAVE DEMONSTRATED THE FUNDAMENTAL LEADERSHIP QUALITIES.
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EMANIPATION OF THE BLACK MIND

I was first brought to this land called America in 1619. I was enslaved and programmed—savagely enslaved and systematically programmed, programmed to hate myself, programmed to exist in a state of total ignorance.

I have spent over 300 years in America, fighting—fighting racism, subordination and dehumanization, fighting to preserve Black enlightenment.

They finally declared me free from bondage in 1865—declared me free to control my destiny, free from physical enslavement, FREE?

But my mind was still enslaved, Thus I was still enslaved!

So I continue to wage a struggle—
I struggle to educate myself,
struggle to know myself,
struggle to cultivate the precious embryo called knowledge,
struggle to conquer the powerful foe called ignorance.

My struggle has been a long and difficult one—
but a worthwhile one,
For if my struggle for freedom—
if my thirst for knowledge dies,
I, the Black race, also will perish.

--Marcus Bullock
OF TODAY AND TOMORROW