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FOREWORD

The 1956 LION is an attempt to partially recapture the varied activities of student life at Lincoln. Our purpose was not to make this a comprehensive record of all of the student activities, but to concentrate primarily on the Class of 1956.

We regret that, due to the brevity of the book, we are not able to include more of a cross-section of campus life. However, we believe that it serves the essential purpose of a book of this type.

In the years ahead, it will be a remembrance of our college years, and will, we hope, produce a pleasant nostalgic feeling of days well spent amid these rolling hills.



PROFESSOR NORMAN E. GASKINS

DEDICATION

As people who have spent the greater part of the past four years in preparing intellectually and socially for the next phase of our lives, it is entirely appropriate that we dedicate this record of that preparation to one who, by his actions and example, provided an excellent stimulus to social and intellectual growth, the late Professor Norman E. Gaskins.

We dedicate this book, as well as ourselves, not to a memory, but to the living ideals which he helped to create in us, fully realizing that those ideals might very well cost us wealth and renown, yet gain for us something more beautiful and of longer duration: self-respect and its constant companion, peace of mind.



Dr. Horace Mann Bond President Of The University

Greetings For The Yearbook

The years have fled on wings, since the Class of 1956 entered Lincoln University. Whatever may be the regrets entertained by departing graduates, the sharpest in the heart of an administrative officer is that circumstances did not permit a deeper acquaintance with those who are now to become Alumni.

I know enough about the Class of 1956, individually and collectively, to feel utter confidence in its future. Whatever the claims of the "older grads," I know with certitude that you will, in your own time, reflect as distinguished credit upon the University as any of your predecessors.

It is an old truism — that opportunity awaits beyond our college walls. It is also the sober truth. As for no other Class in the history of Lincoln, your opportunities are infinite, your choice and unfettered pursuit of occupations vast.

May you — we pray — find that the years spent here in Lincoln University, have been good years for you; good, in giving you the preparation you have needed to win success in graduate and professional schools, and in your chosen careers. Nothing delights us who remain, more than the frequent letters our graduates write us, telling us that Lincoln prepared them well to meet and match the keenest competition found on advanced levels.

We are already proud of you: may your life be crowned with successful service to Humanity.

—HORACE MANN BOND

Class Advisor



You have inherited a world in tension; a society exerting many economic and social pressures; and an age of great scientific and technological developments.

As those who have gone before you have helped shape the patterns of today, it is expected that you will help shape the patterns of tomorrow.

Although this Commencement is a time for rejoicing, it is also a time for contemplation. Pause for a moment now and check your future course. There is still hard work to be done and much remaining to be endured. May your choice be high and your determination strong in whatever your pursuits.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CLASS:

It has been a heartwarming experience to have shared in this phase of your life.

—JAMES W. FRANKOWSKY
Class Advisor



First Row
Seated: L. to R.

James B. McRae, Henry G. Cornwell, William R. Cole, Paul Kuehner, Phillip S. Miller, Harold F. Grim, Horace M. Bond, J. Newton Hill, Laurence Foster, Armstead O. Grubb, Manuel Rivero, Andrew E. Murray.

Second Row
Standing: L. to R.

Orrin S. Suthern, H. Alfred Farrell, De Forest P. Rudd, Samuel G. Stevens, Donald M. Davies, James H. Brown, Donald C. Yelton, Elizabeth L. Beardsley, Austin H. Scott, Samuel T. Washington, Thomas M. Jones, Moses Lukaczer.

Third Row
Standing: L. to R.

James W. Frankowsky, Peter J. Hall, James L. Bryant, David Carney, Robert M. Gardner, Samuel M. Bradley, Walter E. Waring.

Fourth Row
Standing: L. to R.

William A. Hunter, Emery Wimbush, Dwight Morrow, Jr., Kenneth Sneed, Abram Hill, Sayre P. Schatz.



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While ordaining a young man at New London, Pa., for missionary work in Africa, on May 8, 1849, the Rev. John Miller Dickey, of Oxford, Pa., conceived the idea of a school for the training of young colored men to carry the light of the gospel to their race. In 1852 the plan for the establishment of the school was approved by the Presbyterian General Assembly, and in this same year Dr. Dickey purchased a farm of 30 acres near Hinsonville, Pa., as the site of Ashmun Institute, named for the Liberian pioneer Jehudi Ashmun.

The first charter for this school was signed in 1854 by Governor Bigler of the State of Pennsylvania. In 1857, Ashmun Institute, the first institution of higher learning for Negroes opened its doors for the first time.

In 1866 the name, Ashmun Institute, was changed to "The Lincoln University" in honor of Abraham Lincoln. Lincoln University therefore represents the first institution to bear the name of "The Great Emancipator."



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Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities

Left to Right—Sitting—Galen R. Work, Lonnie Fuller, George Nemethy.
Standing—Clinton Smith, Phillip Gerard, Walter Scriven, David Bridgeford III.

Who's Who In The Senior Class —

MR. LINCOLN	David Bridgeford III
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	George Nemethy
CLASS ARTIST	Stanton Mumford
MOST POPULAR	Milton Corsey
CLASS WRITER	Phillip Girard
MOST STUDIOUS	Clinton Smith
CLASS SCIENTIST	George Nemethy
MOST HUMOROUS	Irving Harris
CLASS MUSICIAN	Richard White
MOST RADICAL	Basil Selden
MOST NAIVE	Moynimiah Choudry
CLASS ATHLETE	Albert Johnson
CLASS POLITICIAN	Milton Corsey
MOST HANDSOME	Clinton Smith
BEST DRESSED	Don Taylor
CLASS LOVER	William Thompson
CLASS ORATOR	Phillip Girard
CLASS WEEKENDER	Jordan Ewell
CLASS DANCER	Joseph Johnson
CLASS SINGER	Robert Davis
MOST VERSATILE	Clarence Guy



CLASS OFFICERS—DON TAYLOR, Treasurer
(Seated) CLINTON SMITH, President
A. SHROPSHIRE, Secretary
(Insert) DAVID BRIDGEFORD III, Vice-President









Class History

September 1, 1952. The Entering of the Class of '56.

What sort of a day was it? A day like all days, filled with those events which alter and illuminate the course of our lives. And we were there.

September 1, 1952 marked the beginning of a new era for 60 enterprising young men filled with ideas of becoming leaders in the world of tomorrow. We were oriented into our college life as Lincoln Men during our first week, by a group of energetic Senior advisers and an even more energetic football team. The true Lincoln spirit wasn't instilled in us, however, till the arrival of the Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. This group gave us our first taste of Lincoln rabble and a vivid but somewhat hard picture of what was required of a Lincoln Man, at Wood-Night. We are happy to say that most of us survived Wood-Night, to be Preps no longer, but Freshmen. Along with our newly acquired status we celebrated our first of four Homecomings.

After celebrating two quick holidays, we returned to the campus, only to hear cries of "punch-out time" and "he who fights the TV screen will never see the grass grow green." What does this mean? Finals, of course, which we passed with flying colors. We were now true Lincoln Men. The second semester passed rapidly with glimpses of Student Senate, Pan-Hellenic and African Students Week Ends, and our first Hell Week. Before we knew it finals were here again. Thus it was that we spent our first year at Lincoln.

Our second year was one of reunion and hard work. We enthusiastically welcomed the Freshmen, afterwards resuming our roles as campus personalities. There were Bob Davis and A. J. Johnson as standout football players; I. O. Harris and Bill Thompson as "weekend splitters"; Lonnie Fuller and Walter Scriven as outstanding students; and Bill Walker as champion TV watcher and classroom sleeper. Those Sophomores with the average, the desire, and the spirit decided to seek the brotherhood of the Greek Letter Organizations. Other Memories of 1953 include those of our second straight CIAA Wrestling Championship, Lincoln's second place in the CIAA Track Championships, Stanford Mumford's two gold medals, the Soccer Team being led by Kariuki Njiiri, George Kimani and Isaiah Smith, and the Howard-Lincoln game in Philly. Perhaps our fondest memory was the Centennial Celebration. As our second year ended, we gladly relinquished our claim to the title "wise fools," for we were surely more wise than foolish.

A short and fleeting summer separated our Sophomore and Junior years. Though our number was now less than 40, each of us still carried in our heart the desire and purpose that came with us in our Freshman year. No longer concerned with welcoming the Freshmen, we now concentrated on looking ahead to our Senior year and to the future. Our studies were our primary concern with a minimum of rabble and TV thrown in. This was evidenced by the large number of Juniors on the Dean's List. The year 1954-55 saw the addition of J. J. Johnson and Paul Cannon to the "automobile club"; Milt Corsey became Lincoln's Don Newcombe, Alfred and Allen Shropshire were welcomed into Greekdom; Bud Taylor became known as the "Great Biologist"; the addition to the Library was completed and the Administration gave Frat Houses to the Frats. These are but a few of the cherished memories of our Junior year which ended with Milton Corsey accepting the Mantle from the Class of '55. We were now Seniors.

It was with a new determination and will that we returned in September of 1955. We were aware of the fact that we were now the leaders, that it was up to us to carry on the work, the ideas, and the traditions set down by previous classes and scholars. Realizing the importance of the coming year we elected Clinton Smith to lead and guide us. For the third time the Shropshires served as secretaries of the class. This was the year of our last Wood-Night, Homecoming, Winter Carnival, Organization Week End, and Penn Relays. All was not pleasant, however, for there was the GRE with George Nemethy scoring off the chart, and everyone else "dying horribly." Beta Kappa Chi Honorary Science Fraternity initiated several of our members. They were David Bridgeford, Lonnie Fuller, Clarence Guy, Alfred Shropshire, and Allen Shropshire. Our Who's Who representatives were Phillip A. Gerard, Clinton Smith, Lonnie Fuller, David Bridgeford, George Nemethy, and Walter Scriven. Looking to the future, we congratulate our members who have been accepted to grad schools and extend our hopes and prayers to those who are yet striving.

It is with a great deal of sadness that we pass through Lincoln's Arch for the last time as students. We have worked hard so that we were able to see the "grass grow green" four times. We've learned many things here at Lincoln in the way of selective knowledge. Perhaps the greatest lessons we have learned lie in the field of human companionship and relationships. To the Class of '56 this is a commencement in the true sense of the word, for it is the beginning our lives as men. On September 1, 1952, we entered to learn. On Tuesday, June 5, 1956, we went forth to serve.

Class Will

We, the Class of Nineteen Hundred Fifty-six, being of sound mind and disposing memory (?) do make, publish, and declare this to be our last will and testament. We do hereby bequeath:

George Nemethy's scientific ability to Dave Waters.

Dave Walker's basketball ability to Ronald "Nick" Haley.

Bill "Sinhue" Thompson's way with women to Joe Scott.

Isaiah Smith's profound knowledge of the Universe to Charles Lundy.

Jesse "Bud" Taylor's Kappa spirit to Byron Reed.

Irving "Gutty" Harris' witty ways to anyone who can fill his shoes.

Allen Shropshire's industriousness to Thomas Mills.

Jordan Ewell's speed to Charles Mikell.

Dave Bridgeford's "Big Business" to Wilbert Tatum.

Phillip Gerard's intellect to William Womack.

Karuiki Njiiri's personality to Edmund Bivins.

John "Pop" Durham's moccasins to Stanley "Back" Evans.

Lonnie Fuller's chemistry insights to George "G. K." Henry.

Robert Davis' verbal ability to Herman Wilson.

Albert Johnson's versatility to Jereleigh "Jerry" Archer.

Clinton Smith's equanimity to Charles Collins.

Don Taylor's cuts in economics to Connie Hall.

Paul Waters' verbosity to Norman Reeves.

Senior Prophecy

The Olympics were held this year and Stan Mumford walked away with high jump and pole vault honors for the U. S.

St. Elmo Taylor has just bought another new sports car. Wonder who he will give this one to.

Man finally reaches the moon. Dr. George Nemethy who headed project proclaimed greatest scientist of today.

Milton Corsey, a dark horse candidate, is far ahead in new Jersey with one half of a precinct reporting. Always thought you would make President of the U. S. Mint.

Stop! Look! Listen! Irving Harris and Joseph Johnson are starring on Ed Sullivan's Toast of the Town tonight at 8:00 o'clock.

All Africa is now free. Njiiri's and Kimani's Labor Party finally bears fruit.

Lonnie Fuller and "Dave" Bridgeford receive Nobel Prize for Cancer Cure.

Don Taylor realizes lifetime ambition in the acquisition of dictatorship of man-made satellite.

Darkness at Noon — Dr. Seldon blows out Sun Fuse with overheated ammeter.

Lincoln University receives new dean of men — Dr. Walter Scriven.

John "Pops" Durham, winner of Most Valuable Player award in the Canadian League is sorely missed this season after Iceberg crushes left foot in Alaskan exhibition game.

Isaiah Smith stars in "Hell, Hook and Handle," feature attraction in the Bowery's only theatre, the Bijou, with ultra-magnificent projectionist of fourth dimensional vista-scope, Dean Paul C. Cannon.

Dr. Clarence Guy inaugurated as President of the American Medical Association.

Dr. Albert Johnson retires as President of Buick Division of General Motors to perform difficult osteopathic operation on little toe of David "Nicky" Walker, star of the Harlem Globetrotters.

Jordan Ewell, father of twenty-two children, watches TV while wife works.

Moynamiah Choudry weds Zsa Zsa Gabor after successful application of Love Plan — "Fahrenheit 471."

William "Sinhue" Thompson begins Cosmic Dynasty as the first Pharaoh of New Egypt, with Johnson Akang, Otis Hammond and Harold Collier as Imperial Advisory Sultans. New regime also includes John Ferguson as Chief Esne Overseer.

Sigmund Rhee retires; Hyon Yoo takes over as government head.

The band that has captivated the entire nation in the last six months is led by Richard White on the Tenor Sax.

The Shropshires—Alfred and Allen have become victims of polyandry.

Clinton Smith has retired as president of Yale University and is living on his meagre income from oil wells which he inherited.

White's Beer is better beer. Co-owners, Harold and Donald had better "Ease UP" if they expect to make a profit.

Walker and Stills have just contributed 5 dollars apiece to Lincoln University to be used toward the construction of a new Science Building.

Robert "Bob" Davis has just been assigned to the President's advisory committee on recreational biology.

Robert "Darby" Andrews has just bought the \$25,000,000 Hearst Publications. He is the foremost editor and publisher in America today. Dr. Farrell never thought he'd make the grade when Andrews made that nickel in Journalism.

Edmond Preston, always a middle of the year man, has just made a new calendar for the United States making June the first month of the year. He has traditionally liked summer, therefore there are no winter or fall months on his calendar. The house of representatives has passed the measure and the senate has had little debate over the question. The president has intimated that he would sign the measure, for it would provide more months in which he will have "Golf-weather."

FINIS:





