

## Mrs. Camille Cosby Receives Master's



Although husband Bill's busy filming schedule prevented him from attending wife Camille's graduation, the couple's children were on hand to cheer their mom across the stage. Shown with Mrs. Cosby are four of the Cosby's

five children. At left: Ensa 7, Ennis 12, Erinn 13, and Erika 15. Mrs. Cosby plans to continue her doctoral studies at the university in education.

When Camille Cosby picked up her graduate school diploma from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, the Bill Cosby family added one more sheepskin to the wall. Although Cosby is obviously proud of wife Camille's achievements, he vows "to never let her catch up to me! Now that she is starting her Doctorate, I will have to start work on my post-doctoral training!" declared

the Black Baron, himself a Ph.D. from U. Mass.

Both Cosby's share a keen interest in education; yet, their motivations for pursuing advanced degrees are slightly different. When asked why he completed his doctoral studies in education, Bill responded: "My mother wanted me to have something to fall back on!" Camille, however, was prompted

to return to graduate school when their own children reached school age. Eager to continue learning for her "own enlightenment," Camille also became more familiar with the present state of education so she could best monitor her own children's progress in school.

Mrs. Cosby received her degree from the Human Services division of the University and her particular focus of study was racism in education. An accomplished photographer, Camille chronicled the experiences of black students at many of the South's Black Colleges. While at these schools: Xavier (New Orleans, La.); Shaw (Raleigh, N.C.) Spellman (Atlanta, Ga.); Tougaloo (Miss.); Tennessee State (Nashville); University of Maryland, Eastern Shore; and Cheyney State, Mrs. Cosby examined the role of the Historical Black College in today's education. Camille also studied the admissions standards for students and incorporated her findings into her final Masters project for the University of Massachusetts.

At present, Mrs. Cosby is anxious to continue study at the doctoral level; and, she should be able to count on lots of advice and support from her husband. Bill has agreed to do double duty as parent while Camille studies, and since Cosby received his Ph.D. from the same department four years ago, he is apt to provide some wise counsel around final exam time.

The Cosby family has always been oriented towards education. In fact, every member of the family is hitting the books! The Cosby children range in age from 5 to 15; Erika, 15; Erinn, 13; Ennis, 12; Ensa, 7 and Evin 5. (Bill insisted that all the children's names begin with the letter 'E' to stand for excellence in performance!) Couple that with Bill's continued study, and you have a member of the Cosby family enrolled in school from the nursery school level through post-doctoral training. Even Camille's parents are actively pursuing degree programs. Her father, a polymer chemist from the University of Michigan, is studying for a Ph.D. in microbiology at the University of Maryland. Her mother, Mrs. Catherine Hanks, is completing a Master's degree in early childhood education; sister Rene is working on a Ph.D. in Art History; brother Guy Jr. is a junior at George Mason; and brother Eric is in Law School at the University of Maryland.

## National Black Network Brings New Entertainment Show To Airways

An exciting new program, "NBN's Stage Door," featuring interviews with some of the most illustrious stars of the entertainment world, has made its debut over the National Black Network, Eugene D. Jackson, NBN President, announced today.

Mr. Jackson said the new daily program represents the latest effort to bring innovative and entertaining programming to its 90 affiliates across the nation.

Each week, a special guest star will be interviewed. Among them are Millie Jackson (who was heard on the show's premiere), Alex Haley, Patti La Belle, the Isley Brothers, Stephanie Mills, Jerry Butler, The Mighty Sparrow, B.B. King and Sidney Poitier.

The host for the program is veteran broadcaster Edward Castleberry, whose career in radio and television spans nearly 30 years.

Radio stations with which Mr. Castleberry has been associated include WEDR in Birmingham, Alabama; WMBM in Miami, Florida; WEBB and WJZ-TV in Baltimore, and WASH-FM in Washington. He also was a columnist

for newspapers in Birmingham, Cincinnati and Buffalo.

Mr. Castleberry holds the distinction of being the first Black announcer to broadcast "Big Ten" football. From 1962 to 1965 he did color commentary for the Ohio State University football games.

A native of Birmingham, he was graduated with a bachelor's degree in history and english from Miles College in that city. A veteran of three years in the Navy, he is listed in Who's Who Among Black Americans.

The National Black Network, founded in 1973, is the first line-connected, nationwide, Black-owned and controlled radio network in the history of the United States. NBN affiliates cover 101 Black markets and have the potential of reaching approximately 75 percent of the total Black population in the country.

Unity Broadcasting Network, Inc., NBN's parent company, recently acquired WDAS AM/FM two of the leading stations in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## Malt Liquor Bull Rides With Top Black Performers

The Schlitz Malt Liquor Bull is riding with some of the country's black personalities as Jos. Schlitz Brewing Company's popular brand of malt liquor sponsors "Shootin' the Breeze," a nationally syndicated black interview feature.

The program, which originates in Los Angeles, features host Jackie McCauley interviewing black performers such as Stevie Wonder, Cicily Tyson, Earth, Wind & Fire and Ben Vereen. Schlitz Malt Liquor is sponsoring a 26-week series of "Shootin' the Breeze," comprised of 10 weekly 2 1/2 minute shows on 60 of the top black radio stations across the country.

"'Shootin' the Breeze' is an excellent program for us to be involved with," Gary M. Truitt, Schlitz Malt Liquor brand director with the Milwaukee-based brewer, said, "It provides radio listeners with interesting perspectives into top musical talent and transmitters."

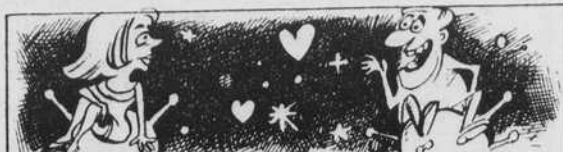
## VA

Burial space for 40,000 veterans per year, and financial assistance to the families of those who choose to be interred outside of Veterans Administration cemeteries, is provided by VA.

Veterans Administration spending this year will account for 3.5 percent of the total federal budget.



Since light rays from a rainbow move along different paths to each viewer, no two people ever see exactly the same rainbow.



Some say technology will be available by 1987 to permit mobile person-to-person communication by satellite.