

## **Breakfast**

### **Quips...**

One of the perogatives given the president is that  
of chosing appropriate music for his inauguration.

After much thought, I have asked Margot Halsted,  
University Carrolliner, to play Berlioz's  
"March to the Scoffold" during the Academic Procession.

For you see, the modern inauguration of a university  
president is in reality, a cross between a coronation  
and an execution.

Indeed, while there are only 10 speakers listed on your  
program, it is my understanding that there is an  
11th gentlemen standing offstage...wearing a  
hood and carrying an axe...to handle  
the final investiture ceremony!

### **Thank You**

The University is a meritocracy...

We place enormous stress on the achievements of  
our faculty in teaching, research, and service...

Yet, we must never forget that few of us can  
achieve excellence alone...

Red Dare:

"If you're driving down the road, and you  
see a turtle on a fence post...  
then you can be sure that bugger had to  
have some help to get up there..."

Hence, I would like to thank

all of those who provided the help, support,

and encouragement to make your achievements possible...as spouses, families, friends... parents and mentors.

I have no doubt that your efforts and sacrifices were equal to those we honor this evening... and you deserve both our deep gratitude and congratulations as well.

And hence a second toast to those who really made this evening possible.

**Now...where's my stunt man...?**