## THE MAROON SPIRIT

"The Maroon Spirit is the Past, the Present, and the Future of Blackwell High School. It is the years of traditions piled up by thousands upon thousands of strong, eager, intelligent, aspiring youths. It is the efforts, the struggles to get there, the rebuffs, the heartaches, the injuries, the disappointments – and the successes. It is every game learned, and won or lost. It is studies, lessons and their application. It is high moral standards: honor, fair play, respect for the fights of others. It is accomplishment in the academic, the physical and the practical. It is leadership – and intelligent followers. It is the pride and the joy in the Worthy. It is the spirit of Democracy and the present and the forward-upward fascinations of the future. It is all the little kindnesses and courtesies, and both the little and the overwhelming loyalties. It is more than these. It is a joyous living Presence symbolized in conduct, in colors, in movement, and in properties."

"Each hour, each day, each year, many Blackwell High School youth emblazon the Maroon Spirit with finer and deeper essentials of greatness. Each year the colors of the Maroon Spirit are brighter and brighter. Today Blackwell High School has a glowing Spirit to make more brilliant with deeds and aspirations. Today, the whole world calls for the Maroon Spirit to strengthen Democracy and to promulgate the doctrines of Christianity."