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I do not have words to say how much I appreciate the dedication of this issue of *The Maroon Tiger* to the current administration of Morehouse College. I do not think that we could receive greater honor and higher recognition for our team effort.

After assuming the presidency of Morehouse in 1967, I met with students, faculty, staff, alumni, and trustees for the purpose of developing a plan that would make Morehouse not only the best of the Black colleges but also the best of American colleges.

In my inaugural address, I stated that my main purpose was "to retain and refine the character and charisma that make Morehouse College and Morehouse Men so unique and distinctive in our society." Referring to the Morehouse Mystique, I said that Morehouse would build "men who are loyal to each other and to Alma Mater, men who have self-confidence and self-respect, men who cherish the humanities as well as the social sciences and the natural sciences, men who apply Christian and democratic values to the solution of personal and social problems." I also stated that Morehouse would continue to serve "as a world-famous training-ground for the development of able, honorable, courageous, and far-sighted leaders who are needed so desperately in this confused and confusing world." As I look at our recent graduates and present students, I can see that we are earnestly seeking our goals of academic excellence and social service.

The Morehouse that we know today is vastly different from the Morehouse of 1967. The curriculum has been enriched by the establishment of the Dual-Degree Program in Engineering with Georgia Tech and also by the enrichment and expansion of the business curriculum. To accommodate a rapidly growing enrollment, we have acquired 24 acres of land and constructed twelve new buildings. Salaries and scholarships have been significantly increased, and the endowment has been more than tripled to over \$17 million. The most important achievement of this administration has been the founding and establishment of the Morehouse School of Medicine, which became independent in 1981 and conferred its first M.D. degrees in 1985.

Though much has been accomplished, much remains to be done. We are now conducting a \$10-million campaign designed to increase the endowment, improve the academic program, renovate old buildings, and construct a biology-chemistry building and a religion-philosophy building. We urgently need more dormitories, a conference center, a maintenance building, and recreational facilities including a baseball field, softball fields, volleyball courts, and more tennis courts.

As President of the College, I have tried to help and advance students in every possible way. I have tried to treat every student as I would treat my own son, and this policy has made me a father away from home for our students.

— Hugh M. Gloster

Gloster Retires In June '87 Impossible Dream Realized

Hugh Morris Gloster, president of Morehouse College will retire from this position in June 1987, after 21 years of service to the College, first as a professor and for the last 19 years as president, according to the College of Board of Trustees Chairman Thomas Kilgore.

A search committee with student and faculty representation has already been formed to seek a successor to Gloster and Alumnus Calvin Brown, vice chairman of the Board of Trustees is heading a national committee to give what the Board calls "appropriate recognition to Dr. Gloster's outstanding achievement as president of Morehouse."

Kilgore said, "The College has enjoyed its greatest progress during this administration. In every area—curricular enhancement, faculty strengthening, administrative improvements, student development, land acquisition, building construction, and fundraising—the Gloster years have been successful. It has been a genuine pleasure to work with Dr. Gloster and his colleagues in the development of Morehouse."

The Board Chairman announced that the main accomplishments of the Gloster administration—which have resulted from a team effort of trustees, administrators, faculty, students, alumni, and friends—are:

- * Development and establishment of the Morehouse School of Medicine, which became an independent institution in 1981 and graduated its first class to receive M.D. degrees in 1985.

- * Establishment of eight new majors in the Department of Business: Accounting, Banking and Finance, Business Administration, Computer Science, Insurance Management, Marketing and Real Estate. (This Department, which had 809 majors last academic year, is regarded as one of the strongest in

- business at an undergraduate college. It includes four chairs—a chair in Economics established by the Merrill Trust with a grant of \$500,000, a chair in Real Estate started with contributions totaling \$500,000 and solicited by Equitable Real Estate Management, a chair in Insurance started with a grant of \$300,000 by the Equitable Life Assurance Company, and a chair in Banking started with a grant of \$100,000 by Citibank-Citicorp).

- * Establishment in 1968 of a Dual Degree Engineering Program with Georgia Tech. (This program, which is now operated by the Atlanta University Center, enrolls 339 Morehouse students as majors. After completing three years at Morehouse and two years at Georgia Tech, these students receive a degree from Morehouse and a degree in an area of engineering from Georgia Tech).

- * Establishment of a major in International Studies, supported by programs in African Studies and Caribbean Studies, for students planning careers in the foreign service or in overseas employment.

- * More than doubling the size and salaries of the faculty, increasing the percentage of faculty Ph.D.'s to more than 65 percent, and establishment of seven faculty chairs.

- * Establishment of fourteen new administrative offices that have enabled the College to operate more efficiently and effectively.

- * More than doubling student enrollment and improving student quality by upgrading the curriculum and instruction and establishing higher standards for admission. (Morehouse now has four applicants for every place in the Freshman Class and attracts students from all over the country).

- * Successful completion of one capital campaign for \$20 million in the middle 1970's and involvement in another \$20 million drive expected to

reach its goal later this year.

- * Tripling the College endowment to more than \$15.36 million

- * Acquisition of thirty acres of adjacent urban land, valued at \$2 million and including almost all of two blocks south of Westview Drive—one on which the Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel is located and the other on which the B.T. Harvey Stadium is situated.

- * Construction of twelve new buildings valued at \$30 million and including an auditorium with a \$360,000 pipe organ, an administration building, three classroom buildings, a dining hall, a student center, four dormitories, and a stadium accomodating 9,000 people and including an Olympic track. (The College is now raising funds for construction of a biology-chemistry building and a humanities building to relieve problems of overcrowding in present facilities).

- * Acquisition of a classroom building, an apartment complex, and a president's home.

- * Operation without a deficit during the 1970's and 1980's.

A member of Phi Beta Kappa, Gloster holds the B.A. degree from Morehouse College, the M.A. from Atlanta University, and the Ph.D. from New York University. After receiving the Ph.D. degree from New York University, he has twice served there as a visiting professor of Ameirican Literature—first at Washington Square College and second in the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. He also holds honorary doctorates from the University of Haiti, New York University, Washington University, Wayne State University, Morgan State University, and Mercer University.

Gloster came to Morehouse from Hampton University, where he was dean of faculty and had previously served as director of the Communications Center (Division of

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With Martin Luther King, Sr.



President Gloster greets Late Ethiopian Emporor Haile Selassie I. The Emperor was awarded an honorary degree during a special convocation in July 1969.



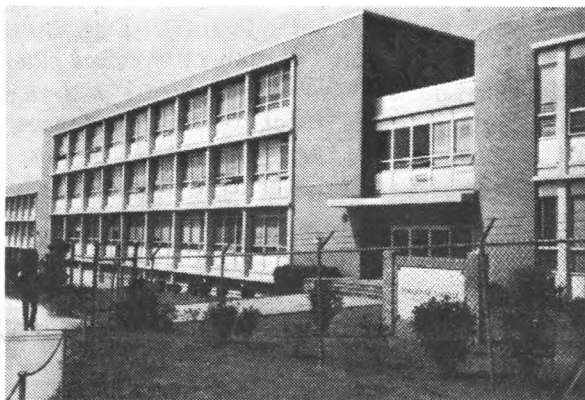
Late Liberian president William Tolbert strolls the Morehouse campus with President Gloster and the Royal Party during a visit to the city.



President Gloster pose with Charles Willie, Odell Horton and Dr. Benjamin Mays immediately folowing the 116th Founder's Day Convocation.



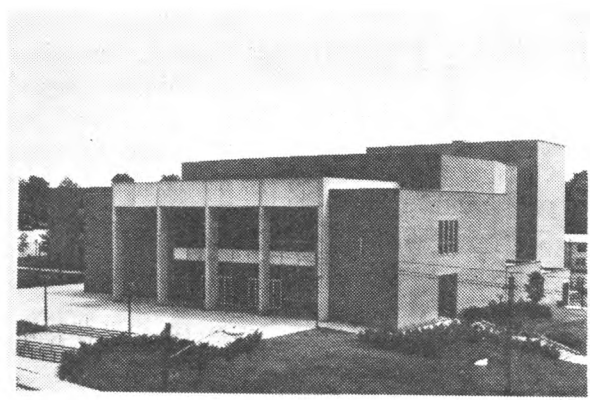
The then President and Mrs. Mays and then President-elect and Mrs. Hugh M. Gloster (right) flank by Centennial Banquet Speaker Dr. Howard Thurman.



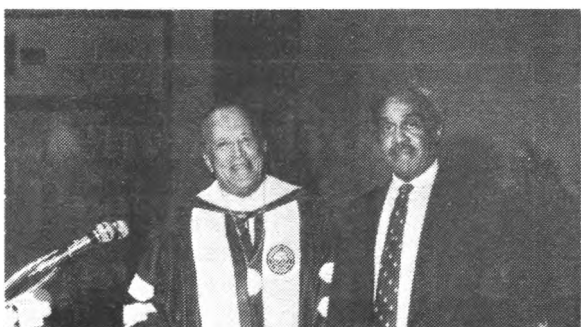
Brawley Hall



Frederick Douglass Commons.



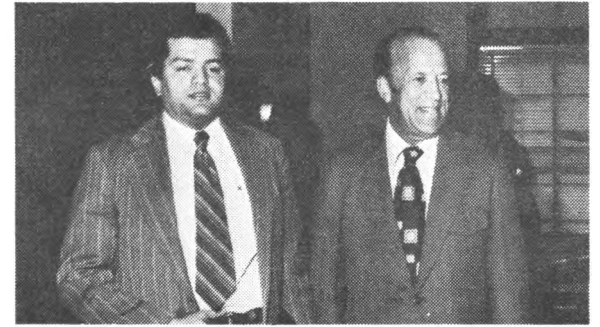
Martin Luther King, Jr. International Chapel



With Wendel Whalum



When Prime Minister Eugenia Charles of Dominican Republic visited the campus in February 1984.



With outgoing President of Spelman College Donald Stewart.

Gloster—

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Language and Literature) and director of the Summer Session. Prior to joining the Hampton faculty, he held a teaching position at Le-Moyne College as well as administrative positions with USO where he was program director at Fort Huachuca and a USO Associate regional executive in Atlanta.

Available information shows that Gloster has had wide experience in overseas programs conducted by the State Department. From 1953 to 1955, he was Fulbright Professor of English at Hiroshima

University in Japan and in 1960, served as director of the Experimental College conducted by Hampton Institute in the Virgin Islands. President Gloster was visiting professor of American Literature at the University of Warsaw in Poland in 1961-62 and in 1961 and 1963 he worked in the American specialists Program at Universities in Cracow, Poland; Valencia, Spain; and Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania. As Dean at Hampton University, Gloster twice went to Sierra Leone as a supervisor of an AID program conducted by Hampton in that country. He has traveled extensively in Asia, Africa, Europe, and

the Americas.

Gloster has written many articles on American literature and education. He is the author of *Negro Voices in American Fiction* and the co-editor of *The Brown Thrush* and *My Life-My Country-My World*.

Gloster is a member of the boards of trustees or directors of the College of Language Association, the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Social Change, Morehouse College, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, and the United Negro College Fund. He is also a member of the Atlanta Rotary Club, former

vice president and president of the Association of Private Colleges and Universities in Georgia, and former vice chairman of the Georgia Post-secondary Education Commission. Gloster is a former member of the boards of trustees or directors of the American Association for Higher Education, the College Entrance Examination Board, the Committee on Economic Development, the Educational Testing Service (chairman of the executive committee), and the National Association for Equal opportunity in Higher Education. He is also founder and former president of the College Language Association,

which granted him its Distinguished Achievement Award.

A member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., President Gloster was married to the late Dr. Beulah H. Gloster, who served as professor of English, director of the Writing Skills Laboratory, and hostess of the College.

Gloster is also the father of three children - Alice Gloster Burnette, director of development at Howard University; Evelyn Gloster Dawkins, a high-school teacher in Hampton, Virginia; and Hugh M. Gloster, Jr., a second year medical student.

Gloster's Inaugural Weekend What Really Happened

An air of gaiety marked the 101st anniversary of Morehouse College and the Inauguration of the College's seventh president, Alumnus Hugh M. Gloster, '31. On Thursday, February 15, the nationally famous Morehouse Glee Club was presented in concert. The concert, which was an overwhelming success, took place in the Samuel H. Archer Hall Gymnasium before a capacity crowd.

Inaugural Concert

The Glee Club offered a wide selection of numbers including *Sing Praise to God*, composed especially for the Glee Club by Gerard Krapf; *Die Post* by Schubert; and *Die Rose Stand Im Tau* by Schumann. The features work for the performance was "Thy will Be Done" by Paul Nelson. Benjamin Ward, '68 pianist, and Joseph Bias, '68, vocalists were presented in solo.

Symposium

The second event on the week's calendar was a symposium on "The Negro College—What Next?" Moderators for the symposium were Samuel M. Nabrit, '25, executive director of the Southern Fellowships Fund and James A. Colston, '32, president Bronx Community College. Participants in the Symposium were James M. Godard, program director of the Higher Education Opportunity Project of the Southern Regional Education Board; Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College; Benjamin E. Mays, Hon. '67, president-emeritus, Morehouse College; Joseph Fichter, Stillman Professor of Roman Catholic studies at the Divinity School of Harvard University; L. Richard Meeth, dean, Park College, Parkville, Missouri;

and Stephen J. Wright, president of the Negro College Fund, Inc.

Founders' Day—Inaugural Banquet

On Friday evening, February 16, the Inaugural Banquet was held in the Ballroom of the Regency-Hyatt House. It is estimated that over 1,000 diners gathered to hear a superb speech by Judge George W. Crockett, '31 of Detroit. Raphael McIver, '35, served as toastmaster at the Banquet. The invocation was given by William H. Borders, Sr., '29, pastor of the Wheat Street Baptist Church; and the benediction was given by Martin L. King, Sr., '30, minister of the Ebenezer Baptist Church. The speaker was introduced by John Hope II, '30, and the Morehouse College Glee Club Quartet gave several selections.

President Gloster Speaks

President Hugh M. Gloster, '31, presented a very interesting address, punctuated by his characteristic humor, and received a standing ovation from his listeners. Following the Banquet, guests went to Paschal's Motor Hotel for further fellowship and conviviality.

The Inaugural Convocation

The main event of the week was the Inaugural Convocation held in the Samuel H. Archer Hall Gymnasium at 3:00 p.m. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Morehouse Glee Club under the direction of Wendell P. Whalum, '51, and the invocation and benediction were given by Samuel A. Owen, '22, and Blair T. Hunt, respectively of Memphis, Tennessee, the President's home city. Presiding officer for the event was Charles Merrill,

chairman of the Morehouse Board of Trustees. During the inaugural ceremony, Gloster was presented to Merrill by John H. Wheeler, Secretary of the Board of Trustees, and after delivering the inaugural address Gloster conferred honorary degrees on Charles Merrill and Alvin H. Lane, '19.

Following the inaugural ceremony, President and Mrs. Gloster entertained delegates, alumni and friends in the lounge of Mays Hall.

On Saturday evening, following the annual Morehouse-Knoxville basketball game (Morehouse won 72-65), the Inaugural Banquet was held at the Palladium Ballroom on Bankhead Avenue. The Ball was beautiful with a large out-of-town attendance. The Inaugural-Birthday cake was sliced by President and Mrs. Gloster.

Quotes From Gloster's Inaugural Speech

"As segregation comes to a close, prejudice looms as the main burden of the American Negro in the years ahead. Slavery and segregation were easy to attack because they were clearly visible and obviously unjust. Prejudice will be harder to overcome because it is subtle and concealed and reflects itself in such actions as the reluctance of employers to hire and promote Negro workers, the reluctance of real estate agents to rent and sell housing to Negro applicants, the reluctance of judges and police to give Negroes equal justice under law, and the reluctance of government and philanthropy to give adequate support to Negro citizens and institutions."

"Throughout the history of this country the Negro has been the nation's number-one problem. The leaders of the land have wondered what to do with the Negro and have asked every possible question; Shall we free him? Shall we destroy him? Shall we send him back to Africa? Shall we place him in a separate state? Shall we segregate him in our towns and cities?

Shall we educate him? Shall we admit him to our schools and churches? Shall we serve him in our hotels and restaurants? Shall we sit beside him on public transportation? Shall we live beside him in our communities? Shall we give him equal jobs? Shall we give him justice in our courts? Shall we intermarry with him? Shall we share our hospitals and cemeteries with him?"

"While we pay tribute to the presidents who have guided the College, we must not give them all the credit. The great presidents have had great trustees, great administrators, great teachers, great staff members, great students, great alumni, and great friends behind them." "Members of the college community were sometimes threatened, assaulted, and even killed for refusing to submit to Southern standards of interracial conduct. Dr. Mays was forced out of a Pullman berth at gunpoint; and I was thrown off a train, beaten, and jailed for asking a conductor to give seats in a Jim Crow car to Negro passengers who were stan-

ding because they were afraid to sit behind three white men."

"It is to the everlasting credit of Morehouse that neither prejudice nor poverty has robbed the College of its dignity and integrity. In the clutch of penury the College has retained its self-respect; in a stronghold of segregation it has preserved its freedom."

"As Morehouse enters her second century the old problems of race and money still plague her but take a different form. The main task now is to compete successfully with wealthier predominantly white institutions for faculty, students, an support. In her first century Morehouse competed chiefly with other Negro colleges in a segregated society and became one of the best of these institutions. In her second century Morehouse will compete with the best American colleges in an integrated society and must be first-class even in this company."

"Integration is a two-way street, and Negro colleges should have the opportunity to compete on equal terms

for superior students."

"Let us hope that the time will soon come when Negro colleges will give a fair share of financial support in this country and will not suffer of derogation by biased writers who try to justify their own preconceptions."

"The aims of my stewardship at Morehouse are easy to define but hard to achieve. They are to maintain a strong faculty, to pay competitive salaries, to recruit talented students, to provide attractive scholarships, to develop creative programs, to raise sufficient endowment, to develop an adequate physical plant, and to gain the necessary support from alumni, foundations, corporations, and other friends of the College."

"My objectives are also to involve students and teachers in the solution of the urban problems of the United States and of depressed areas in foreign countries."

"To give students and teachers the opportunity to gain the wider experience which accrues from participation in work-study programs with business and in-

dustry and in exchange programs with colleges and universities in this country and abroad."

"But my main purpose will be to retain and refine the character and charisma that make Morehouse College and Morehouse men so unique and distinctive in our society."

"Since I am no prophet, I cannot predict the future of Morehouse College during this administration. Whatever I achieve will, to a large degree, depend upon the commitment and cooperation of the individuals and organizations that comprise and support this institution. But I can vow here and now — as did the late Cardinal Spellman when he assumed his last position — that 'I will pray as if everything depended on God and work as if everything depended on me.' I will do my best to see to it that Morehouse will never become a mini-college with a mini-curriculum, a mini-faculty, and a mini-student body."

Gloster's Poems

Once I Was Black

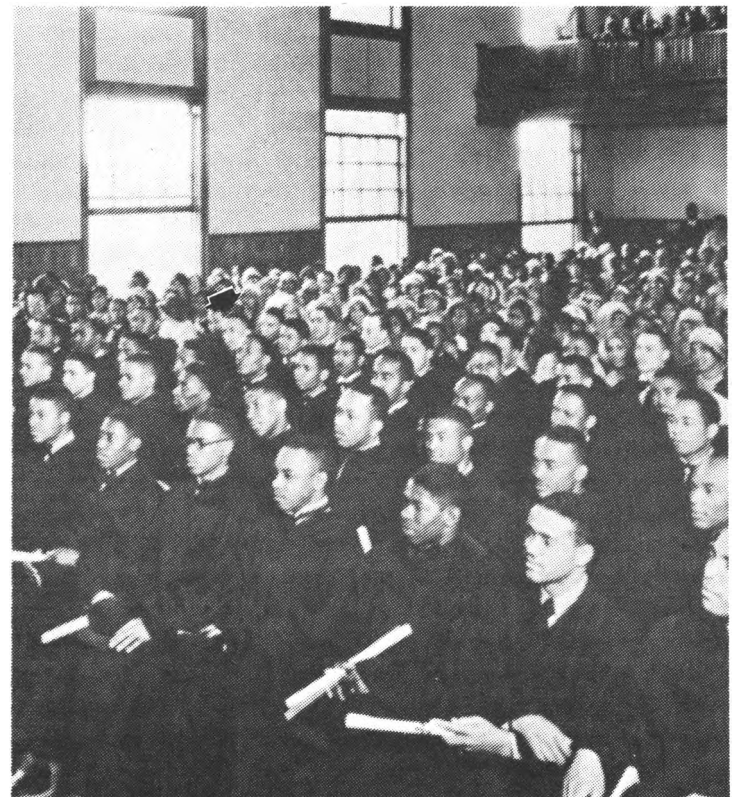
*Once I was black,
beautifully black,
But I was snatched from
Africa
And I am black no more.
Once I was primitive, wild
as the wind—
I knew only love, freedom,
and song—
But I was snatched from
Africa
And I am primitive no
more.
I am urbanized, unhappy,
and mechanized in America.*

Cynically Speaking

*Life is a god who moulds
Woman to bear you.
Time is a grinding stone
Devised to wear you.
Love is an illusion
To lure and upbear you.
Fate is a baited trap
Set to ensnare you.
Death is a gnawing worm
Waiting to tear you.*

On Epitaphs And Monuments

*Fine epitaphs and costly
monuments
Mark not the greatness of
a man
Nor do they render him
everlastingly memorable.
Epitaphs are but ineffec-
tual pleas for the defense
After the Judge of Judges
has pronounced his last
decree.
Monuments are but futile
tokens
For a worthless corpse
whose soul has flown.
True greatness comes
through life — not death —
And if a man lives greatly,
His name will ring forever
in the halls of fame
Even is no inscription
notes his final resting place,
Even if his dust is scat-
tered to the winds.*



President Gloster's graduation at Morehouse.

Lovely Brown Girl

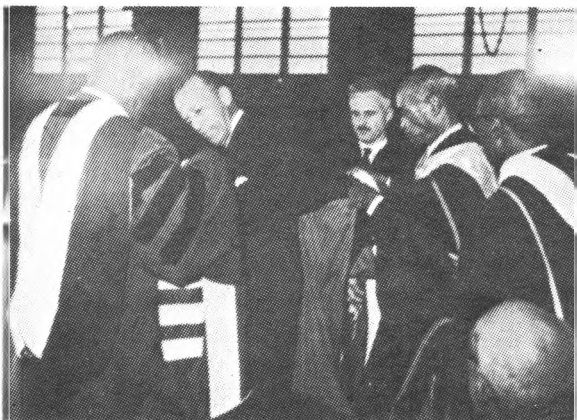
*Lovely brown girl,
With your dark eyes glow-
ing
And your sable hair wildly
flowing,
I see in the soft beauty
Of your slender figure
All the mystic charm and
subtle grace
Of those wondrous women
Of Egypt's ancient race.*

On Looking At The Graves Of Young Soldiers

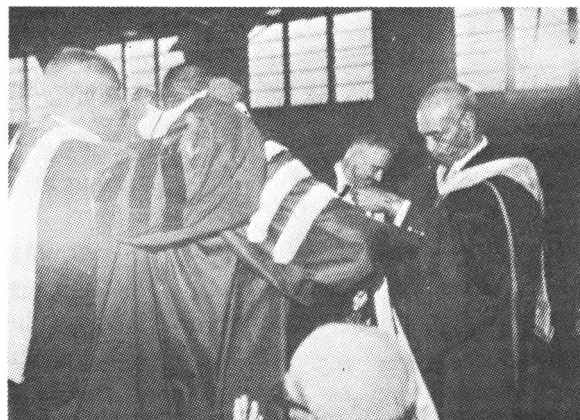
*These youths had no
desire for death;
They wished to live and
love and learn;
But duty called them to
the wars,
And they will nevermore
return.*

These poems were
written by
President Gloster
during his
student days
in Atlanta.

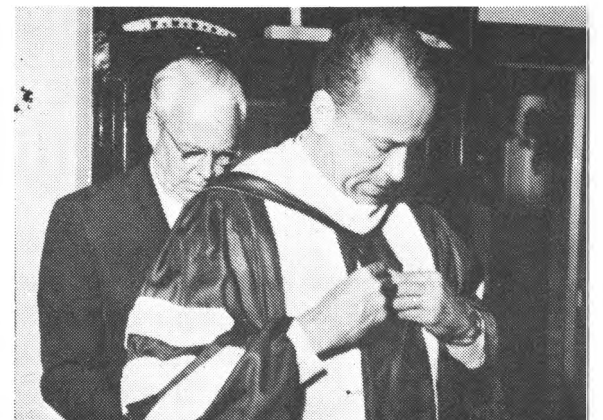
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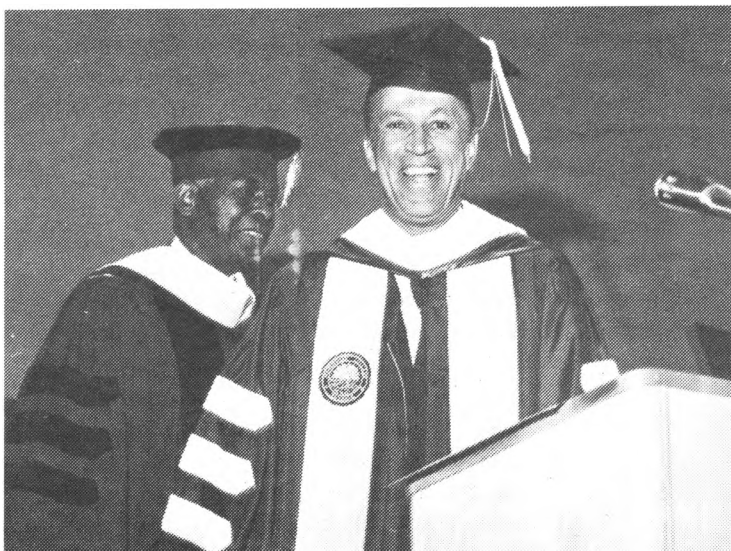
*Then President-elect Gloster being assisted by
Mays and Trustee Merrill.*



*"I'm ready for the job," Gloster seem to tell the
platform guests.*



*Former Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr. lend a helping
hand.*



Gloster gets a hand-shake from Mays.



Merrill (left) with then President-elect Gloster and President Mays.

Organization Salute Gloster For Dedication

Organizations have begun to extend honors in recognition of the contributions of President Hugh M. Gloster, who will retire on June 30, 1987, after twenty years of service at Morehouse College.

The first recognition program arranged by the Morehouse Detroit Club, began with a luncheon where Morehouse Alumni saluted Gloster for "continued leadership of the Morehouse family, building a super college, and serving the universal community." In the evening the alumni scheduled a mixer in honor of Gloster at the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity House.

On the evening of September 11, the Southern Region of the United Negro

College Fund sponsored a banquet at Atlanta's Omni International Hotel, where Gloster received a Special Service Award "in appreciation for years of service and contributions to the United Negro College Fund."

Again the evening of September 13, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Atlanta Chapter of the (NAACP) sponsored a banquet at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, where Gloster was given the W.E.B. DuBois Educational Award "for outstanding achievement in education and contribution to the community."

Southern Bell during its 1986-87 Calendar of Black History program, in

September commended Gloster "for outstanding service to Atlanta and the black community and the Los Angeles Morehouse Club arranged a brunch in honor of Gloster and Thomas Kilgore Jr., chairman of the Morehouse Board of Trustees, at the Los Angeles Marriott Hotel. The Club presented gifts of books to the two honorees; and Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley and Los Angeles County Executive Officer Larry J. Monteith gave them certificate of commendation.

Gloster was also the guest of honor at a Faculty Reception sponsored by the Morehouse Inter-Fraternity Council in the Lane Dining Room during the 1986

Greek Week on October 1. The council dedicated its entire week of activities from September 28 to October 4 to the retiring Morehouse President.

In the October *News Journal* of Eta Lambda (Atlanta) Chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Gloster is featured in the "Spotlight" section, where his career is reviewed and achievements during his tenure are listed.

Morehouse College's Big Brother / Little Brother Organization sponsored by the Student Government Association and the College Chapel, to provide social, cultural and intellectual guidance for incoming freshmen, formally changed its name to Hugh M. Gloster Memorial Program in mid

October.

As part of the formal ceremony, Gloster was presented with two rare Chinese Foo Dogs Statues designed to "Ward off evil spirits." In his remarks, the President said, "the mentor program would provide freshman students with friends and mentors, and would aid in freshman student retention."

Calvin A. Brown Jr., M.D., vice chairman of the Morehouse Board of Trustees and prominent Atlanta physician is chairman of a Trustee-Faculty-Alumni-Student-Community Committee that is planning events to recognize the contributions of Gloster since his appointment as president in 1967.

Gloster Named One Of Nation's 100 Most Effective College President

President Hugh M. Gloster, Norman Francis of Xavier University in New Orleans, and Henry Ponder of Fisk University in Nashville are black four-year college heads who have been included on a list of the 100 most effective college presidents in the nation, according to an article in the November 5 issue of THE CHRONICLE OF HIGHER EDUCATION. One black 2-year college Head — Nolen M. Ellison, president of Cuyahoga Community College in Cleveland — was also listed as one of the 100 most effective college leaders.

The CHRONICLE article lists the names and employing institutions of the 100 presidents who received the most nominations from their colleagues among 485 institutional heads recommended as the best leaders in a study directed by James L. Fisher, president emeritus of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education, and Martha W. Tack, professor of Educational Administration and Supervision at Bowling Green State University.

In this study the college leaders provided personal and professional information and completed questionnaires which asked about their leadership and management styles. The study classifies the 100 chosen presidents in institutional categories established by the Carnegie

Commission. Francis appears in category "Comprehensive II," Gloster and Ponder in category "Liberal Arts II," and Ellison in category "2-year Colleges and Institutes." Detailed findings of the study will be presented in a book en-

titled THE EFFECTIVE COLLEGE PRESIDENT and scheduled for publication next year with a grant from the Exxon Education Foundation.

In discussing the findings of the study, the CHRONICLE

article provides the following statements including comments by Co-Directors Fisher and Tack:

(1) "The most effective College presidents believe less in close collegial relationships than do 'typical' presidents, and they rely on respect rather than popularity . . ."

(2) "Effective presidents also work longer hours, make decisions more easily, and confide less frequently in other presidents than do their counterparts at other institutions."

(3) "The effective college president is a 'strong, risk-taking loner with a dream,' said Fisher."

(4) "Effective leaders take more risks and encourage others to be creative, Tack said. They care about 'little people' at the institution and demonstrate a strong sense of 'humanity.'"

They also realize they are not 'running a popularity contest,' and work instead for people's respect, Tack said. "They're caught up in a vision of their institution, and they personalize their dream so they can't really separate themselves from the office," she said."

(5) "A close analysis shows that the effective president does believe in shared governance, but he also knows that he is the final authority," Fisher said.

A Statement from the Presidential Recognition Committee

Morehouse College is proud to recognize the accomplishments of its distinguished President, Dr. Hugh M. Gloster, as he completes his twentieth year of service as head of this institution.

Under the leadership of Dr. Gloster, Morehouse College has made tremendous strides; and, during the school year 1986-87, the Morehouse Family is celebrating the outstanding achievements made during his administration. A noted writer and scholar and an eminent educator and administrator, President Gloster has been

and continues to be an articulate spokesman for the college and for higher education; and the programs planned in his honor are only a small measure of the respect and admiration the Morehouse Family gives its distinguished President.

• *The presidential Recognition Committee was established by the Board of Trustees of Morehouse College to recognize the advancement of Morehouse College during the administration of Dr. Hugh M. Gloster, who will retire on June 30, 1987.*

Gloster—

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tand slavery fully because I didn't experience it. When I went to Morehouse as a student, white policeman used to come on campus and harass students.

Extra: You are an international spokesperson against apartheid. Would you care to comment?

Gloster: I believe that this world will never be in good condition until people everywhere are free. You have the strongest, most vicious systems of racial discrimination and persecution going on in South Africa. I was vigorously opposed to apartheid before I visited South Africa, and after I visited it, I was even more opposed. I think that every Black American to some degree is sympathetic with the oppressed people. It is unbelievable—especially the townships the black man is degraded and makes low wages while the white man strives.

Extra: When the name Dr. Hugh M. Gloster comes up, what would you like people to remember?

Gloster: I would like people to remember that I did the best I could here at Morehouse to develop a school in which students would get a good education, have a good life, be prepared for success in their careers and to be prepared to make necessary changes in the world.

—Emanuel McGirt

The First Lady

Editors note

Around 5 P.M. on Sunday July 21, 1985, Morehouse suffered the greatest professional loss when Dr. Beulah H. Gloster passed. To me, she was a mother and a great inspiration. Below are tributes at Mrs. Gloster's funeral.

"She was a wife of impeccable faithfulness, true love, and helpfulness. A mother with genuine love and rare understanding — a daughter and sister that extolled the virtue of a good family relationship. As a scholar, she absorbed the essence of the great literature of the world and applied her knowledge and wisdom as a master teacher. At home, she was, in the ivory towers of academic and intellectuality, but equally at home as a Christian, equally at home with children, students, and countless persons of every walk of life. I felt the gentleness and love of her common touch."

—Thomas Kilgore,
Chairman, Board of Trustees

"Beulah Victoria Harold Gloster: wife, mother, college hostess, master-teacher, mentor, scholar, writer, intellectual, social critic, colleague, friend. In the time allotted, *she did it all!* We knew her as a splendid mosaic, a complete person of many interlocking, interacting, and overlapping parts. Her myriad "hats" did not always rest easily beside one another, but she always wore them well. We were in awe of her ability to address her varying roles without frustration or defeat."

—Anna Grant
Chair, Department of Sociology

"There are only a few people in our society today whom we will sadly miss tremendously when they are called by God, and Mrs. Gloster is surely one person the Morehouse community will sadly miss but will cherish the memory of her forever. As the familiar Morehouse slogan states, "Many are called, but few are chosen" — Mrs. Gloster was certainly chosen — chosen because she lived not to be serviced, but to give service."

—Adam L. Smith,
Former SGA President

"Mrs. Gloster was always eloquent, hospitable, gracious, charming, and beautiful. On all occasions, when Alumni returned to the campus or visited the Gloster Home, Mrs. "B" knew how to make the Alumni feel welcome, at home, and cheerful. She had a way of making one feel comfortable in her presence with her warm, dignified smile."

—Charlie Moreland
President, National
Alumni Association



President and Mrs. Gloster-Christmas '83



Mrs. "G" at her best.



Samuel E. Kelly of University of Washington exchanges the "soul shake" with Mrs. Gloster.



During his visit to Africa in June, President Hugh M. Gloster organized the Morehouse Club of Accra, Ghana, the first Morehouse alumni organization in Africa. This photograph shows, left to right, the Accra Morehouse Club members and their wives with President and Mrs. Gloster: Mr. and Mrs. William W. Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cooper, Dr. and Mrs. Gloster, and Mr. and Mrs. Emmanuel Asiedu.



President and Mrs. Gloster welcome Former Vice President Hubert Humphrey.

"I remember her best not only as the loving wife of the President of Morehouse College — one of her many important roles and one which she enjoyed, performed effectively and with great dignity — but I knew her also as a spirited intellectual and academic colleague who could and would always carry her own in a philosophical discussion or analysis of an importance piece of literature or poetry."

—Donald M. Stewart
President, Spelman College

"I believe, however, that Beulah was at her best when she came with us usually on a Saturday morning in early December to decorate the tall, white Christmas tree there in the Foyer of his Chapel. She was not content until the lights, the balls, the bows, and the birds were just right."

—Harriet Walton
Morehouse Auxiliary

"For many years of her professional career, Beulah proved her belief to be correct, and as a result of her patience, dedication, knowledge, skill, and loving care, literally hundreds of young people were able to graduate from college — many with honors. In her own quiet manner, Beulah touched the lives of many. The tenderness of this touch shall be cherished throughout time to come."

—William Kerney
Hampton Friends

"Beulah always provided a very warm reception, and I always marvelled at how she could do it — no matter what the occasion, no matter what the time or circumstances. She was more than just a hostess; she had the warmth of a true friend to any and all she encountered."

—Calvin Brown, Jr., M.D.
Atlanta Friends

Gloster Shares Insight, Wisdom

Hugh M. Gloster, President of Morehouse College since 1967, will be retiring in June of 1987. Thomas Kilgore, chairman of the Presidential Search Committee, which is seeking a successor to Gloster, stated, "The College has enjoyed its greatest progress during this administration. In every area—curricular enhancement, faculty strengthening, administrative improvements, student development, land acquisition, building construction and fund-raising—the Gloster years have been successful."

The *Extra* spoke with Gloster regarding his thoughts and feelings as he concludes his final year. In this interview, Gloster discussed his reign as President of Morehouse College, retirement, college students, the Black family and South Africa.

Gloster's spacious office is filled with plaques, paintings, and certificates. He has paintings of two of Morehouse's greatest alumni Martin Luther King, Jr. and Howard Thurman, on his wall. He also has the game football from this year's Morehouse team victory over Morris Brown on a mahogany stand in his office.

Extra: How do you view your reign as president of Morehouse College?

Gloster: I think I have accomplished more than I originally set out to do, but there are several projects that I wish I had completed. I am very disturbed about the lack of adequate recrea-



Professor Gloster in the 40s.



The Gloster Family.

tional facilities for students here at Morehouse College. I had planned to acquire land for a baseball field and at least three softball fields. I also hoped to acquire additional land for basketball courts, tennis courts and volleyball courts. These are just some of the things I wanted to do that I have not been able to do.

Extra: What are your anticipations concerning the future student enrollment at Morehouse College?

Gloster: Morehouse, by 1995, will probably have a minimum of 2500 students. I don't think it is possible for Morehouse to hold enrollment down like some other schools because we have three applicants for every position in the freshman class at Morehouse. There are many students who want to enter here. Maybe by the end of the century, we will have 3000 students, or more.

Extra: How do you view the future of historic black colleges in general?

Gloster: I think we are in a period when black colleges are having serious problems. The major foundations

usually give to 10 or 15 of the 44 accredited black colleges. This means that the smaller schools that are not receiving strong foundation support are going to have problems. Also student financial aid and institutional aid coming from the federal government are being reduced. These are the two things that are causing some colleges to have financial problems declining enrollments. But, fortunately, Morehouse has not suffered as a result of those two changes of support I have just mentioned.

Extra: What will you miss most when your tenure ends as President of Morehouse College?

Gloster: I will miss most the 9 to 5 office hours; working at nights on school projects and the heavy traveling schedule to other cities to seek financial support from corporations, foundations and federal agencies. I will miss being on campus with the faculty, students and staff. I will miss being with the alumni clubs. It will be an entirely new life.

Extra: What will you be do-

ing after you retire?

Gloster: At first, I thought in terms of writing and traveling, but I have been offered several jobs. I have been approached by two colleges looking for a new president. These schools are having financial problems. So I don't know what I will be doing. But I may be doing something different than what I had originally planned to do, which was writing and traveling.

Extra: As Father of 2000 Men, what is the most important quality you would like Morehouse Men to attain while they matriculate at the college?

Gloster: I would hope that here at Morehouse, we would develop students who understand the importance of academic success. Academic success is the foundation for success in future employment and future graduate study. And I would also hope that Morehouse would continue as a school where students are not only aware of social problems, especially race problems, but also constantly trying to solve them. We

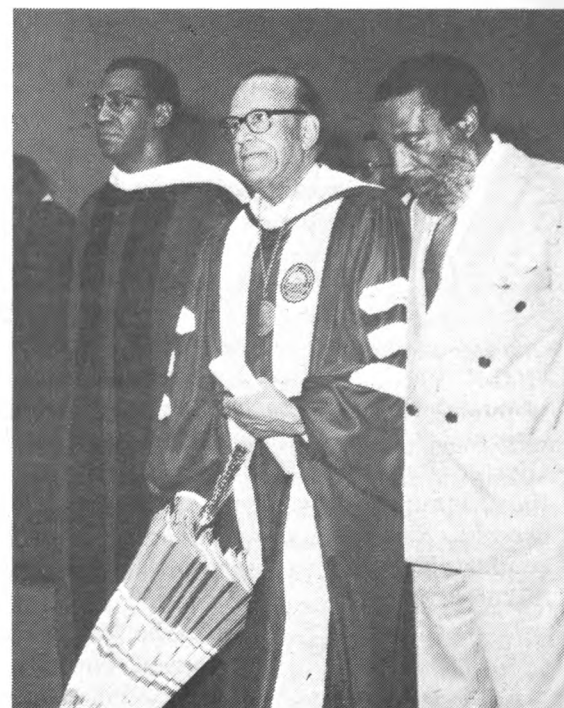
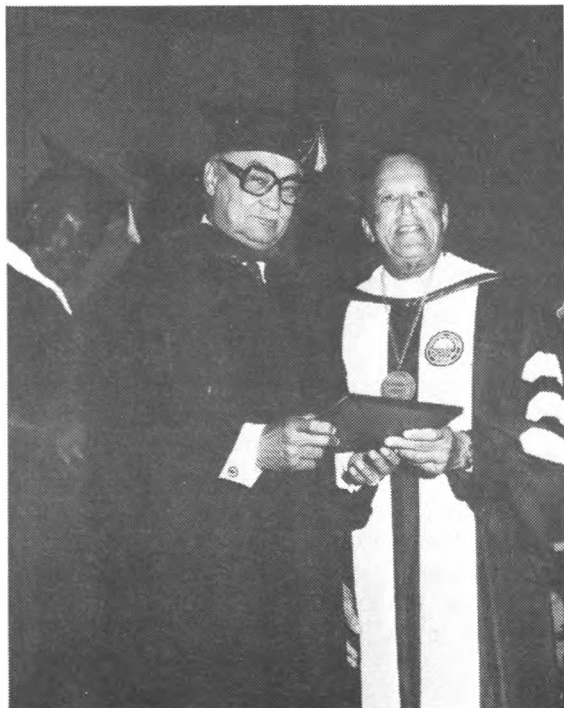
have a great tradition of developing leaders who can solve some of the problems of this country. Martin Luther King, Jr. was outstanding in bringing the impact of the Christian religion on these problems. We also have many others who have used law, medicine, political science and other specializations to help the underprivileged and disadvantaged people of this country.

Extra: When you were a young man—say 19 or 20 years old—where did you get the motivation to strive for all the goals you have attained? You are the President of a prestigious college, a proven administrator, leader, and an accomplished writer.

Gloster: When I was 19 and 20 here are Morehouse, I realized that I would have to work hard and succeed in my profession in order to have a successful career. I was motivated to help people in my area of work who were at a disadvantage. At that time, opportunities were very limited in the South, and you could only go to black colleges. At that time, Atlanta was a very segregated city. Here at Morehouse, we were taught to do everything we could do to end segregation. We knew the disadvantages of segregation because we lived under it.

Extra: Do black youth appreciate the foundation that was set?

Gloster: Yes, black youth appreciate the foundation, but they don't understand it, just like I don't understand it. (Continued on Page 6)



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