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ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

AMONG THE CLUBS

CLASS NOTES

IN MEMORIAM



## Woman Power Translated

It had been a long morning for the one hundred and sixty-six young women awaiting the conferral of their degree by the President of Spelman College. As they stood together for the last time as a class, a small woman of medium height arose from the heavy wooden chair on the platform of Sisters Chapel and lithely approached the lecturn. She was Esther Hunt Moore of Hickory, North Carolina, who forty-two years ago had been graduated from Spelman College with a teacher's professional degree in 1920. Returning to her Alma Mater as America's Mother of the Year for 1972, she had been asked to charge the graduating class.

She made the charge simple but to the point; and made a ceremony that is usually anticlimatic, ebullient. She expressed her appreciation of today's young men and women and of their ideas—

she then told them that they needed to love the world and try to improve it the best way they could.

But it wasn't so much what Mrs. Moore said as what she symbolized. A descendant of slaves who got a master's degree from Columbia University when she was sixty-four years old, Ester Hunt Moore is a black woman who has never been fettered by the barriers of race or sex. She is as the Greek word "androgynous" implies—sexless. She is first an individual; and her many roles are then subsequent facets of her larger life.

Born in Sardis, Mississippi, Mrs. Moore, now a widow, married Edmund Thomas Moore, a Morehouse College graduate, after her graduation from Spelman. The two taught for several years at Conecuh County Training School in Evergreen, Alabama, and then eventually moved to Hickory in 1936.



Three children were born to the Moores, a daughter, Mrs. Beatrix Adele Smith, assistant professor of home economics at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, a son, Edmund Thomas Moore, Jr., professor of mathematics and computer education at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina, and another daughter, Mrs. Marie Anthony Fuller, an instructor of physical education at Grandview Junior High School in Hickory.

Mrs. Moore has always been ahead of her time. As wife, mother and professional, she was an activist and a pioneer in the struggle for equal rights for black people and women long before such movements became acceptable or fashionable. She always viewed her sex and color as personal characteristics rather than pre-determiners of the opportunities available to her in the society. She defied roles. She wrote on an alumnae interest blank in the late thirties:

"I am serving in the capacity of wife, mother, home-maker and teacher, playing only a simple role in each. However the pleasure along with some tangible results here and there is enough to carry on. On a typical day I am up time enough to prepare breakfast, get

three children ready for school, dress myself, get to school at 8:15 and teach until 3:30 p.m. After teaching I go home in the afternoon, prepare dinner for my family and a teacher who lives with us. When the family and friends have socialized, listened to the radio, chatted and told stories, the children are tucked in. Often Mr. Moore and I are called upon to participate in some extra curricula activity, especially musical and literary or business or school programs."

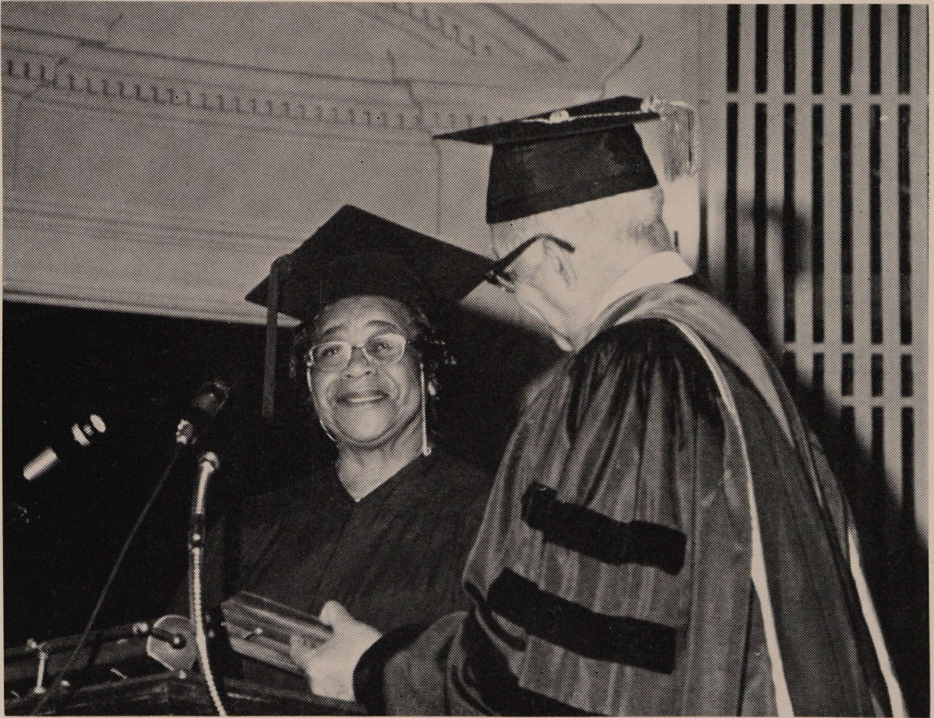
The first black woman in her county to register to vote in the early 1930's, Mrs. Moore taught choral music in elementary school for forty years.

When it was announced at the Spelman commencement that Mrs. Moore was 75 years of age, the young women were astounded. She doesn't look to be past her mid 60's. She is a shy, soft-spoken woman, which belies the fact that she has achieved so much in her life-time. In 1962, at age 64, she completed the work for the master's degree in special education (the teaching of especially gifted children) from Columbia University. Academically, she was the fourth-ranking woman of all the women enrolled in education at the University. During that same





L to r, MRS. ESTHER HUNT MOORE, PRESIDENT MANLEY and MRS. MARIE FULLER, MRS. MOORE'S daughter. Below: MRS. HUNT receives plaque from PRESIDENT MANLEY.





year she was elected to two honor societies of national and international scope — Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Pi Lambda Theta and Kappa Delta Pi.

In May of this year when she was selected from representatives of all the fifty states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico as America's Mother of the Year, her reaction was in character: "I am very humble. It's a challenge and I hope it's an inspiration for younger mothers to do more than I was able to do in my years." Mrs. Moore is the second black woman to win the national title in its 37-year history.

Her energy and stamina are remarkable. She fares splendidly under the kind of pressure and schedules that a younger person would consider demanding. Throughout this year she will travel all over the United States appearing on television and radio and at specially-sponsored events.

The "Generation Gap" premise suffers in application when it

comes to Ester Hunt Moore. Her ability to relate to and meaningfully communicate with young people is an anomaly among her age group. But for those who know her, that is what Mrs. Moore is all about—teaching and understanding young people.

"My work, in its simplicity, I feel will live in the ideas and ideals I strive to impress in making youth, well-trained, ambitious, Christian citizens," she says.

Ester Hunt Moore has a kind of quiet eloquence. You intuit that she never intended to be set up as an example for anyone. But she is an example, not only of the basic potential within each individual to become someone meaningful in his world, but also of the positive forces courage and determination can be in one's life. She is a person whose views and experiences interest people of all ages and colors. Spelman College is proud to claim her.

Judy T. Gebre-Hiwet





L. to r. MATTIWILDA DOBBS, Opera and Concert Singer and ESTHER HUNT MOORE, 1972 UNITED STATES MOTHER OF THE YEAR.



# Mattiwilda Dobbs

## Triumphs in Concert

At 8 o'clock on Saturday evening, May 20, 1972, in Sisters Chapel, Mattiwilda Dobbs came home — to Spelman College and to Atlanta. What a triumphant return this was! The "welcoming mat" was excitedly "rolled out," and the concert was excitingly performed, exhilarating to a degree of near ecstasy. And the glorious memories linger on!

It is strange how Fate operates. During the 1969-70 school year, Miss Dobbs was Artist-in-Residence for the Atlanta University Center, although studio facilities were provided on this campus. The arrangement was a success, and many voice students from Atlanta were the grateful recipients of exceptional training based on solid experience in the great music halls of the world. It was in this capacity as Artist-in-Residence that Miss Dobbs was scheduled to give a concert for the Atlanta community. Fate, however, intervened as illness, and the concert was postponed. Miss Dobbs returned to her home in Stockholm, Sweden, but she left

here a large group of very disappointed patrons who had eagerly expected the performance.

The May 20 Concert was, fortunately, a mutually agreeable, rescheduled date, and the event was one well worth the eager, restless anticipation of the avid crowd of music lovers. The reward was superb!

Some artists who are gifted and musically disciplined as is Miss Dobbs show signs of vocal wear and decline from the rigor of constant performance on the various concert stages of the world. Mattiwilda Dobbs showed no trace of such strain; in fact, to this writer she sounds better than ever before. From the opening bar to the resounding conclusion of the brilliant, moving encores—including a work by the late Dr. Willis Laurence James, Miss Dobbs' voice teacher here at Spelman—the concert was a thrilling listening experience, moments not too easily relived or forgotten.

The vocally demanding concert was a challenge to both singer



and listener. The singer, a veteran of the concert world and the opera house, met her challenge with the confidence of the gifted, seasoned singer that she is. Note after note, thrill after thrill, excitement heaped upon ever greater excitement—this is the real summary of Handel, Purcell, Chabrier, Ravel, Thomas, Montsalvage, Moore, and Bernstein, as well as the moving Negro spirituals and the Creole songs constituting the splendid program. Each was a gem, each is a treasure, each belongs to Mattiwillda Dobbs.

No report of this concert would be complete, without mention of the brilliant, sympathetic accompaniment of our College organist, Dr. Joyce Finch Johnson. Music cascaded expressively from those fleet, trained fingers which belong

to this pianist, an artist of the first rank. The accompaniment sang—breathing as perfectly as ever—with the singer. It engendered excitement that was hard for the hearers to contain. It sighed, it flowed, it blended, it moaned, it glided, it glistened, it raced, it supported—it was perfect!

The Atlanta community is proud to have produced Mattiwillda Dobbs. Spelman College is grateful that this great talent was nurtured on its hallowed grounds. And those who heard Miss Dobbs on the evening of May 20, 1972, have so much to remember.

The concert was really — reported in a nutshell—an event!

ROLAND L. ALLISON  
*Chairman,  
Music Department*

## Glee Club Excels In Extended Tour

Sacrificing their entire spring vacation, thirty-eight members of the Spelman College Glee Club formed a disciplined, musically refined Concert Choir and on March 31, 1972, departed from Spelman College on an extended tour which proved to be highly successful. The travel took the party of forty persons including Dr. Roland L. Allison, Conductor,

and Dr. Joyce F. Johnson, College Organist, into more than a dozen states. This pleasant venture gave the travelling party numerous opportunities for extensive sight-seeing in the Midwest and for visiting in the homes of many families and alumnae of this college.

In some instances, the Glee Club made return engagements



in cities. The Saint Louis, Missouri, concert was the third engagement in that city since 1968, and this performance, as well as all of the other ones, was sponsored by Mrs. Grace E. Taylor, parents of Spelman students, friends, and alumnae of the college. Mrs. Taylor has shown tremendous interest in sending many good students to Spelman College. Similarly, it was a second visit to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where the pastor, the Reverend G. Calvin McCutchen, and members of Mount Zion Baptist Church gave the travelling party a warm, cordial reception both during the concert and during their stay in the city.

The Wichita, Kansas, Concert was sponsored by Attorney and Mrs. Paul L. Gray, Sr., parents of Miss Frankie Lorraine Gray, a junior and a member of the Glee Club.

The Regionael Spelmna Alumnae Workshop in Washington, D.C., was opened with a concert co-sponsored by the Washington alumnae and the Metropolitan AME Church. Reverend Reid, pastor, is a faithful friend of the Glee Club, as in 1968 he welcomed the group to Baltimore's Greater Bethel AME Church and worked tirelessly to make the concert a great success. He accorded the

Washington alumnae and the Glee Club the same warm spirit, since he and Mrs. Lucille Smith, the program chairman, were responsible, to a large degree, for the success of the well-planned Washington visit.

There were several other very pleasant engagements in cities which the Glee Club had not visited in recent years: Charlotte, North Carolina, where Reverend Mayo L. Rich and the members of Greater Bethel AME Church hosted the group's appearance; Birmingham, Alabama, where Mrs. Margaret B. Little and members of Gamma Phi Delta Sorority sponsored a concert at the Sixth Avenue Baptist Church; and Milledgeville, Georgia, where Mr. Frank Willis and members of the Flagg Chapel Baptist Church presented the Glee Club in concert. In every instance there were present Spelman and/or Morehouse alumnae and alumni and former students of the colleges.

Featured on these concert programs were two arrangements of Negro spirituals, attractively done by Dr. Joyce F. Johnson. Soloists with the concert group were Janice Colbert, Carolyn Irvin, Deborra Watts, Janet Harris, and Jacquelyn Paige. Gayle P. Miles was the Student Accompanist, and Janette King was the Student Director.



# Reunion Message 1972

BY MERDIS DAVIS MILLER, C'62

To those of you who are graduating, as it was with the class of 1962, this graduation is one of the most important milestones in your lives. No matter how many graduating classes shall follow you, this occasion shall remain indelibly impressed on your minds as an outstanding event. You have been looking forward to this time and you have struggled daily with a definite objective in mind. After having met specific requirements, you will be given the victor's crown and sent forth to play new roles in the world.

Now that commencement is a reality, you have probably discovered that commencement is not

the culmination of a dream, but that it is a step along the way—a step which marks the beginning of something more complex. In addition, you have probably realized that what you have learned here is only preparatory for what is to be achieved in the future. Commencement is the opening whistle of the game, not the final buzzer. It is the start of a voyage, not the end of the journey.

Today's society is in a state of upheaval. Pessimists believe that there are no imminent solutions to the social, economic, and political problems which plague mankind. It is at this time, that



we should reassess our values and endeavor to make our lives useful to others as well as to ourselves. If the needs of the world are ever to be met, it shall be done through the agency of human beings in action. There is no substitute for human action and each of us must do our part, since there are responsibilities facing each of us.

Sometimes it may be our lot to take our places in the world in such a modest and unassuming manner that much of what we do is lost in the intermingling with others. It might prove profitable if we considered ourselves to be grains of salt. Salt has been used chiefly for seasoning, purifying, healing, and preserving. It may be your lot to heal and purify the streams of life, or it may be your lot to fight to preserve the loftiest ideals of the human race. Your way may lead to heights of prominence, or the world may have little knowledge of your presence. It is not essential that you attain fame or fortune. Some of the unhappiest people in the world are the rich and famous. It is important that we willingly assume the responsibility of using our time and our talents to raise humanity to a higher level.

This is one of the most revolutionary periods in the history of man. The past few years have



MERDIS DAVIS MILLER

ushered in an entirely new era for American women and particularly American Black women. New York state has stopped inquiring into a woman's reasons for wanting an abortion and California into her reasons for wanting a divorce. Even conservative Nebraska has passed a "no fault" divorce law. Some colleges have abandoned all responsibility for the private lives of their female students. Many newspapers have given up the attempt to classify jobs by sex. Congress has removed the legal barriers to women generals and women admirals. Women are also moving into new work situations. Favorable court decisions are striking down state labor laws



which discriminate against women. Women are attending schools which were formerly for men only. The proportion of women in graduate school is rising, and the gap between starting salaries of male and female college graduates is narrowing. Women are more assertive of their rights. They are filing charges of discrimination on the basis of sex with the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission and with government agencies charged with eliminating discrimination from the civil service. Each court decision which strengthens economic, social, and legal rights of women quite clearly enhances these same rights for Black women.

Intellect is not a sexual characteristic; nor is strength of mind. Intellect and strength of mind have no color limitations. With these premises in mind, Black women have entered into full participation in the world of work. Black women are no longer content to teach history rather than become a lawyer because law is a man's profession, or to be a nurse rather than a physician because medicine is a man's profession. Black women are no longer reluctant to set their work goals toward a demanding career, and to enter into full participation in that specific career. The proof of these facts is shown in

the number of Spelman graduates who are prominent leaders in their fields. Spelman College is represented in the teaching professions, in social service, in medicine, law, civil service, in science and technology, in industry, and numerous other areas, and the numbers are increasing. The February 1972 *Spelman Messenger* states that fourteen Spelman graduates were enrolled in medical school during the 71-72 year. This is the largest number in the history of the college to be so enrolled during a single academic year.

Many years ago, Thomas Henry Huxley wrote, "The rung of a ladder was never meant to be rested upon, but only to hold a man's foot long enough to put the other somewhat higher." Today, these words that were aimed at men apply to women too, as we work our way up the ladder. Frequently, the number of rungs ascended is largely dependent upon attitude. Catherine W. Anthony, in the *Journal of the American Medical Women's Association*, states that each individual should give careful consideration to the importance of attitude. Without the proper attitude, you cannot have a proper regard for your own capacities or respect for those of others. She states further that an individual must control



attitude or she will be controlled by it.

Since the cause of women is at the forefront today, many people have formulated lists of attitudes and traits necessary for women to succeed as women. I, too, have compiled such a list which contains ten traits. As I see it, the successful Black woman in action stands on her own two feet; she strives to be a productive human being; she belongs to the moment that she is in, as she commits herself to life and makes her place in the world; she does what she can with what she has instead of sitting on the sidelines and reflecting on what she would do if only things were different; she has an inner drive, a will to achieve, and a desire to improve herself, wherever and whenever possible; she accepts other people for what they are, as she devotes her time to building them up instead of pulling them down; she rejoices in other people's successes, as well as her own; she is objective and analytical and she listens to her critics as well as her friends; she possesses a flexibility that allows her to shift gears when the twists and turns of life necessitate the move; she is resourceful, and searches for ways to accomplish her objectives; and finally, the successful Black woman refuses to abdicate when the going gets tough.

Making progress in any job

means getting discouraged, as upward steps bring challenges that make you want to surrender. Booker T. Washington said that "Success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has overcome while trying to succeed." So when you are inclined to abdicate, keep the record of Abraham Lincoln in mind. I use Lincoln as an example because of the many failures and defeats he encountered. In 1831, he failed in business. In 1832, he was defeated for the legislature. He experienced his second failure in business in 1833. He suffered a nervous breakdown in 1836. He was defeated for Speaker in 1838, for Elector in 1840, for Congress in 1843 and 1848. He was defeated for the Senate in 1855, and for Vice-President in 1858. But in 1860, he was elected to the Presidency.

Coming back to the present, I say to the Class of 1972 that each of you has been given a golden opportunity as you stand on the threshold of history. Your search for new directions must not be hobbled by old doctrines, by old ideas, and by old fears. At this point in history, you can be the artists of your lives. You must not cripple your imaginations with factors of fixity. A mighty cultural revolution is in progress, and you must be a part of it.





## Mrs. E B Williams Feted

On April 25th at 7:30 p.m. a devoted group of friends, colleagues, students, and family members gathered in the dining hall for a buffet dinner honoring Mrs. Beatrice E. Williams upon her retirement from Spelman College. Mrs. Mexico Micklebury in her usual gracious manner, presided at the speakers' table. President Manley spoke of Mrs. Williams' ability to combine successfully her roles of wife, mother, teacher and of her years of dedicated service to the College. Representatives from the College and community expressed their esteem and regard for Mrs. Williams and spoke of her untiring efforts to institute and develop an excellent student teaching program. Dean Lois B. Moreland spoke as a representative of the faculty; Mrs. Gwendolyn Howard spoke as a

representative of the principals who worked with Mrs. Williams; Dr. Ann Cochran spoke as a representative of the departments of education in the Center, and Dr. D. L. Boger represented the Education Department of Spelman College.

Students paying tribute to Mrs. Williams were Miss Dorothy Atwater who told of Mrs. Williams' interest in students, her wise counsel, guidance, and her insistence on high standards of excellence. Miss Angela Harris and Miss Rita Tucker presented Mrs. Williams gifts from the students who were under her supervision. Among the other beautiful gifts Mrs. Williams received was a lovely set of luggage presented to her by her family.

Members of her family who shared the memorable occasion



with Mrs. Williams were her husband, Dr. Edward B. Williams; her sons, Dr. Edward M. Williams and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams; Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Williams sent a warm congratulatory telegram. Other family members present were Mr. and Mrs. Willis L. James, Jr. and family,

Mr. David W. McGhee, and Mrs. Theodora James.

Mrs. Williams' warmth, graciousness, dedication, and valuable service to the College merit unstinting praise and best wishes to her.

June M. Aldridge

### DAY CARE CENTER HOLDS OPEN HOUSE

SPELMAN COLLEGE, as representative for the Atlanta University Center, sponsored open house at the Atlanta University Demonstration Center, 170 Glenwood Avenue, S.E., a day care center in the Model Cities Community of Atlanta, Georgia. The Center provides a training

program for day care workers from the eleven other Model Cities day care centers and free day care services for sixty Model Cities children age 2-5. Among the participants on the program were below and left, President Albert E. Manley and at the podium, Mrs. Evelyn Willis Chisolm, director of the day care center.





# Campus Briefs

## SPELMAN COLLEGE RECEIVES GRANTS

In July, Spelman College was awarded a National Science Foundation grant of \$279,400 for support of a "College Science Improvement Program." The grant will be used to improve science education in biology, mathematics and chemistry according to the director of the project, Dr. Barnett F. Smith, chairman of the Biology Department.

The grant will support improvement in four specific areas: faculty research and scholarly activities, local course and curriculum studies, instructional scientific equipment and under-graduate student projects.

In accordance with the project guidelines, there will be several innovations during the 1972-73 academic year. In biology, a new laboratory teaching method, the investigative laboratory, will be initiated which will expose students to the scientific process of investigation.

The Mathematics Department will offer an eight week course for fifty potential science majors from the entering freshman class, designed to improve the mathematical backgrounds of these students. As a result of this early preparatory work, the student should be able to devote her senior year to meaningful research.

As a part of the project's renovation program, a new modern chemistry laboratory will be installed in the science building, Tapley Hall.

In August, Georgia colleges and universities were awarded \$4.3 million under the "Strengthening Developing universities program" according to the regional office of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The

program is designed to strengthen struggling institutions through faculty and curriculum development, administrative improvement and the expansion of services to students.

The twelve Georgia institutions receiving grants were charged with coordinating programs with a list of other colleges and universities throughout the state and southeast. Spelman received a grant of \$400,000.

## INTER-UNIVERSITY COOPERATIVE ORGANIZED

A recent newspaper article listed Spelman College as one of the ten Georgia colleges and universities forming an inter-university cooperative to set up shared programs on Urban Affairs. This cooperative, which is expected to be joined by other schools in the state, will produce a better use of Georgia's higher educational resources as well as saving money.

Spelman will have a voting representative in an assembly whose purpose will be to govern the newly-formed cooperative. As one of the institutions of the Co-op, Spelman will be assigned certain duties established by joint degree programs in order to eliminate duplicating functions.

## SPELMAN FACULTY ATTEND WORKSHOP

Miss Marcia Halvorsen and Mrs. Beverly G. Sheftall, members of the Spelman faculty, were among faculty and administrators of twenty-three black colleges who participated in a two week conference and workshop on "Curriculum Change in Black Colleges," held at Bishop College in Dallas, Texas, June 12-23.



The conference/workshop was sponsored by the office of Cooperative Academic Planning (CAP), which plans a follow-up workshop in Atlanta involving the same college teams in November, 1972 and April, 1973.

#### SPELMAN STUDENTS ATTEND CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP

Twelve Spelman students along with their advisor, Mrs. Millicent D. Jordan, assistant professor of English, visited the Island of Jamaica this past summer to attend a Creative Writing Workshop. Although this was the primary purpose of the trip, the young ladies had the opportunity of living as students in Jamaica, and at the same time being exposed to a culture different in many ways from their own.

The writing workshop was handled by Dr. John Hearne, distinguished Jamaican short story writer and novelist, and by Dr. Edward Braitwaite, one of Jamaica's most celebrated poets and chairman of the Department of History at the University of the West Indies, the University involved in this venture.

The Spelman students who took part in the workshop are: Diane Desmond, Shirley Evans, Peggy Ferrell, Lauretia Henderson, Jacqueline Henry, Kathy Jackson, Juanita Law, Gwendolyn Mann, Brenda Mays, Linda Quillian, Janice White and Janice Williams.

It is hoped that this enriching and rewarding experience will become an annual event for Spelman students.

Below left, MRS. WILLIAM P. ROGERS, wife of the U. S. Secretary of State and far right, MRS. DEAN RUSK, wife of the former Secretary of State, being entertained at Reynolds Cottage, the President's home by DR. AUDREY FORBES-MANLEY, wife of PRESIDENT ALBERT E. MANLEY. The visitors were taken on a walking tour of the campus. MRS. ROGERS, a trustee of Cornell University, said she had always wanted to visit the first college for Black women in this country and noted that many important innovations taking place in higher education are being initiated in the Atlanta University Center of which Spelman is a part.







Above, center, PRESIDENT AND MRS. ALBERT E. MANLEY with thirty African Ambassadors and several Atlantans in front of the President's home prior to entertaining the visitors at brunch.



Below, l. to r., MRS. RALPH D. ABERNATHY, MRS. MAYNARD JACKSON, THE REVEREND ABERNATHY, MRS. ALBERT E. MANLEY, PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL MANLEY of Jamaica, and PRESIDENT ALBERT E. MANLEY in Jamaica. The Atlantans joined other Americans on recent inaugural Eastern Airlines flight between Atlanta and Jamaica.



## SPELMAN COMMENCEMENT

The Spelman College Commencement Exercises, held in Sisters Chapel on May 22, were well attended by parents, relatives, and friends of the graduates. Of the 166 candidates who received degrees on this occasion, 150 were awarded the Bachelor of Arts, 16 the degree of Bachelor of Science, and 25 finished with honors.

Mr. Clarence Jones, Jr., J. D., editor and publisher of *The Amsterdam News*, delivered the Commencement Address; Mrs. Esther Hunt Moore, TPC '20, and 1972 United States Mother of The Year; gave the charge to the graduates. Other participants in the service were the Reverend Donald Daugherty, associate pastor, First Congregational Church, who read the scripture; the Reverend William V. Guy, pastor, Friendship Baptist Church, who made the prayer; and the Reverend Norman M. Rates, minister, Spelman College, who pronounced the benediction.

The Spelman College Glee Club, under the direction of Dr. Roland L. Allison, sang "Sanctus" (from Saint Cecelia Mass) by Charles Gounod and "Achieved Is The Glorious Work" by Joseph Haydn.

President Manley, presided at the exercises, introduced the speaker and conferred the degrees. Those receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree were:

Freddie J. Abney, Earlene Diane Abrams, Linda Lee Aikens, \*Gail Patricia Allen, Sherry L. Astin, Costina Kittles Atkinson, Dorothy M. Atwater, Sylvia Elaine Baker, Reva Dale Baldwin, \*\*\*Lynda Cozette Brower, Wanda E. Brown, Linda Goode Bryant, Judy Butts.

Edna Lou Callaway, Diane McKibben Campbell, Susie Carr, Glenda Louise Cloud, Janice Christine Colbert, \*Tanya Maria Coleman, Wynelle Knowles Coleman, Dale Sereta Coppedge, Brenda Teen Cosby, Joan DeVeaux Cox, Venita Paula Davis.

Alice Anita Deck, Judy Olivette Denard, \*\*Tamara Michele Deplanter,

Mabel Dianne Desmond, Judy Pauline Dorsey, Margaret Beatrice Douthard, Hope Alexis Dowdy, \*Jeanne Marilyn Dowell, Emily Elizabeth Evans, \*Cheryl Phillips Ewers, \*Mary L. Fagan.

Barbara Flagg Fannin, Melva Lawson Fair, Flora Delores Feggins, Harriet Adele Ferrell, Denise B. Flemming, Cora Lee Flynt, Lenda J. Gaillard, \*Doris Gartrell, Juliette Hope Gates.

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Janice Antoinette Heyward, Jan Reed Hill, Cheryl Harris Hilliary, Varnette Patricia Honeywood, \*Shirley Rose Hopkins, Deborah Vinese Hughes, Valeria Hughes, Janice Cheryl Jackson, Victoria Arnette Jackson.

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Elise Ann Merritt, Gayle Patrice Miles, Gwendolyn McLendon Miller, Millicent Gayle Mitchell, Shirley Ann Moore, Shelia Diane Morrow, Diane Yvonne Murrell.

Fredna Ann Norwood, Cheryl Stuart Owens, Brenda Jean Parsons, Anne Barbara Patrick, Rubinell Patterson, Gloria Diane Perkins, Valencia Yvonne Peters.



## Reunion Classes



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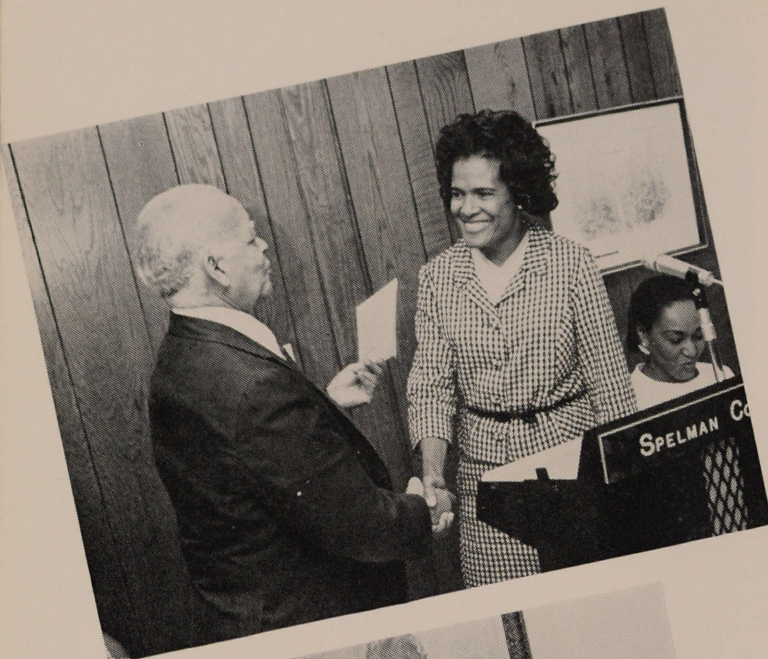
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MRS. GERTRUDE FISHER ANDERSON,  
SIXTY-YEAR REUNIONER BEING GREETED  
BY PRESIDENT MANLEY.





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\*Barbara A. Phillips, \*Diane Mae Prather, Linda Gail Quillian, Esther Rachel, Angela Ragland, Judith Ellen Ransom, Carol Marie Rawls, Carolyn Sylvia Rawls.

\*Josephine Reed, \*\*Sandra Elaine Reed, Karen Efanna Roberts, Gloria Jean Robinson, Christine Cynthia Rooks, \*Linda Upperman Ross, Jacquelyn Louise Shipp, Lillie Simmons.

Debra Ray Smalls, \*Denise Lucile Smith, Iona Chunn Smith, Wilma Ann Smith, \*Teresa Jo Styles, Lynda Ann Swingler, Janifer Elise Thompson, Jerilyn Bryant Thornton, \*Rita Tucker, Valeria A. Vann. ,

Murdell Walker Varnado, Evelyn Shelby Vaughn, Lillie Kate Walker, Gwendolyn Delores Ward, Zenetta Catherine Ward, \*Barbara Buckley Washington, Zenobia Delores Washington, Linda M. Watts.

Estella Williams, Janice Rondell Williams, JoAnn Williams, Roselyn Elaine Williams, Irene Lillian Wilson, Brenda Jeanette Wood, Claudette Woodard, Janet Marie Woods, Bettye Bush Wynn.

Angela Cheryl Atkinson, \*Sidney Claye Bush, Tanya Rose Cheevers, Patricia Ann Clark, Daphne Darnell Delk, Rosa Lee Drayton.

June Cheryl Hayward, Shirlene Mobley, Carole O'Neal, Diane Pitts, Mary Lundy Robinson.

Ruth Aaronette Rucker, Donna Gail Simmons, Sibyl Andrene Sims, Melva Wilder Sloan, Burnese Walker.

\*Cum Laude

\*\*Magna Cum Laude

\*\*\*Summa Cum Laude

#### SPELMAN GRADUATES RECEIVE ATLANTA UNIVERSITY DEGREES

Commencement, May 22, 1972

Bennie Phelps Sherwood  
A.B., 1961 M.A., English

Barbara S. Clankscales  
B.S., 1963 M.A., Social Work

Marsha Lynette Hightower  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Social Work

Francina McMillan  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Social Work

Jacquelyn Diane Matthews  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Social Work

Leonida Jacqueline McRae  
A.B., 1967 M.S., Library Science

Helen Florence Baker  
A.B., 1968 M.A., Education

Juliett Marie Perkins Barrett  
A.B., 1957 M.A., Education

Clara Manns Bates  
A.B., 1965 M.A., Education

Delores Loraine Crockett  
A.B., 1969 M.A., Education

Carolyn Laverne Davenport  
A.B., 1969 M.A., Education

Louise Jackson Davenport  
A.B., 1963 M.A., Education

Katie R. Reeves Hines  
A.B., 1964 M.A., Education

Naomi Grant Holton  
A.B., 1949 M.A., Education

Ann Drake McKeever  
A.B., 1964 M.A., Education

Betty Clark Tinsley  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Education

Harriette Debro Watkins  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Education

Wilma Williams  
A.B., 1970 M.A., Education

Brenda Gayle Rogers  
A.B., 1970 M.A., 1971, Education



# Alumnae News



## SPELMAN ALUMNAE ELECT NEW PRESIDENT

Dr. Eleanor Ison Franklin was elected president of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College on Saturday, May 20. Dr. Franklin, who succeeds the able Dr. Lynette Saine Gaines, assumed office immediately.

Dr. Franklin, a native of Dublin, Georgia, graduated valedictorian of her class at Carver High School in Monroe, Georgia and received the A.B. degree, *magna cum laude*, from Spelman College. The University of Wisconsin awarded her the M.S. degree in zoology and the Ph.D. in endocrinology and medical physiology.

Dr. Franklin began her work experience at Spelman College in 1948 as a biology instructor. She left in 1949 to pursue graduate study at the University of Wisconsin and returned in 1951. While at Spelman, Dr. Franklin was held in high esteem by students and colleagues, not only for her knowledge, but for her untiring interest in the welfare of her students. As a result of outstanding and successful teaching at Spelman, Dr. Franklin

received a General Education Board Fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation for doctoral study. After completing work for the Ph.D. degree, she assumed the position of assistant professor of physiology and pharmacology at Tuskegee Institute. She was later promoted to associate professor. In 1963, she accepted the position of assistant professor of physiology at Howard University. Presently, she is professor of physiology and the associate dean for general administration, College of Medicine, Howard University, thus becoming the first woman administrative officer in the College of Medicine.

Dr. Franklin holds numerous memberships in professional societies, some of which are the Society of Sigma Xi, American Heart Association, New York Academy of Sciences, Phi Sigma, honorary biological society, the American Association of University Professors, and the American Physiological Society of which she is a fellow. She also is the author of numerous articles.



Active in alumnae affairs, Dr. Franklin has been a member of the Atlanta Spelman Club and the Tuskegee Spelman Club where she also served as president. She is currently a member of the Washington, D.C. Spelman Club. Her knowledge of the aims and ideals of the College, her effectiveness in human relations and diligence in performing tasks assigned to her, speak well for the success of the Spelman College alumnae program.

Dr. Franklin resides in Washington, D.C. with her husband, Mr. George W. Franklin, a clinical psychologist.

#### PRESIDENT FRANKLIN SENDS GREETINGS TO ALUMNAE

Washington, D. C.

To each of the Spelman Alumnae and Former Students around the world, I extend greetings and enthusiastic best wishes! We are about to begin the new year of club activities and invite all of you to join in support of the programs designed to keep the time honored image of our Alma Mater before the public eye of our several communities. Now, more than ever before, Spelman College like other private institutions of higher learning, must depend upon her graduates and friends to give new life and assured growth and strength to her mission of preparing women leaders and scholars.

Spelman College, now in its ninety-second year, is the common bond uniting more than 5,000 women, each of whom is an essential and unique element of the National Alumnae Association. From within these ranks, we hope to initiate activities which will capitalize on the many talents to (1) increase alumnae channels of communication, (2) strengthen the financial structure of the organization in order that we may more effectively support the needs of the College and the Alumnae Office, and (3) participate in selecting the first alumnae representative

to the Board of Trustees of the College. The details of proposals relating to these activities were made at the Annual Meeting of the National Association on May 20, 1972, and these have now been communicated to each club and alumna. We urge you to write to us giving your suggestions as they relate to these. As the year progresses, we shall keep you informed through the *Messenger* and by letter of developments in each of these areas.

I look forward to hearing from you, and whenever possible, meeting with you. Moreover, I extend to you my humble gratitude for the privilege you have accorded me to serve you and Spelman as your new President.

Very sincerely,

Signed / Eleanor Ison Franklin  
Class of 1948

#### OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

1972 - 1973

The new officers of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College elected at the annual Association meeting on May 20, are:

Mrs. Eleanor Ison Franklin, President  
4829 North Capitol Street, #102,  
Washington, D.C. 20011

Mrs. Barbara Mosley Bell, Vice President  
222 South Figueroa, #822,  
Los Angeles, Calif. 90012

Mrs. Ernestine Erskine Brazeal, Second  
Vice President  
193 Ashby Street, S.W.,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30314

Mrs. Lavaughn Force Elkins, Recording  
Secretary  
618 Skipper Drive, NE,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Mrs. Evelyn Ebbs May, Corresponding  
Secretary  
630 East 36th Street,  
Savannah, Georgia 31401



Mrs. Florence Morrison Hogan,  
Treasurer  
2825 Chaucer Drive, SW,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Mrs. Helen Bell Brooks, Treasurer,  
Loyalty Fund  
986 Washington Heights Terrace, NW,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Mrs. Mabel Barker, Murphy,  
Parliamentarian  
1030 Fourth Street, North,  
Birmingham, Alabama 25204

Mrs. Elizabeth Jackson Macomson, ,  
Historian  
1308 Oakcrest Drive, SW,  
Atlanta, Georgia 30311

Mrs. Mary DuBose Willis, Chaplain  
155 Trask Street, Aurora, Illinois  
60505

#### YOUNG ATLANTA SPELMAN ALUMNAE ORGANIZE

"Are you interested in having fun, meeting former classmates, and doing something constructive this summer? Maybe we have something to offer," was the call issued in late May to recent graduates (sixties to present) of Spelman College by an auxiliary to the Atlanta Spelman Club. This group of recent graduates living in the Atlanta area who had met on three occasions prior to extending the invitation to fellow alumnae explained that the Auxiliary is designed to bridge the gap between the older and younger groups of alumnae, to promote fund raising and fun filled activities, to recruit young graduates into the organization, to provide financial aid to Spelman students, to share mutual concerns and to assist in solving problems such as employment and/or babysitting. This group also plans to keep lines of communication working between alumnae and students.

Thanks to these young alumnae-graduates representing the classes of 1967-1972, the Spelman Snack Shop was buzzing on Saturday evening, May 20,

immediately following the close of the Annual Alumnae Dinner. Approximately 100 alumnae converged upon this popular spot for a familiar pastime, card playing—the first activity of the group.

Now known as the Young Atlanta Spelman Alumnae, the organization recently elected these officers for 1972-73: Bettieanne Childers Hart, C'69, chairman; Roseland Yancey McLaurin, C'71, vice chairman; Mae Carter Smith, C'69, secretary; Mercuria Chase Williams, C'69, assistant secretary; Brenda Banks, C'71, treasurer; and Shirley Moore, C'72, co-chairman, Social Committee.

The group meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Faculty Guest House on the Spelman Campus.

Anyone interested in more information about the organization may phone the Alumnae Office, 524-0300 or Bettieanne Hart, 344-2506.

#### CLASS REUNION WEEKEND

Almost two hundred alumnae representing classes ending in the numeral 2 returned to Spelman May 19-21 for the annual reunion week end. They came from all over the United States, from Nebraska, New York, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, North Carolina, New Jersey, Ohio, Mississippi, Virginia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Texas, Georgia, and Washington, D.C. to see the changes on campus, talk to former teachers about the curriculum and new programs, to discuss with administrators new projections for Alma Mater, to greet students, and to reminisce and bring each other up to date on their activities.

The Class of 1962, the ten-year graduates, were in charge of the morning program. This group had been working most of the year under the leadership of lively and vivacious Anna Hankerson, perfecting plans for their celebration. And what a successful reunion it was! The first event, Reunion Breakfast, on Friday morning May 19, in the New Dining Hall, was



hostessed by President and Mrs. Albert E. Manley. The presiding officer was Anna Hankerson, president of the class and the speaker for the occasion was Merdis Davis Miller. (See page 10 for speech). Dr. Audrey Forbes-Manley, the wife of the president, brought greetings for Dr. Manley who was called away from the college on an important mission.

The next event, the Annual Alumnae Dinner honoring the Class of 1972 and the reunion classes was one of the most gay and festive occasions of the Commencement Season. The presiding officer was the National president, Dr. Lynette Saine Gaines, who did the honors in her usual charming and gracious manner. Grace was led by Mrs. Gertrude Fisher Anderson, our lone sixty-year reunioner and a past president of the Alumnae Association. Music rendered by the Spelman Music Ensemble was much appreciated.

Mrs. Ruby Handspike Clay, president of the Atlanta Spelman Club welcomed the more than two hundred reunioners, members of the graduating class, parents, faculty, staff and other friends who had gathered in the beautifully decorated dining room for this auspicious occasion. Following the presentation of the Class of 1972 by Dr. Grace B. Smith, their advisor, Gail Allen, the president of the class, responded by pledging loyalty to the College.

Introduced by Mrs. Gaines, representatives of reunion classes gave greetings and presented their class gifts to President Manley. Special attention was paid to the sixty and fifty-year reunioners each of whom had been pinned at the beginning of the dinner with an exquisite orchid. Mrs. Gertrude Fisher Anderson, HS '12, who seemed to be as young in spirit as the youngest of the May graduates, spoke out of the fullness of her heart and thinking, emphasizing the importance of putting first things first. Because of her many years of experience as a wife, mother, teacher, business woman, and in recent years as resident director at Atlanta University, she was well quali-

fied to offer advice. It was important, she said, to excell and take advantage of present opportunities. Her closing words were, "Don't go too far to the left or to the right."

Four fifty-year reunioners were present. Mrs. Lucile Wamack Brown, HE '22, Washington, D.C., recently retired as director of food services, Howard University, brought greetings. Mrs. Brown introduced her sister, Mrs. Mary W. Hubbard, Newark, New Jersey, who came with her. She announced to the group that she was a student again. She is working for a doctorate in guidance and counseling at Howard University and has most of her course work out of the way. Mrs. Lucille Hughes Pulliam, HS '22, all the way from Los Angeles, California, spoke glowingly of her days as a student and expressed her delight in being back on campus. Mrs. Eula Martin Hoffman, a former member of the faculty of Spelman Seminary, and recently retired from the Chicago, Illinois Public School System, expressed joy in being at the College and revisiting parts of the campus she knew as a student and teacher. She was pleased with the many changes, both physical and academic, and spoke of her confidence in the future of the College. She was especially pleased to find an elevator in Giles Hall, where she lived as a student, for use of the Spelman family. Mrs. Florence Weston Samuels, HE '22, St. Augustine, Florida, a former public school teacher in St. Augustin, now retired, reminisced about the teachers, students, and the high quality of the training she received at Spelman Seminary, now Spelman College.

The class of 1932 was represented by Mrs. Ernestine Anthony Lipscomb of Jackson, Mississippi. Mrs. Rae Jamison Marks, Shaker Heights, Ohio, spoke for the class of 1942; Charlye Mae Thompson Edwards was the spokesman for the class of 1952 and representing the ten-year reunion class of 1962 was Anna Hankerson. Each one presented the class gift with appropriate words.

Concluding remarks were made by President Manley who extended greet-





TEN-YEAR REUNION CLASS



ings to all alumnae and thanked them for their interest in and support of the College. The singing of the Spelman Hymn brought to a close another successful dinner meeting.

On the day following the Annual Dinner, Saturday, May 20, the National Alumnae Association met for its brunch and the annual business session.

The entire reunion program follows:

Friday, May 19—New Dining Hall

8:00 a.m.

Registration

8:30 a.m.—New Dining Hall

Breakfast Reunion. Program Conducted by the Ten-Year Reunioners and hosted by President and Mrs. Manley.

10:00 a.m.—Assemble in front of New Dining Hall

Reunion Class Pictures

10:30 a.m.—Meet in front of Bessie Strong Hall

Alumnae Tours of the Campus — Student Guides

2:00-3:30 p.m.—Faculty officers meet and talk informally with Spelman faculty members

6:00 p.m.—New Dining Hall

Annual Alumnae Dinner

Saturday, May 20—New Dining Hall

10:00 a.m.—Registration

10:30 a.m.—New Dining Hall

Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association and Brunch

3:00—Reynolds Cottage

5:00 p.m.—Alumnae At Home with President and Mrs. Manley

Sunday, May 21—Atlanta University

5:00 p.m.—Quadrangle.

Joint Baccalaureate

Speaker: The Reverend Ralph David Abernathy, President, Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Pastor, West Hunter Street Baptist Church

Monday, May 22—Sisters Chapel

10:30 a.m.—Commencement Exercises

Speaker: Clarence B. Jones, Editor, *The Amsterdam News*

## Among the Clubs

### *Atlanta*

The Atlanta Spelman Club elected new officers for 1972-73 last spring. They were installed at the May meeting and will begin their term at the Club's first meeting in September. The officers are: Mary E. Woods, president; Dentye Smith, vice president; Doris Freeman, secretary; Annette Evans, treasurer; Ruby Clay, reporter; Ernestine Mann, financial secretary; Wilma Webb, chaplain, and Pearline Davis, chairman, special projects.

### *Los Angeles*

En route to San Francisco in June, the B. B. Brazeals visited briefly in southern California.

Upon arrival at the hotel in Los Angeles, the Brazeals were welcomed by the Los Angeles Spelman Club who sent them a basket of beautiful flowers for their room. Even though the Brazeal's stay was brief, they did talk and visit with several Spelmanites. They left Los Angeles with the resolve to return for a longer visit.

### *Northern California*

The Northern California Spelman Club elected new officers at their June 19, 1972 meeting in the Officers' Club, Hamilton Air Force Base, with Barbara Nash Coleman as hostess. They are: preident, Carolyn Heath Primus; vice president, Sarah Rowe Gross; recording secretary, Barbara Manley Fonville; corresponding secretaries, Gussie Turner Steele and Eloise McKinney Johnson; treasurer, Julia Lena Dixon; and historian, Helen Rice Walker.

When the members of the Club learned that the B. R. Brazeals, Ernestine and Brailsford, would be in San Francisco in July, they wrote Ernestine for a time when they could set up a "Rap Session with Ernestine." Ernestine was delighted and a meeting was arranged at Gussie (Mrs. Percy) Steele's home at 66 Cleary Court, at 4 p.m. on July 30. It was a de-



lightful and joyous occasion with an opportunity to visit informally with alumnae before the meeting began. Ernestine spoke of physical changes on campus, new programs, new majors, the Spelman majorettes, the three alumnae regional meetings, the urgent need for increased financial support of the College and specific needs of the alumnae office. A period of fruitful discussion followed with many fine suggestions for improvement in services to and from alumnae.

Delicious refreshments were enjoyed by Delo E. Washington, C'59, Stockton; Barbara A. Bell, C'44, newly elected vice president of the National Association, Los Angeles; Roslyn Washington Sylvester, C'59, Davis; Helen Rice Walker, C'43, Hayward; Barbara Nash Coleman C'56, San Rafael; Gussie Turner Steele, C'45, San Francisco; Barbara Yancey Render, C'55, Daly City; Muriel Gassett James, C'49, Sacramento; Mary Parks Washington, C'46, Campbell; Eloise McKinney Johnson, C'47, San Francisco; Effie Lee Morris Jones, former teacher in the Atlanta University Library School who taught Spelman students, San Francisco; Agatha A. Anderson HS'28, Sacramento; Anne Thomas Braxton C'39, Sacramento; Nell Braxton Gibson, former student, New York City; Madrid Turner Hamilton, C'43, San Francisco; Mr. Braxton, the husband of Ann; Mr. Gibson, the husband of Nell and the Gibson's baby daughter.

Mrs. Sue Bailey Thurman, HS 20, San Francisco, sent a contribution and a message saying she was unable to attend the Rap Session because of the illness of one of her daughters.

#### SPELMANITES SELECTED OUTSTANDING YOUNG WOMEN

Three Spelman Alumnae have been selected as Outstanding Young Women of America for 1972. They were chosen on the basis of their achievements. The Outstanding Young Women of America Program which is now in its eighth year, recognizes young women for their contributions to the betterment of their com-

munities, professions and country.

The three alumnae chosen were Bettianne Childers Hart, C'69, Dr. Ida Rose McCree Hilliard, C'64 and Maggie Davis Martin, C'67.

Mrs. Hart, MSW, Boston University, of 4335 Greenlea Circle, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30331, former Research Planner at the Atlanta Regional Commission, is presently the Director of Placement at Spelman College.

Dr. Hilliard, a graduate of Meharry Medical College who has received several awards and honors in the medical profession, is in her second year of residency in psychiatry at Sacramento General Hospital, Sacramento, California. Her address is 3401 57th Street, Sacramento, California, 95820.

Mrs. Martin, formerly a member of the staff of the Placement Office of her Alma Mater, received the M.A. degree in rehabilitative counseling in 1970 at Michigan State University, Lansing, where she is now employed as a counseling specialist. Her address is 2016 Wood Street, Lansing, Michigan 48912.

Congratulations to these Spelmanites on this recent honor.

#### SPELMAN GRADUATES RECEIVE FELLOWSHIPS

Five Spelmanites are among the recipients of the 1972-73 fellowship grants of the Southern Fellowships Fund. The grants are for the purpose of improving the faculties in colleges and universities attended primarily by Negro students. They are: Ethel V. Franklin, C'51, M.A., Atlanta University, for graduate study in English, Indiana University; Lois Weston Green, C'64, M.A., Central Michigan University, graduate study in speech pathology, University of Georgia; Fred-dye L. Hill, C'68, M.A. Northwestern University, graduate study in African Studies, Northwestern University; Corrie Hall Hope, C'54, M.A., Atlanta University, graduate study in sociology, University of Massachusetts; Jacqueline



Sampson, C'68, graduate study in microbiology, Emory University; and Delores Betts Stevens, C'61, M.A., Atlanta University, graduate study in English, Emory University.

#### SPELMAN GRADUATES RECEIVE DOCTORATE DEGREES



LaCONYEA BUTLER

Congratulations to alumna LaConyea Butler, C'56, on having received the Ph.D. degree in guidance and counseling at the August 4, 1972 Summer Convocation of Atlanta University. The daughter of Morehouse and Spelman graduates, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel C. Butler, Ruby L. Brown, C'30, she is an honor graduate of Sterling High School in Greenville, South Carolina, and of Spelman College.

Dr. Butler received the M.A. degree in psychology at Boston University in 1957. While at the University she was elected to Psi Chi, the national honorary society in Psychology, and sang in the Chapel Choir.

Prior to accepting an invitation to join the faculty of her Alma Mater, Dr. Butler taught at Bennett College, Greensboro, North Carolina and in the Atlanta University Summer School. She joined the Spelman faculty in 1959 as a member of

the psychology department. During the past few years, Dr. Butler has combined teaching with counseling and guidance. In 1967-68, she was the recipient of a John Hay Whitney fellowship for doctoral study which led to her recently earned degree in guidance and counseling from Atlanta University.

In August, 1972, Dr. Butler was appointed Director of Testing at Spelman College, and is coordinating the administration and interpretation of student testing. In addition, she teaches two courses, one of which is a curriculum innovation, "Psychology of the Sexes."

Mrs. Butler is the wife of the Reverend Grady Butler and mother of two lovely daughters, Danielle and Louisa.



ELYNOR PETTUS BROWN

Kudos to Mrs. Elynor Pettus Brown, a 1951 graduate of Spelman College with a major in English, who was awarded the Ph.D. degree in Comparative Literature by Emory University on August 19, 1972. Elynor was the recipient of a United Negro College Fund Grant and a Southern Fellowships Fund Grant to complete work for the doctorate.

Dr. Brown is a high school graduate of Palmer Memorial Institute and received



the M.A. degree in American Literature from Atlanta University in 1955. Presently Elynor is Associate Professor in the English Department of Morehouse College where she has been a teacher for twelve years. Prior to accepting a teaching position at Morehouse College, Dr.

Brown taught at Morris Brown College, Atlanta, and at Dillard University in New Orleans, Louisiana.

She and husband, Robert, make their home at 1555 Austion Road, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30311.



DR. MURPHY VISITS  
SOUTH AFRICA

In late March and early April, Dr. Harriet Mitchell Murphy, practicing attorney and Professor of Government at Houston-Tillotson College, Austin, Texas, was one of an influential group of Americans who visited several areas of South Africa as members of the United States State Department's South African Advisory Council. In addition to Harriet, members were Dr. Edwin Munger, Professor of Political Geography, California Institute of Technology, the leader of the group; Dr. Chester Marcus, Regional Director for Africa of the United Board for World Ministries, and Dr. Wesley McCain, Business and Adjunct Professor of Finance, Columbia University. The group met and talked with political leaders, businessmen and academicians. Upon their return to the United States, they reported to the State Department before returning to their homes.



LILLIE WEATHERSPOOL  
TOURS AFRICA

A trip to six countries in Africa April 1-21, 1972, was an exciting venture as reported by Mrs. Lillie Sirmans Weatherspool, C'28. This rewarding journey was made by a group of Baptist women led by Dr. William Harvey, III, Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. and Dr. Mary Brookins Ross, C'28, President of the Women's Convention Auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc. The third Spelman alumna on the trip was Mrs. Myra Taylor, C'61, public speaker and National Chairman of Literature for the Women's Convention Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.

The six countries visited include Liberia, Ghana, Swaziland, Kenya, Malawi and Senegal. The group went to Liberia as guest of the Liberian Baptist Women's Convention of which the wife



of the President of Liberia, Mrs. Victoria Tolbert, is president. There, they visited the Suehn Industrial Mission founded by a Spelman alumna, the late Miss Emma Delaney. While in Liberia the group saw several Spelman alumnae, Mrs. Margaret Stewart Traub, C'35, who has a radio program and also writes programs for other radio stations, Mrs. Ellen Mills Scarborough, Educational Consultant to President William R. Tolbert, Jr., and Mrs. Ora Milner Horton, a retired missionary at whose church they worshiped. Mrs. Horton is very much loved by the people and is affectionately called "Mother Horton." Before leaving Liberia, they were entertained at tea by Mrs. Helene Bryant Westerfield, C'42, the wife of The Honorable Dr. Samuel Z. Westerfield, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Liberia.

In Malawi, the group visited Providence Industrial Mission where the late Miss Clara Howard, HS'87, worked and where her adopted daughter Mrs. Flora Zeto Malekebu, HS'15, served until her recent retirement.

The group visited other African missions before returning home. All agreed the trip had been exceedingly pleasant and informative just as the visitors had anticipated.



MARY ROSS HONORED

In April, DR. MARY BROOKIN ROSS, C'28, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of The National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., led a delegation of outstanding women to the 21st Annual Session of the Women's Missionary Union Convention of Liberia. On Sunday, April 9, Dr. Ross was admitted to the order of African Redemption with the rank of Dean Grand Commander. In conferring the honor, PRESIDENT WILLIAM R. TOLBERT, JR., above, right, saluted DR. ROSS for what he described as her "valuable contribution to humanity and the Baptist denomination."



# Class Notes

## HS'29

Mrs. Mildred Moore Clark, supervisor, Child Welfare Services, East Baton Rouge Parish, attended the International Conference of Social Welfare in the Hague, August 9-24, and also visited London, Lisbon and Madrid before returning home. Mildred lives at 2578 Harding Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 70802.

## C'31

Florence Morrison Hogan, principal of the R. L. Craddock School, Atlanta, Georgia, heads the committee to audit Atlanta's action toward meeting the National YWCA imperative — "Eliminate Racism." Florence, a long time YWCA member and worker in Y work, expects the committee to have its report ready by the first of 1973.

The executive committee and membership of the Interested Parents and Taxpayers for Community Action recently presented to Spelman College a portrait of Mrs. Mary E. Willis. This portrait was presented to Mrs. Willis and her family last November when she was honored for her dedication to the teaching profession and forty years of continuous service as a teacher.

The portrait, a gift to Mary's Alma Mater, is an expression of thanks and appreciation by the people of Aurora, Illinois, for the distinguished work that a Spelman alumna rendered in the Aurora community. The portrait now hangs in the Alumnae Office.

## C'32

Inez Dumas McClarin and husband visited the campus in early June. Inez is Casework Supervisor, Child and Family

Services of Michigan and also serves on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Social Workers and of Whaley Children's Center of Flint, Michigan. The McClarins live at 1814 McPhail, Flint, Michigan 48503.

## C'33

In an article in the *New York Times* of August 20, 1972, entitled "Unwanted Children Find Parents Across The Sea," Mrs. Charles Bynum, Loyce Willis, associate director of Spence-Chapin Adoption Service, New York City, was quoted as saying that couples in Sweden have been adopting from all over the world . . . Mrs. Bynum said that there are more than 500 couples there who very much want children. The problem in Sweden is to find children to adopt. She and the executive director of the Service had just returned to New York from Sweden where they had escorted 20-months-old John to his new home across the Atlantic.

Dr. Effie O'Neal Ellis, distinguished physician and special assistant to the American Medical Association executive vice president, was honored by Chicago Pediatric Society and the University of Illinois Alumni Association on May 17, 1972. For contributions to the welfare of children, she was made an honorary member in the pediatrics society. On June 1, the University of Illinois honored her as "Alumnus of the Year" for her service to government.

## C'34

For a number of years, Melbahu Bryant Mason, whose husband, Dr. Ulysses G. Mason is a distinguished physician, has been a member of the Committee on Volunteers of the American Hospital Associa-



tion. Over the years Melbahu has given generously of her time, energy and funds to help mankind.

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C'36

Mrs. Martin E. Graham, Jamie Reddick, is bibliographer of the Urban and Regional Studies Collection at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. This three-year old operation which Mrs. Graham directs has few counterparts in this country. She is responsible for making sure that the collection covers and represents the needs of the burgeoning number of people for whom urban and regional studies are a special interest. This collection is made up of non-book materials and contains between five and six thousand reports, documents, pamphlets, and other kinds of publications grouped together in this newly-established research center. As stated in an article in a recent issue of the Washington University Magazine, "... the Washington University collection reflects the wisdom, uncommon common sense, and dedication of one individual, Jamie Graham." Kudos to Jamie on the distinguished service she is rendering to the Washington University and St. Louis communities!

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C'37

Clarie Collins Harvey recently chaired sessions of unit III, the Committee on Education and Renewal of the World Council of Churches, a week long meeting held August 5-11 in Utrecht, Holland. This committee set priorities for education and developed means of communication among the churches. After attending the meeting, Mrs. Harvey made unit III's report to the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches meeting there. The latter part of August she attended sessions of the Executive Committee of the World Methodist Council in Bristol, England.

Clarie has an impressive record of involvement in national and international church affairs. At present she is the national president of Church Women United. She has also agreed to serve on the Progressive Action Committee in

Jackson, Mississippi, formed to encourage the economic growth of the city.

Helen Walker Williams, M.A. in English, University of Michigan, is an assistant professor at Rhode Island College and is studying for the doctorate degree in curriculum and instruction at Boston College. Mrs. Williams and family live at 140 Meshanicut Valley Parkway, Cranston, Rhode Island 02910.

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C'38

Mrs. Ruth O'Neal is a teacher of the first grade in Killen, Texas. Her address is 2726 Terrace Drive, Texas 76541.

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C'39

Artholia C. Heard became the bride of Mr. Andrew Milligan at a beautiful and solemn ceremony in her home on May 27, 1972. The newlyweds are living at 2842 Collier Drive, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30318.

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C'40

Ollie Franklin McFarland, who visited the campus in the spring while in Atlanta to attend a music convention, is a vocal music supervisor, Department of Music Education, Detroit Public Schools. Mrs. McFarland, along with other members on a committee of musicians in the Detroit schools, edited a book to be used by the Detroit Public Schools, titled *Afro-America Sings*, published by Edward B. Marks. She generously made a gift of the book to the Spelman library.

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C'41

In April, Edith Arnold Hambrick was promoted to director of support programs of Economic Opportunity Atlanta. A graduate of the Atlanta University School of Social Work, Mrs. Hambrick joined EOA in 1966 as a social service supervisor. Prior to that she held official positions in the YWCA in Atlanta and in Wilmington, Delaware, and taught at Atlanta University. She is listed in the 1968 edition of *Who's Who of American Women*. Mrs. Hambrick and husband live at 3230 Stetson Place, N.W., Atlanta,



Georgia. They are the parents of two children.

We are pleased to learn that Rubye B. Dooley, who was hospitalized this summer, is home again and has returned to her teaching position at Clark College, Atlanta, Georgia, on a limited basis. Rubye has received a certificate from the American Biographical Institute stating that she has been selected to appear in the 1972 Edition of *Personalities of the South* in recognition of past achievements in the field of education.

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C'42

Frankye A. Straughter is currently a teacher in the Volusia County, Florida, Public School System and serves as organist at Saint Timothy Episcopal Church, Daytona Beach, Florida. Along with a class gift Frankye sent in a subscription to the *Messenger*. Her address is 420 South Campbell Street, Daytona Beach 32014.

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C'44

The Alumnae Secretary regrets that she was out of the office when the husband of Cleo M. Ingram, the Reverend Phale D. Hale, member, Ohio House of Representatives, 63rd House District, Franklin County, visited the Alumnae Office. Cleo, his wife, a former public school teacher in Columbus, Ohio, is an educator in the Head Start Program of Columbus. The Hales live at 1434 East Long Street, Columbus, Ohio 43203.

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C'45

Irene Yopp Curtis has been promoted from elementary school principal in Los Angeles, California, to Title 1, Field Coordinator, Area C, Los Angeles City Unified School District. Mrs. Curtis has under her supervision 31 schools—26 elementary and 5 secondary.

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C'46

Mrs. Ida Gartrell Peterson, M.S., University of Pennsylvania, is coordinator for The Early Childhood Program, School District of Philadelphia, Pa. As we go

to press word has been received that she has been made a vice principal of an elementary school in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Anita Lewis Polk is one of ten urban and social planners who received Ford Motor Company Fund scholarships for studies in Manchester, England this summer. The scholarship winners began the four-week academic program June 28. Emphasis was placed on urban and social policy in Britain. Mrs. Polk was congratulated by Mr. Ray C. Kooi, director, Ford Motor Company Fund at a dinner held at Ford World Headquarters in Dearborn, Michigan, before leaving for England.

Mrs. Harold Leon Young, Sr., Evelyn E. Spann, 2002 E. 5th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee, M.Ed. in public school counseling, University of Chattanooga, is a guidance counselor at Hardy Jr. High School in Chattanooga. She and her husband are parents of three children, two boys and one girl. One son, Harold Young, Jr. is a student at Morehouse College.

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C'47

Mrs. Evelyn Moore Williams serves as secretary of the Board of Operation Upgrade and as chairman of the Human Resource Committee of the League of Women Voters, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Evelyn's husband, is on the faculty of Southern University in Baton Rouge.

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C'48

In April, Dr. June Butts, an expert in family life education, was invited by the Departments of Health and Social Services, and Education, to address the annual convention of the Amalgamated Bermuda Union of Teachers on the subject of "Teaching Sex in Schools." Dr. Butts spoke of the importance of early sex education to avoid a child being forced "to gather bits and pieces from the street, often with damaging consequences." Before returning to New York, she also gave a brief talk to the members of the Registered Nurses Association of Bermuda.



C'49

An up-to-date address for Mrs. John Warrick, Eloise Dunn, is 6600 Birch Place, Gary, Indiana.

Kudos to Mrs. Ella Gaines Yates, recently appointed administrative coordinator, Atlanta Public Library, Atlanta, Georgia. Before returning to Atlanta, her native city, Ella, who formerly lived in Montclair, New Jersey was head of adult services at the Montclair Public Library. Ella and family live at 1171 Oriole Drive, SW, Atlanta 30311

C'50

The honor of being the first black woman to defeat her opponent in a race for the District 1 seat (East Macon) on the Bibb County Board of Education goes to Mrs. Aaron O. Cook, Dolores Jones, a resident of Macon, Georgia. Dolores will have no Republican opposition in the upcoming November election.

A teacher at Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley Georgia, Dolores will be an asset to the Bibb County Board of Education. In College Dolores was an English major, and was graduated with honors. The recipient of a General Education Board Fellowship, she attended Smith College from which she received the M.A. degree and did further study at Atlanta University. For fourteen years she was a teacher on the high school level; for the past six years, she has taught on the college and graduate levels.

Her professional, personal, and civic experience combine to provide insight, wisdom, and skill in interpreting, analyzing, and evaluating educational programs and problems.

The Cooks are the parents of two children who are products of the Bibb County Public School System. One is a recent high school graduate; the other is currently enrolled in elementary school. The family lives at 3232 Pasadena Drive, Macon, Georgia 31201.

C'51

Mrs. Elaine Bush McCann paid a visit to the alumnae office to extend greetings

when she, her husband and two daughters recently visited Atlanta. Formerly a demonstration and master teacher, she now teaches the first grade in San Diego, California. Her address is 2531 Balboa Vista Drive, San Diego, California 92105.

Mildred Wynn Penson, whose husband is on the faculty of Southern University, is a member of the Human Resource Committee of the League of Women Voters of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

C'52

Mrs. Gloria Swanson Curington Johnson is a French teacher in Simpsonville, Maryland. Her address is 5356 Mad River Lane, Columbia, Maryland 21044.

C'53

Dora Anne Foushee reports that she is a counselor at Whaley Junior High School, Los Angeles, California, and is now married to Mr. Stanley M. Taylor, an interior designer and they have two children, Kriste, 9 years old and Kimberly, 6 years old. Their home address is 10624 South Wilton Place, Los Angeles 90047.

Gwendolyn Mitchell Wright, 2833 Bush Boulevard, Birmingham, Alabama, 35208, was in Atlanta recently. Mrs. Wright is now Director of Education with the Jefferson County Commission for Economic Opportunity, Birmingham.

C'54

Ellen Hinton June writes that she is a speech therapist in the Birmingham, Alabama public schools. Along with her note, Mrs. June sent a contribution to the Founders Day Fund.

Dr. Juel Pate Borders, an outstanding gynecologist and obstetrician, was installed as a Fellow of The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists at its 20th annual meeting, May 1-4, 1972 in Chicago, Illinois.

The College, which was founded to promote the health and medical care of women, accepts physicians who specialize in obstetrics and gynecology, who



have demonstrated clinical ability by successful completion of an examination, and who have been judged by their colleagues as competent and ethical physicians.

A Fellow must be a graduate of an approved medical school and for at least five years prior to applying for membership in the college, must have limited his practice to obstetrics and gynecology.

Dr. Borders meets all these qualifications and more. Frequently speaking to youth groups in addition to serving the community in the medical profession, she is an inspiration to many young doctors in her field as well as the entire Atlanta community. Dr. Borders has received many honors and awards since leaving Spelman. The Alumnae Office congratulates Juel on being named a Fellow of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

Dr. Borders is the wife of Dr. Theodore Benson and they are the parents of two children. The Bensons live at 1426 Mozley Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30314.

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#### C'55

Yvonne Hunt Catchings, who has a degree in museum practice, teaches at Marygrove College in Detroit, Michigan. Mrs. Catchings is one of the artists included in the book, *Black Artist On Art* by Samella S. Lewis.

A note from Erin Goseer Mitchell gives the family's new address as 8630 South Bennett Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60617.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Hawk, Jr., Amaryllis Murphy, who dedicated their new home on Sunday, July 30, 1972, between four and six o'clock. Their address is 4600 Heatherwood Drive, SW, Atlanta, Georgia.

Lydia Walker Whatley has recently been named assistant professor in medicine (social service) at Emory University. One of six on Emory's faculty to be promoted, Mrs. Whatley also retains the

additional appointment of instructor in the division of allied health professions.

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#### C'56

Mrs. Rita Dixon Holt, 120 Avon Hill Street, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02140, is director of Inner-City TTT (Training Teacher Trainers), Harvard University Graduate School of Education.

The National Association of Negro Musicians selected Verdi's "Aida" for presentation as the major event of its convention held in New York City in early August, 1972. Alpha Brawner Floyd, concert artist, sang the title role.

Miss Floyd received her musical education at Spelman and from the Juilliard School of Music, New York City. Her career began as the debut award winner of the Concert Artists Guild. Her Town Hall recital won her unanimous acclaim from critics and the public. *The New York Times* said of her, "Miss Floyd seems to have about everything a singer needs. Her voice is an instrument of beauty."

Following Miss Floyd's debut in the American Opera Society's production of "The Queen of Sheba," the *Opera News* carried the report: "Miss Floyd's beautiful voice and phrasing reminds one of the great soprano, Elizabeth Schwarzkoph."

Other awards won by Miss Floyd are first prize, Marian Anderson competition; top prize for women at the Geneva International Competition and the Munich International Competition.

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#### C'57

Mrs. Sherman L. Ragland, Anita Atkinson, recently returned to her Silver Spring, Maryland home after an extended visit with family members in Atlanta. She enjoyed many activities while here including a visit to Six Flags Over Georgia, Underground Atlanta and Paschal's La Carrousel. Mrs. Ragland, a native of Texas, is presently employed at the University of Maryland, College Park.



Barbara Ponder Elias received the M.Ed. degree in Elementary Education from Virginia State College in Petersburg, Virginia, May 21, 1972.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Mann, Ernestine Miles, and family recently moved to their new home at 1709 Laurens Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30311.

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C'58

Juliet Blackburn Houston, M.S. in retailing, New York University, was recently named merchandising representative, women's apparel, Celanese Fibers Marketing Company. In this position, Mrs. Houston will be responsible for implementing merchandising programs in support of women's swimwear, sportswear, uniforms and career apparel markets.

Mrs. Houston joined Celanese in 1971 as retail merchandising coordinator for the New York City and Philadelphia markets. She held several positions prior to that including director, retail and personnel training, Island Merchants Ltd., a retail and wholesale chain in the Bahamas; teacher, sales and merchandising in the New York City Manpower Training and Development Program; buyer, women's sportswear and children's wear, Lane Bryant; and buyer, children's wear, Alexander's.

She has also served as a consultant in retail practices to businesses in New York and in the Bahamas, and has been a consultant and speaker for career conferences sponsored in New York and by the Bahamas government.

Mrs. Houston is a member of the American Manpower Association, the Bahamas Association for Manpower Training and Development, and the Black Retail Action Group of New York City.

Gwendolyn Page Dunnaville has recently opened "Gwen's Bridal Service," 593 Lyric Way, NW, in Atlanta, Georgia. As owner and wedding consultant, Mrs. Dunnaville's bridal service includes flowers, invitations, photographs, limou-

sine service, reception catering and wedding cakes. She is a teacher at Turner High School, Atlanta.

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C'59

Mrs. Christina Benn Jaffer, former member of the faculty at Bishop College, Dallas, Texas, is presently teaching at Loyola University, Los Angeles, California, the first Black ever to be hired in the English Department there. She is also a full-time student in the Ph.D. program in the Speech Department at The University of California at Los Angeles.

The past summer, Christina was in Ibadan, Nigeria, as a guest of the Religious Studies Department engaging in research related to her dissertation and has returned to the states to continue her studies and work.

In a recent letter, Christina said she had enjoyed receiving the *Messenger* and reading about people who have been inspirational to her during her life and career and looks forward to hearing from other Spelmanites. She is now living at 13216 Spinning Avenue, Gardena, California 90249.

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C'60

Dr. June B. Gary Hopps, MSW, Atlanta University, who received the Ph.D. in political science, Brandeis University, has joined the faculty of the Political Science Department of Ohio State University. Mr. and Mrs. Hopps make their home at 5544 Indiana Hill Road, Dublin, Ohio 43014.

Dr. Clara Lunceford Johnson, research associate at the Regional Institute of Social Welfare Research of the University of Georgia's School of Social Work, is involved in a study of both wed and unwed mothers who have had children in early adolescence. "Adolescent pregnancy, especially among low-income non-white groups, is becoming a matter of increasing social concern," said Dr. Johnson. She feels that a close look at the problems involving young motherhood is essential for finding practicle solutions.



The Reverend and Mrs. Willie Lewis, Barbara Stokes, are living in Hamilton, Bermuda, where they have been for more than three years. The Reverend Mr. Lewis is pastor of the Seventh Day Adventist Church on King Street and Barbara is an English teacher at the Bermuda Institute of Seventh Day Adventists. Recently an article appeared in the *Bermuda Recorder* extolling her for inspiring confidence in students. She had encouraged her students to enter the "Search for Authors" contest. Her reasons for wanting her students to enter the contest were to let them know that work done for school could be rewarding in other aspects than grades and to build confidence in themselves. Of those who entered and won, Mrs. Lewis said, "Their vision of a writer was a person who had been in school for years and years and studied writing. Now they feel that writing is much easier than they thought it was."

The Lewis family's address is P.O. Box 1855, Hamilton, Bermuda.

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#### C'61

Mrs. Marva Smith Piggee recently sent in a three-year subscription to the *Spelman Messenger*. Her home address is 1717 Summit, Little Rock, Arkansas 72202.

Carolyn Stinson became the lovely bride of Mr. Lewis Traylor on June 24, 1972. The newlyweds are making their home at 226 East Ruth Avenue, Flint, Michigan 48505.

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Joyce Pitts Story, C'62, instructor, doctoral student and director of minority recruitment for the School of Pharmacy at the University of Georgia is one of only eight black women in pharmacy education nationally. One of her prime functions is to draw more Blacks, women as well as men, into pharmacy related careers. "Most black people just think of medicine when they look into health professions," said Mrs. Story who was featured in a recent *Ebony* magazine series on outstanding black professionals. "I'm simply trying to open new doors to them.

I try to inform them on the possibilities in pharmacy and the related educational requirements."

Mrs. Story majored in chemistry at Spelman and entered the University of Georgia in 1969 to study in the field of medicinal chemistry. Along the way she's been taking courses toward a bachelor's degree in pharmacy that would qualify her to become a registered pharmacist.

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#### C'63

Ernestine W. Brazeal, M.S.W., Atlanta University, was recently promoted to Social Work Coordinator of the New York City Urban League's Adolescent Maternity Program.

Marie Thomas, Mrs. Joel Foster, a young and aspiring actress, recently appeared in "Don't Bother Me, I Can't Cope," a musical at the Playhouse Theater on 48th Street in New York City. Marie is one of the singers of as Vinette Carroll, director of the play, calls it, "Cope."

The critics cheered "Cope," a show about being black which mixes pounding gospel songs with contemporary themes. Miss Carroll refers to Marie and two other young black actresses as her triumvirate.

Last spring Miss Edna Johnson, C'64, and Dr. Lois Moreland, chairman of the Political Science Department at Spelman, saw Marie in this brilliant production and congratulated her backstage.

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#### C'64

Edna L. Johnson received the M.S.W. in Social Work from Fordham University at Lincoln Center in New York, June 3, 1972. She is presently a social worker at Leake and Watts Children's Home, Yonkers, New York.

Annette Jones White, 2602 Columbia Drive, Endwell, New York 13760, recently renewed her subscription to the *Messenger* for two years. She sent information about Thelma Annanias Morris, C'52, who lives in Vestal, New York. Thelma is president of the Urban League



Guild of Binghamton, New York and is employed as Senior Librarian in Children's Services at the George F. Johnson Library in Endicott, New York.

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C'65

Margaret Hampton has been appointed instructor in modern languages at Allegheny College in Meadville, Pennsylvania. Margaret received the M.A. degree in 1970 from Case Western Reserve University, where she is completing work toward the Ph.D. in German.

This appointment by President Lawrence L. Pelletier became effective July 1, 1972.

Mrs. Sydney A. Allen, Emilie Williamson, is library assistant, State Department of Education, Atlanta, Georgia. She is the mother of a son. She, husband, Sydney, and young son, Michael Craig, live at 1848 Bayberry Drive, SW, Atlanta 30311.

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C'66

Along with five other new students, Elynor Williams entered the graduate program in the Department of Communication Arts at Cornell University, Ithaca, New York last January. A former home economist and copy editor for General Foods, she hopes to work with the low income communities in disseminating nutrition information through the communications media. Her address is 916 North Tioga Street, Ithaca, New York 14850.

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C'67

Mr. and Mrs. William Cobb Jones, Rita Chustz, are the proud parents of a daughter, Carolyn Nicole, born June 20, 1972. The Joneses make their home at 148-45 89th Avenue, Jamaica, New York.

Rosalind Bernice Harris was married to Mr. Cecil Page Brown on August 20 at the Bethel A.M.E. Church, Atlanta, Georgia. Rosalind is a candidate for the M.S. degree in biology at Northeastern University. Mr. Brown, a graduate of Morehouse College, recently completed

requirements for the M.B.A. degree at Pennsylvania State University.

Mrs. Jacqueline Ann Kirby Boyette is currently living at 1769 Laurens Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30311, while her husband, James, is in the Navy. Jacqueline served as a Vista Volunteer immediately after graduation. She spent 3½ years in Madrid, Spain where she was Assistant Director of Youth Activities at Tarryon Air Base.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. John E. Gardner, Mary A. Kidd, on the birth of their second daughter, Krystall Janal, August 15, 1972. The Gardners live at 126 Greystone Lane, Rochester, New York 14618.

Mrs. Melrita Russ Bonner is teaching Spanish on the high school level in Detroit, Michigan. She is also working towards the M.A. degree in Library Science at the University of Michigan. Her home address is 9901 Wyoming, Apartment G-1, Detroit, Michigan 48204.

Mrs. Dollie Scott Mosley is a teacher and chairman of the Mathematics Department at Scott High School in Toledo, Ohio. Her home address is 1502 Upton Avenue, Toledo, Ohio 43607.

Mrs. Brenda Smith Clay is an elementary education teacher in the Atlanta Public School System. She is also working towards the M.A. degree in Reading at Georgia State University. Brenda's current address is 2085 Sewell Road, Atlanta, Georgia 30311.

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C'68

The marriage of lovely Phillipa Annette Brisbane to Mr. Henry Milton Shaw, Jr. was held on July 15, 1972. This celebration of love took place at five o'clock in the afternoon at the All Saints Episcopal Church in Atlanta, Georgia. Immediately following the ceremony, the bride's parents gave a beautiful reception at the Marriott Motor Hotel.

Before her marriage, Phillipa was chief



of the catalogue division at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland. Her husband, Mr. Shaw, was graduated last year from the United States Naval Academy and is in aviation training at Pensacola, Florida, where the newlyweds are making their home.

Dr. Wendell Whalum, who toured Africa with the Morehouse Glee Club last spring, sent information that Adunola Ibidago Ogunbameru is a librarian at the University of Ife at Ife, Nigeria.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Welch, C. Eileen Watts, are the happy parents of a son, Sule Konata, born February 1, 1972. The Welch's are living at 11687 Charter Oak Court, Apartment 202, Reston, Virginia 22070.

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#### C'69

Carolyn M. Brown is currently studying elementary reading at John Carroll University, University Heights, Cleveland, Ohio. She sent a subscription to the *Messenger* and wrote "I have enjoyed reading the *Messenger* this past year and look forward to reading future issues." Carolyn is living at 2678 Hampshire Road, Cleveland, Ohio 44106, while in graduate school.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lewis, Marilyn Hunt, on the birth of their daughter, Martine Kathleen who was born on February 20, 1972. The Lewises live at 73 Bridge Street, Apartment 17, Northampton, Massachusetts 01060.

Laura English Robinson, instructor of voice at Morris Brown College, was presented in a lecture recital at Morris Brown College on Tuesday, April 25. Laura, a soprano, received the M.M. degree with a major in voice from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and was a 1972 winner of the Metropolitan Opera District Auditions. She also had one of the solo roles in Atlanta's spring production of "Treemonisha."

Merchuria Chase Williams who received the M.A.T. degree from Trinity College, Washington, D.C., is a teacher at Walter F. George High School in Atlanta, Georgia. Her address is 200 Peyton Place, S.W., Apartment B-5, Atlanta, Georgia 30311.

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#### C'70

Bettye J. Atkinson is presently employed with the Indian Desk of the Economic Development Administration in Washington, D.C. She chose to work with this agency after completing a Management Intern Program sponsored by the Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C., designed to train young people for administrative positions in federal government. Bettye has gone to several states as a part of her job, including Arizona, Colorado and Washington. She is also working towards the Master's degree in history at Howard University. Her address is 1500 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W., Apartment 703, Washington, D.C. 20005.

Rosa Marie King was one of ten youths named Outstanding Young People of Atlanta for 1972. Selections were made by The Outstanding Young People of Atlanta board of directors. This organization was formed to recognize young singles who have distinguished themselves in careers and assumed active roles in civic affairs.

Rosa is a cum laude graduate of Spelman College, and a M.A. candidate in special education at Atlanta University. She is a field representative in the Office of Civil Rights, United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare assigned to North Carolina, Florida and Kentucky. A member of several organizations, Rosa is active in Volunteer Atlanta, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the Atlanta University Council for Exceptional Children.

Janis Parkmon has been promoted by Southern Bell of Atlanta, Georgia, from



employment assistant to employment staff representative. Janis lives at 37 Delmoor Drive, N.W., Atlanta 30311.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Price, Linda Patterson, are the happy parents of a baby girl, Sherri Lynelle, born April 23, 1972, in Miami, Florida. The family's address is 1400 N.W. 10th Avenue, Apt. 1, Miami, Florida 33136.

Mrs. Kathy Bailey Smith and her husband Burl Smith, a Morehouse graduate, are living at 35 Hurlock Street, Buffalo, New York. Kathy completed the requirements for the Master's degree in Reading Education and is teaching remedial reading on the junior high school level in Buffalo.

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#### C'71

Pearl Cleage Lomax, 1331 Sharon Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia, writes that she has just had her first book of poems published by Broadside Press of Detroit, Michigan. The title of her book is *We Don't Need No Music*. Congratulations to Pearl!

Trudy Marzo writes that she is employed as a bank teller. Her address is 1130 Dolphin Drive, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30311.

Daisy Marie Mitchell was awarded the M.S. degree in guidance and counseling at the Commencement Exercises at Jackson State College, May 28, 1972.

Sibyl E. Moses received the M.S. degree in Library Science from the University of Illinois on June 10, 1972. She is now reference librarian and instructor at Florida Memorial College, Miami Florida.

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#### C'72

In a solemn and impressive ceremony in the Little Chapel on the Morehouse College campus Sunday, August 19, 1972, Judy Olivette Dennard became the lovely

bride of Mr. William Thurman Donnell. Doctor and Mrs. Cleveland L. Dennard, parents of the bride, gave a beautiful reception for the newlyweds at the Sheraton-Biltmore Georgian Ballroom, Atlanta, Georgia. The Donnells are at home at 2674 Sewell Road, S.W., Atlanta 30311.

Tamara M. Deplanter is presently employed as a budget analyst at Bell Laboratories in Murray Hill, N. J. Her home is at 223 North Arlington Avenue 7-B, East Orange, New Jersey 07017.

Mrs. Doris Gartrell Anderson sent in a year's subscription to the *Spelman Messenger* and gave her up-to-date address as 1360 Burcham, East Lansing, Michigan.

On September 2, Sibyl Anderson Sims became the lovely bride of Mr. Wilson Zettie Carley, Jr. The couple exchanged vows at the Mount Olive Baptist Church in Atlanta.

Sibyl, a chemistry major, worked with the research program in bio-chemistry and molecular biology at Cornell University last summer. Mr. Carley, a Morehouse graduate, is a management trainee in the department of planning and analysis of Prudential Insurance Company, Jacksonville, Florida.

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#### FORMER STUDENTS

Thelma Unthank Brown, 3630 North Argyle, Portland, Oregon, is teaching in the Follow Through Program of Portland. Her teaching experience includes Head Start Program, Day Care, and grades one through eight.

Mrs. Minnie Bell Veal is a supervisor in a recreation and community center in a low-cost housing project in New Jersey. In a letter to the alumnae secretary she said she enjoyed reading the *Messenger* and sent a contribution for Founders Day. Her address is 6 Moyse Place, Edison, New Jersey.



## IN MEMORIAM

The Spelman Family extends sincere sympathy to relatives and friends of these persons whose careers are ended:

On August 7, 1971, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, Mrs. Cora Winifred Spann, the mother of Mrs. Evelyn LaVerne Spann Young, C'46.

In February, 1972, in River Rouge, Michigan, Mrs. Fleta Mapp Radcliffe, former student.

On March 28, 1972, Mr. Thomas J. Flanagan, the husband of Mrs. Lula Prater Flanagan, C'41.

On June 9, 1972, in Raleigh, N. C., Mr. Krella G. E. Francis, the husband of Florence Irving, C'43.

On June 16, 1972, in Seattle, Washington, Dr. Phillip Lavizzo, the husband of Dr. Blanche Sellers Lavizzo, C'46.

On July 15, 1972, in New York, New York, Yasmin Fatima Moore, the daughter

of Jacqueline Wellington Moore, C'53.

On July 19, 1972, in Monrovia, Liberia. The Honorable Dr. Samuel Z. Westerfield, Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Liberia, the husband of Mrs. Helene Bryant Westerfield, C'42.

On July 22, 1972, in Atlanta, Georgia, Mrs. Irene Thompson Dobbs, the mother of Mrs. Irene Dobbs Jackson, C'29, Mrs. Willie Dobbs Blackburn, C'31, Mrs. Millicent Dobbs Jordan, C'33, Mrs. Josephine Dobbs Clement, C'37, Mrs. Mattiwilda Dobbs Janzon, C'46, and Mrs. June Dobbs Butts, C'48.

On August 11, in Atlanta, Georgia, Mrs. Gertrude Jackson, the mother of Wilmotine Jackson, C'51.

On May 10, 1972, in Charleston, S. C., Mr. Maxie L. Gerald, the husband of Mrs. Mary Lois Young Gerald, C'49.

On August 26, 1972, in Atlanta, Georgia, Miss Lillian Camilla Weems, C'12.



