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Fayetteville Is Scene of Meeting

High Lights of Annual Meeting of N. C. Federation of Negro Women's Clubs, State Teachers College, Fayetteville, May 18-20

The 47th session started Thursday night with special greetings to the Executive Board members at a lovely reception. Representatives of the college, city Ministerial Alliance, and the Host District were present in large numbers.

Friday morning, members poured in from some 100 clubs covering the state from Elizabeth City to Asheville. These 250 or more adult delegates were comfortably housed and fed by the college.

At 9 A. M. the meeting started with impressive devotions, and that held true for the opening of each session. With President Rose D. Aggrey of Salisbury presiding, business moved smoothly through-



Miss Frankie V. Adams

out the day. Clubs reported their benevolent, charitable, and social activities. They reported fees and contributions to the Scholarship and Blind Magazine projects.

On Friday evening all assembled with many visiting friends of both races in Fayetteville for further greetings from the Mayor and other city and county officials.

Saturday morning a most profitable question and discussion period was held, followed by a workshop on three topics:

"Women's part in planning home ownership."

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First Celebration Charlotte Hawkins Brown Day Is Held

The first celebration of Charlotte Hawkins Brown Day was held on June 10 at Palmer Memorial Institute in Sedalia.

The special appreciation services were conducted at 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon on the campus of Palmer Memorial Institute, a school founded by Dr. Brown.

She is now president-emerita of the institute.

The unveiling of a bust was a highlight of the appreciation celebration of the Federation of Women's clubs honoring Dr. Brown for her 54 years of service "in education, fine race relationships and club work."

Dr. Brown was the first president and a leading organizer of the Federation of Women's clubs in the State.

Barbara Gibson and John Roberson, grandchildren of Charlie Maye, an employee of the school for 30 years, pulled the cords which parted the curtains surrounding the bust.

Three speakers who described Dr. Brown's achievements during the program referred to her as "a pioneer educator, club woman and international citizen who was in on the beginning of every altruistic movement outside of the church among women in North Carolina."

"Dr. Brown," they went on to say, "is easily acknowledged as North Carolina's first lady in achieving certain definite goals in race relationships and in educational development for Negro youth."

Reviewing her accomplishments were Mrs. Rose Aggrey of Salisbury, our president and Mr. John R. Larkin, consultant to the Director of the State Department of Public Welfare, other officials of our Federation taking part in the program were Mrs. Sadie Griffin, chairman of the committee which handled arrangements for the program, Mrs. Esther Barnes, treasurer of the organization, who presented a purse.

Special music for the program was furnished by John Smith, soloist, who was accompanied by W. F. Carlson, director of the A. and T. College band.

Members of the special committee which planned the program, in

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Above picture shows Dr. William R. Strassner, president of Shaw University, presenting award to our president, Mrs. Rose Douglass Aggrey.

President Receives Citation At Shaw University in May

(Editors Note. Following is a copy of statement made by Dr. Strassner at time of award.)

STATEMENT OF PRESENTATION

Distinguished Service Award

MRS. ROSE DOUGLASS AGGREY, Salisbury, North Carolina

In preparation for your career as an outstanding public servant you were educated in the public schools of Portsmouth, Virginia, and at Shaw University where you received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1937; you also did graduate work at Columbia University, New York City. Because of your achievements during the earlier years Shaw University conferred upon you the honorary degree of Master of Arts in 1922.

Your professional career as a teacher has been one of unusual distinction. You served in the public school system of Portsmouth for three years; in the high school department of Livingstone College, nine years;

as summer school director and teacher, fifteen years; principal of the Granite Quarry High

School, seventeen years; and as Jeannes Supervisor, twenty years. You went into the rural areas of Rowan County and developed high schools. Your life has been one of dedication to the educational welfare of our youth, and an inspiration to all who would be good teachers.

Your interest has extended beyond the classroom to the wider areas of human uplift. You served as a representative to the Liberian Centennial; as a member of the Advisory Board of North Carolina Correctional Institutions; the Southern Regional Council; the Salisbury Interracial Council; the Southeastern Association of Negro Women's Clubs; and as president and editor of the Journal of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs.

Shaw University congratulates you upon these achievements, and in recognition of these is happy to present to you

THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

William R. Strassner, President