



Miss Mattiwilda Dobbs



Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson

Howard U. President Will Speak At Vesper Sunday

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Mattiwilda Dobbs To Sing In Concert Here

Opening second quarter lyceum series at NCC, February 18, is the noted soprano, Mattiwilda Dobbs, who will appear in concert in the B. N. Duke auditorium.

The internationally famous artist will present a program of German lieder, French, Chinese, Spanish and American songs, and a group of Negro Spirituals. She is well known both for her wide range in programing and her artistic excellence.

Georgian

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Miss Dobbs received her formal training at Spelman College and under voice teachers in Atlanta and New York. She studied for four years under Lotte Leonard, once famous operatic and concert singer, in New York.

Her career has been marked by many distinctions, including singing the title role in Stravinsky's "Le Rossignol" at the Holland Festival and under the composer's direction. She has won the Marian Anderson Scholarship, a scholarship for a year's study at the Mannes Music School in New York, a scholarship to the Berkshire Music Centre, and a John Hay Whitney Fellowship. While in Europe on the Whitney grant, Miss Dobbs studied under Pierre Bernac and Lola Rodriguez Arajon in Madrid.

Critics' Praise

When Miss Dobbs sang at the Hague in Holland, a critic commented, "A jewel of voice...an exquisite soprano...a pure musician an artist of training and a joy for the ear."

La Tribune De Beneve in Switzerland said, "Mattiwilda Dobbs, with much spontaneity, affirms herself as an artist marvellously endowed." A Washington Times-Herald reviewer said, "... the girl has phenomenal voice. She is a natural coloratura, but is endowed with a warmer and more sympathetic quality than coloraturas commonly possess ..."

Frosh Variety Show Slated

The freshman class at N. C. College is presenting a variety show and queen contest in B. N. Duke Auditorium Thursday evening, February 11, to benefit the college's scholarship fund.

The variety show has been labeled "Toast of the Town". Henry Fair, Washington, N. C. president of the Freshman class and R. D. Russell, N.C.C. counselor and class adviser, are in charge of planning for the event.

Competitors in the Queen's contest are being selected among contestants representing various months of the year in which their birth dates fall.

Contestants by months are as follows: January: Yvonne Thorpe, Lynchburg, Va.; February: Bunnie Gooch, Durham; March: Rose Currin, Oxford; April: Evelyn Clapp, Scotland Neck; May: Ellen Dorsey, Washington, D. C.; June: Thel-

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Appearance Of Six Outstanding Women To Highlight Celebration

Six of America's outstanding women will participate in North Carolina College's Fifth Annual Co-ed Week-end here on Saturday and Sunday, February 13 and 14.



Dorothea Towles

be impossible to replace Mc- The program is being sponsored by the Women's Assembly

which will hold a job opportunities clinic as part of Saturday's opening activities.

Six Americans

A second part of the annual weekend on Sunday, February 14 will honor outstanding North Carolina College women. Women who will participate on a symposium starting at 10:45 a. m. Saturday in Duke Auditorium are: Mrs. Ruth Whitehead Whaley, Secretary Board of Estimates, New York City; Mrs. Anna Arnold Hedgman, Assistant to the Mayor of New York City; Mrs. Ellen Dammon, Personnel Director, B. Altman Company, New York, N. Y.; Miss Dorothea Towles, internationally known model and designer; Miss Lois Towles the famed concert pianist; and Miss Ethel Payne, Chief of the Washington, D. C. office of the Chicago Defender.

Symposium

The symposium will discuss "The Expanding Frontiers for" (Continue on Page 8)

NCC To Honor Fathers In Feb.

The fathers of North Carolina College's students will be honored here Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, February 5, 6 and 7.

This Second Annual Fathers Weekend is being sponsored by the Men's Assembly Steering Committee and the Men's Dormitory Council.

Fathers Invited

Fathers or male guardians of all the college's students are invited to the three day program.

Registration will begin on Friday, February 5 at 2:00 p.m. in Chidley Hall. The visitors will be guests at the North Carolina College-West Virginia State College basketball game at 8 p.m. Friday evening. A reception party will begin at 10:15 p.m.

Campus Tour

Saturday's events will be highlighted by a tour of the campus, a North Carolina College-made motion picture, "Dear Mom", and a six o'clock banquet. The visitors will again be the college's guests at the basketball game at 8 o'clock Saturday night when N.C.C. meets Morgan State College. Another party is scheduled to begin at 10:15 p.m.

Morning and afternoon religious services, a period of informal visiting, and a 4:30 vesper program round out activities for Sunday. The vesper services will be held in B. N. Duke Auditorium.

Health Director Takes New Post

Miss Jeanette Jackson, originally of Newark, New Jersey, and recently Director of Public Health Nursing at North Carolina College, resigned that post on January 1, to accept a position in the United States Public Health Service, Division of International Mercy. Miss Jackson had been with the NCC health service for nearly fifteen months.

\$12,000

The new appointment is the direct result of Miss Jackson's superior rating on a competitive examination. She will earn a salary and allowances in excess of \$12,000.

After a brief orientation period in Washington, D. C., Miss Jackson will fly immediately to Monrovia, Liberia where she will be responsible for setting up a program of Public Health. The program will include training of Public Health Nurses as well as nursing duties in the rural areas of Liberia.

Wide Experience

In addition to her work in the NCC Health Department, Miss Jackson has worked in Washington, D. C., Newark, New Jersey, and Orange, New Jersey.

Many To Hear Mordecai Johnson

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, world famous lecturer and educator, will speak at vesper services, Sunday at 4:30 in the B. N. Duke Auditorium.

The renown president of Howard University is making his second appearance in Durham this school year. He spoke

Adult Education Program Active

Work is already in progress on the adult education program for which the Ford Foundation awarded the NCC library a grant of \$5,000.

According to Dr. Benjamin Smith, librarian, the North Carolina College faculty will conduct a project in "fact gathering, interpretation, and communication of these facts and their meanings" with a view toward helping the Negro find his place in the rapidly evolving pattern of the south.

Among specific problems to be dealt with are "The Negro Child in the social order of the South," "Effect of minority status on the personality development of the Negro child", Family life, health, education, religion and recreation of the Negro (Continue on Page 8)

early in the fall at the St. Joseph Methodist Church before a packed house. He was awarded the Spingarn Medal in 1929.

Traveler

President of Howard since 1926, Dr. Johnson has traveled and lectured throughout the world on education, economics, history and religion. He always speaks before over flowing audiences wherever he appears.

He is a graduate of Morehouse College and the University of Chicago. He received the bachelor of divinity degree from Rochester Theological Seminary and the STM from Harvard University. He has received honorary degrees from several universities, including Howard and Gammon Theological Seminary.

Scholar

The dynamic spokesman for equal rights for Negroes was born in Tennessee in 1890. In addition to his work as president of the largest institution for higher learning among Negroes in the world, he has served on commissions for study and review of conditions in Haiti, a commission on education in Haiti, the advisory council of NYA, and the National Advisory Council on Education.



W. Williams and S. McNeill enjoy first snow.