

Highlights Of Openings Of New Media Center At W. G. Pearson School



Relatives Of Pearson Hand For Opening

Opening ceremonies for the new media center at W. G. Pearson Elementary School Sunday were highlighted by a short history of the school and the late W. G. Pearson by Mrs. C. C. Spaulding Jr., who represented the family at the affair.

John Howard, principal of Pearson, presided at the program in the auditorium and introduced the many dignitaries and honored guests who attended.

The Reverend W. E. Daye, pastor of Peace Missionary Baptist Church delivered the invocation, which was followed by the song "All Night, All Day", by the W. G. Pearson School Chorus and Instrumental Ensemble under the direction of Mrs. Reglyn Williams.

Greetings were offered by the Honorable Wade L. Cavin, mayor of Durham, Mrs. A. T. Spaulding Sr., member of the Durham County Commission.

Dr. Theodore R. Speigner, chairman of the Durham City Board of Education, addressed the audience, as did Lew W. Hennen, retired superintendent of city schools, Dr. Ben T. Brooks, superintendent of Durham City Schools, Dr. Frank B. Weaver, assistant superintendent of city schools, G. Frank Burnett, retired Pearson principal, and James Richmond, president of the Pearson School PTA.

Special guests recognized were Mrs. Josephine D. Clement, member of the Durham City Board of Education, William Bell, member of the Durham County Board of Commissioners, retired teachers, former students and members of the community.

Relatives of the late W. G. Pearson were called on to stand and received a warm ovation from the assemblage.

Following the Benediction by Rev. Daye, all were invited for a tour of the new media center, which Howard emphasized was placed to accommodate the community as well as the school's student body.

Refreshments were served in the school's new cafeteria, which had been decorated with art work done by the students at Pearson School.

Iota Phi Lambda Soror Director Special Guest In City On May 2

On May 2, Rho Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority was indeed happy to have as special guest for the beginning of Sisterhood Week Soror Pricilla Thomas of Savannah, Ga., Southern Regional Director of the Sorority. Soror Thomas was "houseguest" of Soror Otelia Stewart.

Sunday morning, found the Sorors worshipping at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church on Dowd Street. The warm welcome and fellowship with the membership was truly great. The worship hour was most impressive. The singing was soul searching and then the partaking of Holy Communion was uplifting and sustaining. Rev. Mosely was eloquent in the delivery of his topic, "Jesus said, Think of Me, This is My Body and Blood".

After service Sorors gathered at the home of Soror Lorraine Weaver, President of Rho Chapter, for a Sisterhood Breakfast, and to listen to Soror Thomas talk about Iota. The members of the Raleigh Graduate Chapter Upsilon and undergraduate Delta Nu, came in after their church services for coffee and a chat with Soror Thomas.

Enjoying the Sisterhood occasion were Sorors Lorraine Weaver, Otelia Stewart, Bernice Ingram, Vivian Gates, Julia Henderson, Ruth Bolden, Geneva Mebane, Omeda Livingston, Barbara Avant, Helen Chavious, Mary Clay, Eula Harris, Evelyn Thorpe, Gayzella Lipscomb, Ruby Bolden, Mary Pamplin, Margaret Coleman, Helen Rempson, Mabel Butler, Barbara Minor, Laura Bruce, Plassie Harris, Lucille Baines and Fannie McLean.



PRESIDENT ROBINSON CHATS WITH MAYOR JACKSON AND OTHERS - Left to right: Dr. Prezell R. Robinson, president, Saint Augustine's College, chats with Mayor Maynard Jackson of Atlanta, Ga., the 109th Commencement Speaker held recently; Ms. Flora Bryant, president, Senior Class; and Rev. Dr. M. Moran Weston, chairman of the board of trustees.

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