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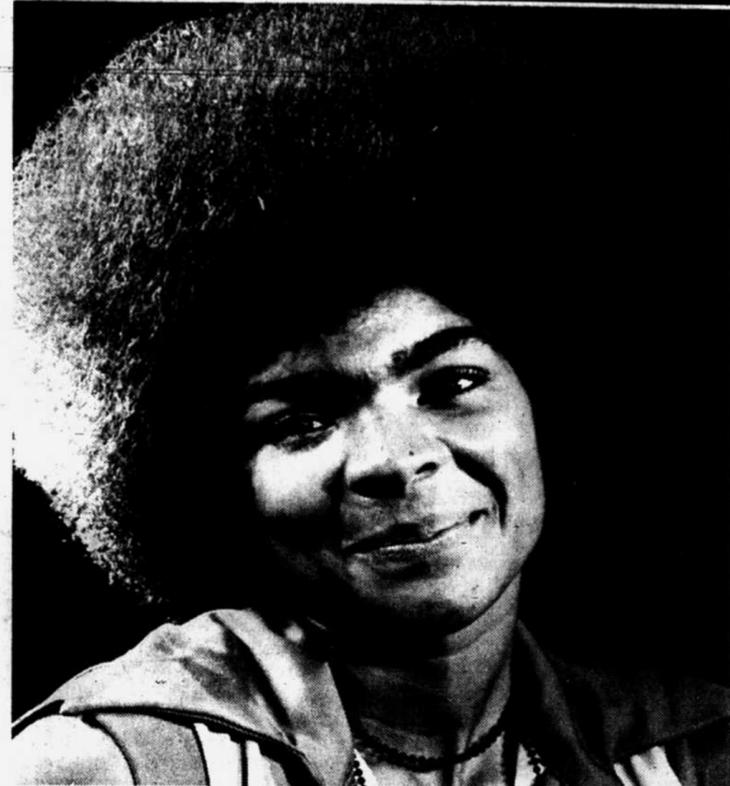
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MISS HARRIETT FARRINGTON Photo by Jim Black
...New J. C. Smith Faculty Member

Miss Harriett Farrington Is Beauty Of The Week

By Polly Manning Post Staff Writer

The campus of Johnson C. Smith University is graced this year with a new face, a face belonging to none other than a new addition to the faculty, Miss Harriett Farrington.

Miss Farrington is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Farrington of Chapel Hill, North Carolina. She is the oldest of four children. Her sister Patricia Farrington is a Guidance Counselor in the Rocky Mount School System. She has a second sister Janerio, who is senior nursing student at A&T State University, Woody, her oldest brother is a sophomore Special Education major at Morgan State University and the baby of the family is a sophomore at Chapel Hill High School where he plays on the

football team. Miss Farrington says she is very proud of her family and admits that for as long as she can remember her father has worked two jobs so that they could all get the education they wanted.

Our Beauty is a graduate of Shaw University where she received her B. A. degree in Elementary Education. After completing her undergraduate work, Harriett attended the University of Michigan to receive her graduate degree in Education, specializing in Reading.

While attending Shaw Miss Farrington was on the newspaper staff, and was a personal counselor. She worked part-time at NCNB in the Data Processing Dept. Harriett graduated from Chapel Hill High School where she was selected "Miss Chapel Hill"

her senior year. Before accepting her new position at Smith, Miss Farrington taught summer school at Fayetteville State University in an Intensive Study Program. Although she has only lived in Charlotte for three weeks Harriett says she feels Charlotte is going to be just fine. "It's a big contrast from Chapel Hill, she said smiling," but I love my profession. My co-workers are very friendly and helpful."

For past-time enjoyment Harriet loves to sew, swim, and take care of plants. She has had her life guard certificate for about four years now, and thinks maybe it's time to renew it. "While living in Michigan I had a lot of plants," she stated. They gave me consolation, being so far from my family. "Our Beauty also loves to travel.

Born under the sign of Scorpio Miss Farrington admits that although she likes Charlotte there has not been time to conclude whether she will make it her home or not. To phrase it as she stated it, "I'm still young and the future is so indefinite."

Public Schools Can Save \$6 Million On Fuel

North Carolina public schools can save \$6 million on fuel and electric power consumption this year.

That's the contention of Carsie Denning, director of the Division of Plant Operation with the Department of Public Education. The projected \$6 million savings is part of what will become a long-range energy conservation program for the schools. It will mean that estimated yearly expense will drop to \$13 million for electricity and to \$10.1 million for fuel oil this

year. Success of the program will depend on cooperation from all levels of school leadership as well as the students themselves, Denning feels.

North Carolina schools have already set a precedent for significant energy savings, Denning noted. Two years ago, when the supply of fuel oil was severely limited, public schools cut back consumption by more than 6 million gallons of fuel oil. Consumption shot up to about 8 million extra gallons during the 1974-75 school year when fuel oil was more plentiful.

This year every school unit has designated an energy conservation coordinator to work with Denning's office in drawing up the schools' first long-range energy conservation plan. The plan will embrace curriculum, finance, transportation and facilities. An emphasis will be placed on saving money rather than short-range responses to crisis shortages. The program will include ideas for involving teachers, students, principals, superintendents in the conservation effort.

"The maintenance personnel, though they are trained to use facilities efficiently, cannot do it without the help of other school leadership," Denning said. See Schools on page 6

Six Blacks Named To "Year Of Community" School Committee

According to an announcement Tuesday by Charlotte-Mecklenburg School superintendent Rolland W. Jones, six Blacks were named to the task force of 29 citizens who will guide the school system's "Year of the Community" activities.

They are Mrs. Mildred R. Alridge, retired teacher; the Rev. George E. Battle, pastor of Gethsemane AME Zion Church; the Rev. Calvin A. Hood, director of counseling services for Johnson C. Smith University; Mrs. Barbara W. Davis, director of Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title I; Miss Shirley A. Johnson, assistant for Community Services, and Mrs. Lillian Alexander, teacher at Nations Ford Elementary School.

The task force, which also includes Board of Education Chairman William E. Poe, Mecklenburg County Commission Chairman Liz Hair and Charlotte Mayor John M.

Belk, will direct an intensive campaign to increase community involvement in the public schools.

"We are indeed fortunate that these community citizens and leaders have so willingly agreed to serve on this important task force," Dr. Jones said in making the announcement. "Its work this year will have a lasting impact on the quality of public education in our community for many years to come."

Dr. Jones stated that professional educators can do only so much to insure the quality of public education, adding that "much depends on the active involvement of and support from the community—from parents, taxpayers, community leaders and public officials."

"The time is ripe for us to renew our efforts to involve the community in public education. Strong community support has led our school system through some difficult

years," he concluded. The "Year of the Community" Task Force is already at work planning goals and activities for the 1975-76 school year. The emphasis will be on extending the scope and the work of school committees, on involving more volunteers, on revitalizing the work of PTA's and on increasing the flow of information about the schools to the community.

A number of projects have already been begun. Among them are plans to set up citizens advisory committees to work with each of the school system's nine major departments, plans to create effective curriculum councils at each school and plans to coordinate activities with existing community groups and agencies.

Another part of the year's activities will be an attempt to bring the Board of Education closer to the community. Once a month during the school year, the Board will hold one

OMBE Meet To Attract 7 Speakers

Governor Jim Holshouser and Stanley S. Scott, Special Assistant to President Ford, will appear along with seven other speakers at a seminar on North Carolina Minority Business Resources September 18-19 in Raleigh.

The Seminar is being sponsored by the newly-created Office of Minority Business Enterprise, a division of the Department of Natural and Economic Resources.

Others appearing on the program will be Jim Harrington, Secretary of Natural and Economic Resources; Howard Lee, Mayor of Chapel Hill; Charles F. McMillan, Director of HEW's Region IV Office of Minority Business Enterprise; Herbert Gibson, vice president of Eskridge and Long Construction Company

of Sanford; Clarence Lighthner, Mayor of Raleigh; Arthur E. Armstrong, Director of the Office of Financing, Small Business Administration; and Paul R. Browne, Director of Socio-Economic Policy for the General Services Administration.

Larnie Horton, Special Assistant to Governor Holshouser for Minority Affairs, said the Seminar was designed "to bring together relevant persons and agencies in the federal, state and private sectors, and minority entrepreneurs throughout the State to discuss in detail the resources and assistance available to minority businessmen."

The Seminar will include workshops in the areas of financial resources, management and technical assistance, marketing and construction.

The registration deadline for the Seminar is September 15. Further information on the meeting may be obtained from the State Office of Minority Business Enterprise or from Larnie Horton in the Governor's Office.

Antioch Baptist Church To Dedicate New Building



ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH
.....Has Served Griertown since 1900

Dedicatorial Services Set For 4 Days

Members and friends of Antioch Baptist Church, 232 Skyland Avenue, will join in a joyous four-day celebration here next week.

The occasion is the "Special Dedication Services and Open House" for the Church's new building located near the old church, which was organized in the home of the late Deacon J. S. McVay more than 88 years ago.

"Our first shelter was under a brush arbor," Rev. Preston Pendergrass said Tuesday morning, explaining that the church first purchased land in 1895 and erected its first building in the year of 1900. A second building was constructed in 1922.

Rev. Pendergrass continued, "during the early 1960's, the church realized that its membership had outgrown its physical facilities and began making plans to rebuild and relocate. All efforts were made to remain in the community it had served so long. In 1967, land was purchased on Skyland Avenue in the heart of the Griertown Community."

According to Rev. Pendergrass, who accepted the call to serve as pastor of the church in June, 1970, additional lots were purchased for building and parking facilities and, in late 1974, the church was "able to secure a loan and began building."

"It's a wonderful dream come true," Rev. Pendergrass stated jubilantly, "especially when you consider that we accomplished this during the tight money situation in the midst of the 1974 period of inflation and recession."

The modern edifice is located on two and a third acres of land, consisting of 9,000 square feet which include a 400-seat capacity sanctuary, two classroom wings, a kitchen, and dining room among its 14 rooms. It will also have a large paved parking lot that will accommodate "well over 100 cars" when complete.

The 400 members of the church will hold their first worship service in the new facility on Sunday morning. The service will be preceded by a motorcade procession from the old church building on Monroe Road.

However, the celebration will officially begin Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock when Rev. Raymond Worsley, the choir and members of Grier Heights Presbyterian Church will be the special guests.

Rev. Wardell Henderson, pastor of Weeping Willow AME Zion Church, and the choir and members of his church will be the guests for Thursday night worship services and Rev. F. G. Lowry, the choir and members of First Mount Zion Baptist Church will be the special guests on Friday night.

The celebration will end a week from Sunday when Rev. C. R. Neal, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Chester, S. C., will lead the 4 p.m. worship service. He will be joined by his choir and church members.

A graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, Rev. Pendergrass first served the ministry in Chester, S. C. He later moved to Belmont to serve a church in that area. See ANTIOCH on page 6

Public School Lunchrooms Acquiring New Image

Some public school students in North Carolina will eat their lunches this year to the music of band concerts in cafeterias brightened by hand-painted murals.

School cafeterias across the state are rapidly trading their staid images for more cheerful ones. The trend is part of an effort to encourage students to eat nutritious meals prepared in the cafeterias. School food service workers have discovered that a happy environment will help.

In some schools students have helped to give the cafeteria a fresh coat of paint or decorated it with bulletin boards and art work, according to Ralph Eaton, director of North Carolina School Food Service. Lunch time performances by student musicians are a growing phenomenon and in some schools students'

favorite radio programs are broadcast in the cafeterias.

At the elementary level, food service workers get in the act by dressing in costume for special occasions, such as Halloween, Thanksgiving or Christmas. Eaton expects that Bicentennial celebrations, complete with Colonial foods and dress, will be common this year.

More importantly, as Eaton sees it, students are becoming involved in the actual selection of menus. "Our biggest problem is that we have not always provided menus that are to the likes of children. We do need to cater to the likes and dislikes of students. They have to be involved," he said. Eaton is encouraging schools to set up youth councils to work with school food service workers in selecting menus.

Nutrition education is an-

other growing focus both in the classroom and the cafeteria. "It's not enough to tell kids that certain foods are good for them. They also need to know why," said Eaton. But schools will not be able to implement adequate nutrition programs until all teachers have basic nutrition courses, he feels.

An average of 78 to 80 percent of North Carolina public school students buy lunches in their school cafeterias each day. Last year that meant a total of about 850,000 lunches and 76,500 breakfasts were served daily. About 45 percent of the states' public school students are now receiving meals free or at reduced prices. Children receiving free or reduced meals are also eligible for the special milk program, which provides each student with one extra pint of milk daily.

Almost one-fourth of the schools in the state (557) are now participating in a breakfast program. Eaton hopes that at least 200 more schools will begin to offer breakfast this year. The program is aimed at children who do not get an adequate breakfast at home. "I think you could get a testimony from teachers about the worth of this program," said Eaton. They say that the students are automatically more attentive, less hostile toward the school and more willing to work.

Linda Lake Drive Will Be Closed For Three Days

Beginning Thursday, September 11, Linda Lake Drive will be closed to through traffic between Lakeside Drive East and Robinson Church Road. The closing will allow construction of a sewer line across Linda Lake Drive in the 6900 block. Linda Lake Drive should re-open by September 13.

Signs will be posted on Linda Lake Drive at Lakeside Drive East and at Robinson Church Road to advise that the street is closed to through traffic.



Rev. George E. Battle
...Committee member

of its meetings in a different feeder area. Board members will have the opportunity to meet with and hear directly from parents, school committee members, principals and teachers.



The reason some parents no longer LEAD their children in the RIGHT DIRECTION is because the parents aren't going that way THEMSELVES.