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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

Mary Todd MacKenzie

Mrs. MacKenzie is married to Robert P. MacKenzie, Jr., who is in the real estate and insurance business. The MacKenzies have three children: Bob is 15 years old, Mary Todd is 14, and Jule is 9. Mrs. MacKenzie was educated at Salem College, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and East Carolina University with degrees in history and library science. Mrs. MacKenzie is employed by the Washington City Schools as Librarian at Eastern Elementary School which serves a faculty of 29 teachers and 731 Kindergarten through second grade children. Mrs. MacKenzie's hobbies are sewing, sailing and water skiing.

Myrtle J. McNeill

Native of Burgaw, N. C. (Pender County).

Education: Attended elementary and secondary school in Pender County. The A. B. degree in Social Science (1953) and M. S. degree in Library Science (1960) were received from North Carolina Central University, Durham, N. C.

Experiences: 1953-1954 Librarian—Palmer Institute, Sedalia, N. C.; 1954-1956 Librarian—Mickens Academy, Dade City, Fla.; 1956-1957 Social Studies—Olive Hill High School, Morganton; 1957-1958 Librarian—Lincoln Heights Elementary School, Charlotte, N. C.; 1960-1963 Seventh Grade—Mary Potter High School, Oxford, N. C.; 1963-1968 Librarian—Fayetteville Street Elementary School, Durham, N. C.; 1968-1971 Director of Libraries, Durham City Schools, Durham, N. C.

Traveling: Extensive traveling in most of the 50 United States, plus Haiti, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and the Bahama Islands.

Hilda Wilson Townsend

Mrs. Townsend is a native of Columbus County and taught there for several years after graduating from Meredith College in Raleigh in 1945. She holds an AB degree in English with related fields in history, French, and Greek.

For seven years she was a teacher-librarian at Leland High School in Leland, N. C., and this year she is serving there as the school's first full-time librarian.

Winner of the 1970 NCASL \$500 scholarship, Mrs. Townsend spent both summer sessions on the campus of East Carolina University working toward certification in library science and is currently enrolled in the Graduate School there to earn the MLS degree.

She is a charter member of the Beta Beta Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, a sorority for outstanding women educators, and a member of Eta Chi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi, an honorary society in education. A member of Pine Valley Baptist Church in Wilmington, she is organist and choir director for Sunset Park United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Townsend is the widow of B. I. Townsend, a former druggist, who died in 1969. Her daughter Susan, a 1970 graduate of Meredith College, works for the Georgia Retardation Center in Atlanta. A younger daughter, Cassie, is an eighth grade student at Roland Grise Junior High School in Wilmington.

*The biographical sketch of Mrs. Kathleen R. Smith was not available when North Carolina Libraries went to press.

REFERENCE BOOKS FREE TO LIBRARIES

The Louis Round Wilson Library at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, has a collection of duplicates and retired reference books which may be donated to any library willing to pick them up or pay transportation costs. A partial list of these may be obtained from Archie R. Fields, Head of the Circulation Department.