

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Dr. Eva B. Dykes was born in Washington, D. C. She received a B. A. summa cum laude from Howard University and a B. A. magna cum laude, M. A. and Ph.D. from Radcliffe College.

As a dynamic educator, Dr. Dykes has contributed to the field of education by teaching at Walden University, Dunbar High School, Howard University, Oakwood College, and A. and M. College.

Articles written by Dr. Dykes have been published in the Message Magazine, Youth's Instructor, Negro History Bulletin, and the Journal of Negro History. She is the author of The Negro in English Romantic Thought, co-editor of Reading for Negro Schools and Colleges, and helped to prepare a Manual for a Beginning Teacher of Linguistics in a Secondary School and a Manual of English.

Active in church leadership, Dr. Dykes has served the Ephesus Church in Washington, D. C. and the Oakwood College church in Huntsville, Alabama. At Oakwood she was a dedicated choir director, home missionary leader, and assistant lay activities leader. She has been choir director for three regional S. D. A. conferences. In the community, she has been active as a lecturer, speaker, and consultant.

Professional, honorary, and learned societies that Dr. Dykes holds membership in are Phi Beta Kappa, the National Council of Teachers of English, National Teachers Association, and the Modern Language Association.

Various awards and honors have been bestowed upon Dr. Dykes for her scholarship and distinguished teaching ability and achievement. As a gracious and noble woman of culture, she has inspired many throughout her years of unselfish service.

In 1921, Dr. Dykes became the first Black woman to complete the requirements for a Ph. D. Degree in the field of English.