

Mrs. Hargraves Hargraves Log

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Narrator: Mrs. Hargraves Hargraves

Interviewer: Bob Gilgor

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
0:37	Mrs. Frances Hargraves begins talking about what it was like growing up in Chapel Hill. She went to school on Merritt Mill Road, and remembers being very happy there.
3:45	The family moved to North Side in 1924. Mrs. Hargraves attended Orange County Training School.
6:09	Mrs. Hargraves talked about her relatives that lived nearby. The family spent a lot of time together and had a lot of cohesiveness.
9:15	Both parents were cooks. Mrs. Hargraves's dad cooked on campus and in fraternities.
11:20	Mrs. Hargraves's grandparents were sharecroppers.
13:10	Mrs. Hargraves talks about her parents' "perfect" marriage. She wishes she told her father how good of a dad he was. Her dad knew how important it was for the children to get an education.
14:20	Mrs. Hargraves's grandfather was one of the first Black teachers in Chapel Hill.
17:00	Mrs. Hargraves was teased as a child for being chubby and for her hair color. She felt left out and unaccepted, but her mother and teachers helped boost her self-esteem.
19:15	Mrs. Hargraves became a "lady" at her private school. She enjoyed acting and music. The private school cost \$15 a month in 1928.
24:35	Mrs. Hargraves's mother taught her to do her best at everything.

- 26:07 Mrs. Hargraves was a popular student. She encourages students to hold their head high.
- 27:13 Talks about housing in the area. They didn't have sewage or running water.
- 31:45 The Elks and the Masons threw parties, picnics, and dances.
- 36:32 Mrs. Hargraves's mother was the disciplinarian in the household.
- 42:10 The parents' relationship was a true partnership. Mrs. Hargraves's dad went to his wife for everything.

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- 0:55 Talks about books. Black students would get second-hand books from white students that were often damaged.
- 7:06 Bob asks about alcoholism, crime, and absentee fathers. Mrs. Hargraves talks about how students would reward their help with alcohol.
- 10:35 Talks about how alcohol can be used to self-medicate depression.
- 11:10 Mrs. Hargraves didn't lock her door at night, she felt safe.
- 13:30 Mrs. Hargraves had white neighbors when she lived on West Franklin Street.
- 15:22 Mrs. Hargraves went to West Virginia State University for three years. She had to take some time off when she got married and had children. Later, she went to Winston Salem Teachers College to study elementary education.
- 19:25 Mrs. Hargraves taught primary school for ten years before studying Specialized Education at Syracuse on a scholarship.
- 23:36 Mrs. Hargraves taught at Lincoln High School for ten years under Principal McDougle. Mr. McDougle was a disciplinarian and changed the atmosphere of the school. Parents were fond of him.
- 31:37 Mrs. Hargraves talks about how wonderful the new Lincoln High School building was. It was something to be proud of.
- 36:30 Talks about PTA meetings. As more problems arose overtime, more committees were created.
- 42:04 Mrs. Hargraves would like to see more attendance of Black parents at school meetings.