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**Abstract: This interview was conducted by Dr. George Garrison with Henrietta Moore on the history of Emmet Scott High school, Emmett Scott was the segregated high school for African-Americans which was named after Emmett Scott, a former aide to Booker T. Washington and President Woodrow Wilson. Upon Graduating Emmet Scott High School Henrietta Moore went on to Friendship junior College and graduated in 1939. After graduating Friendship College. Moore began teaching at Rosenwald schools, Rosenwald schools are named after Julius Rosenwald for establishing funds in his name to build better quality African American school in 1915. Between 1917 and 1932 more than 5,000 schools were built across the rural south. Moore spends much of her time talking about her experiences teaching at the Rosenwald schools around York county South Carolina.**

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Time	Keywords
00:00:00	Henrietta Moore (HM): You attend Emmet Scott high school?
00:00:04	George Garrison (GG): Before you answer that do you mind - do you mind if I record this so I can keep this.
00:00:08	HM: oh I guess so.
00:00:09	GG: o...ok
	HM: No don't play it [laughter]
00:00:13	GG: I'm interviewing (crosstalk) [laughter] ok. This is Henrietta Moore uh-who attended Emmet Scott high school in the 1930's
00:00:24	HM: [Kenneth] and I were talking- are you recording us now? GG: I'm recording
00:00:29	HM: - Were talking last night and I remember that I moved to rock hill when I was eight years old. I went to west end from third through fifth – remember that.

00:00:45 GG: ok- Mr. Lindsey was principal?  
00:00:48 HM: I know that Ms. Bleaker White was my third grade teacher and I don't remember who the fourth grade teacher was-  
00:00:55 GG: Bleaker White  
00:00:59 HM: Bleaker White not you know the other White-  
GG: Not Beatrice White-  
00:01:01 HM: No not Ms. Beatrice White  
00:01:03 GG: Bleaker-  
00:01:04 HM: That came after I left-  
00:01:07 GG: Was Bleaker her mother?  
HM: No  
00:01:10 GG: Actually cuz-  
HM: actually her mother's named Izzy  
00:01:12 GG: That's right  
00:01:14 HM: Ms. Bleaker, I don't know who her family was anything, all I know was I was eight years old.  
00:01:19 GG: okay  
00:01:20 HM: and she's my third grade teacher and professor Lindsey was my fifth grade teacher and now who that fourth grade teacher was I don't know. Can't remember.  
00:01:30 GG: ok-okay, but you were there between the third grade and the fifth grade.  
00:01:32 HM: (reassuring) third to fifth. And we went on to Emmet Scott, I was in sixth grade.  
00:01:45 GG: What year was that, about?  
00:01:46 (cross talk)  
00:01:52 GG: You started Emmet Scott in the sixth-  
00:01:54 HM: In sixth grade and I was eight years old so evident I must have been about eleven years old, like- I think as a kid I came up with last night cuz if I was eight years old that was in third. Eighth, nine, or ten and eleven and went to sixth grade in- (crosstalk) I was eleven years old when I went to sixth grade.  
00:02:21 GG: So it has been eighty two years ago and that would have-  
00:02:25 HM: See I was born in 1919 and so that means if I came in eight years old that was what 1927 wouldn't that be in third grade. So three years on it would make it-  
00:02:45 GG: 1930 about when you started-  
00:02:52 HM: I started Emmet Scott, that's all I know about-  
00:02:57 GG: Okay- tell me something about Mr. Lindsey since you brought that up. What do you remember about him?  
00:03:06 HM: Oh I don't, not too much. See I know he was a little short fella (crosstalk), not too much about him.  
00:03:12 GG: Do you know where he was from.  
00:03:14 HM: He lived in uh, you know where the (illegible) is?  
00:03:17 GG: On Crawford Road.  
00:03:20 HM: Yeah, he lived on Crawford road, but not the house directly in front of the temple but maybe the second house.  
00:03:27 GG: ok

00:03:28 HM: You remember his daughters he had a lots of daughters, a lot of pretty girls cuz, he was a nice looking little short guy, and his wife named Amanda Lindsey. Now that all I know, can remember bout him.

00:03:40 GG: I probably do remember some of his daughters do you know their names?

00:03:43 HM: Rose-Rosa Lindsey I can't think of the other name.

00:03:51 GG: Was her name Mary theirs someone, a Marry uh-

00:03:53 HM: All of them married, I don't know.

00:03:55 GG: Ok, I probably knew them growing up.

00:03:58 HM: oh, Christ your of those age, they might've been older than you.

00:04:05 GG: They would've been.

00:04:07 HM: And how old are you?

00:04:09 GG: I'm sixty five

00:04:10 HM: Oh, you're sixty five so that means I'm about thirty years older almost thirty years older I'm ninety three. I was ninety three August sixth.

00:04:19 GG: Was he from rock hill?

00:04:21 HM: As far as I know he lived there a long time, he retired well still he lived there I guess until he passed.

00:04:32 GG: Okay, so he stayed there.

00:04:34 HM: I don't think he did anything that I can remember you know after he retired from West End school. He continued to- he was not the principal the entire time that I was there because wasn't Mr. Moore that came in there (crosstalk)

00:04:54 GG: He was principal while I was there-

00:04:56 HM: He was the last principal is that right?

00:05:01 GG: So it was just only the two of them.

00:05:03 HM: As far as I know there was two.

00:05:05 GG: And I started there in 1953.

00:05:08 HM: Yeah, well see now my all kids know Mr. Boulware

00:05:12 GG: They would've come after me. So you know I now know that West End was built in 1925.

00:05:24 HM: Oh you got that.

00:05:25 GG: I have that information so you came shortly their after it was built.

00:05:30 HM: Yeah, I guess so, it was almost a new school at that time it was right in our community cuz it was on the side of where you lived.

00:05:45 GG: That's right it was three or four houses up from where we lived at. Did you grow up in this area right around in here?

00:05:53 HM: More or less I know when we first came to Rock Hill you remember hearing of a place called Dutch Man Creek. You know what Dutch Man School is. Elementary school is across from Mount Gallant.

00:06:10 GG: Mount Gallant, Mount Gallant road?

00:06:13 HM: Highway, yeah

00:06:14 GG: Mhm (reassuring)

00:06:15 HM: Ok, we lived there for a year then we move to uh (illegible)-we lived, the family owned all that area it was Richard [fuel] we lived on the [fuel] place.

00:06:44 GG: That was a long standing family in Rock Hill.

00:06:50 HM: That when I was, started going to West End from there and started to, when I started going to Emmet Scott I still was living there.

00:07:04 GG: Was West End your first school that you attended?  
00:07:07 HM: yeah, in Rock Hill, I was in school before I moved I was born in Blair, South Carolina.  
00:07:16 GG: Alright  
00:07:17 HM: So I went to school in first second grade in Blair don't ask me (crosstalk) about the school cuz I can't remember anything about the school. All I know when I came here. When we moved to Rock Hill I was eight years old and was in third grade. So evidentially I was already in school well I know I was but I can't think anything of it.  
00:07:45 GG: So who principal of Emmet Scott?  
00:07:48 HM: Well our professor L.B. Moore. Remember him?  
00:07:55 GG: No, but I know of him. (Cross talk)  
00:07:57 HM: I know you don't remember, I say you did. His wife was but a teacher, his wife was named Gertrude Moore.-  
00:08:07 GG: Gertrude Moore  
00:08:08 HM: There were two six grade teachers Mrs. Ida Barber and Mrs. Gertrude Moore and she was my teacher.  
00:08:17 GG: Well Mrs. Ida Barber (illegible)  
00:08:27 HM: See at that time it was what an elementary high school, I mean ain't that the way they say it now ELHI, HS or something like that-  
00:08:34 GG: It was both of those  
00:08:36 HM: Yeah both of them and um, when I finished Emmet Scott there were only eleventh grade (Crosstalk)  
00:08:48 GG: That answer another question.  
00:08:50 HM: I was talking with someone and we were walking this morning Mr. (illegible) Langston  
00:08:56 GG: Mr. Langston yeah he used to teach at Emmet Scott.  
00:09:00 HM: He thought they added twelfth grade to Emmet Scott around 49, 40  
00:09:09 GG: I don't have that time (crosstalk)-  
00:09:11 HM: I don't either because I know I told him, I do remember, that school were consolidated in 1954 and that's when I went to, we were working at (illegible) elementary school at that time in 1954. That when Fairfield, Hillcrest, and Sunset Park all three of those school were consolidated at that time.  
00:09:44 GG: So-  
00:09:52 HM: Now you have on here, who was the principal? What do you remember about him? He was a very stern person. A goodness disciplinarian- good discipline, he went around with him own (illegible) and his little book or whatever in his hand, we didn't have no cell phones at that time. (Illegible)  
00:10:17 GG: He had them boys under control-  
00:10:19 HM: Under control I'm telling you.  
00:10:22 GG: Can you remember where he was from?  
00:10:24 HM: No I don't, I remember any of that.  
00:10:28 GG: he close to the school didn't he?  
00:10:30 HM: He lived on Crawford somewhere in there-  
00:10:33 GG: The address-  
00:10:34 HM: I don't know exactly were

00:10:36 GG: The address I have here is just a few doors up from Emmet Scott  
00:10:42 HM: I don't think they lived as far down as the Lindsey's did they were close  
00:10:30 GG: No, and the lived in the other direction here toward Pond street, I have  
address (crosstalk). – This was the original building wasn't it?  
00:11:02 HM: What?  
00:11:03 GG: At Emmet Scott where you went at.  
00:11:04 HM: Yes.  
00:11:05 GG: The two story wooden building.  
00:11:08 HM: You know what I got something I wanted to show you here, this picture.  
00:11:14 GG: (Illegible), what did you call it, (illegible)  
00:11:17 HM: I guess, I think so.  
00:11:19 GG: I put one and two there.  
00:11:20 HM: It was that one.  
00:11:22 GG: (illegible)  
00:11:24 HM: (illegible)  
00:11:25 GG: (crosstalk) (laughter) I know, count that [hospital] Carrol [Colored]  
00:11:32 HM: That were I taught. Carrol School our- our new design.  
00:11:43 GG: (cross talk) (illegible)  
00:11:45 HM: I taught there.  
00:11:47 GG: That was the school you taught at  
00:11:48 HM: George Carol school.  
00:11:49 GG: I didn't know it was named Carol school at that time.  
00:11:51 HM: (reassuring) I taught at school and went and left Carol school cuz the  
teacher, remember Gretta Lee, remember Robert Lee.  
00:12:07 GG: Robert lee? Robert Lee and Gretta Lee they lived out there?  
00:12:12 HM: No, they lived off Philip Street, but Gretta was teaching at Crawford school  
but she got married and moved to [New York]. Roberta came back, Roberta was  
teaching at Carol School but Roberta left for a year. I left. Ms. Reed was out of  
(Illegible) teaching at that time, so I left Carol school and went to Crawford  
school and that's where we would consolidate on Crawford school.  
00:12:45 GG: when you were teaching at the Carol school what grades were offered at that  
time?  
00:12:50 HM: uh first through seventh.  
00:12:52 GG: First through seventh?  
00:12:53 HM: mhm, We I was in the sixth-seventh grade.  
00:12:58 GG: And that looks like a tow room school to me?  
00:13:00 HM: It was four.  
00:13:02 GG: It was four rooms.  
00:13:03 HM: It's still four room and now the fifth grade students from Rock Hill school  
district go there for classes every Thursday.  
00:13:13 GG: Okay, so they know what that was about, so four rooms and you had seven  
grades.  
00:13:19 HM: And four teachers.  
00:13:21 GG: And you had four teachers.  
00:13:23 HM: It was one of the rules of our school.  
00:13:25 GG: So they doubled up in which grade.

00:13:29 HM: like I said the uh, first second third fourth fifth and sixth  
00:13:34 GG: and the sev-  
00:13:35 HM: and the sev-, no, the first grade was by itself, then second third, fourth fifth, six and seventh. Cuz it didn't go any higher than seventh (crosstalk)  
00:13:48 GG: And do you know when this school was started?  
00:13:52 HM: It was there when I remember, know when I started teaching. I finished Friendship in 1939. That's when I taught my first school was in Greenville South Carolina. For the first two years. That's when I came back. So evidentially the school was already there. (Crosstalk)  
00:14:20 GG: And two years at friendship and went to Greenville for two years.  
00:14:24 HM: And see my other- and I went on to classes during the summer, from Johnson C Smith, Mars college, then I graduated from Benedict. Then I did 18 hours over at Winthrop.  
00:14:44 GG: Oh and beyond Benedict. Wow you attended a lot of school  
00:14:52 HM: (illegible) you know that was during the summer though, you know. See you're teaching all winter you know and then you went to summer school, I mean taught six week during the summer by the time you got out of school during the summer it's time to go to work.  
00:15:09 GG: Did you have to pay for that yourself or was there financial aid?  
00:15:11 HM: No, paid for it.  
00:15:12 GG: There was no financial aid.  
00:15:14 HM: No, at one point I took a six week course at Furman that was paid, it was a stipend like was given to the teachers at that time and that was six week.  
00:15:27 GG: Furman that's down there where Spartanburg-  
00:15:29 HM: Yeah, Furman College. That was back when they were giving stipends for teachers to go to school.  
00:15:37 GG: From the district or from-  
00:15:39 HM: They were for elementary school teachers.  
00:15:41 GG: Okay, they were probably trying to integrate. I would imagine, at that time.  
00:15:47 HM: I guess.  
00:15:48 GG: So you worked for how long at Carol school?  
00:15:53 HM: I say my total number of years working at Carol school was bout I say four years and then four years at Crawford school. When my second daughter Mary Joe, I was out you how you, leave of absence when she was born and she was born with about three months left in the school year after she was born and I was able to go back to work. A lady she was named Ms. Johnson was teaching at Pineville School that was out there where Pineville Church is right now. You know where that is don't you.  
00:16:42 GG: I grew in Pineville (cross talk followed by laughter)  
00:16:45 HM: Okay, I finished her three months cuz the super intendant called me and ask me if I would finish the school year out for her and I taught one year there that was after Joe. You know that was during that time.  
00:17:03 GG: Pineville what year was that would you say? Roughly? (Crosstalk)- That would have been in the forties.

00:17:12 HM: Yeah, all of this was in the forties all was in the forties you know, cuz I graduated in thirty-nine. As I started working in May or June when school closes in June then I started working in the fall of thirty-nine that was my first year.

00:17:36 GG: Was the Pineville school in the church itself or did they own a separate room?

00:17:41 HM: It was little [town] you call it a little out building below the church.

00:17:48 GG: Cuz I ain't remember that they must have torn that down.

HM: I mean it was torn down years and years ago

00:17:53 HM: It was a one teacher school. You remember Charles Joseph?

00:18:01 GG: I remember he used to live down here.

00:18:03 HM: well he died several years ago.

00:18:04 GG: Okay

00:18:06 HM: I told they all went to school that day Allen boys and-

00:18:09 GG: mhm the McClows?

00:18:11 HM: McClows all of his, and Sims

00:18:14 GG: Sims

00:18:15 HM: All of those were in my class-

00:18:19 GG: At the Pineville school

00:18:20 HM: At the Pineville (crosstalk) the thing about it there were not a lot of kids in one grade maybe you have four/five in one grade and twelve/five in the other. It was not a large school it was just a one room building inside they have (Illegible), was taught out there for a long time. When she retired. I mean when the schools were consolidated and she went to Fairfield to. All of these little school we call then Rosenwald within this area all went to Fairfield and other side shut down on the other end.

00:19:04 GG: That explains then were all the students that came to Fairfield came from. They just bust in there.

00:19:11 HM: That's right they would bust in and D.C. was one of them. (crosstalk) We were at Fairfield for fifteen years.

00:19:16 GG: Okay

00:19:17 HM: Now it's a correctional center.

00:19:18 GG: Yeah, I noticed that. You taught at Fairfield you said for about thirteen years.

00:19:23 HM: thirteen years

00:19:24 GG: thirteen years?

00:19:25 HM: Yeah, thirteen years and then they transferred me to Rosewood for two years because they were short. One of the teachers died or something I left Fairfield and went there, and I went from Rosewood to Castle Heights is where I retired seventy eight. I taught at castle heights from seventy to seventy eight.

00:19:49 GG: Who as the principal at that time?

00:19:50 HM: Mr. Burden was the Principal Mr. McDuffie, that's D.C.'s father, was the assistant principal at that time.

00:19:58 GG: He had left Sunset Park at that time?

00:20:00 HM: See that's when- yes he was sent from sunset park to castle heights.

00:20:10 GG: And who took his old job?

00:20:12 HM: I don't really know who the principal is of sunset park after he left.

00:20:18 GG: Well you know his wife taught me in the fourth grade.

00:20:20 HM: Oh she did?  
00:20:21 GG: Ms. McDuffie. Yeah she had a major influence on me. (Laughter) I've had an opportunity to tell her.  
00:20:32 HM: Oh, well good!  
00:20:33 GG: I told her she's the reason I don't smoke. She made us boys learn how to treat women.  
00:20:41 HM: She was very-  
00:20:42 GG: She was disciplinary (laughter) she had our attention in the class. (Crosstalk) this is West End, oh this the original West End look at that.  
00:20:57 HM: What is that date up there?  
00:20:58 GG: 1935-1950  
00:21:01 HM: That right because evidentially cuz [Bam] and all those went to (illegible) Selma, and Betty, and all them kids went to West End.  
00:21:13 GG: I remember  
00:21:14 HM: (illegible) they went through eighth grade.  
00:21:18 GG: Yeah, they were. Selma same age as Clara Dean?  
00:21:22 HM: Yeah, because they close friends yeah.  
00:21:26 GG: I forgotten what, I don't think I remember- see this was not the building that was there when we started.  
00:21:32 HM: No, that was there first building what'd it say.  
00:21:36 GG: Thirty-five to nineteen-  
00:21:37 HM: evidentially this was thirty-five it was [created] later.  
00:21:44 GG: And expanded from. Cuz this is ten years after it was started. This is Emmet Scott gym.  
00:21:50 HM: Yeah.  
00:21:51 GG: The color to Emmet Scott York county gym. They this on to the school afterwards.  
00:21:58 HM: I remember you have a question in here something about the sports activities or whatever. I remember all the sports were played in the back of Emmet Scott school you know where the gym was. I guess baseball or whatever, but we had all of our activities, our proms and everything was in the gym.  
00:22:23 GG: Was in the gym. That was a question I was going to ask you. So you did have a prom?  
00:22:29 HM: Oh yeah, both years. Tenth and eleventh  
00:22:32 GG: Tenth and eleventh grade.  
00:22:35 HM: (crosstalk and laughter) where's my escort (crosstalk) please don't (laughter). Now what is this- this is the uh gym. What is that?  
00:22:46 GG: Emmet Scott vocational court school.  
00:22:50 HM: What was that one?  
00:22:51 GG: I don't know it says vocational.  
00:22:53 HM: I guess that was added to one of those places. All of this is supposed to be Emmet Scott.  
00:23:00 GG: So this was not the original building this looks like a brick building, I'm actually writing that down.  
00:23:08 HM: And this right-  
00:23:09 GG: friendship college



00:23:11 HM: friendship college that was from where it started  
00:23:15 GG: 1935- 1950 this is not the college.  
00:23:18 HM: No that was- that might have been you know it was an elementary school at first. Before it became what they call this in this information it was Friendship Knoll.  
00:23:31 GG: Yeah friendship knoll it was started in 1891 so if this is something-  
00:23:37 HM: See a blue sheet here. (Recording feedback)  
00:23:40 GG: That was something that was developed afterwards  
00:23:44 HM: and then a (illegible) but we'll find- ill find it ok now this one in the next picture what's that one.  
00:23:55 GG: Catawba.  
00:23:57 HM: I don't know about that one  
00:23:58 GG: that was, I wanna say that's the school that Mrs. Mills- Eliza Mills? Eliza Walker? She's from down there in Catawba.  
00:24:07 HM: Okay  
00:24:09 GG: And this is-  
00:24:10 HM: Emmet Scott  
00:24:11 GG: That's the school you went to.  
00:24:12 HM: (reassuring) this is where it was.  
00:24:15 GG: Actually this was [in their own stairs]  
00:24:16 HM: And what year is that?  
00:24:18 GG: This is 1935-1950, that's when that was taken.  
00:24:23 HM: and then this one?  
00:24:25 GG: Rock Hill New (illegible) Library  
00:24:27 HM: (exclaims) Negro (petty laughter)  
00:24:29 GG: This must be the Palmetto on trade street  
00:24:32 HM: Probably so.  
00:24:33 GG: You remember they had that library on trade street. That must be that it was-  
00:24:38 HM: You remember all those uh all the stuff that down on Black Street all the businesses that were everything- I had [book] sheets over here I don't see it. I had the information- this is about Friendship.  
00:25:01 GG: this about Friendship before 1965. (Reading) these students from Finley high school in Chester and two from Emmet Scott High school in Rock Hill (Illegible) college. School itself is a different story no longer high school but now college in it we had a grief of steam and prestige onwards to college and were now college students in Friendship were students from the north and the south [national] students. Students from towns in South Carolina that we didn't know existed. Were also bonded and became one big happy family. Classes were demanding but with the love and concern of instructors that each student to succeed we found the classes not too difficult. Friendship students came from different areas with problems, different backgrounds, different desires, and different goals. Even so Friendship College told us the keys needed for success hard work, determination, pride in our families, our parents, our heritage, ourselves and love for our families, our communities, our heritage, and ourselves. Friendship taught us well. The President Dr. Goudlock (illegible) his students and the financial difficulties that we sometimes faced it was the norm for him to extend scholarships for these

or lean so much on academics Dr. Goudlock valued education (illegible)-  
 .Spiritual guidance was a main factor in our college growth and development.  
 Wednesday devotional afford use the opportunity to praise worship and witness  
 some of God's (illegible) - as they deliver us summers and lifted our spirits. The  
 walls of Friendship stood today what story would they tell. Would they tell of Dr.  
 Goudlock (illegible) for many of us to truly mean for an open door policy or they  
 tell of Dean Charles whose statue was a tall and straight but he possessed a heart  
 of gold. Would they tell of Dr. Mosier who had taught the quire to sing the school  
 field song of [Zion]. Would those walls speak of Mrs. Strickland as she prepared  
 the meals to feed the body of Dr. Penagrahms as he taught the Old Testament in  
 preparation of the repenting of the soul. Would they talk of Coach Harris  
 (illegible) or would they tell of Dr. Starnes as he guides the students through the  
 library halls of wisdom and knowledge. But most of all would the walls tell the  
 success stories of students that passed this way many of our leaders of today  
 began their college days at Friendship Junior College, and to the newer of  
 Friendship Junior college I say hail to thee our Alma Mater "Glorious to those  
 our name. Ever for our sons and daughters carry on your fame. May the students  
 forever be loyal and to your memory true. hail to thee our Alma Mater fond  
 memories we hold to you."

- 00:28:01 HM: I don't know where he got that information if you want to take and get a  
 copy of it just be sure you get it back to-
- 00:28:07 GG: oh I got it, no I am going to leave this with you. When I read it, it was  
 recorded (crosstalk) - that's wonderful well wrote. Let's see now it said during the  
 fall of 1966 ok so that's somebody out of Faye's class. That's funny, they  
 graduated the spring of 66.
- 00:28:32 HM: well you see now Faye didn't go to Friendship.
- 00:28:34 GG: yeah
- 00:28:35 HM: Yeah, but evidently up here when you told me these five or six students  
 that's when they had an elementary. It was an elementary first started off as an  
 elementary school.
- 00:28:50 GG: Yeah, my mother went over there.
- 00:28:52 HM: She did?
- 00:28:53 GG: when she left. She started at West End then she (illegible) - but she did after  
 elementary school. (illegible) Okay, well good that really helpful. Mrs. Moore do  
 you remember some the classes you took at Emmet Scott?
- 00:29:12 HM: No, I don't remember any of that.
- 00:29:15 GG: You mentioned Ms. Ida Barber. (crosstalk)
- 00:29:18 HM: Ms. Ida Barber and Mrs. Moore was the only two teachers I can remember at  
 that time. And I don't know where the Professor Moore, I can't remember  
 whether he had a class or not. But uh-
- 00:29:33 GG: What did Mrs. Moore teach do you remember?
- 00:29:35 HM: It's just the sixth grade (crosstalk)-. Well at that time you know we didn't go  
 for one class/ one teacher to the other. It was just Ms. Barber, Ms. Ida Barber and  
 a group of sixth grade students and Ms. Moore had a grade, and whatever subjects  
 were taught that day.

00:29:58 GG: Did they separate the high school students from the elementary students (crosstalk).

00:30:04 HM: I can't remember that. I can't remember all that stuff.

00:30:09 GG: if you don't remember don't you worry about it (laughter) already you given me more than I ever expected. Don't worry about anything I ask you again, don't worry about it. Okay, you told me about sports that was good. You-

00:30:23 HM: We did not have a band.

00:30:25 GG: You did not have a band that was my next question.

00:30:28 HM: When did (illegible name) come there?

00:30:30 GG: In the forty's. He came there after you had left.

00:30:33 HM: Oh yeah okay. And Mr. Brown.

00:30:37 GG: yeah, Mr. Brown.

00:30:38 HM: came there around the same time I guess.

00:30:39 GG: no Mr. Brown came later he was younger. He came in the fifty's

00:30:42 HM: It got to be Mr. Brook.

00:30:44 GG: No, he came in the fifty's. I had a chance to interview him before he passed away.

00:30:48 HM: oh you did?

00:30:49 GG: Mr. Brown and I-

00:30:51 (Cassette Tape clicks and is flipped over to the other side to resume recording)

00:30:59 GG: Mr. Brown attended the consistory of music. (Crosstalk)- So he came in the fifty's uhm ok you answered fifteen you described you work and your career, you already did that. Uh what happened to the students in the Rosenwald schools when they finished sixth seventh grade?

00:31:24 HM: When over to Emmet Scott most went over to Emmet Scott. At that time that was only a high school, at that time. So all of the students who lived in the (illegible). Was in Rock Hill district went to Emmet Scott cuz that the only high school at that time. Cuz all our students from Fairfield went to Emmet Scott. I have a couple about two or three of my former students walking with us and (illegible).

00:32:02 GG: Okay, Moore Hill so you guys (illegible), you walk inside.

00:32:07 HM: We walk inside from Monday's through Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30.

00:32:13 GG: Oh that wonderful. I guess Fairfield, I remember some of the students named Crawford's you teach any of them yeah I taught Marby I taught all of them. Marby her sister, Garry and the boys. I think both of the boy's area dead now.

00:32:28 GG: Yeah they passed away.

00:32:30 HM: The Burkin's you remember then?

00:32:32 GG: I do. Yeah.

00:32:33 HM: and the Sanders and uh Simpsons. Bernice Simpson was, she is now Bernice English. Walks with us and Thomas Cena, Thomas Cena was uh oh lord I, it just slipped me but she was one of our former students she walked with us every day.

00:32:58 GG: Those schools one or two of them schools the only opportunity they allow of our people to have education. Did they serve their purpose?

00:33:08 HM: I would think so, because out of those I mean most of those students have left those Rosenwald schools went on to Emmet Scott and I'm quite sure that a lot of them go out still now out in the world keep up Professions (illegible). Say from

Friendship at that time more students were either, when they completed the two years they were either ministers or teachers you know those were the two main careers there, cuz they had brick masonry to from in there and the last couple years (illegible), the second year that I was there they started the masonry schools for you know men. Some of them were taking in the Army some of them just (illrgible).

00:34:07 GG: Friendship became a very important school for World War two veterans.

00:34:13 HM: Well now this is where the masonry class came in you know for the veterans.

00:34:20 GG: My father went there for a while. Played on the football there.

00:34:24 HM: My husband did to.

00:34:26 GG: They'd probably know each other. You may have known my father.

00:34:30 HM: I knew your father. Harris

00:34:32 GG: Harris, yeah he was there, got out of war in forty-five so sometime.

00:34:40 HM: I knew of Mr. Barber too. You know your moms.

00:34:44 GG: Tom

00:34:45 HM: Tom Barber (crosstalk)

00:34:50 GG: Yeah saw it to that those schools served a magnificent purpose. Those rural schools. Or those Wald schools.

00:35:00 HM: You know not only those Rosenwald schools were Friendship College. Most of the students that can remember some of them became teachers some became principals and also led into other different careers or whatever.

00:35:23 GG: However my class mates that went through Friendship became a teacher just like what you was talkin about had a spectacular career down in Florida. I know you know her Corliss Wooder.

00:35:35 HM: oh yeah.

00:35:36 GG: You know. Ms. Wooder.

00:35:37 HM: Used to live over there in (illegible)/ (crosstalk)

00:35:40 GG: Directly part of the West End school.

00:35:43 HM: (illegible)

00:35:44 GG: She passed away maybe a decade ago almost. Walter my-

00:35:50 HM: (illegible) still lives (crosstalk)

00:35:55 GG: and she's a minister. We went down to Corliss's funeral in Florida Broward County and we discovered she has been recognized the teacher of the state and won a number of awards. For professional performances as a teacher down there, and she was a quiet unassuming. You would never know that about her and uh she came through friendship. She was there. What did you and your generation think when the students of Friendship got involved in the civil rights movement especially the sit in movement?

00:36:41 HM: Say what now?

00:36:43 GG: What did you and your generation think when the students of Friendship got involved in the sit in movement.

00:36:49 HM: oh, (laughter) at that time I was not interested (illegible)

00:36:53 GG: now I know you wasn't.

00:36:55 HM: But, uh, you know it- when you think about that they were brave. A brave group of young men. They had courage (illegible) and then went on to sit down

and would not move went on to jail no one bailed them out. I think that took a lot of courage.

00:37:23 GG: It took a lot of courage.

00:37:25 HM: It was a challenge for them but they made it.

00:37:28 GG: cuz they didn't know what was gonna happen to them.

00:37:31 HM: They didn't and at least knew what was gonna to them when they gon' walk out of there alive-

00:37:38 GG: or not.

00:37:39 HM: Or somebody check em they would take them out (illegible)

00:37:43 GG: They had no idea.

00:37:44 HM: They had no idea.

00:37:45 GG: Those were dangerous times.

00:37:47 HM: (crosstalk) it really was. And of course it set the pace for desegregation of those places.

00:37:56 GG: For many years I was in college and I come back I would go down, that's when McCrorys and Woolworth was still open. I can go down and sit down just order a hot dog and a drink just because of that.

00:38:12 HM: They still have those names of those guys on the back of those chairs.

00:38:16 GG: yeah.

00:38:19 HM: At time of is a part of what McCrory's and Woolworth's is just the back of the building.

00:38:25 GG: In the back of the building.

00:38:26 HM: That were D.C.'s daughter got married.

00:38:28 GG: oh

00:38:29 HM: June ninth.

00:38:32 GG: This past June?

00:38:32 HM: mhm

00:38:33 GG: (illegible)

00:38:34 HM: cuz when Friendship Nine they had that uh those- they had what there 50 year celebration. That took place

00:38:45 GG: Yeah, I happen to be in town when that happened.

00:38:47 HM: oh you did

00:38:48 GG: And I there was somebody from the executive council that apologized to them somebody from the city apologized. That was a momentous occasion.

00:39:00 HM: I'm telling you and I waited all these years but there conscious had got the best of them, and my sister is the only living mother of one the, Clance's mother. Clance Graham mother still living.

00:39:19 GG: oh she is? And that's your sister.

00:39:22 HM: that's my sister.

00:39:25 GG: I did not know that. You were hitting in the ground before they call it. I did not know that.

00:39:28 HM: [I] have two sisters and (illegible) (crosstalk) she had a sister. We used to (illegible) Clance those are my nephews. Catherine and Ruth and Doris, her mother.

00:39:42 GG: okay, I did not know that Richard was my classmate. - And Frankie you know Frankie.

00:39:50 HM: yeah Frankie  
00:39:51 GG: Frankie and I-  
00:39:52 HM: Bobby I don't know if you remember Bobby now that's the oldest son. He lives in California.  
00:39:57 GG: If I see him I might know him.  
00:39:58 HM: Robert Graham  
00:40:00 GG: yeah I do, I know him. Kinda tall slim. (crosstalk)  
00:40:05 HM: I remember him, he was president of the student council and they were-  
00:40:12 GG: where?  
00:40:13 HM: At Emmet Scott, he was the, the uh, (illegible) to telling him about how good people talk about him one day, he said "oh I'm glad. I know they thinking about me" (laughter). "If they don't say anything about me I don't know whether they thinking about me or not."  
00:40:32 GG: He was wise.  
00:40:35 HM: He sure didn't give up because you know, they don't care what you do it's somebody gon' be against ya. Everybody's not for you don't care what.  
00:40:47 GG: so he's older than Clance?  
00:40:48 HM: he's the oldest one. Then Clance and then Frankie then Richard and they have two older brothers.  
00:40:56 GG: yeah up under then.  
00:40:57 HM: William then Charles.  
00:40:59 GG: Sure you [meet] old Graham.  
00:41:00 HM: Now that's a cousin.  
00:41:01 GG: That's a cousin.  
00:41:02 HM: Brother's children  
00:41:03 GG: okay, okay, I knew him too. [I didn't know] how they fit in there.  
00:41:08 HM: He lives in Charlotte  
00:41:10 GG: Okay, alright, okay, cuz he used to live up here on the corner. The house is torn down now. Frankie was a year or two older than me but we-  
00:41:21 HM: Frankie lives in Tennessee.  
00:41:22 GG: that's where he is. I haven't seen him in years. We used every summer and play basketball. Him and I against each other (laughter) we just meet in the summer in the summer time and play over behind the stadium and the park was a white park at first and then in sixty-four we started to try and integrate that park and it was an elderly white lady that would come out and- the boys would play with us the white boys they didn't care and she'd say "you boys don't belong here go on back cross the street." And we would never be disrespectful we'd just keep on playing. She call the police. The police would come and ask us to leave we'd leave, and couple more days later we'd go back she call the cops they come back (illegible). That went on all during the summer at some point the police would stop coming and (laughter)-  
00:42:19 HM: Didn't need to keep coming these boys ain't going to stop. (Laughter)  
00:42:23 GG: (laughter) right, right and the white boys didn't mind. We played we all just got along we were just kids.  
00:42:30 HM: and you know what, I think to that the kids black and white would and still could get along better, would get along better if it wasn't for the parents. That

says a lot you know were all parents at one point. (Illegible) no black person was- no good. Nobody, as far as they were concerned.

00:42:59 GG: Did any of your children go to the white high school then?

00:43:01 HM: mmmh Selma- Selma went there but she didn't like she went to Sullivan for a year came back to Emmet Scott and graduated (laughter)

00:43:13 GG: What didn't she like about it?

00:43:15 HM: She just didn't like. I don't know if she in there with say, well the kids, she didn't have any problems with you know as far as the communication between the kids and whatever. She just, I guess she just wanted to come back (crosstalk) Emmet Scott that's where- now Gail stayed graduated from Rock Hill. Not (Illegible) but Rock Hill high. Gail graduated from Rock Hill high but Selma came back to Emmet Scott and she graduated from Emmet Scott. She and Kenneth graduated together from Emmet Scott.

00:43:55 GG: they must have recently got married.

00:43:59 HM: yeah, about four or five years.

00:44:01 GG: okay, yeah, yeah.

00:44:02 HM: you remember James Poll?

00:44:04 GG: I do.

00:44:04 HM: well Jill and Jim Poll was, she was married to Jim.

00:44:08 (Tape clicks and the recording ends)