

McCROREY, HENRY LAWRENCE

Henry Lawrence McCrorey, was born in Fairfield County, South Carolina, March 2, 1863. He is the son of James and Nancy McCrorey. He received the degree of A.B. from Biddle University, Charlotte, North Carolina in 1892. In 1895 he was awarded the B.D., and D. D., 1902. He did graduate work at the University of Chicago, 1895-96 and 1930; received the LL.D., Lincoln University, 1925. He married Marie Novella Hughes, December 27, 1897 (died May 6, 1911). Children -- Henry Lawrence, Novella Elizabeth, Madeline De Arona (dec), and Muriel Hughsine. He married the second time to Mary C. Jackson, September 19, 1916.

Dr. McCrorey was ordained ministry of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., 1895. He taught at Biddle University from 1895-1907 and became president of Biddle University (now Johnson C. Smith University) 1907-1947, now emeritus.

He was Commissioner to the General Assembly of Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., six times, and five times as delegate to Alliance of Reformed Churches throughout the world holding the Presbyterian system; appointed by Governor W. W. Kitchen of North Carolina; Delegate to the Negro National Educational Congress, St. Paul, Minn., 1912; appointed by Governor Locke Craig of North Carolina, delegate to the Southern Sociological Congress, Houston, Texas, 1915; president of National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools, 1923-24, now trustee; North Carolina State Interracial Commission; member of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., Awarded certificate in 1931 by Board of National Missions of Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. for distinguished service; received from General assembly of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. A., Distinguished Service award for meritorious service in field of Christian Education, 1939; member Southern Council on International Relations; member Executive Committee of Fraternal Council of Negro Churches of America; Member of American Academy of Political Science; member Pi Gamma Mu Mason (33°). Editor, Quarterly Review of Higher Education among Negroes, Afro-American. Has traveled extensively in Europe. President of College Union of Presbyterian Church in U. S. A., 1940

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