

HALLIE Q. BROWN COMMUNITY HOUSE

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Hallie Q. Brown House is a very interesting social service organization primarily organized to do recreation work among Negroes in St. Paul. After 9½ years of conscientious and sincere effort on the part of Miss I. Myrtle Carden, the Hallie Q. Brown House has become perhaps one of the largest experiments in inter-racial relationships in America.

The Board of Directors is composed of 30 people half of whom are white and half Negro. There is no department in the house in which there has not been at least one white instructor as well as Negro. The Negro population is 4001 according to the 1930 census, consequently trained leadership is limited to a very great extent, for this reason whenever a Negro instructor could not be found with a special skill that was needed to carry out the program a member of the other race was chosen to do the job. Hallie Q. Brown House has a station of the Family Nursing Service constituting 5 nurses, 1 doctor and 5 volunteers. This is a splendid service caring for the health of the entire community particularly those who are unable to pay doctor's fee. Everybody in the district is expected to come to the clinic, white, Syrian, Chinese, Indian and Negro are represented in the clientele.

The Nurse School is 25% white, all Negro teachers however, one trained kindergarten teacher, Public School teacher and two excellent helpers.

The class and club activities are of the most varied assortment ranging from actually teaching literacy to weighty discussion groups on local, national and world problems through the young people forum.

There are 125 Girl Reserves who are affiliated with the local Girl Reserve movement, Camp Fire Girls, Boy Scouts and Cubs listed among its National program organizations.

There is a Negro History Study Club

(Book Lovers Club)

Student's Council (Plan Forum programs)
Dramatic Classes Handicraft
Art Appreciation Parlimentary Law
Sunday Afternoon Forum Music Classes
Gymnasium with all sorts of athletic activities—2 Football teams, Basketball teams and Kittenball teams.

The facilities of Hallie Q. Brown House are open to everyone in the community and we are safe in saying that in every department of the house there are present white and colored members alike.



Mrs. Sarah F. Lewis

Mrs. Sarah F. Lewis of Washington, D. C. is a very outstanding character in religious work in the District of Columbia. She is the Executive of the Stoddard Baptist Old Folks Home which is located at 324 Bryant Street, N. W. The Home was established in 1890 for Baptist ministers, their widows, heirs and such other persons as the Board of Directors may see fit to admit. The Home was a gift from Mrs. Mari T. Stoddard. The Home is now a member of the Washington Community Chest which enables it to give good home care to a group of aged colored men and women, now destitute, but once hard working and useful members of society. The Home accommodates forty-eight persons. It is interdenominational.

Mrs. Lewis is the Chairman of the Finance Committee to the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, Inc. She is also President of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Baptist Convention of the District of Columbia. She is a faithful member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church of Anacostia, D. C. She gets her greatest joy out of working for others, particularly those who are in foreign fields.