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“FACING THE RISING SUN”

Dedication Ceremony

—of—

THE E. W. WARRIOR GYMNASIUM

THE EVA JESSEY COLLECTIONS



November 2, 1975

E. W. Warrior Jr. High School

3:00 p.m.

Taft, Oklahoma

PROGRAM

LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING.....(Audience)

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

INVOCATION.....Rev. T. L. Turner
Chaplain - Okla. Children's Centers

WITHIN THESE HOLY PORTALS - (Solo) - (from the Magic
William S. Roche', Bass Flute - Mozart)
Mrs. June McKinney, Accompanist

DEDICATION OF GYMNASIUM-E. W. Warrior, Superintendent
Taft Public Schools

SELECTIONS.....MOTON HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS,
Mrs. Patricia Springs, Director

I BELIEVE (Solo) Wesley Ratliff

SOMEWHERE OVER THE RAINBOW - (Arlen)

PRESENTATIONS OF EVA JESSYE CULTURAL
COLLECTIONS Dr. Eva Jessye

ACCEPTANCE

E. W. Warrior, Superintendent
Alexander Springs, Principal, Moton Sr. High School
Donald Criner, Principal, E. W. Warrior Jr. High School
T. B. Lockridge, Principal, Moton Elementary School

EVA JESSYE OKLAHOMA CHOIR

(a) BALLAD FOR JOHN BROWN - Rowan-Wolfe
Soloist: William S. Roche'
Narrators: Atty. Harry T. Twine,
Rev. B. W. Noble

(b) IN MEMORY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING
Prologue: Alexander Springs
Vocal lines: Thereasa Jackson
Rev. Robert Walker

(c) TESTIMONY FROM THE EARLY CHURCH
Convert: P. C. Burr

LEADERSHIP (To Be A Leader.....from Toussaint L'Ouverture
Mrs. Audrey Prewitt Leslie Pickney Hill

NEW WORLD A'COMING - (Interpretive Dance) Music by
April Chandler Nina S. Simone
(Barbra Simmons, Choreographer)

PRESENTATION OF PLATFORM GUESTS
Mrs. Lelia Foley, Councilwoman

EXPRESSIONS OF APPRECIATION
Honorable Billy Ray Phillips
Mayor of Taft

CONCLUSION . . (Final Stanza)
LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING

AUDIENCE IS INVITED TO REPAIR TO MOTON SR. HIGH
SCHOOL FOR OPEN HOUSE AND VIEWING
OF JESSYE COLLECTION

HOSTS; E. W. Warrior and High School Faculty

REFRESHMENTS

LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING

Stanza One

Lift ev'ry voice and sing . . 'Til earth and Heaven ring
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise high as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on 'Til victory is won.

Final Stanza

God of our weary years, . . God of our silent tears
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way,
Thou who hast by thy might led us unto the light . .
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the 'world, we forget Thee . .
Shadowed beneath Thy hand may we forever stand
True to our God. . . True to our native land.

(James Weldon and Rosamond Johnson)

CHURCHES REPRESENTED

(Eva Jessye Oklahoma Choir)

Ward Chapel A.M.E. Church
Mt. Calvary Baptist Church
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
Union Grove Baptist Church
Brushy Creek Baptist Church
Bebbee C.M.E. Church
Assumption Catholic Church

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