Lincoln Professor Appears on TV To Promote Benefits of Laughter and Sense of Humor

"Laugh More, Live Longer!" was the topic of Dr. Joseph J. Rodgers, chairman of Lincoln's Department of Languages and Linguistics, when he was a guest August 12 on "Changes," on WPVI Channel 6 in Philadelphia.

During the program hosted by Joe Hunter, Dr. Rodgers discussed the healthful and therapeutic effects of laughter and a sense of humor.

Part II of "Laugh More, Live Longer," which was aired August 20 and 21, dealt with the seamier sides of laughter, the relationship of humor to maturity and self-acceptance, differences between humorous stimuli among males versus females, adults versus children, younger children versus pre and adolescent children, and the theory concerning why Jews and Blacks are among the world's best comedians.

Dr. Rodgers, who speaks several languages fluently, including French and Spanish, has taught at Lincoln since 1973. He graduated summa cum laude from Morehouse College in 1962. He received his master's degree in 1965 from the University of Wisconsin, and his Ph.D. in 1969 from the University of Southern California.

The author of several published articles, Dr. Rodgers was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at Harvard University, and has studied at universities in France and Mexico.

For his academic and professional accomplishments, Dr. Rodgers is listed in such publications as "Outstanding Americans," "Who's Who Among Black Americans," "Directory of American Scholars," and "Five Thousand Personalities of the World."

Lincoln Hosts Third Annual Energy Fair

Many took a ride back in time on an antique train. Hundreds of others admired the beauty and craftsmanship of classic, antique automobiles.

These and other attractions were presented by Lincoln University when it hosted its third annual arts and crafts and energy festival Saturday, Sept. 29, and Sunday, Sept. 30, 1984, at its campus in southeastern Chester County, Pa.

The two-day, free festival featured energy conservation exhibits, international foods, and arts and crafts. Dozens of Lincoln's alumni also attended the festival.

The train, Engine No. 5, left on the hour from the Lincoln University and Oxford stations. The rides, which cost a nominal fee, were coordinated by the Historic Red Clay Valley, Inc., operator of the Wilmington and Western (W & W) Railroad, in cooperation with the Octoraro Railway, Inc.

Proceeds from the festival benefited Lincoln scholarships.


Archie Perry, '64, president of Lincoln's General Alumni Association, prepares to speak during a recent campus visit to his alma mater.
Archie Perry, president of the General Alumni Association, called a special meeting of the Council of the Association in August to hear progress reports from the various special committees. The committees are: Fund-Raising; Presidential Search Criteria; Chapter Visibility; Student Recruitment; Faculty Recruitment; and the Alumni Center Committee. The chairpersons of these six committees are members of the Comprehensive Five-Year Plan Committee.

The director of Lincoln's Alumni Relations Office, Dr. Frank T. Coleman, has announced that to date, alumni have given over $100,000 largely through his Century-Plus Drive. He urges all alumni to make their contribution before Homecoming on October 27, 1984. All gifts coming in after that date will be gratefully accepted, however.

Secretaries of next year's reunion classes - 'Os and '5s - are urged to begin making plans for their reunions in May. The Alumni Relations Office will send updated class lists to secretaries in the fall. Consideration should be given to possible nominees for Alumni Awards, which are made at the annual alumni banquet. Additional information will be provided later about the criteria.
Lincoln Receives $300,000 Grant

Lincoln has received a $300,000 federal grant to help finance the education of minority students pursuing engineering careers. Students participating in the program will study three years at Lincoln and two years at either Drexel University, Lafayette College, or Pennsylvania State University to complete the requirements for an engineering degree. Students also will be offered summer work at research centers operated by the Office of Naval Research, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and private companies. The grant was made by the Office of Naval Research, an agency affiliated with the U.S. Navy. The grant also will help fund Lincoln’s aerospace engineering recruitment program.

Cameroon Professor Tours LU Campus

Prof. Bernard Fonlon, chairman of the African Literature Department at the University of Yaounde, in Cameroon, toured the Lincoln campus April 11. Prof. Fonlon, whose visit was hosted by Dr. Brenda F. Savage, director of the University’s Institute that Lincoln has established a student-exchange program with his university.

The gift is believed to be the largest ever made by an American corporation to black higher education. President Reagan pledged a $5-million federal grant to help turn the two buildings, which sit on 22 acres, into, a new campus planned to help turn the two buildings, which sit on 22 acres, into a new campus planned by Lincoln and Cheyney Universities.

The two institutions have established the Urban Education Foundation of Philadelphia to operate the facility to offer educational, training, and job development needs in the Philadelphia area.

Classes are expected to start sometime during the current academic year.

Lincoln plans to focus on urban studies, criminal justice, and education, while Cheyney will use the new campus for programs in high technology, business, and nursing.

Lincoln’s Master of Human Services Program is also expected to relocate to the Philadelphia site.
TIMOTHY C. MEYERS, SR. died March 1, 1984, as a result of injuries suffered in an automobile mishap in Atlanta, Ga. There were no passengers in his car and no other vehicles involved. He was 85. Meyers' career as an educator and administrator spanned more than 45 years. He taught English at Tuskegee Institute, Johnson C. Smith University, Tilton College, Hampton Institute, and served as registrar and later dean of the faculty at Savannah State College (from which he retired in 1966).

He received his bachelor's degree magna cum laude from Lincoln University, and his master's degree from Columbia University. Meyers was a member of the Association of Higher Education, National Education Association, American Association of University Professors, Georgia Teachers and Education Association, and the National Association of Collegiate Deans and Registrars. He was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

Contributions may be made to the Timothy C. Meyers Sr. Scholarship Fund, c/o Lincoln University.

DR. CHARLES F. (PETE) BALTIMORE, a general practitioner, and psychiatrist in Homestead, Pa., for many years, died in April at McKeesport Hospital, McKeesport, Pa. He was 71. After graduating from Lincoln, Baltimore graduated from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tenn., and studied psychiatry at Boston University. He served in the Army during World War II and attained the rank of major. A Masonic service was held and burial was in Restland-Lincoln Cemetery in Monroeville, Pa.


He was a science teacher in both the Philadelphia, and Wilmington, Del. school systems. Mr. Bowser was active in the New York Careerists Society, Inc. and served as a board member of the Society, and as President Pro Tem of the Albany Chapter.

WARREN H. TRIPP died Jan. 24, 1984 at his home in Glen Mills, Pa. He taught social studies at Barrett Junior High School in Philadelphia for more than 25 years prior to his retirement in 1982. He received his bachelor of arts degree from Lincoln and his master's in education from Temple University.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Air Force.


DR. EDWARD HENRY CHAPPELLE SR., 58, a Washington native and a former administrator at the old Freedmen's Hospital who moved to Rochester, N.Y., in 1964 and established a medical practice there, died of cancer May 26 at Howard University Hospital.

Dr. Chappelle, who returned to Washington recently because of his illness, graduated from Armstrong High School here. He received a bachelor's degree from Lincoln University and master's degrees from Syracuse and Rutgers universities. He earned a degree in medicine from Howard in 1957. He then taught internal medicine at Howard and was director of medical renal services at Freedmen's Hospital before he moved to Rochester.

FRANK T. WILSON, JR. died on March 13, 1984. He suffered ruptured heart vessels while driving home from a visit with a hospitalized friend. Wilson had worked for the Department of Labor for the state of New York for over 18 years. He had also served three years in the U.S. Army Air Corps. Wilson was active in the New York Careerists Society, Inc. and served as a board member of the Society, and as President Pro Tem of the Albany Chapter.


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Dr. Robert S. Jason, Sr., 83, Howard U. Dean Lincoln Class of 1924

Dr. Robert S. Jason, Sr., dean emeritus of Howard University College of Medicine, died April 6, 1984, after several years of waning health in his home in New York City. He was 83.

After graduating from Lincoln University and Howard University College of Medicine, he received a Ph.D. degree with highest honors from the University of Chicago.

From 1931 to 1965, Jason held a number of titles at Howard University College of Medicine, such as assistant professor, acting head of the department of pathology, associate professor, head of department of pathology, professor, vice dean, and later dean of that institution, and ultimately dean emeritus.

Dr. Jason was among several in the first group of outstanding medical doctors who were chosen by Howard University's first Black dean -- Dr. Numa P.G. Adams -- to pursue advanced studies in select fields beyond their prized and well-earned, hard-won medical degrees.

Because at that time most medical colleges in the U.S. admitted only an extremely limited number of Black students, and because two Black institutions, Howard and Meharry Medical College, readily accepted large numbers of qualified Black students, almost half of all Black medical doctors completing their education between 1934 and 1965, were taught -- and greatly influenced -- by Dr. Jason.

He is survived by his wife, the former Elizabeth Haddis; a daughter, Jeanne Elizabeth; a son, Dr. Robert S. Jason, Jr.; and four sisters.

Donation could be made either to the Howard University College of Medicine for the Robert S. Jason Award in Pathology, or in Dr. Jason's name, to the American Cancer Society.

Dr. Howard M. Jason, 78, Southern Educator 1929 Lincoln Graduate

Dr. Howard M. Jason, a noted Georgia educator, and a 1929 Lincoln graduate, died May 15, 1984, in Tusculumaba, Ala. He was 78. Dr. Jason had taught at West Kentucky Industrial College in Paducah, Ky., and Kentucky State College in Frankfort, Ky. He had joined the faculty of Savannah State College, Savannah, Ga., in 1957, retiring as professor emeritus of languages and of the division of human services in 1973.

Dr. Jason received his bachelor's degree from Lincoln University, a master's degree from Columbia University in New York City and a Ph.D. from Universal Interamericana in Mexico.

In Savannah, he was involved with the West Broad Street YMCA, the Chatham County Police Association, the Chatham County Courts, the Savannah Symphony Society and the Savannah Concert Association.

He was a member of Alpha Kappa Mu honor society, Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity and the Falcons Inc. He was also a member of First Congregation Church of Tusculumaba, for more than 25 years, served on its deacon board, and was chairperson of the church's auditing committee.

During World War II he served as a first lieutenant in the Philippines. He was a member of many organizations, including the NAACP, American Association of University Professors, College Language Association, Georgia Association of Educators, and the National Education Association.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Edythe Jason Serio of New York City; a son, Staff Sgt. Greglee Jackson, stationed in Frankfurt, West Germany; four sisters and several nieces and nephews.
FATHER THOMAS S. LOGAN, SR., the distinguished rector of Calvary Episcopal Church in West Philadelphia, retired from active ministry in March after 48 years of devoted service to the church and the community.

Father Logan, who was known and beloved throughout Philadelphia and many parts of the United States was honored by Calvary Church members at a banquet. He was given a handsomely-printed Retirement Book as a permanent record of his life and many achievements.

MAYOR JAMES L. USRY, of Atlantic City, N.J., and the former Laverne Young were married March 31, 1984 at Union Baptist Temple in Atlantic City. A reception followed at Harrah's Marina casino hotel.

GERAUD A. HOLLOMAN, and his wife Regina, are the proud parents of a nine pound baby boy, born Jan. 30, 1984. His name is Gerrett Benjamin Holloman.

CLASS NOTES

FATHER PAUL H. WASHINGTON, a human rights activist, and pastor of the Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia, is now engaged in a much-needed fund-raising campaign to help renovate the Church of the Advocate.

Father Washington has allowed his church to be used for many causes from cultural events and theatre classes to Black Panthers meetings in the 1960s; today his church is still reaching out to the community in the form of a soup kitchen. To many of its supporters, the church which is an historically designated site, is also a symbol of pride. For further information on the fund-raising campaign, contact the Church of the Advocate in Philadelphia.

DR. JULIUS PRYOR, JR. is president of the Pryor-Winston Center in Montgomery, Ala. Besides Pryor, the center is composed of three general surgeons. Dr. Pryor also serves on the surgical staff of three Montgomery hospitals and is Chief of Surgery at the city's Fairview Medical Center. He is also on the consulting staff of two hospitals in Tuskegee, Ala., a diplomat of the American Board of Surgery, a member of the National Board of Dentistry, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and a member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity.

JUDGE LEVAN GORDON of the Common Pleas Court has been selected as this year's recipient of the prestigious Man of the Year Award. The award is issued annually on behalf of the Association of Business and Professional Women of Philadelphia and vicinity.

OLIVER S. FRANKLIN, JR., a filmmaker, was appointed Philadelphia's deputy commissioner for arts and culture by Mayor Wilson Goode. This appointment is the arts community's highest-ranking advocate in city government. His role will be to act as a catalyst for city-supported activity in the arts. Franklin's responsibilities also include carrying out Goode's campaign promises in the area of culture, among which are establishing an annual international arts festival, aggressively promoting Philadelphia as a film-production center and extending activities by Philadelphia cultural institutions throughout the city.

DENISE L. RAYMOND was awarded the degree of Master of Arts in Organizational Psychology from Columbia University in New York on January 25. Her area of concentration was human resource development.

MACEO N. HOOD received a master of arts degree from Indiana University of Pennsylvania on May 14.
Dr. Jean A. White, a Lincoln associate professor of physical education, waits to march with other members of the faculty into Alumni Memorial Gymnasium for the start of commencement exercises.

The Right Rev. Quintin E. Prime, Jr., Class of '34 and '37, Suffragan Bishop of Chicago, who served as keynote speaker at Lincoln University's May 6 baccalaureate service, explains a point in his speech which was entitled "Why are we here (on earth)?" Over 3,200 persons attended the baccalaureate and commencement services.

Photographs of the May 5 - 6 Commencement Weekend at Lincoln University

Archie Perry, '64, president of Lincoln's General Alumni Association congratulates Timothy C. Meyers Jr., '59, for his dedicated services to the organization.

Members of the Class of '34 chat on the front porch of Lincoln President Herman R. Branson's house. The Alumni (L-R) are: Leroy W. Upperman; Benjamin F. Amos, a University trustee; Robert Loving; Raymond B. Hatcher; Ralph W. Purcell; The Right Rev. Quintin E. Prime Jr.; Dr. Roland B. Wilson; and Earl O. Fress.
Two members of the Class of '64 (L-R) are: Maceo Felton; and Kenneth Williams.

Some of the members of the Class of '34 posing and photographing others taking pictures of them (L-R) are: George H. Taylor; Robert H. Loving; Earl O. Pree (face hidden behind his camera); George E. Peters; Idol W. Taylor; and William B. Heward.

Welcome back John W. Robertson Jr., class of '39!
Faces in the crowd, on stage and the dais at a June 23, 1984 retirement banquet for "Doc" Farrell at the Philadelphia Centre Hotel.