Ms. Scott, a consultant to the City School District Open Enrollment office, received a master's degree in counseling from Kent State in 1963, and recently her alma mater, Albion College in Michigan, presented her with a Distinguished Alumna Award. She has been the President of the 19th Ward Community Association, on the board of directors of the Visiting Nurses and was appointed to the New York Citizen Information Service Board in 1969 by former Governor Rockefeller.

Susan B. Anthony is Rochester's most famous citizen. She is known throughout the world for her struggle for women's rights. Her house, at 17 Madison St., is a national landmark. The 19th amendment to the Constitution bears her name. And there is talk that if the $2 bill is revived, Miss Anthony's picture should be on it.
Letters to the Editor

2/76

Dear Mr. Coles, Ed. Voice, P.D.

Here is the written invitation I promised concerning your participation in the opening dedication of the University's Student Union Building.

A brief lecture—centering on Aspects of Rochester's History in this Bicentennial year—especially in terms of contributions and experiences of our own people. A demonstration—discussion on the history of 'Frederick Douglass' Voice' as a media are possible examples of the focus. I will try to secure detailed copies of the program plan if this information is too sketchy. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Janella Gerald

January 23, 1976

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

January 25, 1977

Mr. Howard W. Coles
The Rochester Voice

Dear Mr. Coles:

Provost Robert France of the University of Rochester says that he has written to you about the Frederick Douglass exhibit we are planning in Rush Rhees Library. The exhibit will be displayed from February 6 through March 5.

Dr. France indicated that you might have some material which would be appropriate for our exhibit and which you might like to discuss with either me or Mrs. Margaret B. Andrews, head of the Department of Special Collections.

At present, we plan to exhibit a large number of original letters written by Frederick Douglass when he was in Rochester and in Washington, D.C. We are also planning to display books by and about Douglass, excerpts from some of his speeches, newspaper clippings, pamphlets and photographs. The bust of Douglass already is on display in the foyer of Rush Rhees Library.

What we really would like to exhibit, but what we lack, is a copy of Douglass' newspaper which we have in microfilm form only. If you have any items which you think would be appropriate, and especially, if you have a copy of his newspaper, we would be glad to discuss their display if you could phone or write us.

Catherine D. Hayes
Assistant Head
Department of Special Collections

Thomas James, Frederick Douglass and John W. Thompson.

Editor's Note:

We are still making Black History: ... Be sure to read the March supplement of Black History, with emphasis on the "Life and Times" of Rochester (First Pioneers: Aun Dunbar, Austin A. Stewart, Rev. Thomas James). Catherine D. Hayes

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IN THE BEGINNING: I talk to God — "In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen." For centuries past, every nation and race of recognized ability and merit included in the world’s history, has taken pride in rendering to some outstanding feature of its existence; pointing with pride to some particular event, type of culture or accomplishment which in turn has made this people known to the world and added to its national glory and life. The American Negro in this area is no exception in this matter, for he can point with great pride and esteem to the life and character of the humble servant of Stonewall Jackson, the Reverend Clayton A. Coles.

Clayton A. Coles was a product of the slave system and the trials, tribulations and vicissitudes suffered by this humble servant were written on his back by the slave-owner’s lash. Like many slaves, he was destined the right of knowing his origin; just who his parents were. But his faint memories stood him in good stead and somehow he knew that he perhaps saw the light of day in the city of Chattanooga Tennessee in the year 1829, 23 years before the Civil War began. During his early life as a slave child, he worked for many masters on many plantations until he was finally acquired by Stonewall Jackson, the famous Confederate General. From this time on, his life as a slave was not a hard one because the Lord had blessed him with a good and religious master. It was during this period that he learned to read and write and became the body-servant of Jackson. It was, therefore, only natural that when the States broke out, he accompanied his master into battle. When the Civil War ended, as a free man, he went to work at his trade, that of broom-maker in Virginia. All his life he had been religiously inclined, so it was not unnatural that he entered the ministry. On August 26, 1885, by formal passage of a vote from the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Calpeoper COUNTY Virginia, he was exorcised with the full and cordial approbation of his brethren... to exercise his gifts in preaching the Gospel of Christ." The ordination certificate is attested to by the Rev. G. W. Blair, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church and Thomas O. Maddox, Clerk. A few years later, he migrated to Philadelphia where he married Miss Ellen Wilson and was employed by John Wanamaker, the merchant prince. During his residency in the environs of Philadelphia, he pastored various circuit Churches. After his years in Pennsylvania, he came to this area, settling in the Genesee County in the little hamlet of Belcoda, New York. Although Rev. Coles had had no formal education, he was an eloquent speaker and seeing the need among his people in this area who had migrated here to work as tenants farmers, he began holding meetings in the Baptist parsonage which then stood along the Belcoda Road. In 1891, he founded the Mumford Second Baptist Church. This church was incorporated in August of 1898: the name was later changed to the Mumford Second Baptist Church. At that time, he lived in a little house near the Belcoda Cemetery that he tended for a quarter of a century where he rested today beside his wife Ellen.

Along with Rev. Coles, the early founders of the church were Rev. J. W. Jeffries of Long Island; John Gorden who served as Clerk; Edward Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Clark and Lucy Gordon. Under membership, 8 persons were received by personal experience, 9 under Watch Care and 1 by Baptism. The certificate of incorporation, dated the 17th of August 1898 includes the following brethren Clayton A. Coles, Jarrod Fraser, Henry Holmes and Henry Johnson.

By way of affiliation, we have the following letter dated July 7, 1902. From the Rev. W. J. Reid, pastor of the University Avenue Baptist Church in Rochester, New York, it states: "Dear Brother Coles: I found these papers in my desk as I was cleaning up and thought they might be of interest to you. I think they were given to me some time ago by the late Mr. Belcoda Hope, and you are prospering. Yours ever, W. J. Reid."

It is worth noting that despite the vicissitudes and metamorphosis of this the Mumford Second Baptist Church has had a continued record of service, the first Black church founded in this area was the A.M.E. Zion Church which is still in existence; pointing with pride to some particular event, type of culture or accomplishment which in turn has made this people known to the world and added to its national glory and life. Philadelphia where he married Under membership, 8 persons were received by personal experience, 9 under Watch Care and 1 by Baptism. The certificate of incorporation, dated the 17th of August 1898 includes the following brethren Clayton A. Coles, Jarrod Fraser, Henry Holmes and Henry Johnson.
February 14, 1972
Honorable Roger C. B. Morton
Secretary of the Interior
Interior Building
Washington, D.C.
Dear Secretary Morton:
An effort of the magnitude and excellence of the restoration of the Frederick Douglass Home in our nation’s capital evokes special commendation and pleasure from the people of my city. The City of Rochester claims Frederick Douglass as the greatest man ever to live there. To honor Douglass, authorized by act of Congress, will preserve for succeeding generations the legacy of this statesman and international leader in the struggle for freedom and justice. The persevering efforts of the Frederick Douglass League, founded in Rochester by Douglass in 1884, and currently under the leadership of its President Howard W. Cole, have done much to perpetuate the memory and heritage of this great man’s leadership and ideals.
Frederick Douglass chose Rochester as his home base during his most productive years, from 1847-72, when he published the North Star and led the battle against slavery and for equality for all Americans. He is buried in our Mt. Hope Cemetery; his statue stands in Highland Park; and a junior high school and prominent new building at the University of Rochester have been named in his honor.
America’s commitment to his memory and its renewed dedication to his ideals, represented by the investment of the Congress in the preservation of his home, is needed and welcome. His struggle for freedom, independence and dignity for every individual by means of dialogue, discussion and reason holds a message of enduring validity in these challenging times.
Cordially,
Stephen May

In the Bicentennial year of our Independence, we can review with admiration the impressive contributions of black Americans to our national life and culture. One hundred years ago, to help highlight these achievements, Dr. Carter G. Woodson founded the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History. We are grateful to him today for his initiative, and we are richer for the work of his organization.
Freedom and the recognition of individual rights are what our Revolution was all about. They were ideals that inspired our fight for Independence: ideals that we have been striving to live up to ever since. Yet it took many years before these ideals became a reality for black citizens. The last quarter-century has finally witnessed significant strides in the full integration of black people into every area of national life. In celebrating Black History Month, we can take satisfaction from this recent progress in the realization of the ideals envisioned by our Founding Fathers. But, even more than this, we can seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.
I urge my fellow citizens to join me in tribute to Black History Month and to the message of courage and perseverance it brings to all of us.
Gerald R. Ford

In Rochester, when it’s time for the news...
Early History Of Mumford Baptist Church

(Continued from page 4)

heights in their chosen profession.

The headstone which marks the grave of Clayton A. Coles in Belveda Cemetery testifies in part to the high regard in which his fellow citizens held him. In more testimony that Mumford Second Baptist Church has continually striven to uplift the moral, educational and social tone of the community. As I stood with reverence at the shrine, I realized that this was hallowed ground and that this was a place of prayer that this work, so gallantly begun and carried forward, would become a part of that tradition of poverty that follows from one generation to the next.

Mr. Dear Mrs. Lucas:

Time has been of essence with reference to the compiling of this material in an accurate and forthright manner; in trying to comply with your deadline, I am enclosing a photo of my grandparents, taken from my forthcoming book entitled, "The Negro Family in Rochester," which you are free to produce if you wish, in your forthcoming publication. All I ask is that courtesy credit be given in your publication for the foregoing brief history of the founding of the church.

Sincerely yours,

Howard W. Coles

P.S. I'm enclosing a photo of the headstone in quiet Belveda Cemetery.

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Mr. January, 1949

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Mildred Johnson Speaks

Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Director of the Virginia Wilson Negro Information and Helping Hand Center runs a non-profit social agency of her own which is unique. Mrs. Johnson gives temporary relief to persons in emergency situations and here is the only social agency in the city which is open all hours, on weekends and holidays. To her come many people unknown to the agencies, or whom existing agencies seem unable to help. A non-professional social worker, she can relate to social work establishments and to the people who find it difficult to go to these agencies or do not know where or how to obtain help. She is assisted in her work by her faithful and devoted sister, Mrs. Lydia Wilson. Her sister is in ill health now and Mrs. Johnson needs the assistance of a secretary and volunteers. She is listed in the telephone directory under Negro Information Center. This is the only listing in the directory under Negro, and because of this, attracts calls from people new to the city who don't know of other agencies and who need advice about living in Rochester. Mrs. Johnson has friends through Mrs. Wilson, and it is well-known that many referrals are by word of mouth.

The Center, as named for her director, is the most important handicap in her life. She is carrying on her mother's work and mission and encourages others to do the same. The knowledge she has come to her from her direct approach in solving problems. Each new and different problem has given her new information, new contacts and energy. She has been active in nearly every community thrust and knows the leaders of our city.

She is constantly putting people up for the night when they have no place to stay. She will not let anyone stay out in the street. The

During the July, 1964 riots Mrs. Johnson went out in the streets talking to people and returning order. Last summer during the latter part of July when there were disturbances she helped organize a group to stay out in the streets with coffee and doughnuts and talk and break up disorders groups. Night after night she had little sleep and during the day the pressing problems of the day camp and her Center sap her strength but she never gave up.

Last spring, on Mother's Day, the Genesee Valley Chapter of the Negro Professional Women's Club honored her at a dinner where she was given the Sojourner Truth Award. Attached is a brief description of the woman famous over a hundred years ago, and which tells of Mrs. Johnson's work and lists some projects of the Negro Information Center.

Written by a volunteer who has known Mrs. Johnson and her sister Mrs. Lydia Wilson for a year.

The Annual Frederick Douglass Day will be celebrated on June 9, 1976... This date was set by the New York State Legislature during the month of February 1899. The affair has always been sponsored by The Frederick Douglass League, which was founded by John Thompson and Frederick Douglass.

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