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MISS DAPHNE ROWENA DOUGLAS

Starting as a Steno-Typist within the Civil Service in 1944, Miss Douglas began a life career of public service. She became

librarian to the Colonel's Secretariat (1951-1956). In 1956 she was appointed Cataloguer with the Jamaica Library Service. Her

~~significant performance elevated her to the position of Chief Librarian of the Institute of Jamaica, 1961-63, and to the~~ ^{and} ~~In 1963-64~~

^{She was assigned to the} Permanent Mission of Jamaica to the United Nations as Librarian/Registrar, ~~between 1963-1964.~~

On her return to Jamaica Library Service in 1964, she was posted to the St. James Parish Library as Regional Librarian. She served in that capacity for five years. She was later transferred to ^{in establishing the service in that part of the island,} Jamaica Library Service Headquarters where she served as a Training Officer, Head of Schools Section and as Principal Librarian.

Miss Douglas joined the staff of U.W.I. in 1971 as a Lecturer in the Department of Library Studies. She was appointed a Senior Lecturer in 1979 and is now Head of that Department. Miss Douglas became the first female Jamaican Professor at the University of the West Indies.

Professor Douglas is a member of several committees, ^{in the field} ~~dealing with~~ librarianship both nationally and internationally. She is a Vice Chairman of NACOLADS and a member of the Board of Management of the National Library of Jamaica - just to name a few. She has also taken on active role in the development of the regional Association of the University Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL), culminating in her being President elect for 1984-5.

Miss Douglas' distinguished career in the field of librarianship has been marked by academic excellence, coupled with natural drive. Her excellent work won for her the "Institute of Jamaica Centenary Medal" award and the "Woman of Distinction" award in 1979 and 1982 respectively.

Professor Douglas has contributed to the field of librarianship at ~~an~~ international level through her participation in numerous conferences and seminars. She has also undertaken special assignments for UNESCO, the OAS and FID.

Her dedication to the advancement of the Library Profession is indicated by her many publications. She has published several works in the field of librarianship.

Miss Douglas, Professor, M.L.S., F.L.A., A.L.A., has been lauded as one who has served with distinction and an excellent teacher in Cataloguing and Classification. Of a truth, her contribution to librarianship is incomparable and is a remarkable display of skills one would be proud to emulate.