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IN MEMORIAM

April 19, 1977

A notable career of 46 years as an educator, spanning all areas of experience from elementary teaching to heading a college school of education, ended Sunday night with the death of Dr. Florence Mote who suffered a stroke April 9. She had been hospitalized since that time.

Dr. Mote joined the College in 1967 to coordinate the elementary credential program and was responsible for the development of the early childhood education credential. At CSCSB she had a number of "firsts" to her credit. She was the first woman to serve as dean of a school, having served as Acting Dean of the School of Education in 1975. She also holds the honor of having been the first woman elected from the College to the Statewide Academic Senate and the first woman elected to the College-wide RPT Committee, where she served as first woman chairman.

A former elementary school teacher who began her career in 1931, she taught at Stanford University and held positions as school principal and consultant before coming to Cal State.

Born in Union Springs, New York, Dr. Mote earned her bachelor's degree in music theory from the University of Washington and her M.A. and Ed.D. degrees from Stanford University, both in elementary education. She earned her way through college by working at various jobs, including office girl in a Spokane weekly paper, accompanist at Seattle radio stations, and tutoring.

Dr. Mote, who would have been 65 years old in May, is survived by her husband, Morris, a retired Maritime Service captain; two children, a son, Rev. Daniel Mote of Provo Utah; a daughter, Mrs. Linda Sanchez of San Francisco; four grandchildren; three sisters and a brother.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday at the Church of the Valley Presbyterian, 14933 Wa-Ki-Ta, Apple Valley. The College flag will remain at half-staff until after the services.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Florence Mote Scholarship Fund, in care of the CSCSB School of Education.