

Our early American stock is still very influential but this cannot continue indefinitely. For example, each year I ask each freshman class to tell me what countries their parents originally came from and for how many generations back their families have been on American soil. It is clear to me that almost all of our student body are early time Americans, that their ancestors have been here for generations, and that they are overwhelmingly English, Scotch, Irish, Welsh, and that of other admixtures, French, German, Dutch largely predominate. All other strains are negligible. Our Bryn Mawr College students therefore as a whole seem to belong by heredity to the dominant races. You, then, students of Bryn Mawr, have the best intellectual inheritance the world affords."

1920's

A Black student from New England entered Bryn Mawr and stayed only one week. At the time of the Reunion of Black Alumnae in 1975 it was reported that she had requested that her name not appear on lists of alumnae.

1927 – The minutes of the Board of Directors meeting for April 27, 1927 record that: "It was voted to authorize the President to reply to inquiries that colored students will be admitted to the College only as non-residential students."

[Ed. Note: 1921-1938, except for summer of 1934?, BM Summer School for Women Workers. Where any of them women of color? Yes]

1930's

The first Black student who would graduate from Bryn Mawr, Enid Cook, A.B. 1931, entered and lived at the home of Dr. Cadbury her first year. After that she lived with Black families in the village of Bryn Mawr.

The second Black student who would graduate from Bryn Mawr entered, Lillian Russell, A.B., 1934. Boston area alumnae first tried to discourage her choice of Bryn Mawr because they felt it was not "**the best place for a coloured girl. . .**" not "**the happiest place for her to be for her own sake.**" When she still wanted to go, they gave her an Alumnae Regional Scholarship, but were unsuccessful in having the residency restriction waved. She spent her first weeks living with President Park, and after that