

Dr. Frazier Presides As U.S. Sociologist Hold Meet In Chicago

Chicago (ANP) — When the American Sociological Society, the nation's leading group of sociologists, met at the Congress Hotel here Christmas week, a Negro sat in the executive chair for the first time in the organization's history. Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, elected president a year ago, thus became the first Negro ever to head a national professional scientific society.

Dr. Frazier heads the department of sociology at Howard University. In 1935-36, he was director of the economic and social survey of Harlem for Mayor La Guardia's Commission on Conditions in Harlem. He also was a fellow of the Joan Simon Guggenheim foundation to study the Negro family in Brazil and the West Indies in 1940-41. His writings include *The Negro Family in the United States*; *The Negro Family in Chicago*; *Negro Youth at the Crossroads* and *The Free Negro Family*.



DR. E. F. FRAZIER — "We can better insure full enjoyment of holidays and the days following them by using a little common sense and taking fewer chances," says Dr. E. F. Frazier of Denver, Col., addressing "Holiday Mishaps" in "The Road to 'Real' Column" this week. (ANP)

REMAINING NEGRO MERCHANTS FACE DISASTER IN MIAMI

MIAMI (ANP) — A survey made of the Negro residential area here disclosed last week that the Negro business operator long a prominent figure in what is known as "colored town" is, methodically being replaced by merchants of other races.

As long as the thin conditions prevailed in this city, there was no independent white merchant located in the Negro section. But such is not the case any longer and from now on the Negro merchant stands trembling in his boots.

Most important of several unmountable barriers is the heavy rent forced upon the Negro merchant. A modern building now in the course of construction, and in the very "blackbelt" of Second Avenue, consists of six stories only one of which will be rented by a Negro, and he is a physician.

Above these stores are apartments which rent for as much as \$50 a month. The rent must be paid six months in advance and should the lease be broken whatever rent remains becomes forfeited to the owner.

The stores, all smaller in size than the ones they replaced, sell such merchandise as will be a required necessity for Negro residents living in the above apartments.

A special committee last week listed two blocks as "eyesores" in the Negro residential district. And once these buildings are razed for replacement by more modern ones, they will find themselves surrounded by white businesses already serving the Negro market thereby making it a suicidal attempt for the Negro merchants to risk his hard earned cash to compete with white competitors who are now entrencing themselves in the lighted areas.

As in most cities, the liquor trade is completely monopolized in Miami by whites. So are most of the modern dance halls. There is only one Negro-owned one that is able to stand up under the pressure of the

restraining order against the Selective Service Board seeking to induct Tomlinson. A motion to dismiss the complaint was made by U. S. Attorney E. A. Kallick on grounds that the question of issuing a restraining order against the Selective Service Board is now moot, since Dec. 28, the date on which Tomlinson was to appear for induction, has passed.

Cash and valuable prizes were awarded to winners of several contests sponsored by business firms. Housford won the song contest with "Print ranking second and Andrew Jackson third.

Even the theatre on this street, owned by whites.

Thus the Negro merchants in Miami find themselves in a plight which might find its solution in more distant areas — like Brown's subdivision, Liberia and other isolated spots not yet corralled by land-sharks who call themselves "developers."

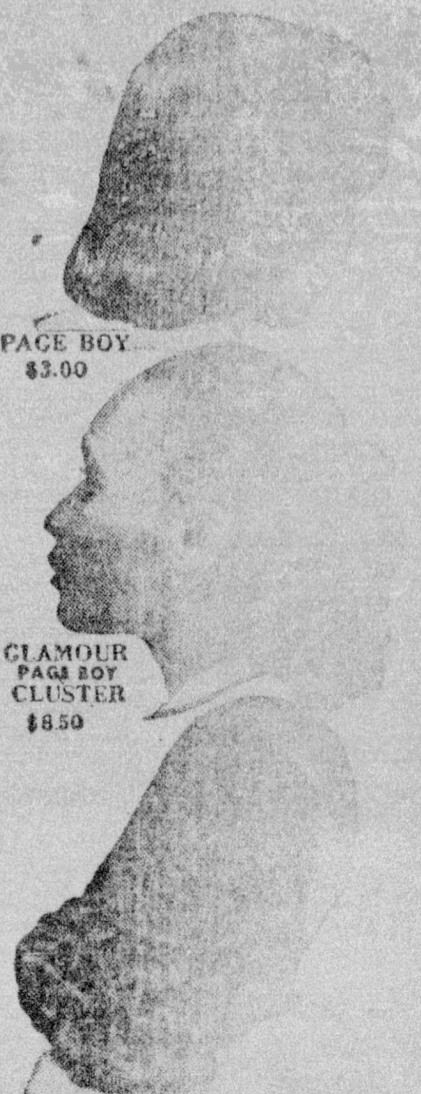
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breaking down racial barriers. He also praised the integration of Negroes into industry and labor organizations.

In his discussion Dr. Frazier introduced the general topic of the meeting, "Race and Culture Contacts in the Modern World." Dr. Johnson of Fisk was elected at large to the executive committee.

Dr. Walker, in his talk, divided Negro-white relations activities since the Civil war into three periods: the adjustment state following the war segregation era during which Negro leaders acted as liaison men between the two races, and the integration period still in progress in which Negroes want equal participation in activities with whites.

A paper, "Negro leaders in a Southern City" by Masuoka, expressed the hope that "we may eventually come to learn to see other men as men and not merely as a sample of a race, a national or a creed."

DIVORCE OR LOSS OF THRONE FACES AFRICAN PRINCE

Johannesburg, South Africa (ANP) — "Serutsu" Khama, 27-year-old heir to the Bechuanaland throne, departed for London Thursday to tell his English bride that his tribesmen were against having a white queen to rule over them. The question facing Khama and the former Miss Ruth Williams, whom he married last fall, is whether he will give up his throne for the woman he loves, or ascend to the kingship without her.

Khama is to talk over the situation with his wife in London, and also with colonial office officials. Mrs. Khama, however, refused to comment until she has heard all the details from her husband, and the attitude of British officials is that the question of chieftaincy is a concern of the natives.

The chief-elect met his bride, a typist, while studying law in England. When his people heard about the marriage, they called Khama to Bechuanaland and told him that a white queen would not be permitted to rule over them. One old chieftain told Khama: "Nobody can cast fire among the people he loves. If you bring this woman, the tribe will scatter."

Quite a few complications will result if Khama persists in taking his wife to Bechuanaland. For one thing, all farm labor is done by the women, and Mrs. Khama would have to do her share of hoeing potatoes and corn. A chief's wife, she would be expected to work harder than the other to set an example.

Should she visit the Union of South Africa or Rhodesia with her husband, she would be confronted with the rigid color bar and would be unable to stay in white hotels, eat in white restaurants or travel in white trains. The tribal decision to oppose was reached by the tribal council of elders last October.

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