



RALEIGH DELTA SORORITY FOUNDERS' DAY. Seated from left to right, sorors Elvira Leticia Elvira, Corfield, Margaret Bugg, Mabel Gray, Mabel Wortham, president of Raleigh Chapter, Jimmie Bugg Middleton, guest speaker, Sarah Leslie, Roberta Lightner, Inez Nimmo, Blonnie Sampson, Standing Martha Spivak, Etta Toole, Harveligh White, Thelma Conbo, Hazel Clarke, Geraldine Brown, Mabel Bowden, Robertann Huff, Rosalie Hill, Blonnie Brewington, Annette Reid, Nellie Kyle, Christine Toole, Ruby Mangrum, Carrie Harrison, Mary Culler, Ernestine Saunders.

Bible Club To Meet

The Theseman Bible Club of the Forsyth Street Baptist Church will hold its regular monthly meeting Sunday, February 13, at the home of Mrs. Sidel Giles, 507 East Avenue, at the usual hour. Each member is asked to be present.

PRESIDENT URGED TO ORDER SPEEDY COVENANT BAN

New York... speedy executive action to ban federal support of racial restrictions in housing is asked in a letter addressed to President Truman by Walter White, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The letter and an accompanying check for an amount of \$100,000 were prepared by Wall Street Journal, issued at an NAACP special editorial and said, "That's what I would like to see released today by the NAACP at its New York office."

Mr. White's letter, dated February 1, charges that the Federal Housing Administration, despite a Supreme Court decision invalidating judicial enforcement of restrictive covenants, has continued to lend its full support to the perpetuation of ghettos. The charges are documented in Mr. Marshall's memorandum.

POLICY REVISION URGED

Recommendations submitted to the President urged: 1. Revision to the FHA Underwriting Manual to "exclude all considerations predicated upon racial, religious or national origin functions for the purpose of making commitments for insurance under the National Housing Act"; 2. "Rejection of mortgage insurance on property in which the applicant for insurance has inserted a restrictive covenant based upon race, religion or national origin"; 3. Withholding of approval for insurance purposes of projects proposed for exclusive occupancy by a particular racial, religious or national group; 4. Suspension of mortgage insurance on projects which, after approval, involve restrictive covenants or regulations in deed of sale of leases; and 5. Inclusion of all FHA field offices and representatives of the new policy set forth in the above recommendations.

FHA POLICY UNLAWFUL. Mr. Marshall's memorandum charges that supporting down-payment that, in FHA support of residential segregation is contrary and inimical to the public policy of the United States as evidenced by the decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court last May prohibiting judicial enforcement of

racial covenants and by the report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights. 2. The FHA's policy of conditioning mortgage insurance for unrestricted housing upon approval by the local real estate market is in violation of the Fifth Amendment. 3. It is unlawful for the FHA to approve projects for insurance where it is on notice that such projects will contain racial restrictive covenants. 4. Further holds that the failure of a majority group into American life is an essential part of the national housing program.

The subject of the National Housing Act is a broad program designed to improve the living conditions of the nation and to insure the security of lending institutions and the profits of builders.

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NEW DIRECTOR—Mrs. Mayme E. Williams, who was the choice of the Southeastern region for the Delta Sorority, was elected at the twenty-eighth annual convention which met December 27-31, 1948, at Washington, D. C. Chapters in this region are located in Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

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Local Deltas Observe Founders Anniversary

Members of Alpha Zeta Sigma Delta Sorority and the Chapter of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority gathered on the St. Augustine College campus in the Chevre Building to celebrate the founding of their Sorority during the month of Jan. Deltas throughout the Nation celebrated their founding during the month of Jan. Soror Jimmie Bugg, Middleton, guest speaker for the occasion was greeted by Soror Mabel B. Williams, president of the Raleigh Chapter, and introduced by her sister and Soror Mayme E. Williams, member of Alpha Zeta Sigma Chapter. Soror Middleton, a founder of the Delta Sorority, speaking on "A Founder Looks at Delta," urged Deltas to continue the great progress made by Delta since the founding of their Sorority. The program included the Delta prayer by Soror Roberta Lightner, accompanied at the piano by Soror Elizabeth Coffield, Soror Harveligh White, gave the Delta History, Soror Rosalie Hill, a musical reading and a beautiful piano solo was given by Soror Ruby Mangrum. Personally

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BODY VOTES FOR CHURCH MERGER

Delegates attending a special session of the Congregational Christian Church held at Cleveland last week voted 710 to 300 in favor of unification with the Evangelical Reformed Church, the Rev. E. C. Lawrence, pastor of the First Congregational Church, revealed here this week. The Rev. Mr. Lawrence, who attended the conference as one of the delegates from North Carolina, stated that the better than two to one vote for the merger was preceded by considerable heated discussion. Following last week's action by the Congregationalists, the merger now depends upon action to be taken by the general conference of the Evangelical Reformed Church. N. C. delegates who attended the conference in addition to the Rev. Mr. Lawrence were the Rev. J. T. Stanley of Greensboro, superintendent of Congregational Christian Churches in the southeast, the Rev. E. M. Coley and Mrs. Sarah Coley. The Congregational - Evangelical merger was first discussed by the Congregational general conference during its general sessions held last June at Oberlin College.

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