

Dubois, Roosevelt, NAACP Labeled "Communist Tools"

Judges Correct A 25-Year-Old Mistake; Rule Woman Is White

BOSTON, Mass. (AP)—Veteran court attendants this week could not remember any case where a judge in the Suffolk County Superior Court ruled that a person has been erroneously classified as colored and should be reclassified as white.

Justice Jesse W. Morton accordingly ordered the New Bedford city clerk to change his records describing Mrs. Clara Souza Rose, 50, of that city, and mother of five children, from "colored" to "white."

In the case brought by Mrs. Rose against City Clerk Charles W. Deary of New Bedford, the accompanying affidavit stated that

the "wrong description of color" of Mrs. Rose's late husband and herself was not only "an injustice to her, but is also an injustice to my children and it may interfere with their social and business connections."

On his part Justice Morton declared that "from the evidence and arguments of counsel, I infer that there is an undercurrent of feeling, certainly in New Bedford and vicinity, that all Bravas—that is, people who come from the Island of Brava—are of mixed blood."

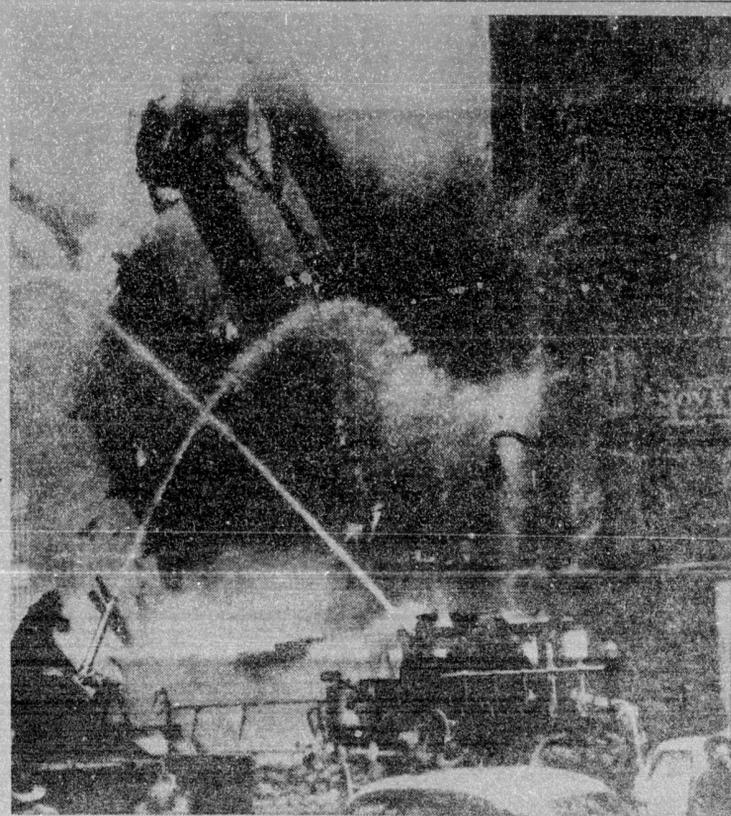
"I saw the petitioner as she testified before me and I find she has none of the characteristics of a colored person and

I find and declare that she is a white person."

It was noted by the jurist that all five children of Mrs. Rose are recorded at the State House as white children.

The "difficulty" of Mrs. Rose started on September 14, 1931 when she and her late husband applied for a marriage license. Neither of the applicants could read or speak English. On the records they were later described as colored persons, although Mrs. Rose at first was described by an assistant's notation as "white."

By court order the application form and the subsequent records will now be changed to "white."



HARLEM HOLOCAUST—Spraying water at a blazing inferno, a fireman instinctively raises his arm as the front wall of a warehouse at 507-509 West 123rd Street, New York, comes down in a cloud of smoke March 14th. Firemen had been ordered from the area seconds before. A dozen firemen were reported injured battling the spectacular five-alarm blaze in the huge Harlem warehouse. Twelve other buildings were damaged in the fire. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO).

N. C. Farm Bureau Holds 9th Annual Meeting At A & T

GREENSBORO, N. C.—The Negro membership of the North Carolina Farm Bureau Federation, holding the ninth annual meeting here at A & T College last Friday, March 15, drafted a series of resolutions aimed at improving agriculture within the State.

The group urged expansion of the Farm and Home Development Program, a project being sponsored by the State Extension Service, called for continuation of price support for basic agricultural commodities "so long as farmers maintain production in line with consumer demand" and urged its leadership to return home and conduct a ceaseless campaign among its local youth for highway safety.

The group adopted resolutions urging agricultural scientists and instructors at A & T College to step up its program of closer contact and cooperation with the North Carolina farmer and endorsed the two-year specialized agricultural program now being carried on at the college.

The session voted commendation to Person County for having won the 1956 County of the Year Award and authorized a letter of thanks to Dr. Clarence Fox, Raleigh publisher of the PROGRESSIVE FARMER, for his support of

the project during the past four years, and also voted to expand representation on the State Steering Committee to 12 additional counties. Under the new arrangement 60 counties will have representatives on the policy making board.

R. Flake Shaw, Greensboro, executive vice president of the State Farm Bureau Federation, speaking at the afternoon session, called upon the group to do a better job in 1957.

Speaking from the subject "Challenge which Faces Our Membership," he said, "The American farmer faces the most complex problems in all history, that of increasing costs and diminishing returns." He told the group that organization is a principal solution. "Other industries have it and if we are to survive, ours must be as effective."

He called upon the group for more efficiency in production, cut down on living costs by producing more for home use and consumption and concluded "the country cannot go forward without a prosperous agricultural situation."

A. C. Edwards, Hookerton, a member of the State Legislature and who also spoke in the afternoon, spoke of the legislation now in the making to improve the situ-

ation of the farmer. He mentioned new laws for refunds on taxes on gasoline used in farm operations, new fire insurance rates to save millions of dollars for farm families and price supports as principal legislation in this direction.

Other speakers at the afternoon session included: B. C. Mangum, Henderson, vice president of the N. C. Farm Bureau; John E. Jones, manager of the Bureau's Mutual Insurance Company; U. S. Hart, Edgecombe County, chairman of the State Steering Committee; and A. W. Solomon, Greensboro, Bureau field representative, under whose direction the meeting was held.

Earlier in the day the group heard Dr. Warmoth Gibbs, president of the A & T College, in a welcome address; R. E. Jones, State agent, A & T College Extension Service; Mrs. John B. Chase, Eureka, chairman, North Carolina Farm Bureau Women's Committee; Mrs. Wytheone Parker, Mebane, N. C., member of the Board of Directors; and Kenneth W. King, Winston-Salem, director of leadership services, American Farm Bureau.

A few more than 300 farmers from 26 counties, were on hand for the event.

Morgan Honors Dr. Carl Murphy:

Distinguished Service To College, Country Sparks Testimonial Feast

BALTIMORE, MD.—For "dedicated and distinguished service to Morgan State College, his city, and nation," Carl Murphy, chairman of the Morgan Board of Trustees, Journalist and 1955 Spingarn Medalist, will be honored at a testimonial dinner here Sunday, April 7.

The dinner is being sponsored by the General Alumni Association of the college and will be held at 6 p. m. in Morgan's Memorial Refectory. Edward N. Wilson, chairman, announced today.

In honoring Dr. Murphy, who is president of the Afro-American Newspaper Company, publishers of one of America's foremost Negro newspapers, Mr. Wilson said the alumni are "expressing appreciation" for the fact that "his statesmanlike vision, courageous leadership and his generous giving of time, energy and ability have

been great contributors to the transformation of Morgan into a modern and beautiful plant, equipped with the latest facilities and designed to function as a top-flight American college."

Appointed to the original Board of Trustees in 1933 when Morgan College became Morgan State College, Dr. Murphy served until his election to the chairmanship of the Board in 1953, as chairman of the Trustee Building Committee. In this capacity, he was instrumental in planning the extensive building program of the college and in securing support from the state.

Maryland Governor Theodore R. McKeldin and Mayor Thomas D. Alesandro are serving as honorary chairmen of a large citizens committee which is working with the alumni for the testimonial. Mrs. Juanita Jackson Mitchell, Baltimore attorney, is chairman.

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

A native Marylander, Dr. Murphy has had a distinguished career as a journalist and public servant. President of the Afro-American Company for thirty-five years, in 1918 he assumed the editorship of the paper which was founded by his father. As editor and president, he has directed the growth of the publication from a one-edition journal with a circulation of 14,000 in 1922 into a six-edition newspaper with a circulation of approximately 200,000 and a working force of about 200.

For twenty-two years, he has been a member of the Board of Directors of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and in 1955 became the recipient of the 40th Spingarn Medal, awarded annually by the organization to a Negro American for distinguished service.

Market Group Urges 'Ethical Competitive Activity At Meeting In Washington, D. C.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The national headquarters of the National Association of Market Developers, a professional organization of specialists in the Negro market, today issued a statement of policy urging "ethical competitive activity" on the part of firms and individuals interested in the cultivation of special markets.

In a 320-word statement, the Market Developers pointed out that "the productive and financial structure of American business is predicated upon the maintenance of active mass markets." Therefore, stated the NAMD, "it is axiomatic that national distributors of consumer goods must constantly and intensively cultivate all segments of the consuming public."

The statement noted the Association's belief that "no major American firm would consciously adopt any position, or engage in any activity, which would be undeniably offensive to any segment of its market." The Association stressed "a firm policy" against unethical competitive tactics which "tempt sales programs might attempt to exploit current racial attitudes."

Members of the Association are cognizant of the extensive public relations and marketing implications of current developments in race relations and racial attitudes in the United States," says the statement which was adopted at the NAMD's annual convention in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 17.

"Association members," continues the statement, "are keenly aware of the urgent necessity for their sponsoring companies to avoid involvement in the highly controver-

sial issues inherent in these developments." Going further, the NAMD states its emphatic disapproval of "unsubstantiated charges" which might seek to enhance one company's prestige within a special market by accusing other firms of hostile racial attitudes.

"It is the firm policy of this Association," the statement reads, "that none of its members shall ever disseminate any unsubstantiated charges which imply that any business concern, as a matter of company policy, has taken positions on racial matters which are inconsistent with the traditional American pattern of free and fair competitive enterprise."

"The Association strongly feels

that any such statements would be a regrettable disservice to the cause of effective mass marketing of goods and services, and an affront to the extensive and positive efforts of reputable American business firms to maintain wholesome relations with their various consumer publics."

The NAMD's policy statement was adopted at the close of a two-day marketing clinic featuring the theme, "1957 Inventory of the Negro Market." The conference scheduled four major discussion areas, "Negro Market Headlines," "Marketing Case Histories," "Patterns in the Negro Market," and "Trends in the Negro Market."

Marriage Doesn't Stop Work; Dinah Heads For California

WASHINGTON (AP)—Miss Dinah Washington, a prominent nightlife songbird journeyed to California for a working-honeymoon soon after she became the bride of Eddie Chambliss on the stage of a Washington night spot Sunday night.

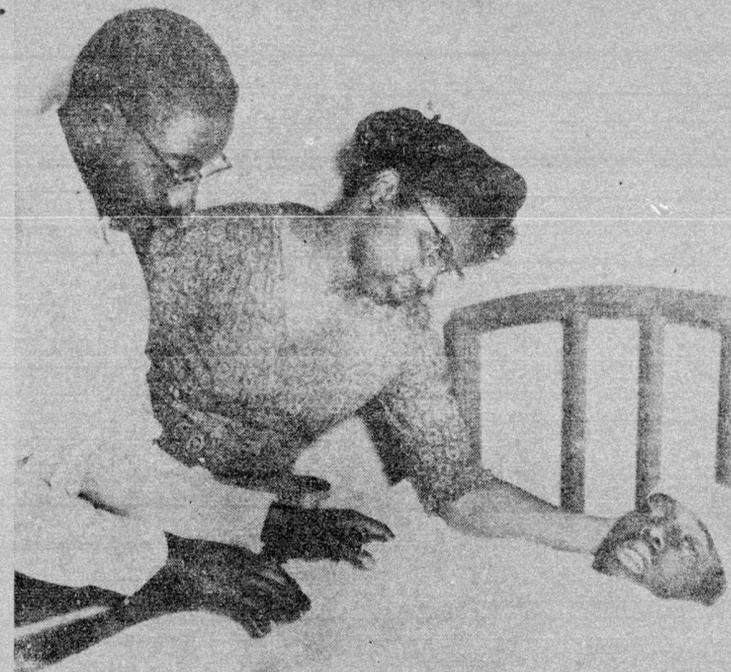
Although Miss Washington, was reported as being only 36, her marriage to Chambliss marked her fifth trip down matrimony's lane. It was the second marriage for the bridegroom.

The ceremony for the two entertainers took place on the stage of the Casino Royal night club where the bride was appearing. The vows were admin-

istered by the Rev. Browning J. Peyton, Minister of Education at the Goodwill Baptist Church.

Pretty little Patty Austin, age 6, a frequent participant on the "Star Time" TV show, served as ring bearer. Miss Larue Manns served as Maid of Honor and Melvin White as Best Man.

Chambliss, who has made a number of recordings in Chicago and New York, has recently been with Lionel Hampton's band. He left Hampton two weeks before the wedding and plans to team-up with his wife in show business and making recordings.



COMFORT SON IN LAST HOUR—Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Paimer stand at the bedside of their son Alvin, 17, just before he died in Chicago. Alvin was found partially paralyzed and unconscious on a sidewalk recently, but recovered consciousness long enough to tell police a gang of white teenagers attacked him with a claw hammer while he waited for a bus. However a witness to the attack, a grocery clerk, told police that the killer was alone and described him as a stocky white man about 18-years-old. A 150-man police task force is now searching the area. (UNITED PRESS PHOTO).

KK Klan "Boils" Over Race Discussion At A University

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.—(AP)—A seminar at the University of Alabama where race relations were discussed last week has caused the Ku Klux Klan here to do a slow burn.

Members of the hate group assembled near the Methodist student center where an Open Forum was underway and the

subject of discussion was "The Impact of Segregation on the South."

A spokesman for the racist group of about 70, identified himself as boss of a Tuscaloosa Klan group and proceeded to blast the discussion as being "pink and Communist."

He said: "The University of

Alabama is a white man's school. It has always been that way and we intend for it to stay that way."

Dr. Paul Ramsey, university faculty member and chairman of the forum, said the forum was "purely a discussion group open to anyone from the university staff or students." He added: "We have been discussing racial relations because it is one of the most important problems we have to deal with."

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE



NIXONS WELCOMED IN SUDAN—Vice president and Mrs. Richard Nixon are shown at the palace in Khartoum, Sudan with Sudanese premier Abdullah Khalil (second from right) and Sudanese foreign minister Mahgoud, shortly after the Nixons arrived on their good-will tour. (Newspress Photo).

'Dastardly Misleader' Says Rev. M. L. King

WASHINGTON—(AP)—Cong. John L. McMillan (D., S. C.) placed in the Congressional Record last Tuesday a news item appearing in the News-Courier of Charleston, S. C., regarding a "Negro ex-raid" who "says NAACP is a vehicle of Communism."

The article tells the story of Manning Johnson, former Communist who testified before a Louisiana Legislature investigating committee in Baton Rouge recently regarding the infiltration of Communism into Negro communities.

NAMES 'COMMUNIST TOOLS'

Johnson not only named the NAACP as a tool used by the Communists but included in this group Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, the Rev. Martin Luther King and Howard University.

The article, quoted Johnson as stating under oath that the NAACP has "outlived its usefulness and has become a vehicle of the Communist Party designed to overthrow the Government of the United States."

He branded the Rev. King as "a dastardly misleader who is creating a psychosis of hate, leading

southern Negroes down the road to bloodshed and destruction."

Johnson listed Mrs. Roosevelt as being among the strongest leaders of the Communist-front organizations, according to the article. "Somebody ought to muzzle her and put her in a cage," he is quoted as saying.

Dr. W. E. B. DuBois was described by Johnson as an "evil, frustrated old man, sucking at the teats of the Old Red Bear, looking to the devil in the Kremlin for vindication and salvation as he nears the end."

Howard University was named by the ex-Communist as a "hot bed for Communists."

The witness told the committee that "a big family quarrel is going on in the upper echelon of the NAACP between the white liberals, cashiers, Socialists and Communists, for the control of the Negroes of the United States. They are all anti-American, against capitalism, and are based on the doctrines of Marxism," he continued. The NAACP "stand hand in hand" aimed at wrecking the security of the United States, charged Johnson.

Dr. Rudolph Jones Announces

Fayetteville College's Founder's Day April 7

FAYETTEVILLE—According to Dr. Rudolph Jones, President of the Fayetteville State Teachers College, plans have been perfected for a mammoth celebration on Founders' Day which falls on Sunday, April 7. "Present indications are" according to Mabel Powell, Chairman of the local Founders' Day Committee, "that old grads will come from long distances to make the affair a sort of homecoming event."

The guest speaker this year will be Dr. Marshall L. Shepard, former Recorder of Deeds in the District of Columbia and in Philadelphia, a former member of the Philadelphia City Council, and of the State Legislature, and currently the pastor of the Mount Olivet Tabernacle Baptist Church in Philadelphia. He will speak in the J. W. Seabrook Auditorium Sunday afternoon beginning at four o'clock.

Immediately following the assembly exercises will come the traditional pilgrimage to the monument of Dr. Elijah E. Smith, Bishop J. F. McLaurin of the Class

of 53 of the Christ Disciple Church and currently principal of the Plain View School in Bledon County will place a wreath on the monument honoring the early presidents of the college. A tea for the guests will follow in the Nannie L. Smith Dormitory.

The Founders' Day season gets under way Saturday evening April 6 when a banquet will be staged for the purpose of installing junior college students in the Future Alumni Club and seniors in the General Alumni Association. This will be followed by a reception for faculty and alumni.

One important aspect of Founders' Day this year is that it will mark the formal conclusion of the J. W. Seabrook Scholarship Fund Drive begun several weeks ago in honor of former President J. Ward Seabrook's thirty-four years of service to the College and the community.

Olander F. Hudson, principal of the Leonard Street School in High Point, North Carolina, is president of the General Alumni Association.

NCC's Dr. Wm. Brown Lectures At Wayne U.

DURHAM—Dr. William H. Brown, professor of education and director of North Carolina College's Bureau of Educational Research speaks at Wayne State University in Detroit, Mich., Sunday, (March 24) on "The Human Potentials for Questing."

The speech, one in a series of five in the 1957 Leo Franklin Lectureship series, was scheduled for the Detroit Institute of Arts Lecture Hall at 5 p. m.

The series has been established in honor of the late Dr. Leo Franklin, a former Detroit rabbi, to bring together

annually outstanding scholars in the field of human relations. This year's theme is "The Nature of Human Nature."

Opening the talks on March 10 was Dr. Edmund Sinnott, dean of studies at Yale University. His topic was "The Questing Inheritance of Human Kind."

Dr. Brown is author of some 50 articles on various educational subjects. He is a specialist in interpersonal and intergroup relations.



TURNABOUT!—Lovely singer Olga James, fresh from her Broadway triumph in "Mr. Wonderful," found that the British press practically ignored her when she arrived in London for a television appearance. Seems that she was "too plain." Olga changed her views, however, by taking the press in this provocative outfit. (Newspress Photo).