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State and Local Welfare Departments in their efforts to secure the necessary boarding homes for our aged and our neglected and dependent children.

5. Whereas, there are no Negro professional personnel, such as nurses, doctors and dentists, employed at the State Hospital at Goldsboro, and

Whereas, it would be possible for hospital authorities to make professional selections from qualified Negroes, be it

Resolved, that the Federation go on record as indorsing the inclusion of Negroes on the Professional Staff of the State Hospital in Goldsboro.

6. Whereas, this organization realizes that active participation by the ballot is one known way by which citizens can participate in the making of government programs, policies and laws,

Resolved, that the Federation call upon not only its members, but also all citizens of voting age to consistently become and remain active voters irrespective of where they reside, and

Resolved further, that clinics be sponsored by local clubs in their various communities to inform as well as interest the people in the use of the ballot and to acquaint prospective voters with the issues involved and the candidates.

7. Whereas, women are rapidly taking their place in public life, and

Whereas, they are serving on Boards of Welfare, Industry, Health and Education, and

Whereas, at present Negro women are not represented on the Board of Trustees of the Oxford Colored Orphanage,

Resolved, that the Federation go on record as recommending to the proper authority the appointment of a qualified Negro woman or women on the Board of the Oxford Colored Orphanage.

8. Whereas, the common practice is to omit Negroes on the various State and County Boards, and

Whereas, Negroes are qualified to serve on State Boards, be it

Resolved, that the Federation respectfully petition the State and County officials to appoint a Negro woman or women on Welfare, Industry, Health and Education Boards.

9. Whereas, many Negroes are forced by their economic condition to live in substandard houses in slum areas inside the corporate limits of cities and towns, without proper streets, sidewalks, toilet facilities, water, electric lights, sanitation—including garbage removal, recreational facilities or safety signs for school children, be it

Resolved, that the Federation go on record as sponsoring the election of a canvassing committee in each club to initiate programs designed to stimulate interest in our own groups for improvement in these areas and request action by government

officials on the local and state levels to correct these discriminatory practices.

10. Whereas, such valuable information was obtained through group discussions in the separate work shops that will aid in the growth and development of our various clubs, as well as increase interest of club members and enrich club programs, be it

Resolved, that our Federation have printed and distributed to the Presidents of Federated Clubs copies of the approved reports from each workshop.

11. Whereas, the outstanding work of our President, Miss Ruth G. Rush, is deserving of special recognition,

Resolved, that because of her untiring and most efficient services as President of the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs, she be given expression of our most hearty thanks and appreciation for such notable accomplishments as:

a. Planning and carrying out very successful and profitable programs during her seven years of Presidency at all meetings particularly noticeable to us at the Annual Conventions;

b. The wonderful growth of clubs throughout the State under her resourceful leadership;

c. The organization of a sound financial basis through an enlarged paid representation;

d. Revision of Constitution and distribution among the membership so as to establish orderly business procedure for all assemblies;

e. Increased recognition of the strength of the Federation through representation and participation in State-wide programs of Welfare;

f. Her special interests in helping foster any movement for improving and developing our State Institutions, especially our Training School for Negro Girls at Kinston, N. C.;

g. Promoting plans for a legal and profitable sale of our Efland Home property;

h. Being recognized and appointed as a person fully capable to serve as a State Representative at the 1950 White House Conference of Children and Youth, and

i. Initiating plans and the establishment of a scholarship fund as a major objective, for girl college graduates, to study Law and Pediatrics.

12. Whereas, our stay in Elizabeth City has been most enjoyable and fruitful,

Resolved, that the North Carolina Federation of Negro Women's Clubs express its warmest appreciation and thanks to the local clubs, officials of State Teachers College of Elizabeth City, N. C., the Press and to all citizens at large for the splendid accommodations and courtesies that have been bestowed upon us during our brief stay.

Respectfully submitted,

N. E. Darden

L. D. Harris

F. L. McLean, Secretary

A. P. Collins, Chairman

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present her facilities are limited to accommodation for only a few, but as the demand for more space increases, Mrs. Lowery plans to enlarge her home in order to care for more persons.

Mrs. Lowery is a refined young woman of exemplary Christian character. Educated at Livingstone College and reared in one of the most highly respected and progressive families in this county, she has much that is valuable to contribute to this undertaking, and indeed to almost any other enterprise in which she might so wholeheartedly engage. Her large farm and her modernized rural home will be a little haven of rest and a blessing to the poor and weary who are sent there; and Mrs. Lowery herself, will be greatly blessed for her noble efforts.

We trust that our church clubs and civic organizations will continue the custom of remembering the inmates of the County Homes until all of them are placed in private homes, and also that other persons will follow Mrs. Lowery's splendid example of opening private rest homes.

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to be a task sufficiently engrossing in itself, and one demanding our undivided enthusiasm, which enthusiasm in itself, required very strenuous efforts for re-awakening. The needful financing of our own projects; the demand for increased membership; for the development of a stronger and more representative state organization must have diminished among us the urgency for strengthening the link that binds us to the other seven states in this union.

Most certainly, if we are to remain one of these eight links, let us cease right now, to be a weak link; let us line up with Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Georgia, Tennessee, South Carolina, and Virginia; and do our full duty, or withdraw entirely from the organization.

Selected Quotations for Clubs

Dear heart, God does not say "Today, be strong,"

He knows your strength is spent

He knows how long the road has been

How weary you have grown;

For he who walked the earthly road,

Each bogging lowland and each steep hill

Can understand, and so He says, "Be still

And know that I am God."

The hour is late, and we must rest awhile

And you must wait awhile until life's

empty reservoirs fill up

As slow rain fills an empty cup

Hold up your cup, dear child, for God to

fill

He only asks today that you be still.