

# BUS KILLS DR. SARAH BROWN

## 80-YEAR OLD H. U. TRUSTEE DIES OF INJURIES IN D. C.

WASHINGTON — Dr. Sarah Winifred Brown, 80-year old retired physician and the first woman member of the Howard University Board of Trustees, died enroute to Emergency Hospital, Friday after being struck by a Capital Transit Company Bus.

Dr. Brown, who was a native of Winchester, Va., was a graduate of Miner Teachers College, Cornell University and the Howard University School of Medicine and had done additional study at the Sorbonne in Paris.

She practiced medicine in Washington for a number of years, was extremely active in the health program of the YWCA National Board, and worked for some time with the United States Public Health Service.

In 1924 she was named to the Howard University Board of Trustees, becoming the first woman to hold such a post. Since retiring from the active practice of medicine spent much of the past five years in operation of a fruit farm at Opegon, Va.

At the time of her death she lived with her sister, Dr. N. Fairfax Brown, a pharmacist, in an apartment building which the two of them owned on Thirteenth Street, N. W.

She was a co-founder of National College Alumni Association, the Freedmen's Hospital Nurses Committee, The Lend-a-Hand Club for Unmarried Mothers and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

She was struck by the bus, which hurled her body a distance of twelve feet, as she crossed the street near her home.

William H. Evers of Greenbelt, Md., driver of the bus was arrested on charges of failure to give the right of way to a pedestrian and failing to give full attention to the operation of a motor vehicle.

He was ordered held for action of a coroner's jury and was later released in the custody of the Capital Transit Company.

## 2 HONORED FOR RACE RELATIONS ACHIEVEMENTS

NEW YORK — SPECIAL — For their outstanding contributions to the cause of interracial justice, Francis Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop of New York, last Sunday conferred the coveted James J. award on a Negro and white Catholic layman.

They are Dr. Ferdinand L. Rousseau, former chairman of the New Orleans Urban League, and Mrs. Anna McGarry, vice president of the Catholic Interracial Council of Philadelphia.

The ceremonies marked the seventh annual presentation of the award, which is given annually by the Catholic Interracial Council here to the two Catholic laymen "who have made the most outstanding contributions during the year to the cause of interracial justice."

Cardinal Spellman, who is a member of the Council, said in part: "Men are not equal because men are not equal because God created them equal. We are free men because God is free — and every single one of us has been created to God's image and likeness."

Negro co-recipient of the award, Dr. Rousseau pointed out in brief address that the pronouncements of recent popes on social questions have been applied to the American scene by great Catholic prelates.

"It is encouraging to note the clear-cut stand of the Holy See through several important encyclicals," he said. "It is also encouraging to note how these have been put into effect by the notable pronouncements and programs of such great leaders as Cardinal Spellman, Archbishop Ritter of St. Louis, Archbishop Cushing of Boston and Archbishop Rummel of New Orleans."

Mrs. Anna McGarry, the other recipient of the award, stressed that the cause of interracial justice is "a job for the unorganized millions of Americans to make America truly American."

Other speakers were Lester E. Granger, executive secretary of the National Urban League, and Gunder Harris.

## BIRMINGHAM WOMAN WINS \$3,500 FOR INJURY IN BUS FALL

BIRMINGHAM (ANP) — A local woman was awarded \$3,500 damage from the Birmingham Electric Company here recently for a fall suffered on a bus January 16, 1947. Ella Jones of Airport Hills won her case after waiting nearly two years for a court decision.

Circuit Judge Leigh M. Clark announced the decision made by the jury. Counsels representing Ella Jones were Francis Hare and Carlton Wynn.

# STADIUM DRIVE ON

## DRIVE FOR FUNDS FOR STADIUM GETS UNDERWAY

Members of the Shaw University Alumni Association carried their appeal for the erection of an all-purpose athletic field and stadium for Raleigh directly to the city's sports public last week as they began a \$200,000 drive for funds.

The appeal, which was made between halves of the Shaw University-Johnson C. Smith football game at Chavis Park Saturday, emphasized the inadequacy of the present playing field and called for popular support of a move to obtain a new stadium. Among the major drawbacks to the present field were cited its lack of a grandstand, its inadequate seating and rest room facilities and its lack of a field-house or other accommodation for the use by athletes using the field.

In the absence of the Rev. C. C. Griffin of Norfolk, Va., president of the Shaw University Association, a brief kickoff speech was delivered by Dr. R. P. Daniel, president of the school.

Following Dr. Daniel's remarks handbills were distributed among

## BULLETIN

Shortly before press time the CAROLINIAN was informed that the St. Augustine Horses were preparing to challenge the Shaw Bears to a post-season game for the Stadium benefit.

Coaches of neither team could be reached for comment.

At a meeting early in the season the Bears defeated the Horses 12-0. Considerable improvement has been shown by the St. Aug team since that date however.

The audience which inquired whether they would be willing to give a dollar for a stadium in order to "take the Ladies' toes out of the mud" and which would be "an investment in the comfort of your wife, mother, girlfriend or yourself."

Following distribution of the handbills a box was placed in the field and members of the physical education department went through the stands collecting donations toward the new project.

The first contributor was 65-year old Julius C. Faulkner, retired Navy veteran who enrolled in Shaw this year as a freshman after graduating from Washington High School last year.

Mr. Faulkner's \$50 contribution was followed by many smaller gifts from those attending the game.

Alumni Association officials stated that a similar appeal would be made at the Thanksgiving Day game between Shaw and North Carolina College and that a concerted community-wide drive will be organized shortly afterward.

Also under discussion and consideration are plans for the staging of a post-season grid game between the Shaw team and a yet-undecided opponent for the benefit of the stadium fund.

## WOMEN ATTEND STATE MISSIONS SESSION HERE

With approximately 500 women from every section of North Carolina attending, a special session of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Convention of North Carolina was held at the First Baptist Church here Tuesday.

The messengers heard brief addresses from Mrs. Cora Parr Thomas, former mission worker in Liberia, Africa; Miss Minnie C. Lyons, missionary of Liberia; Dr. O. S. Bullock, pastor of the host church; Dr. P. A. Bishop, president of the General Baptist State Convention, and Mrs. Avanta Games of Winston-Salem.

Dr. Wendell C. Somerville, executive secretary of the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, U.S.A., preached the convention's sermon. Reports on the work of the organization were given by Mrs. Ellen S. Alston, executive secretary, Mrs. Viola McMillan, president, and Mrs. M. J. Brown, retiring field worker.

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## RACE HARMONY NEED CITED

### Confer On N. C. Family Life

#### Health, Family Life Problems Aired At Confab

A two day State Conference on the Family was held at the Eden Street Methodist Church here Tuesday and Wednesday under the auspices of 40 North Carolina organizations and agencies.

Negro leaders and consultants for the conference were: Dr. Harold Trigg, president of St. Augustine's College; Mrs. A. D. Jamison, executive secretary, N. C. Congress PTA; N. A. Pitts, instructor, Shaw University; and C. D. Halliburton, dean of St. Augustine's College.

The conference, which is a follow up of the National Conference on the Family which was held in Washington, D. C., in May, was devoted to an analysis of the strengths and weaknesses of family life in the state and the utilization of existing resources toward its improvement.

Panel discussions which were conducted during the sessions revealed an awareness of its needs on the part of the North Carolina family, a sentiment for greater

#### PLEA FOR RACIAL HARMONY MADE BY DR. SEABROOK

FAYETTEVILLE — The attainment of interracial harmony through community cooperation rather than through the compulsion of the law was advocated last week by Dr. J. W. Seabrook, president of Fayetteville State Teachers College, in an address before members of the Fayetteville Kiwanis Club.

Dr. Seabrook, who made a plea for "interracial justice," stressed the fact that his remarks reflected his personal views on the matter and declared that the "social equality" issue was frequently regarded among Negroes as "cover for exploitation" and a device for denying them the things to which they are entitled.

"The thinking of the white man about the Negro," he said, "too often is obscured by the emotional spectacles of sentimentalism or bitterness. On the one hand he is disposed to be patronizing and indulgent, and not to demand of the colored people the standard of behavior which should be expected of all citizens. On the other hand he may be memories of reconstruction days or the fear of a threat to so-called 'white supremacy.'"

"The thinking Negro regards the 'white supremacy' issue as much more pro-poor than the proportion of Negroes in the general population is smaller now than in the beginning days of the country. The share of Negroes in wealth and position is even smaller."

The educator then declared that (Continued on back 1st section)

#### Propose Erection Of 50-Apartment Unit In Raleigh

The Southern Negro Citizens League this week announced plans for a mass meeting to be held in order to mobilize popular support for a 50-unit housing project for Raleigh.

Prior to the mass meeting, which is scheduled for Sunday, November 21, at 3 p.m. at the Wake County Court House, the public is invited to learn details of the proposed project by calling at the League's headquarters at the Home Eekers Hotel Building at 122 E. Hargett St.

Both city officials and representatives of those interested in the financing of the project are scheduled to be present at the mass meeting at which L. E. Austin, publisher of the Carolina Times of Durham will be the principal speaker.

This meeting will be followed by an informal meeting at 4 p.m. in the guest room of the Home Eekers Hotel. At 7:30 members and friends of the League will

#### Wake Citizens Urged To Make Bond Purchases

#### SUSPENDED FRAT CHAPTER ADMITS NEGRO STUDENT

Amherst, Mass. — Despite its suspension by the national organization, the Amherst College chapter of Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity plans to initiate a Negro student.

The chapter reported yesterday (Saturday, Nov. 13) it had been informed of its definite suspension by National President Howard L. Hamilton of Columbus, Ohio, for alleged "unfraternal conduct."

The local chapter said that Thomas W. Gibbs of Evansville, Ill., already pledged, will be initiated with 15 other pledges on November 23.

The communication from the national organization said the suspension action was unanimously voted by the fraternity's 10-man executive council.

#### ATTENTION

All correspondents and contributors to the CAROLINIAN are requested to have all copy intended for publication in the Thanksgiving week issue IN THE OFFICE of the paper not later than 10 o'clock Monday morning, November 22.

## NAMING OF FEPC MEMBER RAPPED BY MRS. BETHUNE

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The National Council of Negro Women in a letter to the members of the U. S. Civil Service Commission protested the appointment of Judge Annabell Matthews to the recently created Fair Employment Practice Committee and requested her removal therefrom. A copy of the letter was sent to President Harry S. Truman.

In a statement made by Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, founder-president of the Council, upon hearing of the appointment of Judge Matthews to the Commission and upon review of her actions in the case of Mrs. Mary Church Terrell and the Washington Branch of the American Association of University Women, Mrs. Bethune said:

"At a time when the world is searching for the basis of human understanding, America cannot afford to permit one distracting element to upset the democratic course we are now pursuing. I feel that all appointees to important boards and agencies should have the spirit of justice and fair play to all regardless of race, creed or color. Only then can we effect a lasting peace and harmony among all men."

Excerpts follow from a letter sent to the Civil Service Commissioners.

"The National Council of Negro Women prefers to place its seal of endorsement upon the appointees."

## AMEZ CHURCH HAS CONFERENCE AT WILLIAMSTON

By BOOKER T. MEDFORD Press Representative

In the midst of an air of happiness and good fellowship, Bishop H. T. Medford held the 36th session of the Albemarle Conference of the AME Zion Church, November 10-14, at Williamston, N. C.

The Rev. A. N. Nixon, acting pastor and Presiding Elder of the Egleston District was host. Bishop Medford was associated with Bishop E. B. Watson of the 9th Episcopal District of the A. M. E. Zion Church, who delivered the Missionary sermon on Friday night.

Much to the delight and benefit of all in attendance, Bishop (Retired) W. W. Matthews of Washington, D. C., and a host of central officers of the church were visitors who thrilled the conference with sermons and remarks. Among these were Dr. G. F. Hall, financial secretary, Dr. W. A. Blackwell, manager of the Publication House, and the Rev. C. D. Carson, divisional secretary of the American Bible Society.

Dr. S. P. Perry, of Durham, N. C., and Dr. B. C. Robeson and Mrs. Robeson of Mother Zion in New York City participated in the various services of the conference.

In the Bishop's Episcopal Address, he proposed the idea that the work of the Conference should be done by consultation and not in an autocratic manner as some have been accustomed to. Among other things the Bishop said: (and was loudly applauded) "that the day of dictatorship in church and state is over, and that the world and the church should move towards the recognition of the essential worth of manhood in all the spheres and areas of life and its activities."

## N. C. Parent-Teacher Congress To Convene In Wilmington, Nov. 26

Delegates and representatives from all sections of North Carolina will meet in Wilmington for the twenty-first convention of the N. C. Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers, to be held Friday and Saturday, November 26-27, at the Williston High School.

"Child in His Family and Community" will be the convention theme. Eminent speakers and parent-teacher leaders, as well as other agencies, will outline an effective start for another year of increased PTA activity in the 654 local units, representing approximately 34,000 members.

A special feature again this year will be the "Problem Clinic" held Friday afternoon when local, county-wide and district presidents will discuss current problems and offer suggestions for further expansion in the Congress work. A formal reception given by the local PTA group honoring delegates and friends, will follow Friday evening's session.

Also highlighting the special activities will be exhibits — camp displays, histories and scrapbooks. (Continued on back 1st section)