

PASTOR HEADS N. C. CO-OPS

AID IN ENDING OF CIVIL WAR ASKED BY WIS. SPEAKER

MADISON, Wis. (ANP) — Persons interested in the advancement of democracy and the improvement of race relations in the South must find ways to "strengthen the hands of the new generation of white southerners who are earnestly desirous of concluding the Civil War," declared G. James Fleming, secretary for race relations, the American Friends Service Committee, in speaking before the Wayland club of the University of Wisconsin, on Sunday.

Dr. Fleming spoke on "The New Southerners," and deplored the fact that the Bill of Rights receive more recognition and headlines than those southerners who are as much opposed to the liberal bloc as are northerners.

Fleming spoke earlier to the Madison Friends meeting on the work of the American Friends Service Committee. He came here from Chicago where he attended the second annual meeting of the National Association of Intergroup Relations Officers.

Fleming recited a number of incidents showing what young southern whites have done and are doing to bring democracy in to the South and to erase the shame and embarrassment which southerners experience wherever they go and are questioned about the race question.

"One way to help the South also," Fleming said, "is to strengthen democratic practices in the North and to be just as zealous in fighting police brutality, restrictive covenants, and discrimination in employment or education here."

LEADERS VOICE HOPE FOR GAINS

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. — Hopes for improved race relations and betterment of the lot of the millions of Negro residents of the South were voiced this week following a meeting of the board of directors of the Southern Conference Educational Fund on the campus of the University of Virginia.

The hope, voiced by many members of the board, was based upon the results of a poll submitted to all of the faculty members of eleven southern state universities and upon the content of a "Declaration on Civil Rights" issued by the group and signed by more than 200 prominent southerners. The poll, which queried the educators upon the issue of admission of Negroes to graduate and professional schools, disclosed a heavyweight of opinion for such a move.

Aubrey Williams, former National Youth Administration head and president of the Southern Conference, termed the report further evidence that the commonly held attitudes toward Negroes are breaking down. There is strong and unmistakable evidence of a growing support in the South for making the Negro a part of the citizenship of the nation.

Results of the poll indicated that 68 percent of the educators favored opening the doors of all graduate and professional schools when desired courses are not offered by state-supported Negro schools.

Twenty-eight percent of those questioned favored the establishment of regional schools as a practical step.

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Shaw U. Marks Founder's Day

COMMISSIONER BLAMES LACK OF GAME REPORTS

Despite a hard-fought and upset scheduled season, no state scholastic championship eleven will be named for this year, it was announced Wednesday by W. T. Armstrong, commissioner of the N. C. Negro High School Athletic Association.

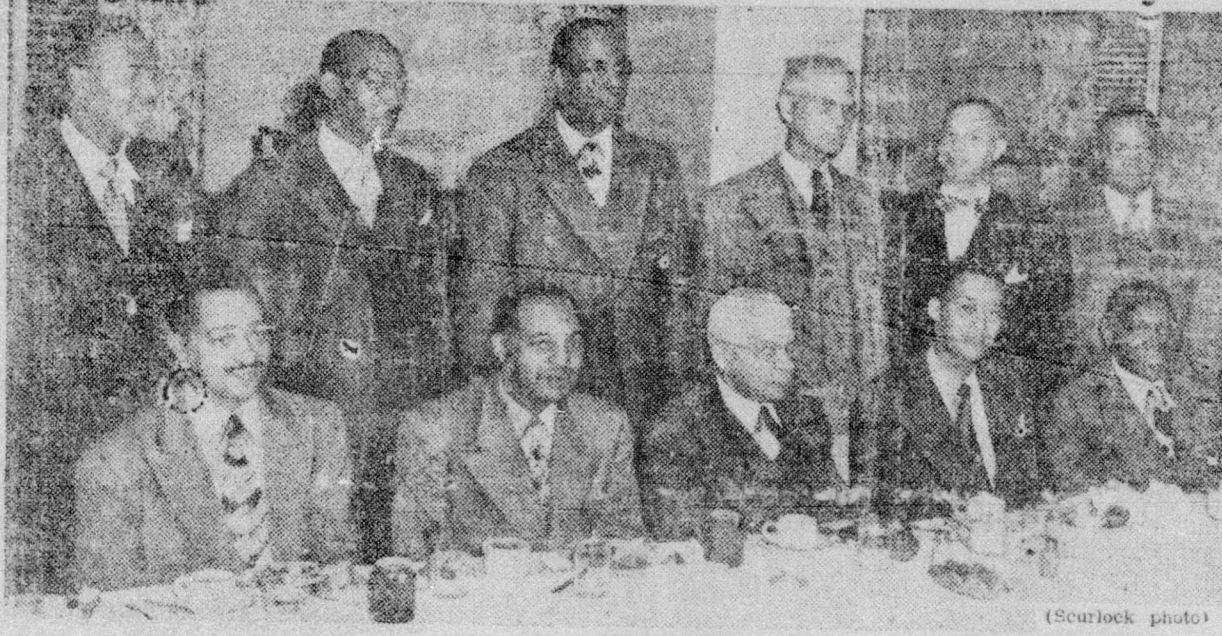
According to Commissioner Armstrong, the lack of "heated cooperation" of coaches and principals in the sending in of game results and eligibility blanks has made it impossible to determine the Eastern and Western divisional champions in time to permit the playoff for the state championship.

In Shaw memoranda to member coaches and principals, the commissioner pointed out that team standings would be based upon computations made under the Dickinson System, and the lack of such information makes such computation impossible at this time.

"I have been unable," he said, "to get most of the eligibility blanks required by your competition and have had only four reports of games from the many teams competing in both the Eastern and Western Divisions."

Since these reports have not reached my office and since I have been unable to figure out the standing of the teams or team, and inasmuch as the arrangement of such playoffs as may be necessary cannot be done in the time left before the annual conference meeting, I do hereby declare that

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Local business people of Washington, D. C. were sponsors of a luncheon recently honoring the founders of the new American Savings and Loan League. The organization comprises 7 of the 22 building, savings and loan associations operated by Negroes. Shown above are (l. to r.) seated: William R. Huggins, Carver Federal Savings and Loan Assn., New York; John S. Stewart and C. C. Spaulding, Mutual Building and Loan Assn., Norfolk; and H. A. Howard, Broadway Federal Savings and Loan Assn., Los Angeles; standing: Joseph Davis and Walter Miller, also of Carver in New York; Jesse Smith, Tuskegee Savings and Loan Assn., Tuskegee, D. C.; Davis, Berkeley Savings; Arthur M. Simmons, Home Federal Savings and Loan Assn., Detroit; and Wilbur Halvard, Columbia Savings and Loan Assn., Milwaukee. Mr. Howard is president of the League.

RACE WOMEN ACTIVE IN UNITED CHURCH COUNCIL'S MEETING

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (ANP) — Negro women were more active than ever before at the recent meeting here of the fourth national assembly of the United Council of Church Women, November 15-18. More than 100 colored women from California, Indiana, Illinois,

Kentucky, Louisiana, and Tennessee, were in attendance. These women spoke at churches of all denominations and of both races and they led various committees. Nearly 150 attended the assembly, a great advance over the 10 who came to the first one in 1942.

Speaking at white churches were nearly a dozen Negro women: Mrs. J. Arthur Hamlett, Kansas City, wife of CME Bishop Hatalett, at Grace Methodist; Mrs. Annie E. Heath, president, WMS of the A.M.E. Church, Gardner Memorial Methodist; Mrs. R. Thompson Hollis, president, WMC of the C.M.E. church;

Mrs. David Jones, wife of President Jones of Bennett College, United Church, and Mrs. Charles S. Johnson, wife of President Johnson of Fisk University, First Methodist Church.

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune gave the invocation on opening night, and Mrs. Rosa Page Welch of Chicago, noted soprano, gave several

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R. O'HARA LANIER TO SPEAK AT MEET OF N. C. SCHOOLMEN

WILMINGTON, N. C. (ANP) — Dr. R. O'Hara Lanier, president of Texas State University, will deliver the principal address at the 15th annual convention of the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for Negroes when it convenes in Wilmington, Industrial school here December 8-10. This will mark the first time in the association's history that it has convened at a secondary institution.

Dr. Lanier's address, to be made at a general session, will be in line with the convention's theme, "Education for Our Times." Other speakers include the following: (Continued on back 1st section)

FOUR NEGROES TAKE POLICE EXAMS IN S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C. (ANP) — Four young men, first of their race to seek such positions in half a century, took city civil service examinations here Monday for places on the city's police force.

Mayor Frank C. Owens' office declined to identify the city council several weeks ago. Mrs. L. W. Kibler of the mayor's office said an official statement as to identity of the men would be made after civil service examiners check the papers, expected to be done in about 10 days.

There were no applicants for the city's fire department, though the contrary had been variously reported. However, it is believed that one or more applicants for the police examinations had been disqualified, because they did not meet weight, age and height requirements.

City council had voted unanimously for the officers on petition from citizens, who pointed out in substance that employment of such officers would increase respect for and cooperation with law enforcement by Negroes, and also place this city in the same category of liberalism and progressiveness of a half hundred or more other cities and towns in ten states now using Negro officers.

SERVICE URGED AS SHAW HOLDS FOUNDER'S RITES

Dr. Dennis Branch of Newport, Tenn., urged Shaw University to "stay in touch with the common man" as he delivered the Founder's Day address Friday morning in University Church.

He referred to the injunction as an ideal of the founder, Dr. Henry Martin Tupper, and averred, "Dr. Tupper would have us serve the common man, not try to be his master."

The speaker alluded to the Latin inscription on the University seal meaning, "For Christ and Humanity," and urged upon his hearers "Love of God and faith in your fellowman."

Prior to the address the annual Founder's Day greetings were delivered by President Robert P. Daniel. The In Memoriam prayer for deceased alumni was offered by Rev. G. E. Cheek, Alumni Secretary. Dean W. R. Strasser of the Shaw School of Religion read the Litany of Commemoration and the closing prayer was given by Rev. G. W. Watkins, also of the School of Religion faculty.

Music for the service, which was furnished by the University Choir under the direction of Harry Gil-Smythe, included a solo by De-

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Supreme Court Is Urged To Enforce Civil Rights

NEW YORK CITY — Seventy-five Negro leaders from 32 states today called upon the U. S. Supreme Court to "uphold the Fourteenth Amendment and enforce the rights of Negro Americans."

The leaders sharply criticized Chief Justice Earl Warren and his associates for their "unconcerned" attitude toward the rights of Negroes.

The leaders called for a "renewed demand of continued executive action by President Truman."

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REV. G. E. CHEEK ELECTED TO HEAD CO-OP LEAGUE

In the annual meeting of the North Carolina Council of Co-Operatives held at Greensboro, the report showed that there are 95 credit unions in North Carolina operated by Negroes.

These unions have assets totaling nearly two million dollars and do a total business of approximately \$10 million dollars annually.

The Executive Board of the Council was elected at the meeting. The Chairman was elected to the position of National Chairman for the credit union in the state.

Officers of the board were elected at the Greensboro meeting. The new board will meet in Raleigh, December 7, to set up goals and chart the course for the year.

The new staff includes: President, W. H. Stallings, Independence; Vice President, Rev. G. W. Watkins, Rock Hill; Secretary, Rev. J. W. Wilson, Edgefield; Treasurer, Rev. H. J. Mitchell, Stanfield; Chairman, and W. H. Stallings, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The Executive Board also includes: Rev. J. F. Taylor, Durham; Chairman, Dr. P. A. Bishop, Winston-Salem; C. W. P. Bishop, Winston-Salem; C. S. W. Bishop, Winston-Salem; Holmes, Raleigh; S. B. Smith, Greensboro; R. E. Jones, Greensboro; J. H. Moore, Jr., Charlotte; Nathaniel Bailey, Gastonia; Rev. J. A. Nimro, Greenville; Dr. P. A. Bishop, Rich Square.

The meeting also elected a \$5,000 civil rights fund and a \$5,000 civil rights program at a mass meeting at the Peoples Community church in Chicago last week. The council recently held a two-day meeting here.

The meeting also elected G. W. Watkins, director of the NNC, chairman of the program to coordinate efforts in the state as well as in the federal government.

In its program to fight for the Negro his constitutional rights, the NNC called for:

1. Prevention of a petition with 5,000,000 signatures from 10,000 churches, labor unions, and women's groups, calling for civil rights. The petition is to be presented to the 81st congress and President Truman, January 1, 1949, when congress opens.

2. A \$100,000 national civil rights radio broadcast and press campaign to be held in 1949, with a \$1 each from 1,000,000 Negro veterans of World War II who fought for first class citizenship, for all regardless of race, creed or color.

3. Demand of continued executive action by President Truman.

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Southern White Faculties Oppose Race Segregation

RICHMOND, Va. — Faculty members in a majority of Southern universities favor removal of racial bars in graduate and professional schools, the results of a survey released here Sunday has revealed.

Ballots were mailed to every member of the faculty of the 11 southern state universities studied by the Southern Conference Educational Fund. Aubrey Williams of Birmingham, Ala., president of the organization, reported, and summarized his announcement as follows:

"The commonly held attitudes toward Negroes are breaking down. There is strong and unmistakable evidence of a growing support in the South for making the Negro a part of the citizenship of the nation."

"It is gratifying to see this fine reaction of our educational leaders. The report was prepared by Dr. James A. Dambrowski of New Or-

leans, La., director of the Southern Conference Educational Fund, at a meeting of the fund's board of directors here Sunday.

On the basis of the replies received, Williams said, 68 percent of the university faculty members favored opening the doors of all graduate schools to Negroes without segregation when the desired courses are not offered by state-supported institutions for Negroes.

He said this plan has already been adopted by the University of Maryland Law School and the University of Arkansas Medical School.

Only 28 per cent of the faculty members voted for the plan for segregated professional schools for Negroes as proposed by the Southern Governors' Conference. Williams said, and three per cent favored other plans for solving the South's problems of providing higher educational facilities for Negro students.

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Maryland Admits Negro Students To Grad School

BALTIMORE, Md. — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People learned Thursday that its testimony had been instrumental in bringing about the decision of the University of Maryland to admit qualified Negro students to its graduate school.

Dr. H. C. Byrd, university president, announced this week that Negro applicants for graduate work will be considered next fall "on a basis of qualification alone" and qualified students accepted "on an integrated basis."

The NAACP position was outlined on October 22 at a hearing granted the Maryland Committee for Equal Educational Opportunity by the Board of Trustees of the University of Maryland. At this meeting NAACP assistant special counsel Frank H. Williams testified that he could find no federal or state law or judicial opinion justifying the existing discriminatory policy against Negroes.

Mr. Williams pointed out that although graduate courses at the University were maintained by the State of Maryland "out of public funds," the courses were not open to Negroes.

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MEMORIAL RITES SCHEDULED FOR HUBERT TOWNS

A Community Memorial Service in memory of the late Hubert Harrison Towns will be held Sunday, December 5, 1948 at 4:00 p. m., in the Auditorium of Crosby-Garfield School. Through this service it is hoped the many friends of Mr. Towns will be given an opportunity to express their admiration for an interest in the things he gave himself to, namely music.

Musical numbers, short addresses of appreciation and an eulogy will be presented. Many organizations and Churches have been invited to share in the program. The public is invited to attend.



AT FUQUAY-VARINA BLAZE — The above picture was taken as firemen battled to control flames which caused more than \$128,000 damage Monday as they destroyed the New Deal Tobacco Warehouse and gutted four nearby homes shown in the foreground. Firemen from Angier, Apex, Dunn, Fort Bragg and Raleigh joined in fighting the fire. Damage to the four homes was estimated at \$1000. Owners of two of them, Mrs. Elsie Balfour and J. D. Elliott, lost all of their belongings. Residents of the other dwellings, however, were able to save most of their clothing and furniture. The explosion of several oil drums in the rear of the warehouse aided in the spread of the blaze. — Photo courtesy of The Raleigh Times.

HEALTH AID NEED OF 95 PERCENT OF NATION IS CITED

WASHINGTON, (ANP) — Declaring that less than five percent of the citizens of the United States of the adequate health facilities and that 40 per cent of the population of the whole country have no local health services at all, the State and Territorial Officers meeting in their second annual conference here this week, stressed the need of providing the nation with public health services adequate enough to reduce sickness to a minimum.

In anticipating the nation's need for hospital resources and services, the Hospital Survey and Construction committee recommended that the law be amended to increase

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