

TWO NEWARK EDITORS SAY POWELL AND SAVORY TRIED TO WRECK PAPER

NEWARK, N. J.—(C)—The dramatic headline, "Herald Lost in Deal To Give Jersey Field to Amsterdam News" appeared in bold type on the first page of the New Jersey News last Saturday, the first issue of the new paper started by Melvin B. Johnson and Oliver W. Brown, former owners of the Newark Herald, which ceased publication two weeks ago when the Amsterdam News, published by the Powell-Savory corporation of New York, Dr. C. B. Powell, president and Dr. P. M. H. Savory, secretary-treasurer, suddenly quit the Newark Herald.

The story in the New Jersey News reads: "In a seemingly 'deal' to eliminate the Newark Herald as a competitor of the New York Amsterdam News, with the ultimate purpose of vesting control of the New Jersey paper in the hands of a New York group, the Fairlawn Press, Inc., of Fairlawn, N. J., suspended publication of The Herald last week, after gaining title of it through foreclosure proceedings on a chattel mortgage."

"Offered \$1,000 in cash by Melvin B. Johnson and Oliver W. Brown, former owners of the Herald, for a clear title to the paper and cancellation of \$1,800 still due on the mortgage, the secretary-manager, Joseph Merola (white), was supposed to have been considering the offer when, without any previous notice, informed Johnson on Saturday, April 23, that the Herald had been purchased by the Amsterdam News."

"But on Monday, April 25, Dr. C. B. Powell, one of the owners of the New York paper, denied to Johnson that his corporation had purchased the Herald, though admitting that it had been offered to them."

"The report that the Herald was used in a 'deal' is based on the action of the New York paper contracting to print at the Fairlawn Press the same week that the publication of the Herald was suspended."

"Guardian Says 'Plot Fail.' Meantime, the week before the appearance of the new paper in Newark, the New Jersey Guardian, edited by Fred R. Clark, 129 West Market street, came out with a startling front page headline—"Paper Plot Fails!"—and a front page editorial in which it said in part:

"This week's newspaper situation in Newark is the biggest

news of the week and all the facts should be made known to the public. The New Jersey Guardian is late coming out but it is not to blame for this lateness. The forces which are to blame are: Joseph G. Merola of the Fairlawn Press, real owner of the Newark Herald which this week died a sudden death. The Amsterdam News which practically took over the Merola's shop in Fairlawn, N. J., and possibly through no fault of its own pushed local papers out of that shop and created the present crisis. . . . Both the Herald and the Guardian have recently been printing in Merola's shop after a several years feud between the white man and the Guardian owner had softened somewhat. When the Guardian went into Merola's plant to print the last few months we will admit we did not sense at that time the plot behind our seeming welcome there. We see it now. We were welcomed like the spider welcomes the fly—to kill it. So it was not until Monday afternoon of this week that the Guardian, through its own reporters, learned the plan was: 1. To print the Amsterdam News in Merola's shop. 2. To suspend the Herald. 3. To catch the Guardian by surprise and force its suspension. Everything worked but the last named plan. . . ."

Boston Paper Says Interracial Marriage "Occur Frequently"

BOSTON—(C)—"Honestly we cannot see any reason for getting hot and bothered over an inter-racial marriage," said the Boston Chronicle, editorially, last week of the Steele case. "They occur frequently and the only news angle, in this instance, is that the white fiancee is related to an ex-vice-president."

MARIAN ANDERSON APPLAUDED AGAIN IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK—(C)—Marian Anderson, contralto, giving her fifth concert in New York this season, and her second at Carnegie hall, Sunday night, was heartily supported by Harlemites, who turned out in full force, "all dolled up" for the occasion. The New York Times said: "There was lavish applause throughout the evening, and Miss Anderson was obliged to sing several encores."

TALLADEGA STUDENT



One of Talladega College's serious students of English is Miss Sadwar Belden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Belden of Wilmington, North Carolina. Miss

PLAN LAW TO SEGREGATE AFRICANS IN THEIR OWN CONTINENT

BULAWAYO, Rhodesia, May 18—A feature of the recent foundation-stone laying ceremonies of David Livingstone memorial building was the principal address by the Prime Minister of Southern Rhodesia, Mr. G. Higgins, who surprised his native hearers by declaring there was time for the country to be divided into separate areas for black and white. It was useless, he said, for Rhodesia or any other British or East African State to attempt to solve this problem alone.

The problem, he said, "is common to us all what any of us do must affect all." He suggested that in native areas, the black man must be allowed to rise to any position he was capable of heading, and "every step of industrial and social pyramid must

Belden is working on a study of placement tests over a five year period in order to discover the chief deficiencies of students entering college.

be open to him, excepting only—and always—the very top. For what can be done, we may point to Uganda; and for what must be avoided we may look to Haiti and Liberia."

The Prime Minister thought that the senior administrative officer should be white, while the native might be his own lawyer, doctor, etc., and in his own area be afforded protection from white competition. Under his plan, in European areas (white), the black man would be welcomed and offered fair wages for his services—as a laborer, providing, "It should be on the understanding that in white areas he should merely assist and not compete with the white man. The policy I suggest enables the races to live side by side to the benefit of both—it will take long years to apply—but a start must be made at once."

"Unless some policy which is similar is put into practice by all rCrown Colonies and Protectorates in which white settlement has been allowed and encouraged in Africa, all will drift into insuperable difficulties."

EVERY NEGRO MAN AND WOMAN MUST REGISTER AND VOTE

Argentina is successfully shipping fruit in refrigerator ships to Europe.

Charles E. Hall Retired From U.S. Department Commerce

(By Riazal B. Lemus for The Carolina Times)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Having reached the statutory retirement age of three score years and ten, Charles E. Hall completed thirty-eight years of continuous service in the Census of the United States Department of Commerce and retired to private life May 9th. When Mr. Hall became attached to the Census Bureau as a civil service employee in 1900 the Department of Commerce had not been established. When he ended his career there last week was filling a position which he had virtually created himself—Specialist on Negro Statistics.

Also retiring along with Mr. Hall was his lifelong friend, T. H. R. Clark. Mr. Clark had been Second Deputy Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia for the last three years. His was a statutory civil service post, and had to be filled mandatorily. Mr. F. H. Payne of Kansas City, Missouri, was named to succeed Mr. Clark, and took office May 6th. Mr. Payne holds from the State and home city of Dr. W. J. Thompkins, the Recorder of Deeds. But will "Charlie" Hall's vacant place be filled or shall his records and papers merely be transferred to the general archives of the Census Bureau? Is the question of much concern to many persons here and hereabouts.

Little more than a year ago there were two colored chiefs in the Commerce department, Mr. Hall and Eugene Kinckle Jones, who was advisor on Negroes to the Secretary of Commerce. Mr. Jones has succeeded James A. Jackson, Hoover ap-

pointee, late in 1936. On June 1, 1937, Mr. Jones resigned to return to his desk as head of the National Urban League in New York City, and his duties were imposed upon Mr. Hall; so that if there is no successor to Hall there would be no colored section chief left in the Commerce department.

Of greater import however, than having a colored section chief in the department is the carrying on of "the Hall tradition." In digging up the facts and making them available, Charles E. Hall has made a lasting contribution toward establishing the potentialities of colored persons as definite entities of our National economy. Only last week it was that a young colored man, palpably prosperous, came to Washington and called upon Mr. Hall. He had gotten a paying post with a Nation-wide business corporation upon convincing them of the potentialities of the "colored market" for their good with statistics gathered and collated by the Census Bureau, Department of Commerce. That was one of a thousand incidents. Not only did "Charlie" Hall make statistics—Census Bureau, Department of Commerce, that was one of a thousand incidents. Not only of his work, in kind, is therefore imperatively essential, from the standpoint of the National welfare, as his part in getting published recently the vital statistics tables of Negroes favorably and truly—attests.

Mr. Hall's future is assured. His wit is yet sharp, his comprehension acute, his step snappy. The doubtful future of his statistical bureau the occasions much concern, nevertheless.

Stark Beauty College Holds 2nd Commencement

(By Wm. C. Raines)

RALEIGH, N. C., The second commencement exercises of the Stark Beauty College will be held May 24-25 which time will mark the beginning of a North Carolina State Negro Beauticians nouncements made by Mrs. WVE Association, according to an announcement made by Mrs. Helen Phipps president of the College. The sessions will be held both day and night at the First Baptist Church at which time all alumnae are asked to attend to

organize an alumnae association. The Starks Beauty College was founded in 1936 by Mrs. Helen Phipps. Coming to Raleigh, after four years of successful business operation in Atlantic City and Richmond Virginia, to respond to an invitation from several of the leading city and state officials. Seeing a demand for a Negro Beauty College in Raleigh, Mrs. Phipps disbanded her activities in Richmond to establish the Starks Beauty College here.



Governor of North Carolina, who was the principal speaker at the Rocky Mount Civic Forum on last Sunday afternoon. Since assuming the office of chief executive of the state, Governor Hoby has done much to prove

that he is the governor of all the people of North Carolina. He is the first governor of the state to ever appear as a guest speaker for an all Negro audience in Eastern North Carolina.

Three Months after the college was established the enrollment grew so fast until it was necessary to organize a board of control, which has as its function, the handling of disciplinary problems of the students, and acts as general advisor to the college.

As the number of Negro Beauticians grew in this state, greater was the demand for a state organization. Mrs. Helen Phipps seeing this demand has done a little work in making plans for this organization. Attempts have been made to contact every Negro Beautician, apprentice, and cosmetologist in this state, impressing upon them the need of an organization.

The members of the Board of Control consist of eight prominent citizens of the city with Dr. John O. Plummer as president. The Starks Beauty College, yet youngest in age in this state, has grown to rank first in meeting the state requirements. Since its beginning, the College has turned out Seventy gradu-

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