

# Yankeecrats Snub Judge Waring



**AWAIT NEWS:** Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Holden, parents of a baby girl kidnapped from a New York hospital incubator, await news of the nationwide search for the child reportedly spirited away by a woman whom police and the FBI have tracked to Virginia.

## Oxford To Act As Host Ushers Mid-Year Session

OXFORD — Over 1,000 ushers and visitors will journey here Sunday, April 16th for the 26th annual Mid-year session of the North Carolina Interdenominational Ushers Association.

The meeting will be held in the auditorium of the Oxford Colored Orphanage and according to Superintendent T. A. Hamme, everything is in readiness to entertain the host of visitors that will be on hand.

The Mid-year session of the Ushers Association is held each year, the Sunday after Easter, at which time reports of the various Ushers Unions for the Orphanage and the education of worthy students are received.

The North Carolina Interdenominational Ushers Association was one of the first statewide organizations to institute an annual program of financial support for the orphanage. This year's visit will give representatives of the group ample opportunity to witness first hand some of the fruits of their labor, including the new boy's dormitory for which the organ-

tion assisted in providing funds.

In addition to the regular routine of the Mid-year meeting, the famous McCoy singers, that are heard each Sunday over station WTKR, will be guests of the meeting and will sing several numbers.

### Average Male Lives 58.1 Years

WASHINGTON — The average Negro male in the United States now lives to reach an age of approximately 58.1 years, according to a report made public here last week by the public health service. And Negro women on the average reach an age of 62 1-2 years.

These figures are based on 1948 death rates. As compared with whites, the average longevity of Negroes is lower. White males, while not as yet attaining the biblical three score and ten, boast an average span of 65 1-2 years. With white women, the figure sets at 71 years.

## White Man Faces Loss Of Property For Eating With Negroes

By VERNON JARRETT  
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Here in the Yankee city of Chicago, a white man who invited Negroes to his new home for a social evening faces the loss of his property.

The Colonial Savings and Loan Association, which holds a \$7,000 mortgage on the two-flat home of Aaron Bindman, Jewish labor leader, last week asked the Superior Court to foreclose the loan.

Last November Bindman invited several Negro members of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union to his home to meet a labor guest from Hawaii. A few hours later thousands of hysterical whites gathered in front of his house demand that he order the Negroes out.

Bindman had just moved into the predominantly Irish Catholic community and it was rumored that the Negroes seen entering his home were going to buy the place. His life was threatened along with those of his wife and co-owner of the house, William Sennett, his wife and children. News spread

through the community that Bindman was an avowed "Communist."

Attacks on Jews and persons believed to be "Jewish Communists" and "N-r lovers" broke out. More than 37 were arrested during three days of turmoil. Every single defendant has been freed in highly critical and "biased" court decisions.

The loan company said in its suits that 10 insurance companies in the county either had refused insurance or had cancelled policies on the property. The company asked that Bindman and Sennett pay off the \$7,000 mortgage or give up possession for a receiver to sell the property.

The only positive court action stemming from the November race riot is the freeing of 11 white persons who were attacked by the mob. Some of the eleven were friends of Bindman and were enroute to his aid.

Attorneys for the defendants won a change of judges from Judge Joseph H. McGarry. They felt he would not give them a fair trial in view of his "liberal" attitude toward those charged with launching the riot.

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# Walter White Withdraws NAACP Resignation

## Feels Heartbound To Organization

NEW YORK — It was disclosed here this week that Walter White has withdrawn his resignation as Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. A release from the New York office of the Association disclosed that the letter in which Mr. White withdrew his resignation was tendered March 10.

"After careful deliberation I have decided to withdraw my resignation submitted in 1949 as secretary of the NAACP. I take this step for the following reasons.

"I feel able to withdraw my resignation because I have been informed by Dr. Arthur Master that my health has improved to such an extent that, although I have a coronary condition, my present problem is more neurogenic than coronary. He states that if I will lead a 'sensible life' so far as work is concerned I can count on a number of years of continued active life.

"I have discovered also that I am heartbound to the Association. Although I have been flattered and perhaps even tempted by several offers of positions more lucrative and less taxing than my work with the NAACP, I find myself unable to accept or consider another kind of life.

"During recent months I have received numerous inquiries as to whether or not I will resume my work with the NAACP upon the completion of my leave of absence. This is my answer—if it pleases the Board and membership of the NAACP, I hope to continue on the job for as long as my strength and ability endure.

"It is my firm conviction, to paraphrase the statement of a greater fighter for the Negro's cause, 'The NAACP is the ship, all else is the sea' in the forty-year fight for human freedom which countless thousands of Americans, living and dead, have struggled to win."

## Retires



Mrs. Bessie S. Gilmer, beloved church, business and civic leader of Durham whose retirement as interviewer in the office of the North Carolina Employment Agency was recently announced here. Mrs. Gilmer was retired on March 31 after serving with the agency for 15 years. During her years in Durham she has served as superintendent of St. Joseph A. M. E. Sunday School and secretary of the Trustee Board. At present she is assistant secretary of the Rho chapter of Iota Phi Lambda sorority.

## NAACP Joins In Protest Against Seretse Exile

NEW YORK — The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People this week accepted an invitation to join the Seretse Khama Fighting Committee, a group organized in London to fight for reversal of the British government's decision to ban Chief Seretse from Bechuanaland, where he heads the Bamangwato tribe.

Expressing the "outraged" feeling of the NAACP at the ruling in the case, Roy Wilkins, acting NAACP secretary, wrote Nii Odoi Annan, joint secretary of the Committee, that the Association is with the fighting group "in spirit."

At a recent mass meeting, the Committee adopted resolutions denouncing Seretse's exile as "a flagrant violation of civil liberties," and asserted that in banning the chief from his tribe, "the British Government seems to have bowed to the racist doctrines of the Governments of the Union of South Africa and Southern Rhodesia, on an issue which goes to the root of relations between black and white within the Commonwealth." Chief Seretse was exiled following his marriage to a white Britisher.

The Committee further accused the British Government of "in effect weakening the cohesion of the tribe, thereby opening the way to incorporation by the Union of South Africa."

## Precinct Judge



Louis Jones, well-known labor leader of Durham who has recently been appointed judge of the Hillside School precinct. Mr. Jones is the first member of his race to receive an appointment as precinct judge in Durham.

## McCoy Singers On Ushers Mid-Year Program



The above group is the famous McCoy Singers heard every Sunday morning at 10:15 over station WTKR. The McCoy Singers will be heard at the Ushers Mid-Year Session when it meets in Oxford Sunday. The chorus is under the direction of Mrs. Annie McCoy.

## NFA Holds Meet At Caswell County Training School

YANCEYVILLE — On April 3 the New Farmers of America along with the Vocational Agricultural Instructor and Principal of the Caswell County Training School played host to N. F. A. members and Agricultural Instructors from all eight schools in the Dudley Federation of New Farmers of America. This Federation is held each year to pick winners in the elimination contests to represent the Federation in the Annual State Meeting held in Greensboro.

Over two hundred boys represented the eight schools in Caswell, Rockingham, Forsyth, Alamance and Guilford Counties. These boys participated in the activities: public speaking, quiz, quartette singing, talent, officers' ability, darts, chinese checkers, spanish checkers, horse shoe pitching and shop. N. L. Dillard, Principal of the Caswell County Training School gave the welcome address which everyone enjoyed.

Holland McSwain, Superintendent of Public Schools in Caswell County attended the evening session and gave the boys a very inspiring address.

## CIO Files Brief With United States Supreme Court

WASHINGTON — Acting as a "friend of the court," the CIO filed a brief with the U. S. Supreme Court last Tuesday, calling for invalidation of compulsory racial segregation regulations at the University of Oklahoma on grounds that they violated the 14th Amendment of the constitution.

The CIO brief, signed by General Counsel Arthur Goldberg, was filed in the case of G. W. McLaurin against the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the Board of Regents of University of Oklahoma.

"The issue . . . is whether a state may under the provisions of the 14th Amendment, compel the practice of segregation (Please turn to Page Eight)

# Asks Governor To Probe Race Bias In Oxford, Pa.

NEW YORK — Governor James H. Duff of Pennsylvania was today urged to institute a special grand jury investigation of violation of civil rights in Oxford, where members of the Lincoln University chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People have been conducting a campaign to break down racial barriers in the theaters, restaurants and other places of public accommodation.

In a letter to the Governor, Mrs. Ruby Hurley, NAACP youth secretary, charged that the efforts of the Lincoln students "to secure equality of treatment have been frustrated by the restaurant and theater owners with the active and open cooperation of local police and law enforcement authorities."

The present student body, Mrs. Hurley's letter pointed out, is composed largely of veterans who "are determined to secure (Please turn to Page Eight)

## Two Negroes Sue American Airlines For Cafe Color Bar

WASHINGTON — Two \$10,000 damage suits were filed against American Airlines, Inc., and Sky Chefs, Inc., in another court test of Dixie transportation Jim Crow.

The plaintiffs are Elmer W. Henderson, a member of the Roosevelt Fair Employment Practices Committee in 1949, and John E. Myles, Jr., a government physicist and graduate of the University of Indiana Graduate School of Physics.

The plaintiffs charge they were refused service at an airport restaurant in Covington, Ky., one the night of October 30, 1949. The complaint charges they were returning to Washington by way of the Greater Cincinnati Airport at Covington on an American Airlines return ticket, but the flight was delayed. All passengers were given cards entitling them to a meal in Sky Chefs, a restaurant concession at the airport.

However, they were denied service because of color, the suit states. They said they were not permitted in the place. The complaint said they were "subjected to great humiliation and inconvenience and were grossly insulted."

The plaintiffs have asked a permanent injunction restraining the airlines and restaurant from continuing racial segregation. (Please turn to Page Eight)

## Chicago Jurists Give Cold Shoulder To Testimonial

By VERNON JARRETT  
CHICAGO

South's Carolina's fighting Judge J. Waties Waring was treated like poison ivy by Chicago's 101 judges here last week.

Every judge residing in Cook County was given a special invitation to attend a luncheon honoring the man who banned the all-white primary in South Carolina. Not a single one showed up. Among the absent were the city's two Negro municipal court judges.

Judge Waring took the snub good-naturedly. "It much worse back home," he chuckled. "Not a single white neighbor, including relatives or fellow judge, has visited my home in Charleston since the all-white primary was banned," he mused.

However, the cold shoulder treatment embarrassed leaders of the Cook County Bar Association—which embraces the city's Negro lawyers—and the local Chapter of the National Lawyers' Guild. The two groups sponsored the luncheon. Judge Waring is a prominent member of the Guild.

"We gave this luncheon to show this great man that he does have friends and supporters among members of his profession in the North," said Atty. Sidney A. Jones, Jr., president of the Negro bar group. Atty. Jones said a few judges had written "nice letters" explaining why they couldn't make the luncheon, but he couldn't explain for the rest. "All I know is they were invited, and the affair was given in a downtown hotel, which should have made it convenient for some of them to attend," he added.

Regardless, 200 leading Negro and white lawyers went with the luncheon and heard the Dixie progressive blast the "gradual" approach to the race question.

Later, he addressed 1,000 on Chicago's Southside at Tabernacle Baptist church, where he was introduced by Urban League Secretary Sidney Williams,

a fellow South Carolinian.

The 69-year-old judge told his Negro audience "segregation never will be broken down through lectures and sermons," and that "Negroes in the north could do more to help us in the Southland."

"I believe in force," he stressed. "Not necessarily the force of bayonets and machine guns, but the force of every court in the land, the Federal government, the executive power of the President of the United States, the force of law enforcement authorities and the collective force of all right thinking people."

"In fact, I have decided to postpone my vacation until after the primary election to make sure my court order is carried out," he revealed.

South Carolina elections face contempt of court charges if they do not permit Negroes to register and vote in the Democratic primary next week.

As to judges who permit racism to hand down their decisions, the man from South Carolina had this to say: "Any judge influenced by race prejudice, religious hate or racial superiority is a traitor to the U. S. Constitution, a traitor to his country, and a traitor to human decency."

That statement brought thunderous applause from the audience. Chicago judges have been accused of Dixie-like prejudices in handing down decisions involving racial flare-ups on the South Side housing front over the past four years.

Both the jurist and his wife said they don't see themselves as making a statement that they let loose in advance that progress in the South cannot be made without some sacrifice.

## Prof. Boulware To Address Chain Meet

The Durham Business and Professional Chain is rendering a panel discussion at its regular meeting Sunday, April 16, at the Algonquin Club House at 5 p. m.

The public, Chain members and interested business people are urged to attend because the Chain wants you to enter into a discussion led by C. E. Boulware, entitled "The Problems of Growth in Business."

Please feel free to attend and help us to discuss the topic.

## Army Continues Fight On Race Segregation

WASHINGTON — The third linke in the chain toward complete integration of Negroes into the army was forged here last Saturday when a teletype order from Army Sec'y Gordon Gray, ordering the removal of all racial quotas, went into effect. The message, signed by Adjutant General Witsell, was dispatched to the commanders of the 11 major army areas.

Dated March 27, it read in part: "Effective with the month of April, all enlistments in the army with overall recruiting quotas will be open to qualified applicants without regard to race or color." The April male recruiting quota is 10,051.

As it presently stands, the army has opened training schools to all qualified personnel, an action taken last fall; and revised its utilization policy, permitting qualified Negro technical personnel to be assigned to overhead units, wherever vacancies occur. The latter move was made last January 16.