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## Methodists Vote to Work for Integration of Churches

CLEVELAND, O. (ANP). A resolution calling for work towards the complete integration of Negro members and Negro churches into the Methodist movement was passed here Friday by the Assembly of the Methodist Woman's Society of Christian Service.

This resolution passed the as-

### APA Speaker



DR. A. WAYMAN WARD

Dr. A. Wayman Ward of Chicago will be the speaker when Beta Beta chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity observes its 23rd anniversary Sunday, May 7. High point of the occasion will be a public program to be held in Love Library auditorium on the university campus at 3 p. m. The chapter was organized in 1927 and has operated continuously since then except for a time during World War II. John C. Foster, president of the group, says that a good crowd is expected on the occasion.

Dr. Ward attended the University of Denver from 1907-11, where he won his A.B. degree. The following three years he spent at Wilberforce university, Wilberforce, O., where he became a member of the fraternity and where he received his B.D. degree in 1914. Then he attended Yale in 1914 and in 1915 was awarded his S.T.M. In 1926, Wilberforce awarded him his D.D. degree.

Long a leading figure in the AME church, Dr. Ward began his ministry in our neighboring state of Colorado and was active in organizing the NAACP there. He is a charter member of the Colorado Springs Y.M.C.A. In Chicago he is the director of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago and is active in civic affairs there. Sunday he will talk on the subject, "World Minded."

Dr. Ward will also deliver the sermon at Quinn Chapel AME church, 9th and C streets at 11 a. m. Sunday.

### Honor Roll

The following are some of those who are New Subscribers or have renewed their subscription to THE VOICE.

- Rev. Stevens Davis, Fairview, Kas.
- Mrs. Leona Brown, Springfield, Mass.
- Mrs. Elsa Anderson.
- Mrs. L. Corrol Unland.
- Mrs. Lenorab Letcher.
- Mrs. Woody Cooper.
- Mrs. M. B. Denton.
- Mrs. Vera Gimblin.
- Mr. McKinley Tarpley, sr.

### Alfonso Pearson Dies

Alfonso Pearson, 55, of 2235 T, died Monday. Surviving are a son, M. J. of Los Angeles and a daughter, Mrs. Lois Hamilton of St. Joseph, Mo. Umbergers.

sembly of the whole after certain Negro elements voiced their opinions that the ending of the Negro jurisdiction in the church meant the end of Negro influence in the church.

The largest of five discussion sections presented it to the whole group after three days of discussion in the meeting held at the Music hall. The resolution called upon "Methodist women to work with forthright conviction and courage" on the following points:

1. Increase efforts in the planning of programs, institutes, discussions, studies, and other activities on the local level to bring Methodist women of various races and cultural backgrounds together for work on common problems and needs, and by building a sound basis for friendship and Christian fellowship in our own community on the local level.

2. Continuing with greater emphasis the sharing of district conferences and jurisdictional leadership training opportunities across racial lines in conference and jurisdictions.

3. Adoption of memorials and resolutions by jurisdiction, conference, district, and local groups that will call upon the general conference of the Methodist church to work with greater speed to rid itself of the sin of segregation in its total organizational structure.

4. Ask women locally to send in recommendations to the general conference meeting in 1952 at San Francisco.

### Courier First Negro Sponsor Of Town Meet

By Mildren Jovien

PITTSBURGH. (ANP). One of the most historic "Town Meeting of the Air" programs was held last week on the topic, "What effect do our race relations have on our foreign relations?" It was historic because for the first time in the program's existence, a Negro organization, the Pittsburgh Courier, sponsored it.

Among persons present to welcome the show were Mayor David L. Lawrence, Mrs. Robert L. Vann, president and publisher of the Courier and general chairman of the event, and other local leaders of both races.

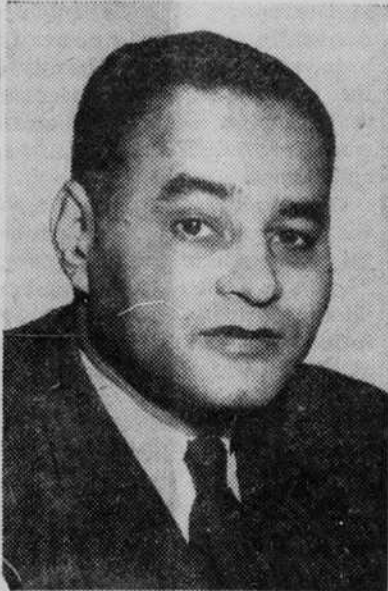
Dr. Charles S. Johnson, president of Fisk university, discussed the problem from the viewpoint that America was not moving fast enough toward equal rights for all, and Rep. Brooks Hays, of Arkansas, said the nation is sincerely working to remedy the situation. He said they differed in the degree of improvement desired.

As usual George V. Denny, jr., originator of the program, moderated. After the program Denny gave a short talk in which he said, "We must keep our minds free of prejudice, intolerance and personal bias. We must cultivate the habit of listening to both sides of the problem. And each of us must become active in his own community and serve with integrity."

"The greatest mobilization we need today is in the war against ignorance and prejudice."

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## Guarantee Justice Says Harvard Law Dean



DR. RALPH BUNCHE

### Bunche's Bust To NCF; Here On May 8th

By Gladys P. Graham.

NEW YORK. (ANP). The cycle of sculptured stone likenesses of 12 distinguished Negro Americans, begun two years ago by Sculptress Ruth Brall, was completed here recently when the life bust of Dr. Ralph Johnson Bunche, director of the UN trusteeship division, was unveiled at ceremonies honoring the intrepid mediator of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Miss Brall's project of fashioning in stone the likenesses of prominent Negroes was a personal contribution against bias in democracy.

The bust was formerly presented to the United Negro college fund by Dr. Reginald E. Gillmore, vice president of Sperry corporation. Dr. Bunche told the interracial audience gathered for the ceremonies that he was "greatly impressed with the foresight of the individuals making the presentation possible." He said further that UNCF was performing a "great service to make opportunities possible for those of the population denied because of discriminatory practices in a democracy."

Receiving the bust for the fund was William Trent.

Dr. Bunche will be speaker at a convocation to be held at the University of Nebraska on May 8, according to a recent announcement.

### Negro Statistics On The Voice Of America B'cast

NEW YORK. (ANP). The Voice of America is using the positive side of American race relations to influence other nations, particularly in Africa. One recent program pointed out that 80,000 or almost 10 percent of all government employees are Negroes representing the national population percentages—55,000 Negroes are teachers—25,000 are ministers—nearly 4,000 are doctors—6,000 are nurses—1,200 are lawyers and judges—91 Negroes are listed in "Who's Who in America"—"American Men of Science" lists 77—26 have been elected to congress—two are in congress today—33 are members of state legislatures.

Dr. Roscoe Pound, dean of the Harvard Law school and one of Lincoln's most distinguished native sons, returned last week to his home town to deliver a series of lectures at the University of Nebraska, where he once headed the Law college. At a luncheon sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce public affairs committee, Tuesday, Dean Pound said that until the world has developed an atmosphere in which its people have an understanding of what civilized life demands, we cannot expect to develop a universal political organization with a world constitution and world law. Here in the United States, he pointed out, there are states where some of the people are not given their civil liberties which are guaranteed by our constitution. "When these people go to the courts," he said, "they are not given their guaranteed rights. He called for "improvement" in those regions which would make up a world government.

"We need an atmosphere of humans united in common understanding and a feeling of justice. If there is not general agreement on justice as the end of the law, the law proves futile.

At the luncheon, Dr. Pound was presented with an honorary life membership in the Chamber of Commerce, which was presented by Earl Cline, master of ceremonies.

### Lift Racial Bar

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (AP). The Florida Medical association changed its by-laws Wednesday to permit Negro members for the first time in the 76-year history of the medical group.

### Kentucky Schools Dropping Race Bars, L.M.C. to Close; NCHE Moves to End Biases

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (ANP). The University of Louisville will admit Negroes to all graduate divisions during the 1950-'51 school year, and to all schools, graduate and undergraduate, the following year.

The school's board of trustees voted unanimously to take this action last week. It also voted to close Louisville Municipal College, its all-Negro adjunct after the 1950-'51 school year. It has notified the members of the faculty that their services are no longer needed.

### Given Permit For Parade

Willard Townsend, democratic county chairman, was given permission by the city council Monday to stage a parade here next Monday in honor of the coming of President Truman. The parade will wind up at the Burlington station at 4:45 p. m. in ample time to arrange proper formation before the presidential train comes to a stop at 5:05 p. m.

The parade will form, Townsend said, in 15th street, moving into O and west along the main thoroughfare to 9th, thence north to Q and west to the Burlington. It will consist, the chairman said, of bands and dignitaries.

"Contrary to printed word, this will be the president's first major speech on the trip," he said.

Townsend was asked to confer with Public Safety Director Ray Osborn and Police Chief Joseph Carroll over parade details.

Courtesy Lincoln State Journal.

### Cited



FREDDIE POWELL.

Freddie Powell, daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Powell, received honors Tuesday, at the University of Nebraska's Twenty-second annual honors convocation. Miss Powell is a student nurse at the University School of Nursing in Omaha.

In taking this action, the university added its name to the growing list of Kentucky colleges opening their doors to colored students since the amending of the state's Day law to allow Negroes to attend college with whites.

Other schools already having taken this action include Berea College and three Catholic colleges, Nazareth and Ursuline Colleges for girls, and Bellarmine College for boys, which will admit Negroes to all departments. The state school has ten Negro students enrolled in its graduate departments, and one undergraduate who is taking a course not taught at the Jim Crow Kentucky State College for Negroes.

CHICAGO. (ANP). A resolution demanding "positive steps be taken to eradicate racial barriers" to college education was passed here last week by the fifth annual National Conference on Higher Education, meeting at the Congress hotel.

More than fifty Negro delegates were among the 950 persons attending.