

## Drop Course to Keep Out Negroes

ST. LOUIS—(ANP)—The intentions of the St. Louis board of education to maintain its pattern of jimerow in public schools received a boost this week when a circuit court dismissed a Negro suit for equal education.

Reason for the dismissal of the suit was that the city had closed down the course in question rather than teach it to both whites and Negroes.

The case involved the white Hadley technical high in which white students were learning aero-mechanics, a course not taught at the Negro Washington tech.

Two brothers, both Negroes, Wesley H. and Wilbert R. Brewton, wanted to take the course and sued for entrance. The Circuit court last year ruled in their favor ordering the school board either to admit them to the white classes or set up a similar course at the Negro school.

The Missouri Supreme court upheld this decision ordering Wesley to go because he was qualified. The court also was notified that Hadley had dropped the course, so remanded it to Judge Robert L. Aronson with orders to dismiss the suit if the subject was no longer taught.

Philip J. Hickey, superintendent of instruction, did order the course dropped, giving no reason, and Judge Aronson had no other course to take but dismiss the action. Equipment for the course has been stored.

## 'Alpha' Groups in Joint Meet In Twin K. C.'s Dec. 27-30

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (ANP). Three national Greek letter organizations—Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternities—will hold a joint convention in the Twin Cities here Dec. 27-30.

The opening meeting will be held in Memorial hall in Kansas City, Kas. Business sessions will convene in exhibition hall of Municipal auditorium on the Missouri side.

Presidents of the three fraternal groups will be featured speakers at a joint public program in Memorial hall under the convention theme of "Present World Problems and How We Can Meet the Challenge." Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace of Cincinnati, AKA grand basileus, will speak on "Our Role in This Crucial Period." Belford V. Lawson of Washington, Alpha Phi prexy, will touch on "World Citizenship" and J. Ernest Wilkins of Chicago, the Kappa grand polemarch, on "Economic Freedom."

At another joint session, Elmer Henderson of Washington, executive director, American Council on Human rights, will make his annual report. The council is a joint project of seven Greek letter

groups—Alpha Kappa, AKA, Phi Beta Sigma fraternity and the Delta Sigma Theta-Sigma Gamma Rho and Zeta Phi Beta sororities.

In Municipal auditorium, the AKAs will honor their 12 past national presidents at a sorority banquet on Dec. 30. Each of the former presidents will be presented a special pin—different from the regular sorority emblem—which has been designed in their honor.

A feature of this program will be a moment of silent prayer offered in memory of the late Mrs. Ethel Hedgeman Lyle, founder and honorary basileus of the sorority. She died Nov. 28 in Philadelphia.

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