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Pool Boycotted By Delegates At Conference

LAKE JUNALUSKA, S. C. (ANP)—Because a Negro girl was refused permission to swim here, most of the delegates attending a Methodist leadership conference of college students refrained from swimming themselves.

Despite an appeal by Miss Vivien Tostell, Lakeland, Fla., the lone colored girl, urging the group to reconsider its decision, most of the delegates stood by their decision.

The group previously had adopted a resolution by a vote of 250-12 not to use the Methodist Assembly's swimming facilities until the ban on inter-racial swimming was lifted.

Assembly officials probably will not take any official action on the resolution since rules and regulations here are laid down by the church.

In attempting to get the delegates to take advantage of the facilities during the 90-degree weather, Miss Tostell said:

"It would be a shame for you to deny yourselves swimming privileges just because of me, and besides, I can't swim."

The resolution said in part: "The regulation is a source of embarrassment to us, especially when the youth of other countries meet with us to study Christian beliefs and world brotherhood."

Owen Troy Is First Negro Th.D. From U. of S. Calif.

LOS ANGELES—(ANP)—Owen Austin Troy of Pasadena, western official of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination recently received the degree of doctor of theology at the 69th annual commencement of the University of Southern California.

He did his concentration in the field of church administration, preaching and pastoral counseling under the faculty of the School of Religion of USC. His doctoral dissertation was on "The Financial System of the Seventh-day Adventist Church: An Evaluation of the Factors Entering Into the Adoption and Practice of Tithing."

A member of the Pi Epsilon Theta graduate scholastic fraternity, Dr. Troy obtained his master's degree from the University of Chicago, and did his undergraduate work at Pacific Union college.

Dr. Troy is the sixth candidate and first of his race to receive the Th.D. degree from USC.

As departmental secretary of the Pacific Union Conference with offices in Glendale, Dr. Troy's field of responsibility includes California, Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Hawaii. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Riverside Sanatorium and Hospital at Nashville, Tenn., and the Oakwood College in Alabama.

A native of California, he is married to the former Ruby Bontemps, a daughter of early California settlers. Mrs. Troy is a former school teacher and sister of the noted author and librarian of Fisk university, Arna Bontemps.

The first oil pipe line was of wood construction, five miles long, and had a capacity of 800 barrels daily.

Ether is produced by distillation of alcohol with sulphuric acid.

Nurses Graduate



MISS MARTHA J. HAMMONDS

Joseph Burden, Boilerman, Dies

Joseph Burden, 68, of 840 No. 25th, died Wednesday, possibly as a result of excessive heat.

A boiler maintenance man at Nebraska Light and Power, Mr. Burden died in a locker room there. He reportedly had not felt well and was preparing to go home when he was stricken.

Deputy Sheriff Mark Meyers, acting as coroner, said that death apparently was from overheating.

Mr. Burden had lived in Lincoln since 1914, being employed by Nebraska Light and Power since 1918. He was born near Dorchester.

Surviving are a son, Herschel of Lincoln; three brothers, Frank, John and William, all of Lincoln; and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Davis of Lincoln and Mrs. Martha Pickens of Pasadena, Calif.

Funeral services were held Monday at 1 p.m., at Quinn Chapel

Negro Nurses' Problems Have Not Been Solved

ATLANTIC CITY (ANP)—The American Nurses Association which has proven one of the foremost national professional organizations in standing for human rights, is still battling to raise the status of Negro nurses.

In its annual meeting in Atlantic City recently, despite the fact that the ANA was engaged in arranging the merger of the four national organizations in nursing into only two groups for the future, it found time to consider the employment difficulties faced by Negro nurses.

Establishing a precedent which is being slowly followed by the American Medical Association and to a lesser extent by the American Dental Association, the ANA in 1946, adopted a program which removed all racial barriers to membership in the association. This was followed two years ago by the disbanding of the separate National Colored Graduate Nurses Association because Negro nurses now may join the ANA no matter where they live and practice.

PROBLEMS UNSOLVED

The fact that they have been admitted to membership, however, has not solved all of the problems of the Negro nurses. In many areas they have not been accepted in municipal and state jobs on any basis which could be called equal. Neither have many private hospitals broken down the bars completely.

The Voice is happy and proud to announce that among the 17 seniors to be graduated from Bryan Memorial Hospital School of Nursing August 17th, are Miss Ada E. Coffey and Miss Martha J. Hammonds, who entered the school on scholarships provided by The Voice Newspaper.

The scholarships were made possible by the sale of the Voice Cook Book.

It was in the fall of 1948 that the Voice Cook Book got under way and The Voice nursing scholarships were announced. Lincoln housewives, sixty of them, contributed their favorite family recipes. After hours of compilation and editing, the first books were ready for Christmas. The idea of getting something for your money and at the same time helping a cause caught hold. The profits went into a special scholarship fund. It ended up being a real co-operative community venture.

Thus it is with a good deal of appreciation to a progressive community spirit on the part of private citizens, churchmen, businessmen and the Bryan Memorial hospital administration that we can look forward to a future where deserving girls, without regard to race, may learn together to serve all mankind through the administration of the healing art of nursing.

Miss Coffey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Coffey Sr., of 1518 North 7th St., Kansas City, Kansas.

Miss Hammonds is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hammonds of 2517 Parker Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Church with the Rev. J. B. Brooks and Lebanon Masonic Order Number Three officiating.

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MISS ADA E. COFFEY

GOP Convention Workers Named

WASHINGTON—Operating the Republican National Convention on a broadened policy of racial integration, Walter S. Hallahan announced last week the appointment of one assistant doorkeeper and one assistant sergeant-at-arms.

The assistant doorkeeper is James T. Sutton of Maryland and the assistant sergeant-at-arms is Tomlin Campbell of Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Lena Washington of Los Angeles established a "first" by being named to a fourteen-member staff of assistant secretaries at the Republican National Convention which opens on July 7.

Announcement of the appointment was made by Mrs. Katherine G. Howard, secretary of the convention and secretary of the National Committee.

In previous conventions "honorary" titles have been awarded to Negroes. But in Mrs. Washington's case, "it calls for active work every day," according to Mrs. Howard.

"She will be on the platform with me," Mrs. Howard explained with enthusiasm, "and read motions or do any other secretarial work that might be needed."

Mrs. Washington was recommended by California's National Committeeman McIntyre Sayre.

Our Honor Roll

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

HOW DOES YOUR SUBSCRIPTION STAND?

Miss Gertrude Beers
Rev. Richard D. Nutt
Miss Ruth Shinn
Mrs. Clyde Coulter
Mr. A. E. Simms
Mrs. Jean Stevenson
Mrs. Otis Washington, Beatrice, Nebr.

Mr. Arthur Patrick
Rev. R. H. Powell
Mrs. Lenora Letcher
Mrs. James Fuller
Mr. Harold Stith, Oakland
Mr. Earl Dyer, Jr.
Mr. Forrest Shores, Greeley, Colo.

Mr. John C. Miller, Nebraska City, Nebr.

Mr. O. M. Travis, Montrella, Ky.
Miss Mary L. Jeffery
Mrs. J. B. Bonds
Mr. R. T. Malone
Mrs. L. W. Horne
Mrs. G. B. Evans
Mrs. Virginia Beck, Grand Island, Nebr.

43rd Annual Convention of NAACP Held

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (ANP)—A stepped-up legal fight against segregation on transportation facilities and recreational sites was revealed last week as the major area of concentration for the NAACP for the next year.

Speaking at the 43rd annual convention of the NAACP which met here last week, Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the association, said, however, that this shift in policy does not mean that suits will not be filed in other areas where violations of civil rights occur.

Besides Marshall, other noted persons who addressed the week-long meeting, were:

Walter White, executive secretary of the NAACP; Clarence Mitchell, director of the NAACP Washington bureau; Roy Wilkins, NAACP administrator; Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers Union, CIO, and Kenneth Morland, an anthropologist at William and Mary college.

Marshall said the NAACP intends to rest for the time being on public school cases pending in the courts and on other precedent test cases. He had reference to two school cases—Topeka, Kan., and Clarendon county, S. C. — which the U. S. Supreme court has agreed to review. Both were appealed by the NAACP.

The shift of emphasis in the fight against segregation from school systems to the recreation and transportation fields came after a meeting of the association's legal staff.

On the eve of the convention, White had accused both Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and Sen. Robert Taft, leading candidates for nomination for the presidency, of hedging on civil rights. He also said that only W. Averill Harriman of the Democratic candidates had taken a strong stand on civil rights. He indicated that Adlai Stevenson, governor of Illinois, might be acceptable to the NAACP.

Reuther in discussing civil rights at a press conference, said that a presidential candidate running on the Fair Deal platform, with hard-hitting civil rights planks, can win the fall election.

He told newsmen such a civil rights program should provide for federal enforcing powers that will tell the world America believes in equal opportunities for all of its citizens.

The union leader, a member of the NAACP board of directors, presented a \$5,000 check to the organization from a special civil rights fund of the UAW. He also presented \$1,000 from a Committee of 100, a group which aids the NAACP financially in court cases.

Fisk University Plans 9th Race Relations Institute

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — The ninth annual Race Relations Institute, conducted by the Race Relations Department of the American Missionary Association at Fisk University, will be held June 30 through July 12.

The concern for these two-week seminar and workshop discussions will be "Human Relations in World Crisis," in which one hundred community leaders from thirty-three states and thirty-seven lecture-consultants will participate.