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WILL NEGRO GET INTO TENNESSEE U

Memphis. — A ruling on whether the University of Tennessee should admit William B. Redmond, 2nd, to its school of pharmacy will be handed down probably on April 5th by Chancellor L. D. Bejach.

Argument on the suit of Mr. Redmond was heard here in the chancery court March 22. Redmond was represented by Charles H. Houston, special counsel of the N.A.A.C.P. in New York; Z. Alexander Looby, of Nashville; and Leon A. Ransom, of Washington. Counsel for the university was Edwin F. Hunt and W. C. Cook, assistant attorneys general.

Redmond's chief contention is that his rights as a citizen under the 14th Amendment are being denied by the State of Tennessee when it furnishes professional training for white students in pharmacy, dentistry, medicine, etc., and fails to furnish similar training for Negro students.

In reply, the lawyers for the university contended that Tennessee was being fair to both races in its educational program and was providing the kind of education "best suited to the two races." The plain implication is that Tennessee believes certain types of education suited to white people and certain other types suited to Negroes.

The court room corridors were crowded all day and the case was the subject of wide newspaper comment in Memphis and throughout the Central South. A fifteen-minute radio broadcast explaining the case and the activities of the N.A.A.C.P. was given by Mr. Houston Tuesday night, March 23 over station WNBZ, Memphis, through the courtesy of the Hays Funeral Home, a colored firm. The donation was made by Taylor Hays.

Numerous meetings of Negro students have been held in Memphis and Nashville and already plans are under way by the young people to lend every support to the case and to prepare a new case if this one should be sidetracked or lost on a technicality. The enthusiasm is high.

The state brought up a technical argument that the application of Red-

HIGHLY RESPECTED RESIDENT PASSES

Mrs. Lavinia Chandler was Lifelong Resident of Fort Erie.

On 17th February funeral services were held for Mrs. Lavinia Chandler, well known and highly respected colored resident of Fort Erie. Mrs. Chandler died on Monday following an attack of pneumonia.

Mrs. Chandler was 76 years of age, although many acquaintance believed her to be in the 80's. She spent her entire life in Fort Erie, being the daughter of escaped slaves who settled here prior to the civil war in the United States. She resided on Lavinia street.

Her husband, the late John Chandler, who died 28 years ago, was a veteran of the civil war and took part in the Battle of Gettysburg. During the fighting his left arm was shot away. As the result of his wound he received a pension from the United States government, and after his death this was continued to his widow.

Mrs. Chandler was an active worker in the British Methodist Episcopal Church on Murray street since the church was built a half century ago. She "mothered" most of the colored population of Fort Erie, and everyone in trouble or need found her always sympathetic.

Mrs. Chandler's memory was excellent, and she would recall many of the events in the last 70 years, as Fort Erie grew from a scattered village to a town.

Services were conducted from the B.M.E. Church by Rev. Dawson of Toronto, and Rev. Crawford of Niagara Falls, assisted by Captain Topley of the Salvation Army.

Mrs. Chandler is survived by two daughters and two sons, Mrs. Norman Wilson, Mrs. Hollis and Frank and James Chandler.

Redmond had not been refused by the board of trustee and Mr. Houston served notice that if the court should rule the suit out on this technicality after Redmond had exhausted every effort before going to court that a new suit would be filed the next day.

SEPARATE COLLEGES 'SILLY' SAYS JUDGE

Annapolis, Md.—It would be "silly" for the State of Maryland to build separate colleges for Negro and White professional and graduate students, Judge Morris A. Soper, of the United States circuit court of appeals for the fourth district, told the House Ways and Means Committee here March 24.

Judge Soper declared it was "up to the legislature to decide" if Negro students should be admitted to graduate schools of the University of Maryland.

"There has been no friction in the law school because of the Negro student there," Judge Soper told the committee. "I don't see that it is likely to cause any trouble."

"I think it would be silly for Maryland to build a dental school, a medical school, a law school and other professional schools just for a few colored boys a year."

"It's up to you in the Legislature to decide. If you say so, I think it will work out so that we would say in later years, 'Why had we been worrying about this?'"

Judge Soper, speaking as the chairman of the State Commission on Higher Education for Negroes, also talked to the committee on the pending bill to grant \$30,000 annually for scholarships for Negro students out of the state.

Judge Soper pointed out that there is a difference of opinion as to whether such scholarships are the constitutional equivalent of the education guaranteed to all citizens. He said no court ever has said such a scholarship is the legal equivalent.

Princess Anne Academy, supposedly the state "college" for Negroes is not really a college, Judge Soper declared.

"Princess Anne Academy still is a pretense in that respect," he said, "by a stroke of the pen and nothing more it was turned from a two-year college into a four-year college."

The Maryland plan to provide scholarships is being opposed by the N.A.A.C.P. on the grounds that this bill is contrary to the court decision in *Pearson vs. Murray*, in which the

NEGRO WELFARE SUPERVISOR NAMED

Detroit, Mich., — (ANP) — Mrs. Beulah T. Whitby has been appointed supervisor of the Alfred District of the local welfare organization. This is the first time a colored woman has had the distinction of receiving such an appointment in Detroit. Mrs. Whitby is one of the best known civic and welfare workers in the community and is popular among Detroiters. That fact, however has not served to dissipate an apprehension on the part of some forces of segregation, because the district will be composed of all colored workers.

Since its inception the district eighty per cent of whose clients are colored, has been commanded by a white woman. There were two white case workers under her who, it is reported were transferred to other districts when Mrs. Whitby took charge.

WOMAN WORTH \$6,000 DIES IN LOCKED HOME

Birmingham, — (ANP)—Money and property with a total value of \$6,000 were revealed Sunday with the death from natural causes of Sally Gray, eccentric and uneducated recluse, who died behind heavily padlocked doors.

A total of \$1,813 in money was found strapped to her body by Detectives W. M. Espy and J. H. McFarland and Deputy Coroner C. W. Parrish. A search of the the house yielded \$2,850 in bank deposits and two mortgages on her property totaling \$1,525, both marked "paid."

Sewed to the mortgage were receipts dating from January 1901, showing she had made \$10 monthly payments. Each receipt was marked by an "X." Three and four padlocks dangled from every door.

court held that the state could not exclude Negroes from the University of Maryland by providing a system of scholarships. The N.A.A.C.P. contends that the system of scholarships is a poor substitute for equal education.