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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 WNRB, 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.

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EDITORIAL

WE'LL KEEP OUR RIGHTS

Americans have enjoyed liberty during most of the 149 years of our national existence. We and our predecessors have generally been free to speak and write as we please, short of libeling our neighbors. We have been free to choose our religions. We have been free to petition Congress and other lawmaking bodies when we felt our interests required consideration. We have been free from unreasonable searches and seizures.

We have been free because human liberty seemed very important to the men who established the United States. To the great leaders, freedom seemed more important than personal property, safety or even life itself.

Nothing ever written by an American has had greater influence upon our development as a nation than George Washington's Farewell Address. Generation after generation has had confidence in the disinterested wisdom of the advice given by Washington.

Love of liberty inspired that message. Again and again Washington urged American to let nothing deny them the enjoyment of liberty. The happiness of the people under the auspices of liberty was the goal of Washington's long effort.

During most of the years liberty has in fact been the common property of the majority of Americans. Before the Civil War, it is true, slaves had few rights which their masters were required respect. During important wars, also, it is true, freedom has been restricted. We have at times been intolerant of religious and economic sects whose beliefs seemed or dangerous to the majority. But such cases have been the exception, not the rule.

Now, for the first time in many decades the preservation of liberty has again become a great issue in this country. Nobody is, of course, making a frank attack upon liberty in general. What is occurring is the very partisan struggle foreseen by Washington. Here are a few of his words:

"The alternate domination of one faction over another, sharpened by the spirit of revenge, natural to party dissension, which in different ages and countries has perpetrated the most horrid enormities, is itself a frightful despotism . . . Sooner or later

the chief of some prevailing faction, more able or more fortunate than his competitors, turns this disposition to the purposes of his own elevation on the ruins of public liberty."

Could anyone have written a brief or more accurate history of the actual developments in Italy and Germany which led to the dictatorships of Mussolini and Hitler?

In this country the present Congress has on more than one occasion shown a similar disregard for the constitutional rights of those out of favor. Senator Black's blanket seizure of telegrams without specific subpoenas was an extreme example of this abuse of power and denial of liberty.

The excuse offered by Senator Black's defenders was familiar and specious. In effect the senator said that those whose liberty was infringed were bad citizens. Mussolini or Hitler would have called them Communists. What Senator Black meant was that those whose constitutional rights he violated belonged to another political faction.

The Constitution was not adopted by the American people merely to safeguard the rights of senators or other elected officials or their friends. The Constitution extends its protection to all the people, majority and minority, black and white, rich and poor, good and bad. In this country constitutional rights are not a class possession, limited to those considered good by inquiring senators or others.

We have passed through a great economic sickness and we are far advanced today along the road to health. Convalescents and those on the road to recovery are notoriously excitable. Having made such progress, it would however, be tragic if in a fit of nerves we jeopardized any of the great spiritual heritages of the American people.

During the years in front of us we shall have many problems to solve and many adjustments to make. The sum of all wisdom and virtue and patriotism is not lodged in this Congress. Good sense, patriotism and competence are possessed by many men and women who are not in Congress or in any other public office.

If we are to manage our affairs with skill and wisdom and generosity we shall need to employ the unfettered capacities of citizens of various classes and opinions. We shall get nowhere by intolerance or a denial of liberty to those who are disliked by particular senators or others.

Fortunately, calmer men in the Senate itself have shown signs of protest against the stupidly un-American tactics adopted by Senator Black and some of his more fanatic colleagues. Men of both parties have had the courage to speak in defense of constitutional liberty, even for those belonging to other factions and considered by partisans as "the enemy."

Senator Henry F. Ashurst, Democratic Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, for example, had the courage to remind his fellow citizens that:

"In a government where one and the

same magistracy makes, construes and enforces the laws, whether such magistracy be lodged in one man or in a body of men, there can be no public liberty."

That is as good American doctrine in 1936 as it was 149 years ago. So, too, was the statement of Arthur H. Vandenberg, Republican senator from Michigan, who took as his text the historic remark attributed to Hamilton and Madison: "An elective despotism was not the government we fought for."

The sooner the Senate and all other governmental agencies learn to respect the liberty and constitutional rights of all classes of Americans, regardless of political partisanship, the more rapidly we shall proceed to complete recovery.

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and the dissemination of sane and safe information thereupon is gaining great headway in the U.S. In November, last, the U.S. publications announced the results of a great straw vote taken on the subject by one of the largest periodicals—and it was found that over 75% were in favor of enlightening the public.

So, in all probability, we shall see within a short period the dream of Margaret Sanger and Dr. Eva Fay fully realized. They have both advocated giving the people full information claiming such enlightening of the public would effectively reduce the fatalities attributable to illegal operations. Dr. Fay has always been very glad to lecture on the subject—and many thousands of our people have been long acquainted with Dr. Fay's Compound—in fact it may always be found in the homes where there is concern over retaining the health and beauty of the better half. The worry of the month, which so easily mars a woman's face and makes her prematurely old, is eliminated by the keeping of Dr. Fay's Compound at hand, because it is absolutely safe to take and most certain in its expected results; and the cost is negligible. If you wish to avoid worrying and be absolutely sure, send by air-mail five dollars to the Fay Company, 428 Fay Bldg., Vancouver, B.C. Air-mail 25c extra. You may be in need of Dr. Fay's compound in the future is not now. It will be to your interest to cut this ad out at once. Refer it to some needy friend. State age when ordering. Not sent C.O.D. Not sold in drug stores. Dr. Fay's booklet on "Family Limitations" 25c the copy. A very remarkable work.

ETHIOPIA AND THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Courtesy Voice of Ethiopia)

The Archbishop of Canterbury said during the first part of the Ethiopian war, that not one Christian voice was raised in Italy in protest against this iniquity of Mussolini and the Italian Government. This might almost be said of the world as a whole. Here is a case of injustice, of iniquity so great as almost not to be believed. To me it seems still like a bad dream. Could Italy invade Ethiopia, without a cause and attempt to make her an Italian colony in these highly civilized times? Did the church raise its voice in protest; did it assemble all its forces and cry aloud against this un-Christian iniquity? No, it did not. Is the church now bestirring itself in view of the recent wanton massacre of defenseless people in Addis Ababa?

Maybe I expect too much. Maybe I believe that the representatives of Christ should have the courage and the goodness of the Apostles; that they should be willing to attack iniquity where ever it is found; that they should be willing to die in upholding righteousness and justice. "Verily I say unto you they have their reward."

LONDON NOTES

Mrs. S. Hunt and daughter Wilma of Toronto were guests of Mrs. T. H. Jackson for a few hours while visiting the city.

Mrs. S. Clayborne who has been a guest of her mother, Mrs. Irons this winter is now visiting friends in Detroit.

Mr. Prior of London who has been ill for some time is now convalescing nicely in his home.

Easter Services at the B.M.E. church were well attended, the church was beautifully decorated and Rev. Jackson spoke very inspiringly.

An old-fashioned barbecue was held at the home of Mrs. Hill on Thursday evening. It was a big success and a good time was had by all.

Miss K. Jenkins was the hostess of and afternoon tea at her home, on Tuesday afternoon.

Miss E. Jenkins gave a formal birthday party in honor of Mr. H. Turner of Detroit. A very dainty lunch was served.

The Financial Board of the B.M.E. church held their annual sessions in the B.M.E. church, Gray St., London. Miss R. Wilson, Toronto; Superintendent Dawson, Toronto; Mr. Edmonds, Windsor; Rev. Plumber, Windsor and Rev. Jackson, London.

We are glad to see Mrs. A. Moxley of Glenwood Avenue, is doing nicely in her home after a lengthy illness in the hospital.

Mrs. L. Jones of Nelson St. is now able to be up again after being confined to her bed for some time.

Miss Verlyn Ladd of Dresden who is a student of the Normal school, has returned home for the Easter holidays.

The "Lorpeadorthekay Girls" arranged a hike, which was very successful, a large number turning out. The day was so well arranged by the committee that it was reported the hike was quite a novelty.

Mrs. S. Smith and daughter of Woodstock were guests of Mrs. Jenkins of Glenwood Avenue, and Mrs. Jackson of Gray St. while visiting the city.

The "Busy Workers Sewing Guild" is arranging a musical concert for the first part of May.

Miss R. W. Washington is now taking up residence in London again. She has accepted a position in this city.

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REPORT NEGROES TORTURED IN DUNGEON CELLS IN TENN.

Chattanooga, Tenn., — (ANP)—The spotlight of the nation has been turned on two county workhouses, White Oak and Silverdale, following publication of penal practices there and of the use of "torture chambers," big "stand-up" dungeon cells, in which the prisoner must stand, in absolute darkness, his only food bread and water.

The torture cell is 10 feet high and only four feet wide, has no chair or stool, and his "food" is pushed in to him at the bottom of the cell.

CHARACTER

There is a difference between character and reputation. Reputation is what people think you are; character

is what you really are. Man has no greater asset than sound and upright character.

Always act in the right way. Act repeated makes a habit. Habits are sometimes called automatic acts. The formation of the right habit is of great value in character building. Character is a bundle of habits. If you have formed a bad habit the only way to break it is to form a good one in its place.

It is vital to know the value of a dollar, but can you look out on the world and see anything except dollars and cents? If this civilization is to continue, the test must be not what a man is worth in money, but what he is worth in character.

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ETHIOPIA AND THE LEAGUE (Courtesy Voice of Ethiopia)

What the League did or failed to do in the case of Ethiopia is well-known. Emilio de Bono has admitted that if the League had acted by imposing oil sanctions or closing the Suez Canal, Italy could not have gone on. Today the League of Nations has lost what influence it had. The failure to do justice has brought about this condition. We will wait and see whether it can recover its standing.

In this same case England lost prestige as she never has before. Justice pointed out one course of action—adequate and prompt assistance to the Ethiopian people.

LIGHT

By Percy Ernest Johnson '28
—Atlanta University

All things must change—
For better or for worse—
A Universal law
Of certain trend.
Yet, some regard it
As a demon's curse
While others look upon it
As a Friend.

So strange that mortals,
Looking for the light,
Should bind their eyes
When what they seek is found,
And hope to reach
An ever greater height
Than what they reached
Before their eyes were bound.

Much better would it be
To use that light
To lead us kindly
To the things we crave,
Than feebly grope in darkness
without sight—
Afraid to look at facts,
And still to leave.

REVEAL IRON-FISTED RULE OF IL DUCE IN PLUNDERING ETHIOPIA

By Robert L. Matthews
Madrid, —New confirmation came today of the importance of Italian aid on the Rebel side in the Spanish civil war. Two Italian captives, Maj. Luciano Antonio d'Inino and Lieut. Achille Saachi, made such revealing and apparently well-founded statements that they have been rushed to Valencia for questioning by high government officials.

The lieutenant, a 22-year-old Sicilian in the regular army, knew a fortnight before he sailed where he was going and why. The men, however, said they had volunteered to go to Ethiopia and not to Spain.

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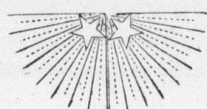
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Miss Black and The Lion

(Continued from Last Issue)

was carelessly thrown over shoulder, and on his brow he wore a wreath of dried leaves. To me he represented tilted power. In the same deathlike and voiceless manner in which he was addressed, he asked 'Why do you want to go?' 'To see the twon' I lyingly replied and giving myself all the time possible to find a way out, added 'I will not be back to-night, but positively tomorrow night I shall be back.'

"Fraulein," said Mary, "the nerve of his asking why do you want to go?"

"But wait till you aehr the rest," said Fraulein. "It was dark. There was no light."

"Of course not," said Mary "the Light of the world is Jesus. The Manifestations of God are the Lights. Excuse me, Fraulein, for interrupting, but I just saw it that way."

"The lifeless, listless creatures had eyes like dead fish. The pupils were like little black beads, and the irises of a heavy dull white. The dejection and darkness which gripped them as a vice is beyond your imagination. There was no motion, no sign of activity as one sees in the vegetable kingdom. There seemed to be no association of any kind. They were there, but each apart from the other. As I was on my way to see the town I came to a low wall of cobble stone. Over this I looked, and saw the same darkness existing in this outer kingdom below, yet if I could only get there I would be nearer an escape. I had rested Ming down before looking over the wall, but now snatched her up, and placing her under my arm determined to die with her in my attempt to escape. In a place like that I could never leave her. As I stood appalled at the scene I said 'My God will have to take me out of this.' One by one some stones began to fall from the wall, making a space large enough for my head, but fear made me decide to go through the turnstile to the chief gatekeeper. He too was a victim of this dark death. Oh, my dears, words cannot describe the condition of those who are lost, nor can we fully realize the meaning of everlasting death. As the chief gatekeeper was about to refuse my request, knowing full well he had neither power to admit nor release, I felt a hand on my shoulder which wheeled me towards the entrance. There was click, and I was out. But where? Into the city of dead men. There were going some up and some down with hands in positions bespeaking depths of woe that we on earth could never dream of. I began to be afraid of these strange creatures of a strange and unknown kingdom. There was no voice. No one trying to converse, and they all seemingly had no will."

"Excuse me, Fraulein and others, but this sounds like a hell of a hell to me. Now I can see why the Great Spirits who are persecuted or martyred on earth all pray for their enemies

before they depart. This everlasting leath is hell."

"Why," continued Fraulein "in the kingdom of the mineral, coal for instance, there is something which speaks of life. We handle, we use it, we connect it with life. In the vegetable kingdom plants grow, give flower fruit and berries of gay and vivid color then lie. We tend them and they give us their fruits and vegetables for our existence, and their leaves and flowers satisfy our love for beauty. Here we have life in exchange and motion."

"In the animal kingdom they bark growl, sleep, kill, give birth and die. They express emotion and voluntary motion."

"In the human kingdom we love, we hate, we cry, we marry, sleep and oh, so many things happen before we die. We act and re-act, and are in voluntary motion every minute of the day. As we look at each other we express emotion of some kind, but in the kingdom of the damned there is no light, no sound, no emotion expressed. A quiet darkness reigns. There wraith-like creatures in depths of deepest woe are propelled by what, God knows."

"The horror of it!" said Gertrude. "Such a condition for men created a little lower than the angels to descend into. Think of being thrown into a kingdom far below that of the mineral!"

"Mike," said Ioto, "I would rather spend an eternity in your hell than spend one minute in the hell of Fraulein's dreams, because the fury of the devil would create motion and emotion."

"I wonder what keeps madame," said Fraulein. "She is terribly late to-day. It is time she be back, Mary be ready to serve madame's lunch when I ring. She lunches alone to-day."

"I am ready for madame and Ming," said Ioto.

"And yo, Gertrude, have madame's bath ready also have her green dress to hand. I think she looks sweet in that new one from Paris. She is late and must not be kept waiting."

They dispersed to their several tasks.

Three times a day this exclusive neighborhood was patrolled by two officers of the law. Men of the best type they were, bearing names which struck fear into the hearts of criminals and questionable characters. On this particular morning in Spring while commencing their beat, they made two arrests, and had taken their prisoners to the station house. One of the prisoners was a man selling flowers on the Lord's Day, and the other a shabbily dressed mendicant. Not that he was actually begging, though he was wishing to God someone would slip him two cents for a cup of coffee, but a man in that condition to be on that street when the service of St. Judas was about to be dismissed was an unheard of thing hunger or no hunger.

"Ryan," said Officer Flannigan, "What would we say if Judge Simple were to come out of St. Judas, and find this man on the street."

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Belted at Back

Women who value Thrift equally with smart appearance will select a new Spring Coat from this group. Wool tweed in attractive shades of blue, gold, fawn, brown — sizes 14 to 20. Note the comfy side pockets and the pleated and belted back! Smart, isn't it? Zeller-priced —

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