NAACP Gets $5,000 For Legal Research

Masons Give $18,000 To Defense Fund

Pledged $20,000 To NAACP In 1951 For Its Jim-Crow Fight

NEW YORK — With the presentation last week of a $5,000 check, the Prince Hall Masons brought to a total of nearly $18,000 their 1952 contributions to the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund in fulfillment of a $20,000 annual pledge made to Thurgood Marshall, fund director.

The grand masters of the fraternal order made the pledge at a meeting in Denver in 1951. The presentation was made here on Jan. 5 by John W. Dobbs, grand master of the Prince Hall Masons of Georgia.

This sum, along with other contributions from the order, sustains the Prince Hall Masons' Legal Research Department (NAACP).

For Fighting Jim Crow

This special fund is used to pay the salaries and other expenses of two lawyers assigned to research projects in connection with such issues as public school segregation cases.

In making the presentation, Mr. Dobbs gave assurance that the Masons in his jurisdiction will make a contribution for 1953 in excess of the $5,000 donated to the project for 1952.

He also promised to use his influence to get the Masons of other states to match the generosity of Georgia lodges.

Militant Tradition

"This contribution from the Georgia Masons and those from the other jurisdictions of the order," Mr. Marshall said in accepting the gift, "is in keeping with the militant tradition established by the founder of the order, Prince Hall, who in his day enjoyed a wide reputation as an uncompromising champion of freedom and equality.

"There could be no more fitting memorial to the ideals of Prince Hall than this special fund to aid us in the fight to eliminate racial discrimination and segregation."

Other Contributors

Other contributions to this fund have been received as follows:

Waite H. Madison, Grand Master of Missouri, $1,000; Prince Riley, G. M. South Carolina $500; Dr. William D. Washington, G. M., Massachusetts, $430; Fred W. Hickman, G. M. Wisconsin, $250; Amos T. Hall, G.M., Oklahoma, $500; Joan G. Lewis, G.M. Louisiana, $4,675.80; William O. Greene, G.M. Nichigan, $100.

Willard W. Allen, G.M. Maryland, $100; P. G. Porter, G.M. Kansas, $300; James C. Gilliam, G.M., Mississippi, $1,000; L. I. Lockhart, G.M., Texas, $500; Ashby H. Carter, G.M. Illinois, $1,000; Starling J. Hopkins, G.M. California, $500; Willard Allen, Supreme Commander, United Supreme Council, $1,000; Council of Deliberation, Dallas, $100; and Order of the Eastern Star, Atlanta, $500.

Hospital Staffs May Open In Ark. From Medical Society Vote

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (ANP) —Colored physicians probably will be admitted to membership in the Pulaski County Society here, a move which could mean their acceptance as staff members of local hospitals.

The society voted earlier in the week to admit professionally qualified colored doctors to membership. Although the vote was an affirmation of the society's by-laws, it was interpreted by colored physicians as an invitation to apply for membership.

The majority of the colored doctors voted to accept an "invitation" to apply for membership in the medical group. Whether this membership will open the way for them to practice in major hospitals here remained unanswered, but there were predictions that it might.

Free Man, 70, In Slaying

White Man's Death Called Justifiable

GADSDEN, Ala. — The fatal shooting of a white farmer by a 70-year-old colored man was ruled justifiable homicide here Monday.

Coroner W. W. (Red) Morris handed down the verdict in the shooting of Johnny Dobbins, of Boaz, by elderly Will Veasey, Sunday night, at Veasey's home in East Gadsden.

Veasey was released late Monday. He had been held for questioning pending the coroner's ruling.

Farmer Was Drinking

Asst. Police Chief G. H. Diggs said an investigation showed that Dobbins, who had been drinking heavily, came to Veasey's home and created a disturbance. The officer said the aged man fired at Dobbins with a 12-gauge shotgun when the farmer drew a knife.

Dobbins died in a Gadsden hospital from a chest wound shortly after being admitted.

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West Point School Case Briefs Filed

Parents Refuse To Send Kids To Another County

RICHMOND — In the latest outgrowth of the stormy West Point School situation, NAACP attorneys last week filed a brief in the Circuit Court of King William County in defense of eight parents who refused a court order to send their children to a high school 20 miles away from the town.

Oliver W. Hill, of the Hill, Martin, and Robinson law firm of Richmond which is handling the case, told the AFRO that the brief would be the basis for the fight against the educational setup.

The defense contends that West Point school authorities have not provided equal educational facilities for colored children of the town. his inequality, they point out, increases to a greater degree when school authorities order the children to attend a school controlled by King William county school officials.

Started In September

The trouble started at the beginning of the 1952-53 school term when West Point children refused to attend the Hamilton-Holmes high school located in King William County.

The school which they previously attended in West Point was converted to an elementary school.

The parents who have been arrested are charged with disobeying the state's compulsory education law which requires them to send their children, all under 16, to school. They, together with the NAACP, are preparing an all-out fight.

Conflict Of Laws

In this case, the attorneys have recognized the conflict between the Commonwealth's compulsory education laws and the segregation statutes.

They claim that there was no violation of the compulsory education law since the West Point school authorities have no jurisdiction over King William County school affairs where the Hamilton-Holmes school is located.

Enrollment Denied

The brief stated that "parents of striking West Point students sought to obtain admission into the only public secondary school (the West Point High School) controlled and operated by the town, but this enrollment was refused solely because their children are colored."

"But for the segregation requirements, the defendant's children would have been admitted to the West Point High School, and the proposal that they attend the Hamilton-Holmes High school and is concomitants would never have developed" it continued.

The brief re-emphasizes the fact that "the defendant's authorities have not afforded any other public secondary school to which attendance can be lawful, if required."

In the opinion of the attorneys, the exclusion of the children from the West Point High School solely because of their race or color and the order requiring them to attend the Hamilton Holmes school denies rights guaranteed by the 14th amendment to the Constitution and is therefore unconstitutional and void.

"If the segregation laws could not validly operate to exclude the defendant's children from the West Point High School and compel them to be educated elsewhere, it follows that compulsory attendance laws cannot operate to render defendants criminally liable for a failure to follow an unlawful course dictated by the segregation laws."

The eight parents of striking West Point students who are facing the court are William Billups, Mrs. Julia Carter, James Dobbins, Mrs. Arrie Pauntleroy, C. C. Leakes, Taft Manley, Mrs. Cecilia Reid, and Mrs. Hattie Thornton.

They, backed by most colored citizens of the town, and the NAACP, are determined to win the court battle.

In the meantime, the children who are out of school continue their studies at home so their educational progress will not be greatly affected by their absence from school.

2 Children Die In Fire

Parents Are Away As Stove Explodes

NORFOLK, Va. — A portable oil stove exploded in a third-floor two-room apartment at 1771 E. Olney rd. last Sunday night and two children were burned to death.

The children, one ten-months old and the other four-years-old, were left in the house alone while the parents went visiting.

The ten-months old baby, Raleigh James Downing, was asleep in his crib near the stove and went a flaming death. The other child, William Arthur Downing, was found dead from suffocation in an adjoining room when the blaze was extinguished by firemen.

A third child was rescued by an occupant of the house who rushed in through a smoke-filled room and found the child still alive.

The tragedy occurred shortly after 8 p.m. when both parents, Sgt. C. Downing, a coal company employee and his wife, Mrs. Malvina Downing, were away from home.

Ernest Columbus Downing, 2-year-old was rescued by Eddie Vine who lives in the same house. He said he groped his way through smoke and flame when he heard the cries of the child and grabbed him and carried him to safety. He returned to the attic with Luther Jenkins to try to rescue the other children but they were unable to fight their way through the smoke and flame.

This tragedy followed another fire which last Christmas took the lives of four colored children in Princess Anne county, where nine children were caught in a fire. Five were rescued. While the parents of the two families were at work, the fire started when one of the children picked a piece of wood into the brazier and when it blazed there it on a chair which caught and set fire to the whole house.

Methodist Secretary

The Rev. Daniel L. Ridout, who assumed new duties on January 1 as secretary of the Baltimore Area of the Methodist Church. He was formerly superintendent of the Dover District in the Delaware Conference. Since 1944 he has been a staff member of the Commission on Public Relations of the Methodist Church.

Howard To Host Dental Meeting

WASHINGTON — The bi-annual joint mid-winter dental clinic of the Robert T. Freeman Dental Society and the faculty of the College of Dentistry of Howard university will meet at Howard on Jan. 19 to Jan. 16-17. Dr. Clarence O. Lewis, chairman of the program committee of the society, announced this week.

Headlining the clinicians who are expected to attend the confab will be Dr. S. S. Lewis, Washington, deputy health officer, will lecture with color movies and slides on. "A Complete Immediate Denture Technic."

Other clinicians include:

Dr. T. Mitchell Bundrant, clinical professor of oral surgery, Columbia university whose illustrated lecture will be. "Oral Surgery for the General Practitioners;" Dr. Joseph L. Henny, professor of oral medicine at Howard, who will discuss, "Simple Methods to Save Pyorrhetic Teeth," and Dr. Charles Murto, professor of operative dentistry, Georgetown university, who will lecture on, "Use of Plastics in Restroative Dentistry."

Model Held In Fraud Case

Wife Of Prisoner Faces Coat Charge

DETROIT — Mrs. Ellen Pannell, 24, pretty white photographer's model, pleaded innocent Wednesday when arraigned in Recorder's Court on a charge of trying to defraud a store by charging an $85 coat at a Grosse Pointe, Michigan store without having an account.

She also was accused of attempting to turn the same coat in for a cash refund at the company main store in downtown Detroit.

Fake Charge Plate

Police said Mrs. Pannell used a fake charge plate to obtain the merchandise. Mrs. Pannell is the wife of Clarence Pannell, who is serving 10 to 20 years in Jackson, Mich., prison for armed robbery.

Her testimony won her freedom last year, following her arrest after her colored husband entered the home of a white commercial artist and held him up at the point of a gun.

Police said the robbery netted Pannell $7,000 in cash and jewelry. Mrs. Pannell was a friend of the artist, police said.

'Mainliner' Won't Tell Source Of Dope

By JOSEPH A. OWENS

HARTFORD, Conn. — Admitted "mainliner" this week refused to reveal his source of narcotics as members of the Vice Squad continued a crackdown to stamp out the sale of illegal drugs here.

Charged with possessing narcotics, Julian Price, 32, of 17 Martin st., readily told Vice Squad Policemen William B. Ashline and Edwin Surowinski that he was a "mainliner," but clammed up when asked to name his supplier.

Price was arrested by a colored policeman, Theodore Napper, in a Main Street tavern. Napper said he recognized Price as a man suspected of being a "pusher" or one who peddles drugs.

Found Heroin Capsules

Searched in the tavern, Police man Napper reported he found 22 capsules of heroin, three eye dropper syringes, three hypodermic needles and a bottle with a charred bottom, all in the lining of Price's overcoat.

Taken to Police Headquarters, Price didn't attempt to hide the fact that he had been using heroin for the past 30 months.

"Sure, I'm a mainliner, I just get "hooked" by dope," he told the members of the Vice Squad, adding that for the first eight months, he had "snorted" (inhaled) the drug and for the last year, it had taken such a hold on him that he injected the heroin directly into his main arteries with a needle.

Silent About Source

Described by police as extremely co-operative when in Miss Joyce A. Burch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Burch of Wilberforce, O., left New Year's Day for Mexico City where she will attend the University of Mexico for a quarter. Miss Burch is an Ohio State University junior and a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She is one of the first colored coeds to participate in the "Winter Quarter in Mexico Plan."

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State Senator Takes Oath In New York

Julius A. Archibald, elected to the New York State Senate in the November elections, is shown being sworn in by N.Y. Supreme Court Justice Benjamin F. Schreiber this week. Archibald, the first colored person ever elected to the State Senate, represents the 21st District.

Gets Promotion

Robert Harbour, former assistant turnkey at Wayne County Jail, Michigan, was promoted Chief Assistant Turnkey, by Sheriff Andrew H. Baird, and Undersheriff Charles Ryan, last week. Mr. Harbour is the first colored person to hold the position.

Accused Lawyer On Honeymoon

Weds Another Though Facing Mother's Suit

DETROIT — Thomas G. Neusome, Los Angeles attorney who formerly resided in this city, returned here last week with his socialite bride, the former Miss Katherene Leake of Los Angeles, to spend his honeymoon, apparently disdainful of the fact that when he returns to LA. where he is practicing, he will face civil action on a paternity charge brought by another woman.

His demurrer to the charge of Miss Joyce Boone that he is the father of her unborn child, "Dee Neusom," was overruled by the court on Christmas week and the young attorney was given 10 days to file an answer to the prosecuting attorney's accusations.

Miss Boone, who expects her baby in about two months, charges that the Delaware Gals were intimate during the months of April and May, 1952.

The initiation of action against the attorney for expenses of pregnancy and support for the baby took place about a week before he Dr. S. S. Leake, Washington, deputise sheriff, who will lecture with color movies and slides on. "A Complete Immediate Denture Technic."

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Tulsa Optometrists Become Parents Of Girl

TULSA, Okla — (ANP) — Dr. Anita W. Christopher and Dr. Charles E. Christopher are the parents of a 7 pound 12 ounce daughter, Marilyn Rose. The husband-wife team of optometrists are the only colored optometrists in Oklahoma.

Dr. Anita is a graduate of Booker Washington High School, Tulsa, Hampton Institute and the Northern Illinois College of Optometry in Chicago. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Williams. Dr. Charles Christopher, a native of Cleveland, Ohio is a graduate of Ohio State University and the Chicago School of Optometry.

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Dawson Files Rights Bills

Solon Introduces Five In Congress

By NNPA

WASHINGTON

Rep. William L. Dawson, (Dem., Ill.) last Wednesday introduced five civil rights bills.

One of the Dawson measures would declare the public policy of the District of Columbia to be opposed to race segregation. It would provide for the operation of the local public school system on a non-segregated basis, and would deny business licenses to individuals or firms that failed to conform to the non-segregation policy.

The other bills he offered include anti-poll tax, anti-lynching, anti-segregation in interstate travel and fair employment practice legislation.

National Guard Bill

Representative Abraham J. Multer (Dem., N.Y.) introduced a bill to withhold Federal aid from National Guard organizations which practice race or religious discrimination.

Representative Adam C. Powell (Dem., N.Y.) introduced a resolution which would authorize the House Education and Labor Committee to conduct an investigation of the Agriculture Department's activities relating to migrant.

The proposed investigation would be aimed particularly at matters relating to the employment of sugar workers in Puerto Rico, and the unemployment of such workers due to the abuse of the discretionary powers of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Senator William Langer (Rep., N.D. introduced a bill to provide aid to persons in the United States who desire to immigrate to Liberia.

HAITI'S PANAMA ENVOY HONORS HIS HOMELAND

PANAMA CITY, R.P. (ANP) Dr. Luis de Catrel, recently arrived Haitian envoy and minister to Panama, was host at brilliant reception in the Legation in Bella Vista recently on the occasion of the anniversary of the Republic of Haiti.

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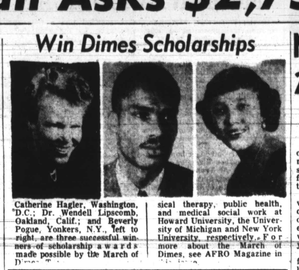

Catherine Hagler, Washington, D.C.; Dr. Wendell Lipscomb, Oakland, Calif.; and Beverly Pogue, Yonkers, N.Y., left to right, are three successful winners of scholarship awards made possible by the March of Dimes.

sical therapy, public health, and medical social work at Howard University, the University of Michigan and New York University, respectively. For more about the March of Dimes, see AFRO Magazine in [illegible]

Jo Baker's Absence Holds Up Libel Suit

By JAMES L. HICKS

NEW YORK — Continuation of the Josephine Baker-Walter Winchell libel action in Federal Court here is being held up pending Miss Baker's return to this country to submit filing depositions papers in the case, it was learned Friday.

Miss Baker, internationally known singer, sued columnist Winchell, the Hearst newspaper and King Features syndicate for half million dollar damages to her career, Dec. 21, 1951, charging that Winchell had printed lies about her in his column. The suit was an outgrowth of the Stork Club incident in which Miss Baker charged she was discriminated against in the club while Winchell was present.

Moving papers in the case, on file in Federal Court here, show that service of summons in the case was made on the Hearst papers and King Features, Dec. 21, 1951. A notation in the papers state that on that date process server was unable to locate Winchell.

Housekeeper Is Served

Under an entry of January 14, 1952, however, the records show that service was made on Winchell through his housekeeper, Mrs. M. Brinson at Winchell's Scarsdale, N.Y. home.

Attorneys for Winchell, Macolay and Henry of 299 Eighth ave., N.Y., replied to the summons on Jan. 15 and asked the court for an extension of time to file an answer to the charges.

This was granted and on Feb. 6, 1952 they filed an answer on behalf of Winchell in which they admitted that he had written the articles which Miss Baker complained about, but denied the implications and allegations she made and they were untrue and were damaging to her career.

Want Deposition

The Winchell attorneys then on Feb. 6 notified the court that they wished to take a deposition from Miss Baker under rules of civil procedure.

Arthur Garfield Hays and his law firm, representing Miss Baker, then asked the court for an order adjourning the taking of a deposition from Miss Baker until April 24, 1952. The request was granted.

The records show that on April 30, 1952, another request was made and granted to Miss Baker to adjourn the taking of a deposition until May 28, 1952.

Get Third Adjournment

Finally, on June 5, the court granted still another adjournment until Sept. 9, 1952, at the request of Mr. Hays and his firm.

Each time a request was made for adjournment it was pointed out that Miss Baker was out of the country filling theatrical engagements and could not be present for the taking of the deposition.

Legal authorities explained here Friday that the case will remain where it now stands until counsel for both parties get together and arrange a date for the taking of the depositions from Miss Baker.

The possibility thus arises that the case may never be called if Miss Baker is refused permission to return to this country by the State Department after recognizing the U.S. government abroad.

Although such a move has been reported in the papers, there has been no official word from the Department that it will bar Miss Baker if she seeks to return here, and no word from Miss Baker that she will make such an attempt.

LIBERIAN SECRETARY VISITS

CHICAGO (ANP) — Ernest C. B. Jones, secretary of war for the Republic of Liberia, is visiting the city of Chicago. Highlighting his stay was a Sunday address at the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist parish hall on "Liberia Today."

Nebraska Gives Top State Job To Arthur McCaw

By DENNY HOLLAND

LINCOLN, Neb. (ANP) — Nebraska for the first time in its history will have a colored person in a top state house position.

Governor Robert Crosby announced last week he will appoint Arthur McCaw of Omaha to be state budget supervisor. Nebraska is the second state in which a colored person holds a high position, Illinois has Joseph D. Bibb as its new director of safety.

McCaw worked 15 years in the Douglas county assessor's office and for the last five years he has been with the Douglas county tax appraisal board.

Scheduled In Omaha

He has lived in Omaha since 1918, attended the University of Omaha and the Omaha Law School.

Mrs. McCaw is a traveling art teacher for the public school system. Their two daughters, Janice and Joan attended the University of Nebraska while Melvin Arthur attends Central High school.

Mr. McCaw has been active in civic affairs. He has held high positions in the Urban League, Nebraska Citizens for Fair Employment Practices, YMCA and Omaha Council for Equal Job Opportunities. He is a member of the Omaha Alumni Council of Kappa Alpha Psi and attends St. Philips Episcopal church.

Active In GOP

McCaw says he always been an active member in the Republican party. Commenting on his appointment, he said:

"I am grateful for the opportunity to serve and I am satisfied that Governor elect Robert Crosby will announce an outstanding administration. I am delighted and honored to be a part of that administration."

Set Feb. 8-15 As History Week

WASHINGTON (ANP) — The annual observance of History Week will be held Feb. 8-15, it was disclosed here this week by officials of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History with headquarters at 1538 Ninth st., nw.

The theme of this year's celebration is "Negro History and Human Relations." In addition to discussions and addresses on the theme, the week will see associations, clubs, other civic groups and individuals can help by sending to the association headquarters any important documents, letters, records and other materials bearing on the past and achievements.

The ASNLH has listed eight topics to be studied during History Week. They are:

"The Church and Progress," Sunday; "Endeavoring For Human Progress," Monday; "Civic Associations and Community Improvements," Tuesday; "Fraternal Organizations Serve Progress," Wednesday; "Organizations Promoting Economic Advancement," Thursday "Equality of Opportunity and the New Day of Social Action," Friday; "Charity Affairs and Contributions of Social Groups," Saturday, and "Great Letter Day in the Churches" on the closing day of the observance, Sunday, Feb. 15.

Man Beaten, 2 Cops Fired

Witnesses Make Complaint To Chief

ASHEVILLE, N.C.—Two white officers here have been dismissed from the force for assaulting a local citizen and for failing to arrest an assailant of the victim.

Dismissed are Officers J. Ledwell and C. T. Lanning. Victim of the beating was Joe Edgerton of 459 Depot st., who has been employed by the Southern Railway Company for the past 40 years.

Edgerton himself made no official charge against the officers, but he stated that his false teeth were broken, his eye blackened and his body bruised as Lawrence Hudson and the officers beat him and forced him to back across the street and onto the porch where he lives.

Witnesses Make Complaint

Because he was called to work right after the incident, Edgerton did not report the happening immediately.

However, witnesses to it signed a statement of complaint for Edgerton. They were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Williams, white operators of a filling station on the corner where the fight occurred; Mrs. Ethel Gilbert, rooming house matron, and others.

Dismissal Statement

In his dismissal statement, Chief of Police Claude Wadell told the officers, in party:

"You made no effort to stop an assault being made on Joe Edgerton or to make an arrest when a breach of peace was being made. Aside from that was your neglect of duty as sworn peace officers, your beating and ill treatment of Edgerton."

Ledwell had been on the force since 1940, and Lanning since 1944.

Lautier Says Neely Right On Ike's Command To Get Senate Out Of Rules Trap

By LOUIS LAUTIER
(For The NNPA)

WASHINGTON

Senator Matthew M. Neely, (Dem. W. Va.) was eminently correct in his assertion during the last two weeks of yesterday that President elect Dwight D. Eisenhower is the only man who can get the Senate out of the rules trap in which it is almost inextricably caught.

All that is necessary, Senator Neely believes, is for someone to call General Eisenhower and get him to telephone Sen. Robert A. Taft, of Ohio, the new Majority Leader, to tell the "Republican boys and girls" in the Senate "to go down the line" for a change in Senate Rule 22.

Rule 22 requires the votes of two-thirds of the entire Senate membership, or 64 Senators, to limit debate. Under this rule, however, there can be absolutely no limitation of debate on a motion to bring up a change in the rules.

Not Easy To Amend

Amending Rule 22 is not as easy as Senator Neely made it appear. Any conference decision of Republicans to amend Rule 22 so as to make it easier to shut off debate on civil rights legislation would result in a filibuster by Southern Senators which would tie up the Senate for several weeks.

Senator Taft implied during debate that he would be willing to meet such a challenge over a piece of substantive legislation. One way of breaking a filibuster on a civil rights bill would be through round-the-clock sessions. And Senator Taft noted that there are seldom-invoked rules which would aid a determined effort to break a filibuster.

One of these rules provides that "no Senator shall speak more than twice upon any one question in debate on the same day without leave of the Senate." The "same day" means a legislative day, which may be prolonged through the parliamentary device of recessing, not adjourning, thereby limiting to two the number of speeches a Senator may make during a filibuster.

Yield To Question

Another rule prohibits a Senator, who has the floor, from yielding to another Senator except for a question. Strict enforcement of this rule would compel a Senator engaging in a filibuster to talk almost ceaselessly from the time he took the floor until he yielded it.

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Princeton University Grad

Lt. (jg) John L. Howard, who is assigned to the Medical Corps, U. S. Navy, examines a patient at the U. S. Naval Hospital at Great Lakes, Ill. Dr. Howard entered the Navy V-12 program at Princeton University and was the first colored graduate at Princeton University, receiving his AB degree during its bi-centennial celebration. He entered the Navy in 1951.

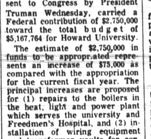
NAACP Board Members

Earl Dickerson of Chicago, left, and Theodore Spaulding of Philadelphia, talk things over at the NAACP Board of Directors meeting held last week in New York. They were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

HAITI GETS ITS TRAFFIC LIGHTS, HAS 5

PORT-au-PRINCE (ANP) — Formal inauguration ceremonies were held Thursday when the first traffic lights to be used in Haiti were installed here in Port-au-Prince. Five signals have been installed, the first being at Rue Payee and the Grand Rue.

Named To Board



Walter Carrington, Everett, Mass., student at the Harvard University Law School, who is one of the four new members elected to the NAACP board of directors for a three - year term.

Virgin Islands Ask 2 Million In Budget

By NNPA

WASHINGTON

The Federal Budget for the fiscal year 1954 carries a total of $27,237,000 for the Virgin Islands.

Of that sum, a total of $1,217,000 is for expenses of administration—$372,000 for the Governor's office and $745,000 for grants to municipalities and includes provision for essential safety, health, education and welfare services in the Virgin Islands.

The estimate of $1,100,000 is for construction of projects begun in 1944 authorized in a public works program to encourage economic development of the Virgin Islands and specified the order of priority of projects.

At the end of the fiscal year 1953, the program's eight year commitments totaling approximately $9,729,000 will have been made for 17 projects, with 15 of them completed. The two projects remaining to be completed are schools and bypass and side roads.

Grant To Corporation

The budget also carries an estimate of $1,170,000 for a grant to the Virgin Islands Corporation, and an estimate of $1,375,000 for the corporation's revolving fund.

The Virgin Islands Corporation was created by an act of June 30, 1949, to promote the economic development of the islands. Appropriations made to the Treasury Department, based upon annual budgets submitted by the corporation.

The appropriation of additional funds as grants to finance specific programs not primarily of a revenue-producing character and to reimburse the corporation for operating losses is also authorized.

AFTER A 12-YEAR ABSENCE

CHARLESTON, S.C.—After an absence of 12 years, Joseph DeWeese, Greenville, Tenn. visited his brother, John DeWeese. Accompanying him here was his daughter, Nadine.

Estimate Is Less Than School Asked

House Committee Cut Funds When Enrollment Went Down

(NNPA)
WASHINGTON

The Federal Budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, next, sent to Congress by President Truman Wednesday, carried a Federal contribution of $2,750,000 toward the total budget of $5,167,764 for Howard University.

The estimate of $2,750,000 in funds to be appropriated represents an increase of $75,000 as compared with the appropriation for the current fiscal year. The principal increases are proposed for (1) repairs to the boilers in the heat, light and power plant which serves the university and Freedmen's Hospital, and (2) installation of wiring improvements and transformer vaults for conversion of electric current furnished Freedmen's Hospital.

The estimate for salaries and expenses for the university in the next fiscal year is $2,750,000, as compared with an appropriation of $2,675,000 for the current fiscal year.

President Made Plea

Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson, president of Howard University, a year ago pleaded with the House Appropriations Committee not to cut the 1953 estimate of $2,890,000 for salaries and expenses so as not to force a reduction in the teaching staff. He said the university was understaffed both in the number of full-time teachers and in the number and ratio of full-time teachers of mature professional caliber.

The committee, however, cut the item for salaries and expenses by $134,000 on the basis of reduction in enrollment.

The enrollment of the university in the autumn, 1950, quarter was 4,172. In the autumn of 1951, it was 3,838, a decrease of 334 students. But in the second quarter of the 1950-51 school year it was 3,788 as compared with 3,520 in the second quarter of 1951-52.

List Full-time Students

This Federal Budget discloses that during the school year 1951-52, an equivalent of 3,440 full-time students attended the university. Full-time equivalent enrollments for 1952-53 and 1953-54 are estimated at 3,140.

The Budget also recommends an appropriation of $55,000 for the preparation of plans and specifications for (1) construction, under the supervision of the General Services Administration, of the campus of the university of a preclinical medical building, and (2) extension of utilities, including engineer and architectural services.

The sum of $60,000 was requested for plans and specifications in the fiscal year 1953, but Congress appropriated only $30,000 for this purpose.

Of the funds so authorized, the auditorium - fine arts building to be completed by July, the men's dormitory by November, and the preclinical medical building by March, 1954.

The budget estimate provides funds to complete plans for the preclinical medical building. In addition, it includes funds for advanced planning of utilities services, which are necessary to the program of construction now authorized.

$170,000 For Construction

For construction of buildings, the budget recommends an appropriation of $170,000 as compared with an appropriation for the current fiscal year of $280,221. The item of $170,000 is for alteration and improvement of the power plant facilities.

Appropriated funds or contract authorizations have been made available for the buildings and two alteration projects.

Of the nine building projects, two have been completed (engineering building and women's dormitory), and one (dental building) is under construction to completion due by March, 1954. Of the remaining buildings, four are due to start this March, one in April, and one in July.

Of the two alteration projects, one, the power plant installation, is completed, and the other, alterations to science hall, is due to start in July.

The budget estimate includes $20,000 for a vacuum pump in the present steam distribution system serving Freedmen's Hospital as well as the university plant, and $150,000 for a turbo-generator to meet electrical power requirements.

The budget also includes $1,300,000 to liquidate obligations to be made for the law school and administration buildings. If Congress approves this budget, this will leave $3,970,827 in unfinanced contract authorization.

New Trial Frees Man Doing Life

CHICAGO (NNPA) — James Grant, 60, who served seven and twenty-seven years of a life sentence for the Criminal attack of a housewife, then 26 years old, was found not guilty by a Jury Friday in a new trial granted under a habeas corpus petition.

Judge Frank Re. Leonard in Criminal Court, before dismissing the jury, showed his displeasure at the verdict. He remarked:

"This is an astounding verdict. I hope in the future you will believe in law enforcement."

Held Innocent Captive

The crime occurred on June 8, 1925, when an intruder broke into the woman's apartment while her husband captive for nine hours and repeatedly raped her.

Grant was allowed a new trial under the recently enacted post-conviction law, by Judge Julius Miner in Circuit Court last October. Grant, through his attorney, charged that the courtroom atmosphere at his trial was one of prejudice and near riot. Newspaper accounts were introduced which told of cries of "lynch him."

All of the witnesses who testified at the original trial were available for the new trial. The victim of the attack took the stand and again identified Grant.

Mrs. Florence Ryan, foreman of the jury which convicted Grant, testified by the State was insufficient to sustain a conviction.