

# FORMER ELK LEADER HELD UNDER MANN ACT

PHILADELPHIA — (ANP) — Robert Nettles, 49, of New Haven, Conn., and alleged Past Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks in Rochester, N. Y., was sentenced to a year and a day in federal prison Monday morning by federal judge Guy R. Bard, or an alternative of \$2,500 bail pending an appeal by his attorney, Isaiah Jacobs, also of New Haven.

Nettles was tried and convicted on a white slavery charge in January of this year and his sentence was deferred twice awaiting an appeal.

The complainant in the case was Miss Bessie Brown, 41, a divorcee of Atlantic City, who said that she met Nettles in the resort city and accompanied him to several cities where he encouraged her to act as a prostitute. The charges against Nettles cited July 21 and August 4, 1948, as the dates on which these actions occurred.

According to Nettles' attorney, Miss Brown willingly let herself be used and made no official complaint until almost four months after which time the defendant had returned to New Haven. He said that Nettles' record was clean

and that Miss Brown was clean that more credibility should be given to his word than hers.

Judge Bard declared the case was most irregular in that Miss Brown admitted to prostitution, still she was entitled to protection under the law.

Testimony was read from the January trial in which Albe Welcome, owner of Bea's hotel, and Miss Nola Schofield, secretary of the Carlyle hotel, said that Nettles and Miss Brown paid visits to the establishments.

**GAMBLING OFF MONEY**

Last January, Miss Brown's testimony stirred the courtroom when she said that Nettles took the money she made as a prostitute and gambled with it.

Nettles, who is called "Les", was given a deferred sentence after his trial on January 13. Sentence was to have been pronounced by Judge Bard on Feb. 7, but was deferred longer to allow his counsel time for appeal.

Miss Brown further testified in January that Nettles drove her about the city in his car and encouraged her to have relations with men in the car.

# 1,305 Africans Study In Britain

LONDON — (ANP) A total of 1,305 West Africans are studying in Great Britain it was revealed here recently. According to figures of the colonial office, West Africa department, 96 are on scholarships and 539 are private students.

J. L. Keith, who declared these figures said there is no discrimination in the admission of African students to the universities and colleges. He explained the process of screening and admitting students as follows.

Applicants are sponsored by West African governments, British universities and colleges refer their applications to the director of colonial scholars who also takes care of students from all colonies. This department does not sponsor students unless they are guaranteed by colonial authorities.

At present it is difficult to get into college here because most of them were very overcrowded, Keith said.

# AWARDS SCHOLARSHIP



President Jacob L. Reddix (left) of Jackson college, Jackson, Miss., awards a \$100 scholarship to Howard Ulmer, a sophomore. The scholarship is provided annually by the Jackson College Club of Detroit to the student who demonstrates the greatest advancement in leadership and scholarship. Looking on are Francis Sanders, junior, and Dr. B. B. Danahy, Registrar.

# 12-Enroll For Study At U. of Kentucky

LEXINGTON, Ky. — (ANP) — Last week 12 Negro graduate students enrolled at the University of Kentucky summer school with out incident. Dr. Maurice F. Seay, dean and registrar, said most of them are teachers being advanced in education.

These students will attend the same classes as white students of through Dr. H. L. Donovan, university president, said a maximum of segregation consistent with equality of educational opportunity will be maintained.

A recent decision by Federal Judge H. Church Ford in a suit filed by Lyman Johnson, Louisville high school teacher, opened the way for Negroes here admitted to the university.

# Liberia Announces 400 Citizens Sponsor 'Bill of Rights' Meet

MONROVIA, LIBERIA — (ANP) — Gabriel E. Dennis, secretary of state of Liberia, recently announced the following requirements for a person who wishes to visit Liberia.

Applicant must have valid medical certificate from the public health authority of his home nation at the time he leaves for Liberia. He must also have report of the police investigation bureau at Monrovia for verification of his documents.

After complying with the above requirements and obtaining a visa, the alien must further be required on arrival in Liberia to report to the public investigation bureau at Monrovia for verification of his documents.

This he asserted, is "the most important fact of American political life today."

The total bill provides state aid of \$112,000,000 to schools.

In speaking for his amendment, the Negro assemblyman said: "Let's wipe out jmcrowism in Illinois schools. By tying the anti discrimination angle to the state's purse strings we can eliminate the racial problem in Illinois in a few years."

# S. C. State College Has 1150 Enrolled

ORANGEBURG — Enrollment reached a new high at South Carolina State College summer session which began June 13. At the close of the registration period, 1150 had enrolled.

Two hundred ninety students have registered in the Graduate School. This enrollment more than doubled the registration last summer of graduate students.

Selected elementary school teachers from nine states have enrolled in a workshop in the evaluation of the elementary school program. Dr. Isabelle Yeiser, West Chester, Pa., special lecturer and conductor of workshops in the project's director. This work has been provided under grant of the General Education Board and is a follow-up of the cooperative elementary school study conducted by the South Carolina Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Selected teachers who have received scholarships are here from Oklahoma, Virginia, Alabama, Texas, Louisiana, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Other special features for the summer session include: School Library Workshop, conducted by Miss E. M. Copeland, Library Science Department, State College; a reading workshop conducted by Miss Vera Shade, Wilson, N. C., visiting specialist, an English workshop conducted by Mrs. Nettie Parler, English Department of State College; Health Education workshop, conducted by Ollie C. Dawson, Department of Physical Education, State College.

Courses for special groups are offered in Agriculture, Home Economics and Industrial Education in Agriculture. "Farm and Home Utilities" and "Methods of Teaching Farm Mechanics" are offered in Home Economics, a special course in Home Economics Education is conducted.

# Abbott Scholarship Open Until July 1

JEFFERSON CITY, — (ANP) — A four-hundred dollar scholarship in journalism at Lincoln university is open to individuals who have completed two years of college work. Deadline for submitting applications for the Robert S. Abbott Memorial scholarship is July 1.

The applications, which go to the dean of the school of journalism at Lincoln, must be accompanied by a transcript of the college record showing at least a B average in all studies. The winner of the scholarship will serve a three-month internship at the Chicago Defender during the summer of 1949.

**On Lottfisher In Okla. Law School**

PHILADELPHIA — The legal education of Mrs. Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher began at long last this week when the young woman was finally admitted to the University of Oklahoma law school after a 3 1/2 year fight waged by the NAACP. The case, instituted early in 1946 and carried to the United States Supreme Court by NAACP attorneys, was headed for the highest court again when the State of Oklahoma ordered the University to admit Mrs. Fisher this week.

At the present time, Mrs. Fisher is attending classes at the law school separated from white students by a rail. Her fellow students have threatened to remove the rail and reportedly have taken an affirmative vote on such action.

As she started to classes, the attractive young law student expressed her appreciation to her "many friends" who assisted her in the 32-month fight to gain admission to the law school and stated, "I expect I spend the rest of my life demonstrating to the State of Oklahoma that a Negro can do as well as any white person in any profession at the law university."

# 1100 Students Enroll At Georgia State

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA — Seven hundred students enrolled in the Summer Session at Georgia State College, according to registration figures released by T. C. Meyers, registrar, last week.

The breakdown is as follows: 500 in college, five of these enrolled in college are women. Total number of veterans is 469.

Five hundred and eighty-seven women are enrolled in college. However, only 47 non-veteran men are attending summer school.

Students from eight additional states are in attendance. This number totals 27. South Carolina leads the way with 15. Seven students came from Florida, with Illinois, Alabama, Louisiana, Maryland, and Pennsylvania contributing two each.

# C. Men Held On Draft Dodging

VALENTIA, N. C. — (ANP) — Two young men if draft age were indicted here last week by a local grand jury for refusing to be in an armed force.

Created by the American armed forces, the draft law was passed in 1917. It was amended in 1948 to include all men between the ages of 18 and 25.

# Ga. State Lists Games For 1949

SAVANNAH, Ga. — (ANP) — The 1949 State College football schedule for 1949 includes eight games, four of them at home and four on the road.

State opens the season on Sept. 23 against Kentucky State here at night. On Oct. 7 it plays the Clafin college Panthers of Orangeburg, S. C. here, also at night.

The complete schedule follows:

**AT HOME**

Sept. 23—Kentucky State, C. Clafin University, Oct. 29—Athens State (Homecoming), and Nov. 18—Allen University.

**GAMES AWAY**

Oct. 15—Morris College, Oct. 22—Berhune Cookman; Nov. 5—Ft. Valley State, Nov. 24—Paine College.

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