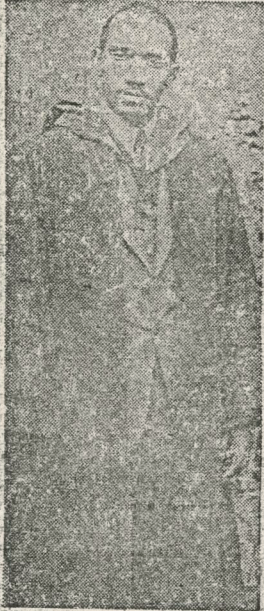


Panicee President WALTER WHITE



Out—Dr. William H. Gray left the State of Florida Sunday following his forced resignation as president of Florida A. and M. College at Tallahassee. Charges against Dr. Gray will not be aired inasmuch as he resigned his post. Other members of the faculty may be asked to resign.



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Another Lynch NAACP in For More Fu

George S. Schuyler's column, "The World Today," had not arrived at press time. Mr. Schuyler is in the West Indies.

Florida A. & M. College Prexy Forced to Quit

Ku Klux Klan Known to Have Intimidated President William Gray; Politics and Faculty Factionalism Also Involved.

(Special to The Courier)

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.—The resignation of Dr. William H. Gray Jr. as president of Florida A. and M. College brought to a climax this week a long-smoldering condition that reached into local and national politics, school administration, faculty factionalism, regional education and Ku

Governor Acts

Execution Of 7 Men Postponed

RICHMOND, Va.—Executions of seven Negro men convicted of charges of raping a white woman at Martinsville have been postponed for thirty days by Gov. William M. Tuck at the request of attorneys retained by the NAACP. The attorneys, Martin A. Martin, Oliver W. Hill and Spottswood Robinson III, all of Richmond, asked for stays of ninety days in each case.

In granting the thirty-day stays, Governor Tuck said he was not turning down the ninety-day pleas. E said that ordinarily stays of execution are granted for thirty days and that he could not grant longer stays without the approval of Attorney General J. Lindsay Almond Jr.

Four of the defendants were sentenced to die July 15 and the remaining three were scheduled to be put to death July 22. Governor

Dr. Gray's resignation, tendered Friday, July 1, and accepted Thursday, July 7, came as a distinct shock to students and faculty and snowballed into sensational proportions when it was learned that Dr. Gray had been asked to resign following charges of mismanagement and misconduct.

These charges were presented by Special Investigator J. J. Elliott, named by Gov. Fuller Warren, before a joint meeting of the State Board of Education and the State Board of Control.

H. Manning Efferson was named acting president until a successor to Dr. Gray is selected. Mr. Efferson has been director of workshops at the college for twenty-five years.

DENIES CHARGES. "I have not been guilty of misconduct or dishonesty in administering the affairs of Florida A. and M. College," Dr. Gray stated this week, adding that the primary reason for his "forced" resignation was his active participation in the fight against regional education for Negroes in the South.

Elliott's long list of charges of personal and professional misconduct, although they will not now have to be proved or disproved, touched off a flurry of additional charges against Dr. Gray, drawing a broader line within the faculty between friends and foes of Dr. Gray. One faculty member pointed up certain "indiscretions" in Dr. Gray's personal life; another expressed bitterness over faculty dis-

Convent'n Is Told of Big Deficit

(Courier Los Angeles Bureau)

LOS ANGELES—Operating at a deficit for the last three years, NAACP officials let it be known here this week that the organization faces dire consequences unless something is done to increase

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its membership and additional operating funds are not forthcoming from somewhere.

Disclosing that a "small surplus accumulated during boom war years" is "about exhausted and greatly increased support is now urgently needed," Roy M. Wilkins, NAACP acting executive secretary, told The Courier:

"Such an organization and program (as that of the NAACP)

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Who Cares?—

Crying bitterly in a German orphan home, this tyke vividly points up the problem of children of ex-GIs in Europe. This baby knows neither mother nor father nor any reason why it should be alive. Does anyone care?—European Photo.

Champ Hurt, May Leave Cincy

Ezz Charles Insult Victim

By TREZZVANT W. ANDERSON
 (Courier Staff Writer)

CINCINNATI—World Heavyweight Boxing Champion Ezzard Charles—victim of a vicious racial insult at the River Downs race track across the river in Kentucky last week—told The Courier Friday night: "I've been thinking all week about another town to move to to live in." The champion was hurt to his heart by the insult which came from a white track attendant.

According to the Champ, he had gone to the race track Wednesday afternoon with two of his co-managers, a magazine photographer and Lloyd Gibson, one of his pals, taking his own camera along to do a little picture-taking himself. When the group entered the area near the betting windows, Charles said he and Gibson had fallen several feet behind his co-managers because he was looking at prospective picture material. It was then and there that a white attendant came up to Charles

Six Suspended in Philly Loyalty Probe

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Reese J. Brown, president of the Philadelphia branch of the National Alliance of Postal Employees, was suspended from his job by local authorities, along with two other Negroes, on charges of being disloyal to the United States Government. The action brought the num-