NEWS SHORTS FROM NEAR AND FAR

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa--A local magistrate has acquitted the first person to be charged with violation of South Africa's 1962 Suppression of Communism Act. The law was passed to strengthen the republic's apartheid (segregation) policy.

Mrs. Helen Joseph, a British-born sociologist, was cleared of charges of furthering the aims of the banned African National Congress and possessing banned literature.

Magistrate T. L. Van Zyl said the state had failed to prove that Mrs. Joseph had furthered the aims of the banned organization.

The state alleged Mrs. Joseph had received a check for 200 pounds (\$560) on the instructions of Walter Sisulu, a former secretary general of the African National Congress now serving a life sentence for sabotage.

LOS ANGELES--An interracial information, education and religious center to help newcomers to Southern California become better citizens and economically independent is being planned for Los Angeles.

Robert D. Hobday, managing director of the George Washington Carver Memorial Institute of Washington, D.C., said the center will be designed particularly to aid thousands of southern Negroes who migrate to California each year.

A location for the center has not as yet been selected.

AUSTIN, Texas--A second Negro has been appointed to serve on the faculty of the University of Texas.

Cora Eiland Hicks, a graduate student, will assume a full-time teaching assistantship in English in September.

Dr. Ervin Perry, the first Negro on the faculty, is an assistant professor of civil engineer-

Mrs. Hicks will continue to work on her doctoral dissertation in English Renaissance. She is a graduate of LeMoyne College, Memphis, Tenn., and obtained her M.A. from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—The first contempt convictions under the new Civil Rights Act have been handed down by a Federal judge.

United States District Judge Bryan Simpson found a motel manager and a sheriff's deputy in contempt for failure to obey an injunction issued in St. Augustine, Fla.

Simpson gave motel manager William Chew 20 days to file a writ of compliance with Simpson's injunction upholding the law.

Chew also was ordered to pay \$400 toward the costs of attorneys for the complainants.

The judge ordered deputy Charles Lance Jr. to pay \$200 in attorney's fees and to file a report within 20 days that he had "resigned his commission or turned in his star or whatever it takes to get off the sheriff's department."

OPENS NEW LOUNGE-Earl 'Good Rocking' Brown last night opened Sarah Ann Knight's unique new Playhouse Lounge in the former Cotton Club at 500 Jackson St. Appearing with the noted saxman are Herbert Lisby on the organ, Tommy Wilkins on guitar and Eddie Mamon on drums. Brown returns here after two years in Alaska. Mrs. Knight is still decorating her new cocktail lounge, which will feature a 'delicious' color scheme of Strawberry, Loganberry and Raspberry hues.

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