HOUSTON, HOUSTON & HASTIE ATTORNEYS AT LAW 615 F STREET, NORTHWEST WASHINGTON, D. C. TELEPHONE NAT'L 7058 WILLIAM H. HASTIE WILLIAM L. HOUSTON CHARLES H. HOUSTON COUNSEL JAMES G. BRAWLEY JOSEPH C. WADDY Mr. O.L. Emerick, 16 March 1940 p.2 that a safe place for the students is provided at once, either by making the present building safe or by moving the students to other quarters. I have advised them that after notice, which I herewith give you formally on their behalf by sending this letter by registered mail, you and the Board of Education are personally liable for any harm which may befall the children from continuing to force them to go to school in a death trap. I herewith respectfully call on you and the Board of Education, and the several members thereof, to provide immediately a safe place of instruction for the Negro students now going to school in the Loudoun County Training School building. 2. On the question of instruction and courses, which is a matter under your direct and personal supervision, I call your attention again to the complete lack of equipment in the Loudoun County Training School Building for any instruction in science: chemistry, physics, zoology and botany particularly. I call your attention to the fact that the Loudoun County high school is not even an approved school according to local state standards. am respectfully requesting that immediate steps be taken to provide the present class with equipment equal to that provided for white students. One parent whose daughter wants to go to college has been forced to take his daughter out of Loudoun County where he resides and pays taxes, and send her at his own expense out of the county to the Manassas Training School. He states that this is a great hardship on him. I have advised him that he is entitled to bring his daughter back to Loudoun County and tender her for entrance at one of the approved high schools in the county, or the county will have to make arrangements otherwise. This matter is going to come before you officials in a very short time, so I am sending this letter ahead in case you desire to seek legal advice. Another parent whose daughter has graduated from the Loudoun County Training School high school course, is still within the school age but is unable to go to college, wants a home economics course for her daughter. This is being taught in the schools for white children but not in the schools which Negro children attend. I have advised this parent that she is entitled to have her daughter receive from you and the Board of Education a home economics course equal to that given the white As I stated before the Board of Education Tuesday children. March 12,1940, I make no suggestion how this shall be done.) It would be presumptuous on my part to attempt to usurp your function as to how such course shall be given, (so long as you accord the Negro student the equal protection of the law. This matter will also come before you officials in the near future, and I raise the point in this letter in case you should wish to confer