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June 12, 1967: When Supreme Court Legalized Interracial Marriage

by: Karl R. Bauman | Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — **EDITOR'S NOTE:** On June 12, 1967, the U.S. Supreme Court was wrapping up the final orders for the term. Among the cases before them was that of Richard and Mildred Loving, an interracial couple who had been sentenced to a year in jail for violating Virginia's ban on marriage between people of different races. The question posed by the Lovings' plight was simple: Did Virginia's law violate the Equal Protection Clause of the Fourteenth Amendment? The justices' unanimous conclusion also was simple — yes, it does — and felled not only Virginia's law, but similar laws in 15 other states.

In observance of the 50th anniversary of this landmark decision, The Associated Press is republishing its 1967 story by reporter Karl R. Baumann on the Supreme Court's ruling.

The Supreme Court sounded the death knell Monday for state laws outlawing racially mixed marriages.

While the unanimous decision specifically applied to Virginia's antimiscegenation law, the language of Chief Justice Earl Warren's opinion was so sweeping as to make it clear that similar statutes of 15 other states could not stand under legal attack.

Speaking for a unanimous court, Warren said the Virginia law rests solely upon distinctions drawn according to race.

He added: "The statutes prescribe generally accepted conduct if engaged in by members of different races."

Citing earlier decisions in racial cases, but not involving interracial marriage, Warren said the Supreme Court consistently has repudiated distinctions between citizens

solely because of their ancestry as being odious to a free people whose institutions are founded upon the doctrine of equality.

"The freedom to marry has long been recognized as one of the vital personal rights essential to the orderly pursuit of happiness of free man," Warren declared.

The Virginia case involved Richard P. Loving, a 33-year-old White construction worker, and his part-Negro, part-Indian wife, Mildred, 27. Warren said they were deprived by law "of liberty without due process of law in violation of the due process clause of the 14th Amendment" to the U.S. Constitution.

"To deny this fundamental freedom on so unsupported a basis as racial classifications embodied in these statutes, classifications so directly subversive of the principle of equality at the heart of the 14th Amendment, is



This January 26, 1965, file photo shows Mildred Loving and her husband Richard P. Loving. Fifty years after Mildred and Richard Loving's landmark legal challenge shattered the laws against interracial marriage in the U.S., some couples of different races still talk of facing discrimination, disapproval and sometimes outright hostility from their fellow Americans. (AP Photo)

surely to deprive all the state's citizens of liberty without due process of law," Warren said.

"The 14th Amendment requires the freedom of choice to marry not be restricted by invidious racial discriminations. Under our Constitution

the freedom to marry a person of another race resides with the individual and cannot be infringed by the state."

In the final day of its present term, before quitting until next Oct. 2, the court in a burst of speed handed down roughly a

dozen opinions of major importance and scores of orders in other cases.

And Justice Tom C. Clark made final his retirement, an action taken to avoid any conflicts because his son, Ramsey Clark, now is attorney general.

AP FACT CHECK: Pence's Obamacare 'Death Spiral' Chart

by: Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar | Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Charts don't always tell the full story, any more than politicians do.

Vice President Mike Pence used one Tuesday when telling federal health employees Barack Obama's health care law is in a "death spiral," echoing one of President Donald Trump's favorite descriptions of the law. The statistics behind that claim were correct, but very incomplete.

"Back when Obamacare was first passed, just over seven years ago, the Congressional Budget Office estimated that 23 million Americans would be covered by now," Pence told Health and Human Services Department workers.

"That's the blue line on the

far left," he added, referring to his chart. "It quickly became apparent that this was farfetched — to put it mildly."

True, only 10.3 million people are enrolled this year in the subsidized health insurance markets, not the 23 million projected by the budget office for 2017.

But Pence — and the chart — omitted any mention of the other major coverage arm of Obama's law, a Medicaid expansion estimated to cover 12 million low-income people this year. More would be covered, but 19 states have refused the expansion because of opposition from Republicans.

Republican legislation that's before Congress

would phase out enhanced federal financing for Medicaid expansion and trim subsidies for private insurance. Progress reducing the number of uninsured could be lost.

To be sure, subsidized private insurance markets like HealthCare.gov have serious problems in many states. Premiums have gone up sharply and some major insurers have pulled out. About one-third of U.S. counties currently have only one insurer in the subsidized markets.

Next year areas of Washington state, Ohio and Missouri face having no participating carrier, unless other insurers step in. More states could find themselves in that predicament. In other states, officials say the markets are working

reasonably well.

The Trump administration shares some of the blame for the market turmoil. Insurers have complained that the failure of the White House to send a clear signal on \$7 billion in subsidies to the industry is driving up premiums and undermining confidence. If Obamacare ultimately goes into a death spiral, that will be seen as part of the reason.

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For additional information, or to obtain project documents, please contact Massoud Alimian at massouda@dpr.com, or Ryan Krogstad at ryank@dpr.com (512) 345-7699.

Subcontractors and Material Vendors are encouraged to attend one of the two scheduled pre-bid conferences to be held at DPR's main office, located at 9606 MoPac Expressway North, Suite 300, Austin, TX 78759: June 29 and June 30 at 2 pm.

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Warran A. Ross, Deceased, were issued on May 25, 2017, in Cause No. C-1-PB-002201, pending in the Probate Court No. ONE, Travis County, Texas, to: Camile Ross. All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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