

**Delegation**

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It is quite clear that by statement

ly planning of school attendance areas, the 537 rooms in the 24 Durham City schools to be available for next September can readily afford the . . . space to house

Durham's pupils without reopening the Morehead School.

**Bertie Man**

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Durham, member of the Hampton board of trustees; and Walter Brown, director of placement at Hampton and treasurer for the national alumni association.  
J. W. Goodloe, vice-president of North Carolina Mutual life insurance company, was the main speaker for the convention.  
I. C. Rogers, of Enfield, presided over the sessions.

**NAACP**

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struck at the contention of the Eisenhower Administration that this section of the Douglas bill is unnecessary, that there are now enough laws under which the Department of Justice can proceed, and that a law empowering initiative action by the government might aggravate the situation.

Wilkins said the desegregation picture had not improved and, in response to a question from Chairman Thomas C. Hennings D., Mo., called the Administration's position "timorous."  
In a long question and answer session with Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. (D., N. C.), Wilkins said it was the "duty" of the Federal government to assume the burden of legal action to protect the civil rights of citizens and not to leave this task solely upon the shoulders of Negro parents and private organizations like the NAACP.

**UNFAIR BURDEN**  
Further, he said: "It is not fair, not decent, not American, that parents who seek integrated education for their children in accordance with law should find arrayed against them the massed powers of the states, including the treasuries composed in part of their own tax money. In such a situation it is absurd to maintain that the government of the United States should remain an inactive observer."

Senator Ervin quoted from a 1955 decision by the late Federal Judge John J. Parker in seeking to establish that the Supreme Court ruling of May 17, 1954, did not require integration in the public schools, but, in Senator Ervin's view, permitted "freedom of choice" by parents as to "voluntary segregation."  
Senator Ervin did not comment on these excerpts from Judge Parker's opinion; "... a state may not deny to any person on account of race the right to attend any school that it maintains . . . if the schools which it maintains are open to children of all races, no isolation of the Constitution is involved . . . The Constitution

forbids the use of governmental power to enforce segregation."  
In questioning the NAACP secretary, Senator Ervin sought to secure the admission that the Douglas bill would give "prefer-

ential treatment" to Negro citizens. Wilkins denied this and stated that it was "common knowledge" that Negro citizens had been deprived of their constitutional rights and that the Douglas bill only sought to make them equal with other citizens.  
"If the southern states will remove all restrictions, including those on the free exercise of the ballot, Negro citizens will not need the Douglas bill or any other federal legislation; they will take care of the problems themselves," he declared.

**Home Education Vital, Chaplain Tells New Homemakers Convention**

Some 1,400 delegates attended the recent statewide meeting of the North Carolina New Homemakers of America at Memorial Auditorium here.  
Major Maxwell S. Whittington, U. S. Chaplain's Corps, Ft. Jackson, S. C., addressed the session on "Better Homes for Better Living."  
In his remarks, Major Whittington said, "Freedom cannot survive when and if the educational function is taken from the home."  
The speaker said happiness in the home depends upon five major functions: biological, educational, social, moral, and religious.  
Honorary membership was conferred upon Dr. Frank A. Tolliver.

State Department of Public Instruction inspector of high schools. Other highlights included awarding of advanced degrees to five students, selection of a candidate for vice president, and the installation of officers for 1959-60. Advanced degrees went to Frances Brown, Emma Jean Brown, Joyce Fredonia Smith, Carol Miller, and Carol Jo Dillard, all from Douglas High School, Leaksville.

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