Busing: More Hostility

The disturbances caused by the court-ordered integration of the Boston schools are frightening.

They make one realize that America still has a long way to go as far as civil rights and respect for other men are concerned. Perhaps attitudes haven't changed at all since the Civil Rights Movement of the sixties.

All of the so-called human equality, In terms of respect and consideration, is a farce. Of course, blacks legally have the right to attend any school, or eat in any restaurant or stay in any hotel room. However, any type of social change demands a change in attitude.

It's really a shame that the school kids in Boston and other troubled areas of the country cannot get an education because there is so much hostility and fighting. Even the subtle hate might be better for the kids they can learn to cope with that. At least the students can go to classes and develop skills necessary to compete and be heard in this society.

It's inevitable that conflict will exist for a while between the blacks and whites in American society. However, it need not exist so brutally in the school systems.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., has said we need more love to combat the racial problem in this country. Perhaps this is true. But the need for more love and understanding has been preached for a long time and there have been no significant changes in attitude.

Is there an alternative?



To the editor:

This is written in response to Vanessa Gallman's article "Orientation impressions — Transfers are forgotten" in the September issue of Black Ink.

Gallman inadvertently stated that she was disheartened at not seeing any Blacks on the orientation commission. I would like to reassure her that there were two Blacks on the commission who helped with the initial planning and the implementation of the orientation programs for the approximately 3,000 freshmen and junior transfers this fall. These people were Joe Knight and myself.

I have since that time (as of September 25) resigned from the commission, and Joe has also, due to our involvement in many other campus organizations and committees. Because of our resignations, I, along

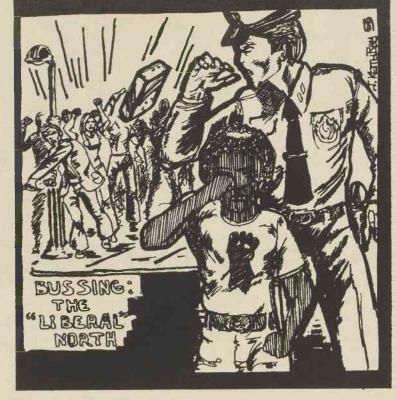
with Joe, encourage all Black students interested in becoming a commission member or in working with Orientation '75 to talk to us.

The commission is comprised of approximately ten students and Al Smith, associate dean of Student Affairs. The position imposes tremendous amounts of responsibility and time, initiates lasting friendships, and allows for personal growth. We sincerely hope that anyone interested will express that interest.

Joe and I regret that we were not present to greet you, Miss Gallman, and all the other Black freshmen and transfers.

> Sincrely, Andromeda Monroe

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Student urges use of Ink as vehicle

by Buddy Ray Staff Writer

"Power in this country denotes economic and political control." -Stokely Carmichael

This simple statement defines the complex task of controlling money and politics. Such control requires a steam shovel — a machine to move things around — to manipulate. The machine must also be able to move things about at the operator's leisure. To work efficiently, the engineering is essential. Many tactics, strategies, and secrets go into its making in an effort to monopolize the market.

In this country, the press is an important vehicle of expression. Through the press, news (facts, information on events, present happenings) from various sources is relayed to the public. Because of its power to influence, those who are in economic and political control must be able to manipulate it.

For example, last year Chase Manhattan Bank, which controls about \$36 billion in assets, spent about \$50 million on stock in the media and advertising. In addition, Nelson Rockefeller whose family has controlling interest in Chase Manhattan, is being considered for vice president.

Those in power must be sure that their philosophy is projected, and all others are rejected.

The press with its diverse sources allows for multiple access points of manipulation. Multiple access points give time for premeditated, tactical use of the press by the powerful to influence the conception of news by the public at large.

If you accept this premise that a machine must manipulate, then you are aware that those who control the university economics and politics by necessity must also, and do, control the press

However, certain problems arise in this hypothesis when, 1) there is a definite ethnic split between who does and does not have power, 2) the minority is aware of this fact and, 3) as a result of this awareness, the minority, by necessity, establishes its own medium.

By creating a means of expression for minority viewpoint there is a breakdown in the monopoly of the media by the powerful. An alternative is provided by the minority which is economically and politically controlled by the minority.

Recently, controversy has risen among Blacks concerning articles in The Daily Tar Heel. Black students have allowed themselves to be (Continued on page 8)

Student congress organized

by Phil Geddie Staff Photographer

The North Carolina Student Congress will be an organization of Black college students across the state. It will be composed of the student government associations at Black college campuses as well as Black student organizations at white institutions.

This type of statewide coalition which allows intermingling of Black students is not only needed but vital to our existence, whether faculty, staff, or student. We also need an organization with autonomy which will strongly and effectively address issues such as the UNC Desegregation Plan approved by HEW, which in essence, robs Black colleges and universities, robs Black organizations at white institutions, and ultimately seeks to rob younger brothers and sisters and children of any higher educational training. We need and want an organization which will address and attack if need be such issues as Joanna Little, Affirmative Action (the lack of it), and the abolishing of Black organizations.

The organization has already begun. The student government at North Carolina Central University and the Black Student Movement on this campus are working jointly on the organization of the congress. Because the congress consists of different institutions across the state, it will be autonomous, belonging to no school. The organization came about not only because of the realization of its advantages but also because of this nation's and the state's relentless oppression of Black people.

The first statewide organizational meeting is tentatively scheduled for Nov. 8-10, at UNC-CH. This will be a three-day endeavor to instate, organize and solidify students of the state. The three-day venture will be intensive and rough, but it will result in success. For as Black students, if we do not meet the needs of our people, if we cannot succeed in being dedicated to ourselves and our needs, then tell me — who will?

Your support will be necessary to make this weekend and the ultimate organization a success. Please watch the Weekly Ink and listen to Black Sounds for further information.

Yours, Forever Struggling Osayejo (Phil Geddie)

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Blacks must decide routes

Algenon Marbley BSM Chairman

It is rather appalling that in the year 1974 there is a need for an appeal to Black unity. This, however, is reality and must be addressed accordingly.

The forces which provided the impetus for the collectivity existent in the 60's are somewhat lost. The era of the summer soldier and the sunshine radical has come to an end. The committed worker must now come to the forefront.

It is imperative that we understand the dynamics of a protracted struggle. The liberation of Black people is a phenomenon which will not take place overnight or by one single, arbitrary act.

We must view it in the context of a building process.

The foundation has been laid by the 60's movement. It was an historical epoch in which the conciousness of Black people was raised, one in which the willingness of Black people to struggle was potrayed, and it set forth the political undercurrents necessary to establish a direction for Black people.

At this point in time it is necessary that we, as Black students, utilize the insight and skills attained during that period so that we may build on that solid foundation. Being aware of the fact that we are in this predominantly white institution, we must realize the nessity to collect ourselves in a ner that would protect our vested sts as Black students.

must ally ourselves with the organizational apparatus that is dedicated to achieving this end, the BSM.

On this campus the BSM is the unifying force of Black students. However, for this mechanism to be as effective as it can be, present levels of participation must rise. We see a need for involvement by the whole of the Black student populus for the purpose of making the BSM most effective.

We all bring to this campus certain skills and talents that are vital in terms of the sustaining of our people. Now, we must channel them in a direction that would be most beneficial to us as a collective entity.

Our committement to our community, when we return our services, will be reflected by our committment to the organization which serves as the vanguard element of Black students. However — many of us go under the faulty assumption that we will isolate ourselves now, and fulfill our obligation to our people when we graduate.

Perhaps we lose sight of the fact

that to be dedicated to the liberation of Black people requires a great deal of committment. This committment is the result of a growth process and not something that will automatically come with your diploma. It is the end result of involvement with an organization bent on achieving the total liberation of Black people, on whatever level it may be.

Involvement with the BSM also enables one to construct a mentality that is centered around a Black frame of reference. This is so essential due to the fact that we are in an institution which embraces an educational philosophy buttressing the status quo.

This status quo, as is obvious, is not one that is concerned with the plight of Black people. Therefore, we must address ourselves to this task with a mind set that is not aligned with broader society, but is consistent with the needs of the Black community.

At this point, active involvement with the BSM is satisfactorily and steadily increasing. However, it must be impressed upon us that maximum participation is needed for maximum effectiveness. The most impressive element thus far has been the keen interest exhibited by the freshman class.

Accordingly, this gives us a great deal of optimism for our future survival on this campus, but the relative

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