

OPEN LETTER

Following is an open letter stating the position of a group of Negro citizens in relation to the Negro school situation in Edenton:

On May 13, 1951, a group of more than 700 citizens met at the Providence Baptist Church to discuss the conditions at the Edenton Colored High School. After some speeches and a large number of complaints a motion was passed by a very large majority asking that a committee be appointed to go to the School Board and request the immediate dismissal of D. F. Walker, Principal of Edenton Colored High School. On May 17th seven members of the committee met the Edenton school board. The chairman of the committee presented 14 of the charges and signed statements to the school board. These charges were not officially accepted because the chairman of the mass meeting was not present and had not signed them. On May 22nd the charges, signed by members of the committee were presented to the Secretary of the Board of Education. On May 28th the committee contacted the Chairman of the Board of Education and asked what consideration the board had given this matter. The chairman stated that the board had not met and consequently no decision could be given. On June 6th the committee again contacted the chairman of the board of Education. On this occasion the chairman of the board suggested a possible meeting of the Colored citizens committee and the board of Education. No date was set and to this date no date for such a meeting has been set. On June 11th members of the citizens committee tried to arrange a meeting for some time during that week but they were not successful.

The Board of Education has had this matter under consideration for approximately one month. In spite of the repeated requests from the colored citizens committee no date has been set for a meeting and no answer in any form has been made. This matter is of vital importance to the Colored citizens. Our children suffer because of the policies of the present administration, our community is hampered by the lack of cooperation. Our request for relief should not be ignored or treated carelessly. In view of mounting public interest, the importance of the situation and our responsibility to the citizens, we hope that the board will not prolong its decision.

We do not understand why the school Trustees insist upon secrecy in

the investigation, meetings, discussions, etc., concerning the present school situation. During the past years when efforts were made to make the Edenton Colored High School, its policies and program more agreeable to the citizens there was also an emphasis on keeping it from the public. The school is a public institution supported by taxes paid by the people. The school trustees are people who serve the public in the capacity of providing buildings, personnel, supervising the administration, programs and policies of the school. The Principal and teachers are supposed to serve the public. Since the public supports the school, principal, teachers, etc., why can't the public know what is going on? The Negro citizen committee wants it clearly understood that they do not understand the board's attitude. Why should we be asked to be quiet, make no more publicity when a situation exists that is disgusting and is not being taken of satisfactorily? The request of the citizens was not made in secrecy. They were stated at a public mass meeting to which everyone was welcome. If there is a good reason for secrecy, if the request of the citizens is going to be acted upon fairly and efficiently there will be no need for publicity. But if an unfair investigation is being made, if intimidation is being practiced on persons making complaints or members of the committee, if the request of the citizens is not being given the proper attention, then the public should know and we will make every effort to bring these facts to the attention of the people.

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Cotton Classing Service Offered Applications Must Be Filed Before August 15

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's free cotton classing and market news services "have proved their worth in the past, and are all set to do it again this year," C. W. Overman, county agent for the State College Extension Service, said this week reminding growers that the deadline for applying for the services is drawing near. Mr. Overman pointed out that the free classing and market news services are available to all grower-members of cotton improvement groups. Applications, however, must be filed through such groups, large or small. For North Carolina, applications

must be filed not later than August 15. It is desirable, however, that applications be filed well in advance of the application deadline, to insure ample time for arrangement for the services. Once such applications are approved, grower-members may have their authorized ginner pull samples from each bale as it is ginned, and sent to the nearest USDA classing office. As each sample is officially classed—its grade and staple length officially determined—the formation will be returned to the grower on what is known as a "green card." This becomes his official class record on the bale sampled. "Any cotton grower," Mr. Overman declared, "will concede that he's in the best bargaining position when he knows the official grade and staple length of the cotton he's selling. It's clearly to his advantage to know, and USDA's free classing and market news service, provided under terms of the Smith-Doxey Act, can give a grower this advantage."

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CHRISTIAN CHURCH SERVICES

Services at the First Christian Church have been announced as follows by the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Alexander: Bible School, Sunday morning at 10 o'clock; morning service at 11 o'clock; young people's meeting at 6:30 P. M.; evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday Evening Bible Class meets at 7:30 o'clock. Everyone is welcome to all services.

PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

Services at the Presbyterian Church are announced as follows by the pastor, the Rev. Herman L. Cathey: Bible School Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, J. A. Mitchener, Jr., superintendent. Public worship at 11 o'clock, when Mr. Cathey will preach on the subject "A Noteworthy Epistle." The public is cordially invited to attend all services.

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Wednesday and Thursday, June 20-21—
Bing Crosby and Nancy Olsen in "MR. MUSIC" Cartoon

Friday and Saturday, June 22-23—
Allen Rocky Lane in "HILLS OF OKLAHOMA" Serial No. 11
Cartoon

Sunday, June 24—
Estelita Rodrigues and Rob Rockwell in "BELLE OF OLD MEXICO" (In Color) Comedy Cartoon

Wednesday and Thursday, June 27-28—
Bette Davis and Robert Montgomery in "JUNE BRIDE" Cartoon

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EDENTON, N. C.
Week Day Shows Continuous From 8:30
Saturday Continuous From 1:30
Sunday 2:15, 4:15 and 9:15

Thursday and Friday, June 21-22—
John Payne and Arlen Whelan in "PASSAGE WEST"

Saturday, June 23—
Rex Allen and Buddy Ebsen in "SILVER CITY BONANZA"

Sunday and Monday, June 24-25—
Van Johnson and the Heroes of 442nd Regimental Combat Team in "GO FOR BROKE"

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 26-27—
Joan Crawford and Robert Young in "GOODBYE, MY FANCY"

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Friday and Saturday, June 22-23—
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Humphrey Bogart and Eleanor Parker in "CHAIN LIGHTNING"

Sunday, June 24—
Gary Cooper and Patricia Neal in "BRIGHT LEAF"

Monday and Tuesday, June 25-26—
Gene Kelly and Esther Williams in "TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME"

Wednesday and Thursday, June 27-28—
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Libby's, Kingan's Vienna
Sausage, can **22c**

Kingan's 1-lb. Can Corned

Beef Hash

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46-oz. Can HI-C

Orangeade

.29c

All 5c Bottle
Drinks 6 for **25c**

Chocolate Drink
Sambo, can **.5c**

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16c

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Dash, can **.14c**

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Orange Juice

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Juice, can **.28c**

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