

Here Is The Text Of Federal Judge's Order Concerning High Schools

(Editor's Note: Following is an order in the Edenton-Chowan Board of Education case in U. S. District Court. The order was signed last week by Federal Judge John D. Larkins of Trenton.)

In The United States District Court For The Eastern District of N. C. Elizabeth City Division

This cause was heard before the undersigned upon motion of defendant for another year's delay in completely desegregating the public schools of Edenton-Chowan and objections of plaintiffs thereto. The Court has considered

the evidence introduced by both parties, consisting of depositions, answers to interrogatories and exhibits introduced during the hearing of this cause in July, 1968 and the oral testimony of defendant's Superintendent. Upon the basis of this evidence, the Court makes the following

Findings Of Fact

1. Pursuant to defendant's own admission in the hearing of this cause in July, 1968) and on the basis of the evidence then before the Court, the Court found that defendant could effect complete desegregation of its school system at the beginning of the 1969-70 school year and

could take substantial steps toward a desegregated system by the beginning of the 1968-69 school year. The Court, therefore, ordered defendant to desegregate grades 1-6 effective with the beginning of the 1968-69 school year and to submit a plan for complete desegregation on or before January 1, 1969, later extended, on motion of defendant to and including March 1, 1969.

2. Defendant has moved the Court for another year's delay contending that it cannot complete construction of some additional classroom space until November, 1969, and possibly later. Defendant contends that the additional classroom space is needed to house the 700 students in grades 10-12 at John A. Holmes High School which presently accommodates 500 students.

3. Although defendant has been ordered to submit a plan for complete desegregation on or before March 1, 1969, as of the date of this hearing it has advised the Court that it has not adopted a definite plan but is working toward utilization of the schools as proposed by a Survey Team of the North Carolina State Board of Public Instruction.

4. No showing has been made or offered that defendant cannot accommodate all students in the school system on a completely desegregated basis effective with the beginning of the 1969-70 school year. Indeed, up until the filing of the instant motion, defendant has assured the Court and counsel for plaintiffs that it could completely desegregate the school system by the beginning of the 1969-70 school year.

5. While some additional facilities might be desirable, the Court finds as a fact that the Edenton-Chowan School System can feasibly be completely desegregated effective with the beginning of the 1969-70 school year. What inconvenience this might cause, if any, has resulted from the failure of the defendant to take immediate and effective steps to implement the Court's order of July 30, 1968, requiring complete desegregation by the 1969-70 school year.

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Conclusion of Law
1. School officials have the affirmative duty to effect a unitary, non-racial school system "at the earliest possible moment."

Boomer v. Beaufort County Board of Education and Felton v. Edenton-Chowan School Administrative Unit. — U. S. — (In Chamber Opinion of Justice Black, August 30, 1968); Green v. School Board of New Kent County, 391 U. S. 430; Raney v. Board of Education of The Gould School District, 391 U. S. 443; Monroe v. Board of Commissioner of the City of Jackson, 391 U. S. 450; Adams v. Matthews 403 F. 2d 181 (5th Cir. 1968); United States v. Greenwood Municipal Separate

School District, — F. 2d — (5th Cir., No. 25714, Feb. 4, 1969).
2. There are no constitutional permissible administrative or other problems which would permit or justify further delay in desegregating the Edenton-Chowan School Administrative Unit.
IT IS, THEREFORE, ordered, adjudged and decreed that the motion of defendant for an extension of time to implement the order of the Court until the 1970-71 school year be and the same is hereby denied.

Bible Verse

... Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten and die."

- 1. Who was Uriah?
2. Who ordered his death?
3. Why?
Answers To Bible Verse
1. A valiant soldier of King David.
2. David, the king.
3. Because he was the husband of Bathsheba.

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to take this means to extend my sincere thanks to everyone who remembered me with visits, prayers, cards, flowers, gifts and in any other way during my stay in the hospital and since my return home. Especially am I grateful to the nurses and staff of Chowan Hospital. May God bless all of you.
—Mrs. Lee Sadler

A Thought to Remember

By MARVIN BARHAM



Records show that a very wise man by the name of Confucius lived in China about 500 years before Christ. History says he was a philosopher and a teacher. We know him as the man who gave us all the sayings that are quoted as: "Confucius Says."

There is one outstanding saying attributed to Confucius. It goes:

"To study without thinking is waste of time; To think without studying is dangerous."

We all know that the two, studying and thinking, go together. It is difficult to indulge in one without the other. But, it seems it can be done.

Very few of us have come through our lives without being guilty of hastiness. Hasty words spoken without thought. Spur of the moment decisions without thinking them through. And for these actions we have suffered or caused others to suffer.

The words of the ancient Chinaman would be well for all of us to remember . . . and wouldn't it be a better world if all people combined their

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NOTICE OF SALE

In the General Court of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk State of North Carolina, County of Chowan.

Under and by virtue of an Order of the Clerk Superior Court of Chowan County in that Special Proceedings entitled "Everett F. Small and wife, Mary B. Small, et als, Petitioners vs. Mamie C. Small, widow, et als, Respondents," the undersigned Commissioner will on Monday, the 17th day of March, 1969, at Twelve O'clock Noon, at the Court House Door in Edenton, North Carolina, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the confirmation of the Court, those certain tracts of land lying in First Township, Chowan County, North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

Tract No. 1: That certain tract or parcel of land, with all buildings and improvements located thereon, bounded on the North by the lane leading from the old Edenton-Hertford Road to the land now or formerly owned by Jim Haughton; on the East by the lands now or formerly owned by Jim Haughton and L. D. Bond - P. L. Rea land; on the South by the land now or formerly owned by the Powell Brothers - Boswell land; and on the West by the Old Edenton - Hertford Road, containing 75 acres, more or less, and being known as the W. B. Small Farm, and being the identical real property conveyed to the said W. B. Small by a certain warranty deed dated September 15, 1922, and now duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Chowan County, North Carolina, in Deed Book O, page 558, an undivided one-half of which real property was conveyed by the said W. B. Small to Jennie A. Small by a certain warranty deed dated April 8, 1928, which deed is now duly recorded in said office in Deed Book Q-2, page 518, and reference is expressly made to said deeds for further description and chain of title.

with all buildings and improvements located thereon and beginning at a sweet gum on the said Emperor Road (N. C. Secondary Road No. 1203); thence North 83 1/4 deg. West 9 chains; thence South 26 deg. West 14 chains; thence South 35 deg. West 6.29 chains; thence North 50 deg. West 14.63 chains; thence North 42 deg. East 26.20 chains to run of swamp; thence the run of the swamp to a cypress standing near the run; thence South 13 1/2 deg. West to the first station, containing 45 acres, more or less, and being the identical real property conveyed to the said W. B. Small by a certain warranty deed, dated January 7, 1938, and now duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, Chowan County, North Carolina, in Deed Book 2, page 127, and reference is expressly made to said deed for further description and chain of title. There is excepted, however, from this conveyance that portion of said tract, described as follows: Beginning at an iron pipe on the West right of way line of N. C. Secondary Road No. 1202, said point being further described as being 856 feet from the intersecting point of the West right of way line of said Road No. 1202 and the North right of way line of N. C. Secondary Road No. 1203 (Emperor Road); thence from said beginning point and running in a general Westwardly course 100 feet, more or less, to an iron pipe; thence running in a general Northwardly course 100 feet, more or less, to another iron pipe; thence running in a general Eastwardly course 100 feet, more or less, to an iron pipe set in the West right of way line of said Road No. 1202; thence running in a general Southwardly course along said right of way 100 feet, more or less, to the point and place of beginning, and being the house and lot now occupied as the residence of Mrs. Thomas A. Small, and it is understood that the title to said tract of land shall automatically vest in the purchaser of this said tract of land at the death of the said Mrs. Thomas A. Small,

or at the termination of her widowhood, which ever event shall first occur.

The purchaser shall assume all responsibility for the 1969 Chowan County ad valorem taxes.

The high bidder or bidders at said sale will be required to make a deposit with the Commissioner in the sum of 10% of the first \$1,000.00 bid, plus 5% of all over \$1,000.00.

This 14th day of February, 1969.

MERRILL EVANS, JR.,
Post Office Box 74,
Edenton, North Carolina,
Commissioner.
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Administrator's Notice

Having qualified as Administrator, CTA of the estate of J. Judson Long, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 20th day of September, 1969, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 20th day of February, 1969.
JOSEPH J. LONG, JR.,
Administrator CTA of the Estate of J. Judson Long, Deceased.
Feb 20 27 Mar 6 13c

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

In the General Court of Justice Superior Court Division Before the Clerk Having qualified as Executrix of the estate of Reece T. Pickler, late of Chowan County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons holding claims against the estate of said deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before the 13th day of August, 1969, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of any recovery thereon. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This 7th day of February, 1969.
JULIA S. PICKLER,
Executrix of the Estate of Reece T. Pickler, Deceased.
Merrill Evans, Jr.,
Attorney at Law,
P. O. Box 74
Edenton, N. C. 27932
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'Day Of Prayer' At Local Church

As the new technology brings nations into closer proximity and the exchange of information forces us to acknowledge the struggles and strivings of our world neighbors, there is an opportunity for enrichment through intercultural dialogue never before available to mankind. Church women have recognized this need for unity and understanding since 1887, when they first joined in a single, symbolic voice of prayer.

Friday's World Day of Prayer, sponsored by Church Women United, will mark the time when for millions of women, including those in Edenton, will further close the gaps—national, racial, economic and religious—that divide us. The local service will commence at 4 P. M. in

St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Participating in the celebration will be representatives from several local churches. All women are invited and urged to attend.

Significant as a "barrier-breaker" is this year's date. The first Friday in March has been established as the official date for this international celebration, since "Lent" comes at a different time for our Orthodox communions. To make World Day of Prayer truly ecumenical this adjustment was made.

Offerings collected on that day are used for many significant projects. A special national program this year will concern our own crisis in the nation and the racial prejudice that perpetuates unequal distribution of wealth and

power. Pilot projects will penetrate barriers that divide communities, bringing women of different economic levels, racial and ethnic backgrounds into dialogue. Women will be trained to help change attitudes in churches where white racism prevails.

The Bare Facts

BMI — You brag about your ability to judge people by their dress. What about that little blonde over on the beach?
SN — Insufficient evidence.

But Even So

McGinty—I've a terrible corn on the bottom of my foot.
Pat—That's a foine place to have it. Nobody can step on it but you.

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