

'Limited' Integration:

FIVE NEGROES ENTER SCHOOLS

Caution is Watchword in Five Integrated School Systems

Integration Takes Place In Six Towns

Six North Carolina communities observed with interest the beginning or continuation of integration in their public schools as school boards this week moved warily in the direction of compliance with the Supreme Court ruling of 1955.

In those communities in which "token" integration was effected, these were the preliminary observations:

HIGH POINT: White high school students voluntarily removed a decisive sign painted on the driveway of one of the schools to which two Negroes, Miriam Lynn and Brenda Jean Lynn, sisters, were admitted for the first time. The Lynns attended their first day's classes without incident.

GREENSBORO: A Confederate flag was unfurled outside the Gillespie Park Elementary School where five Negro youngsters were enrolled. Greensboro started its third year of limited integration.

CHARLOTTE: One Negro student, Delores Fannie Waterman, entered the new Garinger High School in this city's third year of limited integration. The student was the only Negro admitted to "white" schools in Charlotte this year.

WAYNE COUNTY (GOLDSBORO): About 12 students, children of Negro personnel at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base began school with approximately 1000 white pupils at Meadow Lane Elementary School.

WINSTON-SALEM: Seven Negro pupils quietly entered white schools as this city began its third year of limited integration.

HAVELOCK: Seventeen Negro students, children of Cherry Point Marine Base personnel, entered white schools earlier last week.

Indianapolis Mayor Backs Education Drive

INDIANAPOLIS—Mayor Charles H. Boswell has issued a stay-in-school proclamation, part of a national campaign sponsored by the NAACP youth and college division, it was announced this week. Similar proclamations are being planned in major cities such as Dallas, Texas; Oklahoma City, Okla.; Richmond and Norfolk, Va.; Nashville, Tenn.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Chicago, Ill.; St. Paul, Minn.; Wichita, Kan., and New York City, N. Y.

Mayor Boswell urged the young people of Indianapolis to return to their classrooms this fall. He further urged that "parents, management, labor, educators, and all public and private agencies encourage our youth to complete the education so essential to them as future workers and citizens."

NAACP Plans Conferences In Key States

NEW YORK — Fall planning session of 10 key NAACP state conferences of branches were announced this week by Gloster B. Current, director of branches. Also Iowa, in Council Bluffs, Oct. 3-4; Virginia, in Danville, Oct. 9-11; North Carolina, in Asheville, Oct. 8-11; Illinois, in Alton, Oct. 23-25; South Carolina, in Greenville, Oct. 22-24; Kansas, in Kansas City, Oct. 29-31; and the North West area in Tacoma, Wash., Oct. 3-4.

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CLAUDETTE BRAME



SYLVESTER WILLIAMS



ANITA BRAME



AMOS WILLIAMS



ANDREE MCKISSICK

Seek Strong Rights Bill in U.S. Congress

NEW YORK. — NAACP units throughout the country were urged this week to press their Washington Congressmen and Senators for a strong civil rights bill to counteract the possible efforts of some Congressmen to push through a weak bill in the closing days of the present session.

"If a weak bill is pushed through at the last minute, a strong bill will be blocked until 1961 or later," NAACP Secretary Roy Wilkins said in a memorandum to the membership.

"Supporters of civil rights want a strong bill passed at this session," he said. "We do not want action postponed, but we do not want a token bill, just so that certain leaders in Washington call it the Civil Rights Bill of 1959 and thus try to smother the issue in the 1960 election campaign."

"Any bill that does not provide for stronger action by the federal government in school desegregation cases, as well as include bombings, voting rights, extension of the Civil Rights Commission and other items in the bills which have been kicked from pillar to post in this session is not a strong bill."

The memorandum scored the blocking of the civil rights bill in the Senate Judiciary committee of which Senator James O. Eastland of Mississippi is chairman, and in the House Rules committee of which Rep. Howard Smith of Virginia is chairman. It pointed out that some Republican committee

Cancer Experts to Address Lincoln Hospital's Post Graduate Clinic; Program For Event Revealed

Dr. Clyde Donnell, president of Lincoln Hospital, Tuesday announced program highlights of the 14th Annual Post Graduate Clinic to be held here Wednesday, October 21, at the Angier B. Duke Nurses Home.

The program is sponsored jointly by the Old North State Medical Society and the staff of Lincoln Hospital.

This year's meeting will feature a symposium on Cancer. Dr. Ellen B. Winston, Commissioner of the North Carolina State Board of Welfare will be among opening speakers as she talks at the 9 A.M. session on "North Carolina's Plan of Cancer Control." This part of the program will discuss public health aspects of cancer in North Carolina.

At 10 A.M. the group will hear a workshop discussion on three leading cancer sites. Participants including Dr. W. L. Sealey, who will talk on "Cancer of the Lung"; Dr. W. L. Thomas, "Cancer of the Cervix," and a speaker to be announced to discuss "The Challenge of Cancer of the Breast."

Real Gone Berry Swings Out Of Mississippi, Through N. C.

Any way you cut it, it was a swinging move for Charles (Chuck) Berry, the rock and roll singer.

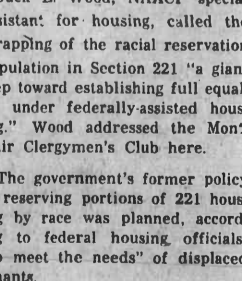
That is, Berry really swung out of Mississippi, following his release on bond, pursuant to his arrest in Meridian, Miss., where a 20-year-old white girl complained that Berry had tried to date her, during Berry's appearance at a high school dance.

From Birmingham, where Berry paused to evaluate his unwanted residence in a Mississippi jail, the word was on and upward. And that means northward.

Going back to Mississippi to straighten out the little misunderstanding, Mr. Berry?

Going back to where? Durham area fans, attention: Berry will appear at the Durham Armory with Shirley & Lee in a Dawn Dance uncapped at 12:01 a.m., Labor Day, September 7.

And watch Berry. Like he knows how to swing, man.



CHUCK BERRY

Registration For Bond Voting Begins Oct. 3

Registration books for the thirty-four and a half million dollar statewide bond issue will open at 9 a.m., October 3, according to Sigmund Meyer, Chairman of the Durham County Board of Elections.

Persons desiring to register will have two Saturdays in addition to the opening day of registration. They will be Saturday, October 10 at which time the books will open at 9 a.m., and close at 5:46 p.m., day of registration.

Challenge day for the special bond election will be October 24. Registrars will remain at their polling places from 9 a.m., until 3 p.m.

The election will be held Tuesday, October 27 at which time the polls will open at 6:30 a.m., and close at 6:30 p.m.

Decision To Drop Race Clause In Urban Renewals is Applauded

MONTECLAIR, N. J.—The federal government's decision to stop relocating Negro families displaced by federally-assisted urban renewal programs according to race was hailed this week by the NAACP.

Jack E. Wood, NAACP special assistant for housing, called the scrapping of the racial reservation stipulation in Section 221 "a giant step toward establishing full equality under federally-assisted housing." Wood addressed the Montclair Clergymen's Club here.

The government's former policy of reserving portions of 221 housing by race was planned, according to federal housing officials, "to meet the needs" of displaced tenants.

"However," Wood continued, "prejudiced builders and local city governments across the nation misinterpreted the stipulation to mean federal approval of segregated housing."

American Legion Action Refusing Negroes Said Aid to U. S. Enemies

NEW YORK. — The American Legion was charged with "giving ammunition to America's communist enemies," this week by the NAACP for refusing to remove the anti-Negro ban of its subsidiary 40&8 society.

In a telegram to Legion Commander Preston J. Moore, NAACP Executive Secretary Roy Wilkins added that, "the largest organization of men who went into uniform to fight for democracy is on record as not believing in the doctrine, although a substantial minority dissented."

"Millions of Negro Americans are also disturbed about a system that openly humiliates them with racial clauses and refuses to grant their children equal opportunity in unsegregated education," Mr. Wilkins said.

He also charge that the same "system" is "playing the shell game with a Congressional civil rights bill," but concluded: "Hooray for America! Long may she live in spite of her poison pill doctors."

Tennessee Segregationists Ask Court to Shut Down School

MONTEAGLE, Tenn.—The segregation battle moves from Little Rock to Altamont, Grundy County, Tennessee on Monday, September 14th at 9 a.m.

At that time a petition proposing the paddocking of The Highlander Folk School will be heard. There is no word of the real charge—that Highlander, in existence for 27 years, has always been an integrated school, and that in recent years has based its program on full citizenship and integration.

Leaflets At Durham High, Name-Calling Mar Otherwise Peaceful Transition At Three Schools

Five Negro students enrolled at three formerly white schools in Durham amid an atmosphere of calm here Wednesday.

Aside from some catcalls and epithets from loiterers around the buildings, the only untoward incidents reported by mid-day Wednesday was the discovery of a number of leaflets on the Durham High School lawn early Wednesday before the opening of school.

Police said they were investigating the source of the leaflets but late Wednesday had not discovered their source.

Printed on a sheet approximately 2 inches long and four inches wide, the leaflets read: "Remember Little Rock. The people there at least had the guts to fight. Does Durham have less courage?"

Originally, eight Negro pupils had been selected from a list of 225 applicants to make the historic move.

Two, Amos and Sylvester Williams, were reassigned to a Negro school when their parents moved out of the white school district shortly before school opening.

Another, Larry Scurlock, assigned to Durham high, had not returned to the city from an out of town job.

The five who were enrolled Wednesday are Alonzo Vickers, of Shirley Street, and Andree McKissick, of North Roxboro, Carr Junior High; Lucy Jones, of Berkeley Street, and Anita Brame, of Onslow Street, Durham High.

Four of the five who broke the color barrier in Durham's public schools chat ted excitedly about their experiences in Durham's first integrated schools following their first day.

Alonzo Vickers, Andree McKissick, Lucy Jones and Anita Brame, all junior high school students, agreed that they encountered little trouble at the schools.

Vickers said he was called a "black nigger" at Carr Junior High as he left the building for the day. But he added that he believed the young white boy who hurled the insult was not a Carr student.

All five of the students were escorted to the schools by their parents or some other grown-up. At Durham High, Claudette Brame was admitted to a side door apparently in a pre-arranged plan and escaped newsmen and photographers who had waited at the front entrance.

Cong. Diggs Blasts '40 & 8' Policy, Quits American Legion

Congressman Charles C. Diggs (D-Mich.), resigned this week from the American Legion's fun-making "40 and 8" corps.

Diggs announced his resignation in a telegram to Legion commander Preston J. Moore, which read as follows:

"I hereby resign from my membership with your organization as a protest against its rejection of a proposal to permit voluntary racial integration in local units of the 40 & 8.

"The innocuous substitute resolution which passed calling for 'sympathetic support' for a 're-examination' of the membership restriction merely compounds the insult of your action. This shocking demonstration of intolerance against legionnaires of Oriental and Negro descent (which makes it apply to me personally) makes a mockery out of the democratic ideals to which your organization is committed.

"That you, in effect, would condone the practices of your 40 & 8 subsidiary in excluding such whole groups of honorably discharged veterans, who have served with sacrifice in the defense of our way of life, is indefensible.

"I will continue to support my local chapter, Charles Young Post No. 77, and other worthwhile programs as I have done in the past as a private citizen, a member of the Michigan State Senate Veterans Committee, and a member of the United States House of Representatives Committee on Veterans Affairs.

However, I cannot in good conscience remain a member of the 'Un-American Legion as long as the aforementioned discrimination is the official policy of the organization.

"The vote of your southern delegates against the integration proposal was not surprising, but to see a majority of northern delegates, including those from my own State of Michigan, associate themselves with this anti-democratic viewpoint gives validity to the oft-repeated southern charge that all race discrimination is not below the Mason-Dixon Line.