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**Segregation
Stand Backed
By Umstead**

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RALEIGH, March 31. — William B. Umstead came out today for a continuation of the State's policy of not mixing the races in public schools.

If necessary, the candidate for governor said, bonds should be issued to maintain segregation and adequate public school facilities. He wouldn't favor the bonds, however, if the money could be found anywhere else.

In answering a questionnaire by the North Carolina Education Association, Umstead said: "I am in favor of providing the needed public school facilities in North Carolina, and I am definitely in favor of a strict compliance with this constitutional mandate, to the end that adequate school facilities shall be provided, and that segregation shall be maintained in our public school system."

School needs and rapidly increasing enrollment, Umstead added, "present one of the most important questions facing the State of North Carolina at this time, and definitely and directly involves the question of segregation in our public school system."

Seven suits demanding equal facilities now are in the courts, while an eighth recently was dismissed. They were brought in half of Negroes. One of the suits, in Pamlico County, demands that Negroes be admitted to white schools if equal accommodations are not effected. None contests the constitutionality of segregation. Other actions are pending from Perquimans, Washington, Wilson, Orange, Durham, and Lenoir counties.