

Southern Governors Ask Stand Against School Race Integration

Richmond, Va. — (U.P.) — Four Southern governors spurred legislators of their states today to challenge the authority of the U. S. Supreme Court to order mixed schools.

By informal agreement at a conference Tuesday the governors adopted the strongest stand yet taken in the rising crisis over school segregation across the Deep South.

They decided to ask their legislatures, which now are in session, to invoke the doctrine of "interposition," a word used in the past to describe a state's protest against alleged federal government encroachment.

Govs. Thomas B. Stanley of Virginia, Marvin Griffin of Georgia, H. P. Coleman of Mississippi and George B. Timmerman Jr., of South Carolina issued their personal challenges of the court's

authority. **Joint Statement Issued**
"The states have not delegated to the federal government or any agency thereof the power to prohibit the segregation of the races in the public schools," they said in a joint statement.
"Therefore," they said, "we shall recommend to the legislatures of our respective states that the following action be taken:

1. That the state legislatures by resolution formally "interpose" the sovereign power of the states against "the encroachment of the central government."
2. That they ask Congress to take such action as it can to "protect the states and the people against present and future encroachment . . ."
3. That each state enact laws or adopt other legal measures to

protect its sovereignty and the rights of its people."

Challenge of Court Authority
The first step, "interposition," marked a turn from evading the Supreme Court through "private school plans" and other means to an outright challenge of the court's authority.

At present it is only an abstract doctrine which the governors and other segregation leaders have hailed as an "unwritten law." Although invoked by various states in challenging the federal government in the past its force has never been effectively tested.

Georgia's governor predicted that "interposition will become a household word in Dixie."

The governors said they had already talked about the companion doctrine of "nullification" and said they might ask their state legislatures to take either stand.

As We Live

By ELIZABETH HURLOCK, PH.D.

Don't Double Date With Date Stealer

There are always girls who like to take boys away from other girls. What should a girl do when she is the victim of such treatment?

(Q) "I was very much interested in your column today which told about a girl whose older sister tried to take away her boy friends. My Dr. Hurlock best friend does just the same thing to me. We have gone together since we were in first grade and now we are both juniors in high school. Whenever I get a new boy friend, she suggest we have a double date. I always agree because I am somewhat shy and it is hard for me to go out on a date with a boy I barely know. My girl friend is always the life of any party and I never have to worry about keeping the conversation going when she is around. The trouble is the boy asks her out on a date and doesn't ask me again. I know she likes to be popular but I resent the way she takes the boys away from me. Should I break up with her? In every other way, we are very congenial." B. L. H.

(A) If you and your friend are as congenial as you seem to think you are, it would be very foolish to break up your friendship. Friends are not so easily found that you can afford to discard one who is congenial, even when it may mean losing your boy friends.

You are as much to blame for this problem, it seems to me, as your friend is. You are depending too much on her to carry the ball for you in your social relationships and then, when she makes a good job of it, you resent the outcome.

Try, in the future, to handle your own dates and don't rely upon your friend to help you out. Go out with the boys alone and don't ask your friend to make it a double date. By doing this, you give your date an opportunity to see your friend in comparison with you and, as she has more poise and greater social skills, she shows up better by comparison.

Should she suggest a double date, tell her frankly it doesn't "wor" for you. If she is a good friend of yours, she will understand and will even go further and help you to develop some of the social skills you now lack.

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Marjorie Smith Faces Questioning

San Jose, Calif. — (U.P.) — Mrs. Marjorie Smith, Portland, faced further questioning today by attorneys attempting to prove that her irregular personal life made her an unfit mother for her three-year-old daughter.

The 34-year-old mother agreed yesterday to leave the child, Susan, with the little girl's aunt pending the outcome of guardianship proceedings. The aunt, Mrs. Ellen Hightower, refused to give the child up, even in the face of a court order.

Mrs. Hightower took Susan last April after Mrs. Smith was arrested for complicity in the murder of her husband, attorney Kermit Smith.

Mrs. Smith was tried and acquitted of conspiring with Victor Laurence Wolf, 45, to commit the murder. Wolf was convicted of murder in the second degree.

Yesterday Mrs. Smith was called to the stand as an adverse witness by Mrs. Hightower's attorney, John M. Burnett, who said he would prove that Mrs. Smith is not a fit mother.

WAIT UNTIL SUMMER
Raleigh, N. C. — (U.P.) — Snow fell here Tuesday for the first time this winter. The State Division of Purchase and Contract at the same time announced the purchase of \$17,000 worth of summer uniform trousers for State Highway Patrol and Wildlife Resources Commission officers.

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JUBILANTLY WAVING SWORD, Red China's Marshal Chu Teh, vice chairman of "People's Republic," thanks Hungarians in Budapest for gift during rally. (International)

Ford Payroll Exceeds Billion Dollar Mark

Detroit, Mich. — (U.P.) — Ford Motor Co.'s annual payroll totaled \$1,117,563,905 during 1955, the first time in its history it has exceeded the billion dollar mark.

Ford workers in all sections of the nation averaged \$106.68 a week under the payroll compared with the national average of \$76.63 estimated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, a Ford official announced today.

The weekly average was based on 181,616 workers who worked 44.2 hours a week, the spokesman said.

At least 30 per cent of the world rail mileage is in the U.S.

Democrat Wins In Pennsylvania

Pittsburgh — (U.P.) — A Democrat running with full labor backing today won the nation's first congressional battle of the 1956 presidential year.

Elmer J. Holland, a state senator and CIO official, ran up a 3-to-1 margin over Republican David J. Smith in a special election Tuesday to fill a vacancy in Pennsylvania's 30th congressional district.

Republicans shrugged off the huge Democratic bulge as having no national significance because the Democrats held a 2-to-1 advantage among the district's 191,929 registered voters.

Gov. George M. Leader called the special election to fill a vacancy resulting from the death of Mrs. Vera Buchanan last November.

Returns from 309 of 311 districts gave Holland 35,930 votes to 11,680 for Smith, bettering the 2-to-1 margin by which Mrs. Buchanan beat Smith in 1954. The voting turnout was light.

The district, one of the most heavily industrialized in the nation, repeatedly has given big margins to Democratic candidates running with the support of the United Steelworkers and other labor groups.

Holland campaigned on the promise he would seek to have the U. S. Department of Labor set up a committee to study possible aid for workers who are supplanted by machinery. The Pittsburgh Democrat also supported an improved health program and federal funds for medical colleges.

Corvallis Realtor Victim of Car Crash

Corvallis — (U.P.) — Paul T. Bates, 68-year-old retired Corvallis realtor, died last night when his car went out of control, jumped a curb and crashed into a tree.

Dr. Edgar de Meules said he thought Bates may have died before the accident, possibly of a heart attack.

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