

## Memphis Schools Admit Negroes

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP)—Backed by a massive show of police power, the city school board admitted 13 Negro children to four previously white schools today.

It was the end of a century of rigid segregation in Memphis public schools. It came voluntarily, under the indirect pressure of a federal court lawsuit. No incidents were reported.

Each school had 50 or more policemen roving the blocks around it, walking patrols with billy clubs in hand.

The date of desegregation had been a well-kept secret, with a news blackout lifted only this morning. It came as a distinct breakfast surprise to many residents.

Earlier mention of the impending event by Memphis newspapers, radio or television was casual, with no date specified at the urgent pleading of the school board.

The board argued that any publicity was likely to have diedhard segregationist forces trumpeting the alarm, with turmoil a possible result.

The eight Negro girls and five boys were carefully chosen from among 42 who appealed an earlier ruling rejecting their applications for admittance to white schools.

Each of the 6-year-olds underwent an intelligence quotient or readiness test and social workers visited their homes to determine their family background.

Memphis is located in southwest Tennessee on the Mississippi border. Almost 40 per cent of its 50,000 residents are Negroes.

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By Jimmy Hatlo



## Atom Engine On Drawing Board

WASHINGTON (AP)—The United States aims to have a rocket with a nuclear engine ready for flight testing in about five years, a U.S. space official said today.

Nuclear propulsion, he said, is "necessary for manned interplanetary flights."

The official, Harold B. Finger, assistant director for nuclear applications for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, made his remarks in a paper prepared for delivery before the International Astronautical Congress.

He said NASA and the Atomic Energy Commission have been investigating flight-testing methods in a program known as RIFT for "reactor in flight test."

"Some time after the beginning of 1962, an industrial contractor will begin development activities on a RIFT-vehicle to meet the objectives of achieving flight testing in the 1966-67 time period," Finger said.

Plans call for launching the nuclear rocket on a short-range ballistic flight from Cape Canaveral, Fla. It would be gifted by Saturn-type stage.

After the initial RIFT flights, said Finger, other tests will be made involving:

### Young Carla Survivor Settles Into Routine

ANGLETON, Tex. (AP)—The shock is gone. Robert Dunn is settled in a routine almost normal for a 15-year-old.

The routine would be normal except Robert takes time each day to thank people by mail for money, clothes and kind words. He personally thanks Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Swanson of Angleton for giving him a home.

Robert lost 11 members of his family in Hurricane Carla.

His parents, four brothers and sisters, an aunt, an uncle, and three cousins were swept away by the storm's flood waters Sept. 11. They had tried to ride out the hurricane in the Dunn house.

"The last time I saw mom and dad they were holding hands and she was crying," he said.

The Swansons were close friends of his parents. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. (Shorty) Dunn.

"The Lord has blessed us with good incomes and we have a large house," Mrs. Swanson said. "We had been thinking of adopting an older boy and we know what kind of a boy Robert is."

"Robert has adjusted very well," said W. E. Sullivan, principal of Angleton High School. "He is an average student, I would say. He is capable of doing better work, but so are most of the other kids."

Robert, who is in the 10th grade, does small chores around the Swansons' new, ranch-style home in return for a weekly allowance.

The boy, slender and tall, plays the bass horn in the school band. "He's been in a band for five years, and that's his biggest outside interest," Mrs. Swanson said.

Money sent to Robert has been placed in a savings account for him to use when he goes to college.

### Washington Bill Lowest

WASHINGTON (AP)—Average electric bills for residential service were the nation's lowest at the start of this year in Washington at \$4.74 a month.

Also among the nation's lower average bills on Jan. 1, 1961, were those in Oregon, at \$5.62, and Idaho, at \$6.57, according to a Federal Power Commission report on typical electric bills.

The highest average bill was \$10.75 in Alaska.

Those figures compare with a national average of \$7.45 for 250 kilowatt hours of residential service at the start of 1961. A year earlier the national average was \$7.44.

On Jan. 1, 1960, the average bills in the Northwest were reported at \$4.32 in Washington, \$5.39 in Oregon, \$6.44 in Idaho and \$10.61 in Alaska.

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## Durno Attacks Udall Policies

PORTLAND (AP)—Rep. Edwin R. Durno, R-Ore., Monday attacked conservation policies of Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall, his department and the National Park Service.

He said they are destroying the basic concept of multiple use of natural resources.

Dr. Durno said they have halted multiple use of national forest land in the Waldo Lake wilderness area, and added:

"If they are successful in withdrawing this land, Oakridge will become a ghost town."

He told a luncheon meeting of the Portland Chamber of Commerce Forum that millions of acres of private land are being taken, homes condemned and lands transferred to unilateral use in the Park Service for recreation.

Durno said three times he has tried and failed to get Udall to appear before the House Interior Committee, of which he is a member, to answer questions about the overall national parks program.

He said he is against the proposed Oregon Dunes bill, adding:

"What I am concerned about is this basic concept of utilization of natural resources of my district and my state. I think it is time for the people of Oregon to stand up and be counted."

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