



Negro mother leads son, 6, through white pupils in Dallas. (AP)

8 Dallas Schools Mix Quietly

DALLAS, Tex. (AP)—Dallas integrated eight schools Wednesday in an atmosphere of calm. Police found traffic control their sole duty.

Eighteen Negro children entered classes in eight previously all-white elementary schools. They drew little attention.

Galveston, 285 miles south of Dallas, also integrated kindergarten and the first grade without incident. Thirty-seven Negroes began classes in three previously white-only schools.

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The Texas desegregation followed similarly quiet integration Tuesday at seven Little Rock, Ark., high schools and in Fort Lauderdale and Daytona Beach, Fla.

Desegregation spread to seven Richmond, Va., neighborhoods, while integration of four Atlanta, Ga., high schools, started last week, continued calmly.

New Orleans prepared to integrate four more schools today following integration of two others last year.

Federal officials moved to prevent white students, who boycotted the desegregated schools last year, from attending school in adjoining St. Bernard Parish (county).

A government suit asks that St. Bernard be prohibited from discriminating between white and Negro students so long as it accepts students from New Orleans. The government claims a private school opened in St. Bernard last year for the boycotting students has been taken over by the parish.

6-YEAR LITIGATION

Dallas, until Wednesday the nation's largest segregated school system, integrated after six years of litigation. Federal courts had approved a grade-a-year plan starting with the first grade.

Most of the Negro children walked into the schools through front doors. A few entered back or side doors. They were accompanied by their parents. There were no police escorts.

Leading Dallas businessmen for some time had sought by pam-

South Wins Praise of Kennedy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Kennedy Wednesday called the peaceful integration of many schools in the South a "dramatic demonstration of U.S. progress in improving the position of American Negroes."

Kennedy, in a statement, congratulated Little Rock and Dallas, as well as other communities in Arkansas, Texas, Florida, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee for admitting Negroes to previously all-white schools without incident.

He said the desegregation of schools has "given the world a convincing demonstration of the American people's respect for the law which is fundamental in the maintenance of our rights as free men and women."

Peaceful integration in Southern and Southwestern communities has moved the country forward and deserves praise, Kennedy said.

"But most of all I would like to congratulate the children of both races for their mutual tolerance, good will and exemplary conduct," Kennedy said.

The President found significance in the fact that "law and order and dignity have prevailed."

In Dallas, he said, a citizens council, working closely with Negro leaders, has shown that responsible leadership can bring together a whole community to solve the difficult problem in race relations.

Power in India

NEW DELHI, India (AP)—India has increased its electrical generating capacity by 450,000 kilowatts annually in the last five years but the demand for power by expanding industries still exceeds output, the government reports.

Negroes Turned Away In Chicago Mix Try

CHICAGO (AP)—Negroes made a futile effort Wednesday to enroll their children in public schools attended by white pupils in a peaceful prelude to a suit to force remapping of Chicago's school districts.

More than 100 Negro youngsters, accompanied by at least 70 parents and other adults, tried to get transfers. They were turned away on grounds that each school admits only pupils who live within its district.

POLICE ON DUTY

There were no incidents. Police guards, ranging from a single patrolman on foot to a squad in a car, were on duty. The names of the nine school targets in "operation transfer" were not published in advance, and no crowds gathered.

The Rev. S. S. Morris, president of the Chicago branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, which sponsored the movement, said the next step will be a suit by parents asking "restricting to achieve the maximum amount of integrated schools."

"We have evidence," he said, "that boundaries are manipulated to perpetuate segregated schools."

There are no white or Negro schools, as such, in Chicago. Some are all white, some all Negro and some mixed. The student body corresponds with the racial nature of the population in each

school's neighborhood. Chicago Board of Education said that for years each elementary school has functioned in an area in which all homes are within walking distance.

At the opening of schools Wednesday the NAACP urged Negro parents to try to shift their youngsters from crowded all-Negro schools to nearby all-white schools that had space available. In a typical scene, 12 Negro youngsters and eight adults went

to Bryn Mawr School at 7355 S. Jeffrey Ave. All the pupils there are white. The neighborhood is filled with well-kept apartment buildings, homes and stores.

The visitors were met in a corridor by the principal, Miss I. M. Kinchloe. She asked where the children lived.

"You are not in our attendance area," she said, and added that it is "not a case of segregation." The Negroes left.

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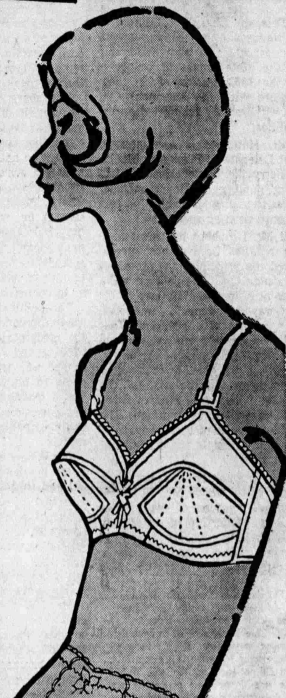
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