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INTEGRITY:

Over a period of more than 10 years, the Citizens' Council movement has built a reputation for moral soundness, honesty, and uprightness -- all words synonymous with the word integrity. This fact is of great concern to the forces of evil bent on the destruction of our civilization. It is important for all Council members to realize that this is our greatest strength.

Our faithful member, Mr. E. A. Elam, has called our attention to the last sentence in the January ASPECT with which he does not agree. It is that part which said, "They haven't been able to MAKE us integrate."

The Information and Education Committee, which is responsible for the publication of ASPECT after it is approved by our Executive Committee, will be the first to admit that the integration of certain first grade classrooms is a fact of life and deeply to be regretted. As an organization, the Jackson Citizens' Council opposed this for 10 years with every means at its command. We welcome any suggestions from our members which will help in getting our schools back to normal.

In the meantime, a large number of the members of the Jackson Citizens' Council, along with others, have provided the funds for the establishment of Council School #1 through the Council School Foundation. This move has made it possible for any Council parent or grandparent to avoid the integration of children in this area. And of course, the school is open, at present, to the children of non-members.

So long as there are segregated private schools that are able to take additional pupils -- and the Council School is such a school now -- any parent who sends his child to an integrated public school is not being made to integrate. He is integrating voluntarily.

Think it over.

CIVIL RIGHTS BILL:

We predict that the drastic unconstitutional provisions of this Act will be as unenforceable as the Mississippi prohibition laws which have a more laudable purpose than that of race-mixing. The white renegades and scalawags who urge voluntary compliance deserve the condemnation and ostracism of all decent white citizens.

Tyranny is no longer a threat - it is upon us. To be subjected to tyranny is one thing, but to submit to it is quite another. If we are subjected to integration we can, by all legal means available to us, resist it, contain it and expel it; but if we submit to it and accept it, the damage is likely to be permanent and irrevocable.

Intelligent white citizens have always found legal ways and means to avoid race mixing, and they are continually searching for new ways and means to lawfully maintain this social separation. The Jackson Citizens' Council, carrying forward a unified, continuous effort to oppose forced integration, strengthens them in their opposition and makes all of us more effective in our resistance.

Negroes are becoming more bold in eating in some of our leading restaurants here in Jackson. But our members and other citizens need not participate in such integrated situations. There are many places to sit down and eat where there is no danger of integration. Many of the restaurants have and will find legal means of avoiding this encroachment, and our people will not participate in most instances.

CONCERNING DISCOURAGEMENT:

Everybody gets discouraged at times. In these times, anybody that never gets discouraged just doesn't understand the situation. But we cannot indulge discouragement for long. The tired swimmer being pulled away from shore by a current may want to say, "Oh, the heck with it! Things are just not going my way. I quit." He can say that. He can do it. It is, of course, suicide.

The integrationists intend to kill our way of life. They are not going to quit trying any time soon. If we quit resisting, we will be committing cultural, and probably racial, suicide. There is no equality of races.

ON SELLING OUT:

The temptation to give up the fight for segregation sometimes takes the form of imaginary benefits to be derived from going over to the other side. A turncoat may get some sordid good out of defecting from the white race, but for the most part you can't change sides even if you are cowardly enough to want to. A Southern politician in another state, long known as a segregationist, recently accepted an appointment from the LBJ administration. Now the ex-segregationist discovers that the integrationists are demanding his removal. You can't sell out. They think they don't need you. And they sure don't really want you.

Stick it out! That's actually all you can do.

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