LONELY MODERATE FORSTON SEEKS PEACE IN AMERICUS

By ADDY P. BOSTON

AMERICUS, Ga.—Worn, Fortson, a white moderate in Americus, a town where whites moderate don't have many friends, said last week, he was the latest home-room man to move out of the home that housed the town's only Negro school 20 years ago.

"Many well-meaning, fine people have been here," he said, "but they didn't seem to understand what the town is all about."

Fortson had long been a champion of the rights of colored, he said, but he was more interested in keeping his home to himself, which he did.

The white community, Fortson said, had always been more interested in keeping to his home than to the town's business.

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A Victory Over Fear

A fierce debate took place on the Senate floor last Thursday. A quick vote on a bill to keep the南路 and Mississippi slums off college campuses turned into a free-for-all discussion of education, states' rights, and freedom of speech. When the smoke cleared, the bill had passed, 11 to 6.

Alabamaans have continued to debate the merits of the bill. The Senate votes have already been virtually all the state's leading educators and most of Alabama's large newspapers.

The real issue against the bill is that it calls for an unnecessary and dangerous limitation of freedom of speech. The educators also say it will only damage the academic standing of state schools.

Therefore, the real news last week was not that the conservative-minded legislators had banded to keep that bill, but that some Alabama senators were willing to risk their political lives by opposing the enactment of minority of freedom of speech.

One legislator expressed his fear candidly. "I fully realize what the job of an legislator may do to my political career," he said. "I am called a Communist and practically a pariah. But I so firmly believe in freedom as opposed to discrimination that I am willing to risk that." Others might say this legislator has nothing to worry about, because Alabamians are broad-minded enough to understand what he means.

But in the meantime there is a kind of fear that exists in Alabama that is far more serious. This fear is not to speak up, but to speak up about the real giants of politics; they are heroes in the context of the state, the nation and the world.

A Disastrous Bill

On Friday the Senate passed another highly controversial bill--this one would prevent 185,000 students who wish to attend private (and no doubt segregated) schools, in the state from exercising their right to free choice of private schools, in the state without the recommendation and approval of the state's education system.

There is a good reason for the bill. Since 1954, state educators and legislators have tried to preserve the school segregation, communities like Prince Edward County, Va., and Macon County, Ala., have tried to prevent their right to attend the same schools as white students. In each of these counties the result has been the same. The schools have closed down, and the black hollaz has been done to children who saw their schools closed down.

The legislature could spend its time more profitably by finding other ways to keep schools from being closed than by rather involving means of destruction to it. That is a sure way to play into the hands of those who wish to keep Negroes from exercising their right to free choice of private schools, in the state without the recommendation and approval of the state's education system.

Attempts to preserve it can only end in disaster, for Negroes and whites alike.

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Friends at Play

Photographs
by James H. Peppler
NEGRO, WHITE LOWNDES PARENTS WONDER ABOUT SCHOOL INTEGRATION

BY EDWARD M. RUOD, PHOTOGRAPHS BY JAMES H. PEPPLER

LOWNDES COUNTY—Arthala Hulett will be the first Negro in the tenth grade when Hayneville School in Lowndes County opens Aug. 30. To him and his white playmate Buddy Boy, "Integration" is just a big word.

"The other day Buddy Boy asked me why I wanted to go to that school," said Arthala, a small polite 15-year-old with bright eyes. "I told him I don't see no need to divide the students up between schools, ... it's stupid dividing again and again and more about it."

But the progress in the county, school integration is a very big and serious problem. The parents of the 35 Negro high school students who applied for transfer to the white Hayneville School want to know why only five of their children were accepted.

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Police Throw Smoke Bombs at Marchers

By Henry Clay Mosley

GREENVILLE, Ala. (AP) — Smoke bombs exploded about 20 minutes after the police fired tear gas into the crowds here today in an attempt to stop thousands of marchers who were trying to reach the county courthouse here and register to vote.

The police had ordered the marchers to leave to the rear of the courthouse by 11 a.m., but most of those present seemed determined to remain.

Civil rights workers were allowed to stand in line at the courthouse and talk to those people who wanted to vote or wanted to register to vote. They would file into the courthouse without being stopped by the police.

As directed by the voting rights act, the Alabama registrar is required to register everyone who applies to vote. The registrar is required to register everyone who applies to vote. The registrar is required to register everyone who applies to vote.

Federal Registrars

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Community Reports

Linder

BY CONSIDERATION
LINDER—Negroes inarnage County were in line for a showdown Monday and this time the town had been taking some legal steps. A dozen 33 voters marched down to the courthouse on Monday, 0, before the legal bill was passed. They carried signs that read as follows:

LINDER—How Is It Going To Be?

"LINDER—Where Is the Voting Bill?"

"LINDER—What Are We Gonna Do Now?"

"LINDER—When Is the Voting Bill?"

The dedication to such a long fight is such that you have to wonder if the time will ever come. It's a battle of the Negroes in Linder, the state of Mississippi.

During the march, two newsepapermen were present, one of them asked the crowd of 33 voters to remain at the courthouse, and the other asked them to return to their homes. He said that no one knew how the situation would be handled. The crowd was then dispersed, and the newsepapermen were left to deal with the consequences of their actions.

BY ROBERT L. STEPHENS

LINDER—As the day began in the quiet county seat of Mississippi, 33 voters nourished on their daily diet of hunger and deprivation began their march to the courthouse. The group of 33 was led by the state's Chief Justice, Chief Justice James, who had been in charge of the march for over a year. The group consisted of 33 voters, including women, men, and children. They were determined to make their voices heard and to demand their rights as citizens of the United States.

They were received outside, after which they marched to the courthouse and were received by a large crowd of citizens who had gathered to support them.

Mobile

MOBILE—The first annual convention of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, scheduled for last weekend in Atlanta, began this morning with the announcement that registration would be held at the courthouse on Tuesday at 9 a.m.

Mercedes Benz was a sponsor of the event, and several workers were present at the courthouse.

Pre-Natal Care

BY WILLIAM N. STEWART

Lindale, Texas

DOCTOR, What is pre-natal care?

"Prenatal care is a form of insurance. It is designed to prevent illness and to ensure that you will have a healthy baby. It involves regular check-ups, proper nutrition, and periodic medical examinations. It is a way of making sure that you and your baby stay healthy throughout pregnancy."

CARE: Is there anything else you can do for me that will help me stay healthy?

"In addition to prenatal care, there are other things you can do to stay healthy. For example, you should eat a healthy diet, get regular exercise, and avoid smoking and alcohol."

I have already been receiving prenatal care for some time. Is there anything else I can do to help ensure a healthy pregnancy?

"Yes, there are several things you can do. First, you should continue to have regular check-ups and medical exams. Second, you should eat a balanced diet, rich in vitamins and minerals. Third, you should get regular exercise, such as walking or swimming. Fourth, you should avoid alcohol and smoking."

Will prenatal care help me have a healthy baby? What about prenatal care for my husband?

"Prenatal care can help you have a healthy baby, but it is important for both parents to be involved in the process. Your husband should also receive prenatal care. He should be encouraged to eat a healthy diet, get regular exercise, and avoid smoking and alcohol."

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BY ROBERT L. SMITH

Alabama baseball fans were in for a treat on Sunday when the Trail Blazers played their last game of the season. The crowd, consisting of 2,500 fans, was in high spirits throughout the game, cheering loudly for their favorite players.

The game was played on the beautiful Trail Blazer Field, located in the heart of the city. The field was in excellent condition, and the weather was perfect for a day of baseball.

The Trail Blazers played against the Birmingham Barons, a team from Alabama's neighbor state. The game was closely fought, with both teams displaying great skills.

In the end, the Trail Blazers emerged victorious, winning the game with a final score of 10-9. The crowd was thrilled with the win, and many fans stayed to watch the players celebrate.

The Alabama Baseball Teams Trail in Southern League has been a great success this season, and fans are looking forward to next year's games. The Trail Blazers will continue to play against top teams from around the country, providing exciting and entertaining games for fans of all ages.