Lonely Moderate Fortson Seeks Peace in Americus

BY ANN F. BOSTON

AMERICUS, Ga.—Warmest of whites in a middle of Americus, a town where white moderates don’t have many friends.

Last week, he was in the darkened living room of his house on Taylor Street and talked about the events in 1965 which led him to take a public stand on civil rights.

During the summer of 1963, there were some demonstrations in Americus, but there was no open叫ing of the need for change. So Fortson decided to remain quiet.

"I didn't think it would happen," he said. "I thought it was just something that would pass by." But it didn't.

As the events of 1965 unfolded, Fortson became more active. He joined the local police force and became involved in the civil rights movement.

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A Vote of Victory Over Fear

A fierce debate took place on the Senate floor last Thursday. An openly committee hearing on a bill to keep knowledge and education off college campuses turned into a free-for-all discussion of education, status rights, and racism. It is true that the bill, which was defeated, was not the only bill on the agenda, but there is no doubt that it was the main event of the session. The bill's defeat signaled a major victory for the civil rights movement in Alabama and a rebuff to the forces of segregation and terrorism.

The political structure of Alabama is built to keep out new ideas. That is not to say that the state is closed to change, but it is to say that any change that threatens the status quo is met with resistance. The Alabama Democratic Party, which has a virtual stranglehold on the state's political life, is one of the main obstacles to progress.

The back-and-forth of the debate was a testament to the strength of the civil rights movement. The senators were deeply divided, but the movement had the support of the people. The voices of the students and the activists were heard, and the legislators were forced to take notice.

The bill, which was sponsored by Sen. J. Edgar Hoover, was designed to keep knowledge and education off college campuses in Alabama. The bill would have made it illegal for any college or university to offer any course or program that was designed to promote the goals of the civil rights movement. The bill was supported by the Alabama Democratic Party and the state's conservative elite.

The defeat of the bill was a major victory for the civil rights movement. It was a win for freedom of speech and education. It was a win for the people of Alabama. It was a win for democracy.

The struggle is not over, but it is a victory for the movement. The battle is far from won, but the movement has shown that it is capable of defeating the forces of segregation and terrorism. The future of Alabama is in the hands of the people. The people of Alabama have shown that they are willing to fight for their rights and their liberties. The people of Alabama have shown that they are willing to fight for freedom.
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—Arlhalise Hulett will be the first Negro in Lowndes County to attend an all-white school. The farmer buys his fertilizer and seed from the white Hardware Store. The stUdents had been attending the all-Negro Lowndes County Training School, where Negro schools are well under way. The Lowndes County School Board's decision was based on the principle of "freedom of choice," and its members hope to have white high school classes ready this fall, if people want them.

The letters which they received did not say why the applications were rejected. But the future is nowhere near a classroom. And registration to vote.

Negroes have to stomach the whites who had threatened to poison his school. But he has lost none of his hell-fire spirit. "Religion to me is not piousness. The Protestant church has been called a Communist."

The thunderous sermon ends as swiftly as It begins. But the present is too far in the future. He can argue skillfully for their reward in the hereafter and register to vote.

"My idea was to save people's souls," he says. Nowadays, Mr. Williams is pretty much retired. Although Mr. Williams preaches the Kingdom of God on Earth, he thinks it is still far in the future. "God is red and forked," he says.

Looking back, Mr. Williams doesn't regret any­thing. "I don't think I've ever done anything that God had to condemn me for," he says.

"If you believe in democracy, you have to believe In the people." Mr. Williams feels that the individuals now have more power than ever before. "Every vacancy is a people's election," he says. "You have to believe the people to keep the democratic system going."
**By HENRY CLAY GORE**

Smoke Bombs at Marchers

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**By MARY ELIZABETH GORE**

Senate Bills Give Funds To Private School Pupils

COTTONREADER (MONTGOMERY) -- The Alabama Senate voted today to pass two Senate bills providing state funds for the support of private schools. The vote was 25-124.

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**Community Reports**

**Linden**

**Linden**—Linden began in Tuscaloosa County and now is one of the most important cities in the county. The city has a population of over 20,000 and is a major center for manufacturing and education. The Linden High School is one of the top high schools in the state. The city is also home to the Linden Public Library, which offers a wide range of services to its patrons.

**Lunerville**

**Lunerville**—Lunerville is a small town located in Steele County, Alabama. The town is known for its beautiful countryside and its small-town charm. Lunerville is also home to the historic Lunerville Inn, which is a popular destination for visitors.

**Clayton**

**CLAYTON**—Three shots from a passing car hit the 71-year-old St. John's United Methodist Church on June 13. The church was hosting a community event when the shots were fired. The church is a hub of community life in Clayton, and the incident has caused concern among the community.

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**Alabama Baseball Teams Trail in Southern League**

**Robert E. Smith**

**Eastern League**—The Eastern League is one of the minor league baseball organizations in the United States. It is home to several teams that are affiliated with Major League Baseball teams. The Eastern League is known for its fast-paced, high-scoring games and its talented players. The team in this section is the Montgomery Biscuits, which are affiliated with the Tampa Bay Rays.

**Fannie Mae**

**Fannie Mae**—Fannie Mae is a government-sponsored enterprise that provides mortgage loans to homeowners. The company is known for its role in helping to finance the housing market in the United States. The company has faced several challenges in recent years, including regulatory scrutiny and reduced profitability.

**Barberilla**

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