

Segregation End Due In Ohio's "Little Dixie"

HILLSBORO, Ohio - (INS) - Segregation in the "Little Dixie" of southern Ohio came to an end in Hillsboro Wednesday when the Board of Education was ordered to integrate Negro and white students.

U. S. District Judge John H. Druffel was to officially notify the board that the U. S. Supreme Court has ordered an immediate end to segregation in the Webster Elementary School.

Actually, the board has been aware of the decision since it was reached last week. Daily, the 19 Negro pupils who have been refused admission have shown up at the school and requested registration. And daily, they have been turned away.

The board said it would not allow the pupils to register until official notice was received from Judge Druffel, who originally upheld the school in its plea that it could not integrate now, but would when a building program is com-

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pleted at the beginning of the next school year.

From Judge Druffel's court, the case was taken to the Second District Court of Appeals at Cincinnati, which reversed his ruling. Hillsboro, with Druffel's backing, then took the case to the highest tribunal in the land.

The Supreme Court refused to review the Second District Court's decision and, in effect, ordered an immediate end to segregation.

Hillsboro threatened for a time to ask the Supreme Court for a rehearing in the case. Tuesday, however, it announced that it would accede, quietly, and Judge Druffel said he had no other course but to follow the high court's edict.