

# State Negro Paper Carries Story On School Situation; Raps Board

A recent copy of the Cleveland Call & Post, a Negro newspaper circulated widely throughout the state, carries a story on the Hillsboro school situation. It presents the views of the local colored group that is not sending children to school. It begins this way:

"Ohioans are justifiably indignant at the brazen whitewash of a couple of vicious murderers of a Chicago Negro youth in Mississippi last week. But how many of them know that an ugly cancer spot of the same white supremacist disease exists right here in our own 'enlightened' state?"

The story was written by Jean Tussey and is entitled: "Hillsboro, The Shame of Ohio." It continues:

"In Hillsboro, forty colored children have been told by the local school board that they will either go to a jim crow public school or no public school this year. For 33 of these youngsters this will be the second year of no public school education. But their parents are determined to settle the question once and for all—are local bigots going to be permitted to segregate little children in this state or not?"

"In taking their stand—boycotting the jim crow Lincoln elementary school—the courageous Hillsboro parents last year and again this year, were prepared to go to jail if necessary to win equal opportunities and treatment for their children."

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**THE ARTICLE** then goes on to review Ohio law on schools in connection with Negro schools, concluding:

"Today, almost 70 years after Ohio abolished segregated schools, the Hillsboro board of education is using all the old dodges, plus a few new rationalizations, to bar the complete and immediate integration of the grade schools of the community.

"Following the U. S. Supreme court ruling of May, 1954, that separate schools are unconstitutional, parents of the children in the jim crow Lincoln school, re-

quested integration. They were tired of seeing their youngsters relegated to handicaps and developing complexes in their formative years that put them at a disadvantage by the time they entered the town's integrated high school.

"The school board responded by securing a new zoning of school districts aimed at keeping the children segregated. The board also claimed that its intentions were honorable — the grade schools would be integrated as soon as two new buildings were built to relieve 'overcrowding.'

"Actually, there is absolutely no excuse but the rankest kind of race prejudice for stalling on integration. If the Lincoln school is fit for use at all, the 'overcrowding' in the 'white' schools could be relieved to some extent by assigning some of the white children who live in the neighborhood to the Lincoln School.

"Seventy years of litigation in Ohio have taught the Hillsboro school board nothing. Reason cannot make them see the light. They must be compelled to integrate the schools."

## Support Price On Corn Confirmed By ASC at \$1.65

The minimum price support for the 1955 crop of corn has been confirmed at \$1.63 per bushel, Highland County farmers are informed.

The Highland County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Committee was advised of this by the state ASC office this week. Previously, the support price had been tentatively set at that figure. Parity price as of Oct. 1 was used in setting the definite price support.

To be eligible for corn price support in the commercial corn producing area, producers must be in compliance with corn acreage allotments.

Ear or shelled corn to be eligible for support must be grade three or better. The corn must be in adequate storage and must be in stor-