

Integration of Colored Pupils In Elementary Schools Is Asked

Letter to Editor:

At a meeting held last Friday evening, July 16, at New Hope Baptist Church, a group of American Negro citizens and parents of the children who have attended Lincoln Elementary Public School, voiced their sentiments concerning this school's existence in the following manner:

First—The already existing inadequacy of the over 100 year old building, the crowded condition and not sufficient teaching faculty for the number of children. Second—The hardship imposed on

nati spent Wednesday night with her sister, Mrs. William Pfister.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl West and Lou were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Hawk and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward, Mr. Charles Ward of Chicago, Mrs. Dolly Murphy, Miss Sara Dell Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Henry visited Mr. and Mrs. William Pfister Tuesday night in celebration of their daughter, Linda's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Grissinger, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gift of Hamilton spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ludwick and family, Judy Ann returned home with them for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Ludwick and Roger of Dayton, Butch Ludwick, returned home Saturday after spending two weeks in Laclu, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. Mildred Ludwick entertained with a miscellaneous bridal shower, Thursday evening in honor of Mrs. Janet Hawk Holden.

our children who must walk the distance from the East End and pass the Washington School to reach Lincoln. Third—We considered the destruction from the recent burning and do not expect to accept it repaired.

In a previous publication of this paper it was stated that we as a group were divided. We refute this statement as we may not all be able to express ourselves, but we are definitely together.

We are asking for integration of both pupils and teachers in the light of the Supreme Court decision and following the pattern of other Ohio cities, as we have some of the finest teachers in our group as ever graced any nation. If we do not have what is needed here it is available elsewhere and can be brought in. Since integration is what we want and we only have one teacher here with proper credentials we want her retained and placed along with our pupils, as there are two other buildings. This community has a right to look after its own constituents first and force public school education on all pupils alike. If there should be an influx of other American children to this area there would immediately be a place made to accommodate them in the public school system. In as much as it is necessary for our children to cope with the present trend in the Army, Navy, Marines and in the Air Force and we go and always have given our life's blood for the preservation of this nation it is therefore imperative that our educational facilities be the best that

can be afforded along with other Americans.

We cannot fight Communism with prejudice even though a statement made in the Cleveland Call Post of July 17, by our superintendent of schools that it did not exist here.

Let us be fair minded American citizens portraying the truth of the Bible since it is the only weapon of our Christian Standard and American way of life which cannot anytime or anywhere be defeated if we use it, and I am sure all minor details can be worked out. Jesus said in St. John 15:33 "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends," and we feel that we have made and are making that contribution.

—Elder Rita E. H. Lee
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Colored News

The Victory Club will give a home talent program at Wayman Chapel AME Church July 23, Friday night at 8 P. M.

Social and chicken dinner Saturday, July 24, at Mrs. Armel McCowan, 183 Trenton Street, beginning at 5 P. M., sponsored by the Wesleyan Church trustees.

New Hope Baptist Church Centennial services, August 1. Brother James and "Sweet Chariot Choir" will give a musical August 22 sponsored by Baptist ladies aid.

Miss Geraldine Cole of Dayton visited her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nelson and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Dent in Washington C. H., Sunday.

Mrs. H. W. King was hostess to the Hattie E. Jackson Missionary Thursday.