

The True Paper

VOLUME I

PURPOSE OF THE WEST ROXBURY INFORMATION CENTER

Due to the inability of the news media to present an accurate picture of the busing situation in Boston, the members of the West Roxbury Information Center will henceforth print, to the best of our ability, a factual account of busing and its affect on the children of Boston, the citizens of Boston, and the city itself.

It has been erroneously reported that R.O.A.R. and the local anti-forced busing centers have been conceived to obstruct Judge Garrity's desegregation order; that we have been designed to promote racism, bigotry and violence. This entire concept is without basis of fact. The Constitution of the United States allows for freedom of speech and the freedom to protest peacefully. The forcible busing of children to desegregate our public schools is unconstitutional and as a citizen of the United States of America we are within our constitutional rights to protest this illegal act being perpetrated on us by a Federal judge, who has exceeded his judicial powers.

Therefore, as citizens of Boston and residents of West Roxbury, we chose to form the West Roxbury Information Center as a corporation recognized by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and subject to all laws pertaining to a corporation, in order to be of service to our community.

As filed with the Secretary of States's office:

"This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for the following purposes:

- A. To provide an effective voice for members of West Roxbury to participate in matters affecting the future of Boston including but in no way limited to matters such as the following;
 1. Disposition and use of available land in and about Boston;
 2. Transportation proposals and plans including without limitation--highways, rapid transit facilities, rail facilities and bicycle paths;
 3. Public safety, including police and fire protection, adequate lighting;
 4. Public health including air and water pollution, rubbish and refuse collection;
 5. Public schools and alternative schools education, including physical plants, curriculum, faculty and Administration;
 6. Matters otherwise affecting the quality of life in the community, including zoning, population density, building codes, aesthetic limitation, conservation and park lands.
- B. To join with any other organizations, public or private, groups of persons, governments or associations to further the total improvement of this community and Boston as a whole.
- C. To make the views of the members with respect to matters affecting the community known to public officials, elected or appointed, at any convenient forum or in

any other manner.

In furtherance of the foregoing purposes, but not for any other objects or purposes and subject to the limitations set forth in Part III hereof; the corporation shall have, and may exercise, any and all of the powers authorized by law for a corporation organized under G.L. Chapter 180, including but not limited to the powers described in and referred to by section 6 of said Chapter 180.

COLEMAN REVERSES STAND

CHICAGO* The sociologist whose 1966 study of school integration has been cited as justification for court-ordered busing now believes that busing may be an error.

Pro. James E. Coleman of the University of Chicago said in an interview that busing in Northern cities has "failed to achieve the main goal of better education for the underprivileged."

"The means used to achieve integration overlooked the question of whether there were going to be any educational benefits. But when the will for integration does not exist, the imposition of it by the courts does not make it successful," he said. Coleman wrote his initial report in 1966 while at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. Since then it has been cited as the best available evidence in support of busing for integration.

But after several years of busing in various Northern cities, Coleman said a study

he now is completing indicates that forcing integration on a community, like through court-ordered busing, can be harmful rather than beneficial. The courts have tried to take on the function of educator." He blamed the failure of integration on overaction by the courts and inaction on the part of social agencies better equipped to help implement integration.

"Too often in the past, simple-minded methods have been used to deal with a very complex issue," he said. "There are a variety of ways to avoid a bad reaction, but school boards and State and Federal officials have not spent the money to develop the methods."

"Many parents are simply afraid they will lose whatever voice they have in the school system, and that rapid integration will disrupt the classroom."

SPEAK OUT

Each publication will provide space for appropriate articles or letters from its readers. We will also provide space for a question and answer column. If you wish to take advantage of either feature, please submit your letters or inquiries to the West Roxbury Information Center, 1766 Center Street, West Roxbury, Massachusetts 02132.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

In order for a Constitutional Amendment to prohibit the busing of Children by race, color, or sex to be passed by the Congress it must first reach the House floor. It is presently buried in Committee. We strongly urge you to write your Congressman demanding this bill be brought onto the House floor immediately.

THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE
WEST ROXBURY INFORMATION
CENTER

Once upon a time, in a typically American community lived a typical American family, firmly entrenched in the American concepts of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Whenever a community problem arose, these people would leave their homes and attend meetings, wherever they might be called, to insure the community would benefit. Then an atypical problem arose-FORCED BUSING-a problem that threatened to destroy their community. Now whenever one of these typical American families would leave their homes to attend a meeting against FORCED BUSING, they were labelled - racists, bigot, disrupter. Overnight they had become members of a lynch mob determined to deny equal-rights to the black community. No longer were they contributors but detractors. Make sense??? NO!! NO! NO! Yet, this is the image painted by the news media. Why??? Well, the truth is to be printed and appropriately enough in THE TRUE PAPER. An atmosphere of violence permeates the very air we breath, as the direct result of this issue of FORCED BUSING. The members of our organization find this offensive and thus prompts our efforts to overturn, legally and peacefully, this outrageous insult inflicted on us by Judge W. Arthur Garrity, Jr. Our organization is not comprised of racists, bigots,

and law-breakers but is a composition of men and women who have long been active in their respective churches, members of the Knights of Columbus, Sodality, and other religious organizations. Many are men and women who have held office in the Home and School Association, been active in youth affairs, such as Scouting, and have long been active in community affairs. Many are members of the professions, others are members of the fire and police departments, blue-collar workers, white-collar workers, teachers, students, married and unmarried, young and old, even members from outside Boston who are deeply concerned over the injustice they see occurring in the city. Our organization is made up of the very best Boston has to offer. How else can you describe people who give so unselfishly of their time and talents? Who sacrifice their valued leisure time to give of themselves because they truly believe so much is at stake. Many of these people have been attending meetings on the issue of FORCED BUSING at a time when only a handful of people were even remotely interested. They sensed what was to come to pass-turmoil, unrest, dissension, disrespect and even hate. Their end is to reverse this trend. Can all of these civic minded people truly be racists? Can they all be so unfair and completely void of compassion and brotherly love? The answer to these questions cannot be hidden, for their very lives attest to a definite-NO!!!

SWIM-IN OR BLOOD BATH?
OR
WHO'S KIDDING WHO?

The purpose of the so called "swim-in" sponsored last Sunday, August 10th, by Tom Atkins and the N.A.A.C.P., at Carson Beach, South Boston, was as transparent as glass. Mr. Atkins claimed the "swim-in" was a test of the police department's ability to provide safe conduct for children coming into South Boston in September. Having made this proposal, he followed through by suggesting, if all did not go well on Sunday, black youngsters would not attend school in South Boston come September.

Obviously, all did not go well. Despite Mr. Atkins espousals that the demonstration would be peaceful, it was decided that no one under 16 yrs. of age could attend. Ironic, since the demonstration was to be both a family fun day and at the same time an opportunity to test for the safety of their youngsters.

How does one claim they are coming for a pleasant day at the beach, yet come prepared for a confrontation? Why was it necessary for C.A.R. and the P.L.P. to put on a show of force? Who asked for their assistance? Or is this another instance when Tom Atkins and the N.A.A.C.P. cannot be held responsible for the actions of those with them?

In actuality, the "swim-in" should never have been allowed. Where were our elected officials, Mayor White, Gov. Dukakis, Comm. DiGrazia, Comm. Barry, when this demonstration was being planned? How could these men, knowing what the potential, or inevitable outcome

would be, have given permission for such a display? How dare they sit back and allow such a confrontation to take place; risking the lives of patrolmen and innocent by-standers to permit Tom Atkins to prove his point?

Mayor White announced less than two weeks ago that under no circumstances would he allow demonstrations that would precipitate a volatile situation. Why, in the name of all that's holy, did he consider this "swim-in"? Why did he do it? This being an election year, is he so determined to win the black vote? Is Timilty such a strong opponent that he'll risk anything for the vote of the black community? Maybe he has another answer. If so, we'd like to hear it. And if this is an example of how Comm. DiGrazia will handle himself in the fall, perish the thought!

Sunday, August 10th, was a disgrace. No one condones violence; yet, we see more and more of it everyday. How much longer will Judge Garrity, Sens. Kennedy and Brooke and our other elected officials sit with their heads in the sand? When will they realize the end will never justify the means (FORCED BUSING). Sooner or later a life will be lost in this battle, will it be worth it?? Does a seat in South Boston or West Roxbury mean that much to a black youngster? God help us, it couldn't!!!

A MEETING WITH KENNEDY

Senator Edward Kennedy met on Wednesday, August 6th with members of R.O.A.R.'s executive board to discuss Phase II and its effect on Boston. The overall opinion of those attending this meeting was that Senator Kennedy lacks all compassion and sympathy for those affected by Phase II. And lacks even more, if possible, the remotest idea of the potential harm to befall Boston and its citizenry come September. He either lacks this knowledge or simply doesn't care. His attitude was one of disdain and left those seeking some sort of committment from the Senator with a feeling of complete hopelessness.

Senator Kennedy proved his ignorance repeatedly during the interview when he could only utter that we must comply with the law. This worn out phrase has become an accepted "cop-out" for every pro-busing advocate to come along. Yet the Commonwealth of Massachusetts has no such law; such a law does not exist; a judge's opinion, yes, a law passed by the legislature, an emphatic, NO!!!

To the contrary, 2 or 3 Federal laws state no money will be used for the forcible busing of children to desegregate schools; it is unconstitutional and no state or local law can supercede the Constitution. Therefore, if such a law did exist the Constitution would nullify it.

How long does Senator Kennedy think he can fool the people of Boston? How long must we endure this lack of Congressional leadership?

Senator Kennedy attempts to woo

and win with his charisma and name but it will not last forever. Soon the citizens of Boston will realize that Senator Kennedy is nothing but a manipulator, using them and their tax dollar to his own ends; their property tax paying for forced busing, their government dollar being used to support abortion, fetal research and other such programs.

To be involved in Phase II does not require having children attending public school. Married or unmarried, young or old, with or without children, if you pay taxes you are involved.

Phase I cost the taxpayer over \$14M last year, Phase II will nearly double that figure. How long do you intend to have your tax dollar squandered by a Senator who refuses to assert himself and assume his role to vote as his constituents desire, not as his conscience dictates? Does the Senator feel the voters are so ignorant they don't know what they want so that he must decide for them, even if it means voting contrary to their desires? Perhaps those who voted for the Senator didn't know what they were doing???

ATTACK JUDGE GARRITY'S LATEST DECISION

Judge Garrity's latest concession to the N.A.A.C.P. must have raised the eyebrows of even the most far-out liberals.

Upon request of the N.A.A.C.P., a non-governmental organization, Judge Garrity granted their request for authority to conduct an investigation into the private schools being considered by the parents of Boston, in hopes of finding an avenue to prevent such

schools. They claim such schools will tend to "frustrate" Judge Garrity's desegregation plan by producing racially identifiable schools. The irony of this being, that in the true spirit of democracy, an applicant to such a school is not required, such as in Judge Garrity's case, to identify himself by race or color. One begins to wonder just who are the racists in this picture.

Thinking back to 1968 when the Freedom Schools were being instituted to provide quality education for black youngsters, were they prevented from doing so??- an emphatic NO!! and yet these schools were definitely racially identifiable. How long are you going to sit back and allow Judge Garrity to "frustrate" your lives?

Obviously the next step is to prevent parents from taking advantage of parochial and state approved private schools. Total annihilation of parental control of their children must follow.

The family unit is the base upon which the success of this city rests. When the family unit is destroyed what follows is obvious, not only for the city but the country as well.

Give up your children, black or white, to judge Garrity and the N.A.A.C.P. and you will most assuredly be aiding in the destruction of this city and this country.

Your children are merely tools used by those with ulterior motives, quality education not being one of them.

Don't allow it-demand your rights as a parent-and as

citizens fight for your freedom keep democracy alive and well.

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1766 Centre Street

DO WE NEED THIS?

Ponder these questions the next time you read a C.A.R. or P.L.P. news release.

Are these people speaking the truth about the anti-forced busing organizations?

Do we need the Committee Against Racism (C.A.R.), the Progressive Labor Party (P.L.P.)?

Do we need them conducting meetings in our schools?

Do we need them forming "welcoming committees", to insure the safety of bussed school children?

Who are the members of these organizations?

Where do they come from?

Why are they here?

What do they hope to accomplish?

Why do they feel we need out of state agitators showing us the way?

Why is it violence invariably erupts when either of these groups are present?

Why is the P.L.P. trained in guerrilla tactics?

Do you believe that the parents of Boston are the violent, radical racists pictured by these organizations?

Why are the parents of Boston, who have everything to lose and nothing to gain, considered agitators while these outside organizations are considered peacemakers?

I wish to be on your mailing list_____

I wish to receive telephone messages_____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

Anyone wishing to be on our mailing list or who wish to be called for motorcades and demonstrations, please fill out the above form and mail it back to THE WEST ROXBURY INFORMATION CENTER, 1766 Centre Street, West Roxbury, Massachusetts, 02132

WE NEED THE HELP OF THE PEOPLE OF WEST ROXBURY. STAND UP AND BE COUNTED. YOUR FUTURE AND THE FUTURE OF YOUR CHILDREN DEPEND ON IT.

The following list of Massachusetts Senators and Congressmen should be kept for future reference:

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The West Roxbury Information Center is in need of volunteers. If you can provide a few hours at the center, at home, delivering leaflets, etc. contact us at the Center or call us at 323-0545.

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