

# Mourn Massachusetts

Mourn for the Cradle of American Liberty! Mourn for the birthplace of American public education! On Tuesday, Dec. 9, 1975, Federal Judge W. Arthur Garrity, Jr., placed South Boston High School under Federal Receivership, and, by so doing, he unconstitutionally abrogated the statutory powers of the Boston School Committee.

Since that time not one member of the Massachusetts Congressional Delegation has taken to the floor of Congress to denounce this unprecedented disenfranchisement of a segment of the American electorate.

Because of their silence, we, the parents of the children of Boston have come to this Federal Building to make demands of Senators Kennedy and Brooke, and Congressmen Moakley and O'Neill. Some of us are now in the offices of these four men and there we will remain until they provide us with acceptable answers to our demands.

It is a sad day when the people of Boston must look to Senators and Congressmen from other parts of our nation for support in our plight brought about by Judge Garrity. We are determined that our own Congressional delegation will now support us as we attempt to redress our grievances and restore the City of Boston to constitutional rule.

If they do not, every Board of Selectmen, every City Council, every School Committee and every Town Meeting in this Commonwealth is threatened by the long dictatorial arm of Judge Garrity. Think about it and "Mourn, Massachusetts, Mourn!"

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