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districts continued to intresse, buth through voluntary action and court decisions. With the desegregation of the University of Mississippi in the fall of 1962, only two states remained in which no educational institutions at any lovel had desegregated. 1/

The events leading up to the admission of a Wegre student, James Meredith, to the University of Mississippi are significant from the point of view of federal-state relations in the United States. A private action brought by Mr. Meredith resulted in federal court orders for his admission to the University. 2/ The Governor and other state officials, invoking the doctrines of state-rights and interposition, attempted to block these federal court orders and prevent Meredith's attendance.

The federal government, fulfilling its responsibility to enforce the laws of the United States, including orders of the federal courts, intervened, and Meredith was admitted. Federal troops and marshale remained on campus for some time to prevent further outbreak of violence which, regrettably, occurred at the time of Meredith's entrance. The Governor and Lt. Governor were found guilty of civil contempt, 3 / and, at the court's request, criminal contempt proceedings were then instituted against them. This action is still pending.

1 In these two states, Alabama and South Carolina, Universities were desegregated in 1963.

2 / Meredith v. Fair, 306 F. 2d 374.

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Re: Cleveland

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INDIAN PARENTS' SUIT PONDERED

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Children's Admission to White Schools Asked

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A suit seeking admission of Isdians to white public schools in Terrebonne Parish was taken usder advisement Wednesday by federal Judge Herbert W. Christenberry,

tenberry. The suit for a preliminary injunction was filed by the parents of 56 Indian children who claim that they are forced to go to separate schools because of their race.

The Indians were represented by Join P. Nelson Jr., and the Terrebonne Parish School Board and Carlion C. Miller, its superintendent, by William P. Scholer, assistant state attorney general, and Dist. Atty. Wilmore J. Broussard Jr.

At the outset of the hearing Judge Christenberry said that he thought a great deal of litigation of the type represented by the ease could be avoided and the matter worked out "without the animosity of other situations." AMAZED BY SITUATION

The judge expressed amazment at the fact that not until 1957 was there a high school that an Indian child could attend in Terrebonne Parish. He pointed out that this was three years after the United States Supreme Court taled in the public school desegregation cases and struck down the separate but equal doc-

down the separate but equal doctrine. "It is hard to believe," the judge said, "Il is no wonder Louisiana has one of the highest Illiteracy rates. The situation in Terrebonne Parish did not even meet the test of separate but equal."

Called to the witness stand by Nelson, the Terrebonne school superintendent admitted that Indians are assigned to four special schools, most of them in the lower part of the parish.

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Under cross examination by Schuler, Naquin said that he has seven children and all but the youngast are listed as white on their birth certificates. The youngest, he said, is classified as Indian.

as Incian. He also told Schuler that he did not know why he attempted to get his son into the white school. "I guess I just wanted to see if he could get in," he asserted.

MOST DEEMED INDIAN Judge Christenberry observed that there seems to be a difference in understanding as to who decides who is white and who is Indian and it seems to be a matter of name or custom.

Inflam and it seems to be a manter of name or crestora. The wincess replied, "It's the place," and added that there are few at the Point Au Chien area who are not considered Inflam. The defense attorneys placed Francis Antill, visiting teacher af the Terreborne achool heard, an the stand and he testified that he had made a survey of the

Francis Antill, visiting teacher af, the Terreboune achool board, on the stand and he testified first be had made a survey of the children named in the suit as plaintiffs and only two would go to schools other than those which they are now attending if they were assigned to the schools nearest their homes. These are two now attending the Daigleville School in Houma who live in the Point Au Chien area and would go to the South Terreboune School it reassigned.

School in Horma who live in the Point An Chien area and would go to the South Terrebonne School if reassigned. Cecil Joseph Bordelon, coordinator of instruction for the achout hourd, settilled that the Indian schools are staffed with teachers as qualified as those in white schools soft the facilities are eval.

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AIR MAIL

Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General Attorney General's Office Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Burke:

Yesterday afternoon I had the pleasure of spending several minutes reading about you in Life Magazine. My sincere congratulations on what you have been doing.

It is indeed a pity that I have not had an opportunity of getting to Washington so that we could visit for a few minutes. I am doing very well under the circumstances. You may know by now that I represent the Indians from Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, who are attempting to desegregate a tri-racial school there. The case was heard this morning by Judge Christenberry, and it looks as if the system will be ordered desegregated effective this September. The Judge will issue an order this coming week,

The situation here in New Orleans has been quiet but simmering. It is expected that we will have large scale demonstrations during the early part of next week. This will be indeed an unfortunate experience for our fair city because our Mayor and other influential persons from the political and economic power structure are fully aware of the reasonableness of the Negro demands. To date the whites have refused to entertain any suggestions about how these demonstrations might be prevented. They are still using the archaic method of holding a line and hoping that this thing will blow away.

For a little news on the lighter side. On August 24 I have been invited to Dayton University where I will receive the Annual Freedom Award given

. . . Mr. Burke Marshall August 7, 1963 Page 2 by the National Catholic Social Action Committee. It is my understanding that these are "top banana" people in the Catholic community. ni hr æddar With kindest personal regards, I remain Very truly yours, Jack JPNjr:ch John P. Nelson, Jr.

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The assault upon Senator Malkus as described in his letter involves no violation of the laws of the United States. Accordingly, there is no jurisdictional basis for investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

I an attaching a suggested draft reply to

Senator Malkus. I an also returning his letter to you.

> BURKE MARSHALL Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division

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The President has asked that I reply to your recent letter regarding the assault committed on you in Baltimore on August 2. I can well appreciate your sense of outrage over the attack made upon you. Certainly every effort should be made to identify, apprehend and punish the perpetrators.

I have taken up with the Attorney General the question of investigating this offense. He advises me that there is an jurisdictional basis for an investigation by the Federal Government. The assault undoubtedly is a violation of the laws of Maryland. But serious though the offense is, it does not violate any law of the United States. The criminal statutes of the United States enacted by Congress are based on one or more features of federal jurisdiction such as interstate commerce, the conduct of the postal service, the war power, and other powers specifically given the Federal Government by the Constitution. No such basis for federal jurisdiction appears in the present case.

The Attorney General assures me that the cooperative facilities of the Pederal Bureau of Investigation will be available to the Baltimore City Police should they have occasion to use those facilities in the course of their investigation.

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Sincerely.

Lee C. White Assistant Special Counsel to the President

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August 6, 1963 MEMORANDUM FOR BARRETT PRETTYMAN, JR. The following two lawyers here want to help with the District programs. Mrs. Williams is a nice woman and a Negro. I think she would be good. I don't know Miss Devine. Would you have someone ask them to do something? BM all taken also contacted the Brown of Junion Bay and Miss Frohman of Women's Bay. care of -Bant

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DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL	To: Mr. Burke Marshall Assistant Attorney General Civil Rights Division
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ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION	We attended the Federal Bar luncheon yesterday and noted that you mentioned certain projects which were in need of volunteers
ANTITRUST DIVISION	
	and suggested that if we wanted further information we could
	contact you. The purpose of this
INTERNAL SECURITY DIVISION	memorandum is to offer our services along the lines that you mentioned
	in your speech and to request any
	further information you may have in this connection.
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL	
OFFICE OF ALIEN PROPERTY BUREAU OF PRISONS	We are both attorneys, assigned to the Office of the Deputy Attorney
FEDERAL PRISON INDUSTRIES, INC.	General, and we have both had
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I am here as a resident of the West Side pomennity of New York City and as member of the Delegation of the West Side Civil A.ctte Committee. We are here not only to support the proposed legislative program of this Administration, but to appeal for implementation of a program mimed at translating statutes into action.

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makes of today a most crucial and propitions moment in the long struggle for equality. There is tension, unrest and fear: we can feel it and set it in each of ear communities. Neaross will no longer tolerate blatant abuses to their dignity and crass violations of their constitutional rights; mere and more Whites are siding next to their colored brothers in scral indignation at these abuses. What began as a new violent movement is being turned into violence, sometimes by irresponsible elements but sometimes also by the overt or covert canction of law-enforcement igents. Unless the situation is faced squarely, violence is here to stay. Nabody can afford to be silent and passive; or assume a position of "wait - and - see" : this situation affects us all, as a Nation and as individuals. Everybody stands to lose and norody stands to gain.

It is imperative that you, Mr. Attorney General, and the President, realize zero fully the necessity to urgently translate intent into actions as we are on the brink of social disorder. The Civil Rights insue should be made the most important do mestic issue of this Administration, since it is the one issue which is pervading the lives of us all and preventing us from real istically facing our problems of employment, education, howsing, etcampe

The present Administration, since the President's campaign of 1960, is moral by committed to end this intolerable

situation, subjecting not only simmet 20 million imericant to degrading standards of living but also burting our fatio.al prestige. Even aspirants to the Presidency have recently faced their soment of truth and have come out of their calculated silence because of fear of Laine votes as an internal labour within their Party | as certain the have

taken lato secoust all the calculated risks and cancilated that in an election they stand to lose more votes by remaining aloof. President Kennedy's telephone call to the Rev. Martin Luther King in 1960 had a very strong impact. Since them, however, a vacuum has formed and, by default, it has been increasingly filled by violence rather than by necessary leadership. Vigorous steps, led by the Administration and, onpecially, the Justice Department, are now the urgent vehicle required to fill this vacuum, i.e. some adresste supervision over the F.B.I. and state and local police to assure its neutrality in equally protecting the rights of all citizens. Also, the safety of the Washington marchers of August 28 may sarve as a good indication of the Federal Covernment's willingness and ability to protect the citizens' rights for Civil Rights demonstrations.

Veting is an universal suffrage, and is not a right reserved to the States. Literacy needs to be defined by national cable to each and my mitizen of the U.S.,. Literacy tents should be shallenged, on the basis of Title 18, Section 242 of the U.S.Code since it violates the equal treatment

Title 18, Section 242 of the U.S. Code, rowides legal machinery to be used against " Whoever, under color of any law, statute, ordinance, regulation, subjects any inhabitant of any State, Territory or District to the deprivation of any rights, privileges or immunities secured and protected by standars, appli- the U.S. Constitution; or to different penaltice, pains, punishments, on account of such inhebitart being an alies or by reason of his color or race, than are prescribed for the punishment of (all) c.tizens, shell be fined no more than \$1000.00 or impisoned for no more tham I year, or both ".

> What is required is that a Fair Voting Practices Commission be instituted, with full authority to prosocute through the

of all citizens, regardless of state laws or local customs.

existent power of the Attorney General's office, or to bring suit directly. The Fair Voting Practices Commission should be enpowered to act as public defen are within the areas of voting violetions, as well as an adjunct to the Pederal Commission for Civil Rights. Such a Commission is within the power of establishment by an Executive decree to be implemented through the Attorney General's effice. Funde should be allocated from the Erecutive badget to incure the continuing function of the Commission of Civil Rights.

Its Commissioner should be empowered to stend Cabinet meetings as a special Representative of the President.

Legislation can serve, as the body, for action; but without a bloodstream it remains lifeless and stillborn. The following proposals may serve to give life, within this generation, to this body of laws which we support.

1. Training and rehabilitation program must be expanded, by direct Federal funds to existing Arencies - such as, in New York, "Nobilization for Youkh". These services should be directly related to an expanded and specialized branch of the U.S. Employment Service, as well as to existing Institutes for on-the-job training, Vocational Juidance, Rehabilitation programs of our Universities, Clinics and other Fed ral, State, local Agencies. To implement the showe jit would be necessary to appoint regional co-ordinators, concerned with both training, of professional staff as well as actual apprenticeship and placement service.

2. To re-orient the present vocational schools from substitute education for the hard-to-manage youngster to adequate training of creative man-power. Special funds should be allocated to the office of Education for this purpose.

3. The office of Education of H.E.V. should be enhanced to doal specially with the drop-out problem, as part of the total picture of Civil Rights, equal exployment

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WEST SIDE CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE 147 West 93rd Street New York, N. Y.

August 6, 1963

STATEMENT ON SEGREGATION Presented to the Office of The Attorney-General, Washington, D. C.

After a century of prayer, exhoriation and struggle formerly unheeded in the main, except for the Supreme Court Integration of actionic decision is 1054 which suddenly illuminated social horizons with new hope, the Negro people with some white support are engaged in demonstrations for the right to petition their local government for redress of their grievances and the crimes perpertrated against them for centuries.

The avowed peaceful intentions of numerous Negro organizations and others to obtain <u>de facto</u> what already exists <u>de jure</u> in the Constitution of the United States are met with mass jailings, tear gas, armored cars, electric prods, rifle butts, fire hose and police dogs.

The Negro people have toiled in the nation's homes, fields and factories at far below standard wages while their right to education was and still is denied to them. Negro men have fought proudly and heroically in all our nation's wars, only to return to segregated slums upon discharge from the service, despite numerous promises of improved conditions of citizenship.

Recognition commensurate with their manifold contributions has been withheld through the years; distorted and denied in our textbooks, histories and press. Yet the Negro people have given bountifully to the whole economic and cultural growth of the United States in the face of monstrous cruelties to their person and searing wounds to their dignity. Segregation is their lot, in the North and South. The exceptions prove the rule. The government of whites, by whites and for whites prevails in much of our land, and exists in varying degrees of horror in all our land.

Mrs. Medgar Evers in Jackson, Mississippi, at a memorial meeting for her husband, Medgar Evers, who had been murdered for his struggle for human dignity, stated:

"He said he was fighting not only for Negroes in Mississippi and in the United States, and not only for the colored people of the world, but for his white friends as well."

These words in the circumstance of their utterance, sharply and poignantly attest to the fact that the oppression of the Negro people from the birth of our nation to the present day, is a cancer generating a syndrome of inequalities and maladjustments affecting both oppressed and oppressors alike. This condition if not removed imperils the nation's decency and integrity—even its very existence. Not until this malignant evil has been removed can our nation attain maturity equally shared by the former oppressed and oppressors, and realize the full potential of its tremendous human resources — unified at last.

The Encyclical Letter of Pope John XXIII, issued April 10, 1963, was hailed by men and women of good will everywhere. The following excerpts eloquently bear upon the matter at hand.

Part I - Under Title of Order Between Men:

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Par. 26 - "The dignity of the human person involves the right to take an active part in public affairs and contribute to the common good of the citizens."

Par. 27 - "The human person is also entitled to a juridical protection of his rights, a protection that should be efficacious, impartial and inspired by the true norms of justice."

Par. 44 - "Hence racial discrimination can in no way be justified ... thus, he who possesses certain rights has likewise the duty to claim those rights as marks of his dignity."

PART II - Under Title of Relations Between Individuals and Public Authorities Within a Single State:

Par: 55 - "Assuredly, the ethnic characteristics of the various groups are to be respected as constituent elements of the common good."

Par. 63 - "It is also demanded by the common good that civil authorities should make earnest efforts to bring about a situation in which individuals can easily exercise their rights and fulfill their duties as well. ..."

On June 11, 1963, President Kennedy articulated in a speech to the nation the crucial human and moral issues confronting the people and tearing at the very fabric of our country. He set forth certain concepts too long unspoken by the chief executives of our nation.

"We are confronted primarily with a moral issue. It is as old as the Scriptures and as clear as the American Constitution. The heart of the question is whether all Americans are to be afforded equal rights and equal opportunities; whether we are going to treat our fellow Americans as we want to be treated. ... And this nation for all its hopes and all its boasts will not be fully free until all its citizens are free. Those who do nothing are inviting shame as well as violence. Those who act boldly are recognizing right as well as reality. ... One hundred years of delay have passed since President Lincoln freed the slaves, yet their heirs, their grandsons are not fully free. They are not yet freed from the bonds of injustice. They are not yet freed from social and economic oppression."

The President, in alluding to the Civil War and the history of slavery which stains our national history, was referring to the basic problem of our nation — the extension in practice, of freedom, justice and equality to the Negro people, with all rights and privileges already guaranteed by our Constitution.

The President is our elected leader. His duty transcends narrow party considerations. His responsibility is to accept the mandate thrust upon him by the historic exigencies of our times. His task is to employ every means at hand and to create new means in all haste to redress the wrongs and centuries of torture, agony and humiliation visited upon a patient, courageous and creative people.

We urge the executive branch and the legislative branches of our government to turn from soft methods to much more determined action; from wavering defense to solid attack, to absorb inspiration from the heroism of the Negro people.

The President is legally obliged to "take care that the laws are faithfully executed." The Constitution provides that it "and the laws of the United States ... shall be the supreme law of the land," "...laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding." This constitutional authority was used by Attorney General Kennedy as grounds for his participation as agent of the President to intervene in the Prince Edward desegregation cases. This legal authority has been all too rarely used by our executive branch.

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Section 232 of the United States Code, subsection 10, provides that whenever the President deems there to be unlawful obstructions or combinations against the authority of the United States and its ability to enforce the laws, he may call into use the State militia or use the federal forces of which he is Commander-in-Chief. Section 333 of the Code authorizes the use of the armed forces where any unlawful combination or conspiracy hinders the executions of the laws of the United States and any class of people is deprived of a right due to them as

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citizens, particularly when state officials fail or refuse to protect these rights.

Can it be doubted that in the past century circumstances warranting utilization of this executive power have been all too present? There is, in fact, a conspiracy in the South with allies and co-conspirators in the North, who have by force and violence deprived the Negro people of their constitutional rights as citizens.

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The Civil and Criminal laws pertaining to civil rights are equal in breadth and there are in addition, further statutes permitting relief in the courts, the obtaining of injunctions and the holding in contempt of court those who violate such injunctions. The Federal Government <u>must</u> forcefully and in the first instance espouse the cause of the individual Negro person or anyone who is oppressed by deprivation of his basic civil rights because of race, color or creed and not throw the burden upon him to seek his own relief in the courts. This approach is embodied in the recent legislative proposals of the President to vest such authority in the Justice Department in suits involving school segregation. While it can be maintained that such authority already exists in the absence of such new legislation, we support the additional legislation.

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STATEMENT ON SECREGATION

resented to the Office of The Attorney-General, Washington, D. C.

After a century of prayer, exhortation and struggle formerly unheeded in the main secept for the Supreme Court integration of schools decision in 1954 which suddenly illuminated social horizons with new hope; the Negro people with some white support are engaged in demonstrations for the right to petition their local government for redress of their grievances and the crimes perpertrated against them for centuries

The avowed peaceful intentions of numerous Negro organizations and others to obtain <u>de facto</u> what already exists <u>de jure</u> in the Constitution of the United States are met with mass jailings, tear gas, armored cars, electric prods, rifle butts, fire hose and police dogs.

The Negro people have toiled in the nation's homes, fields and factories at far below standard wages while their right to education was and still is denied to them. Negro men have fought proudly and heroically in all our nation's wars, only to return to segregated slums upon discharge from the service, despite numerous promises of improved conditions of citizenship.

Recognition commensurate with their manifold contributions has been withheld through the years; distorted and denied in our textbooks, histories and press. Yet the Negro people have given bountifully to the whole economic and cultural growth of the United States in the face of monstrous cruelties to their person and searing wounds to their dignity. Segregation is their lot, in the North and South. The exceptions prove the rule. The government of whites, by whites and for whites prevails in much of our land, and exists in varying degrees of horror in all our land.

Mrs. Medgar Evers in Jackson, Mississippi, at a memorial meeting for her husband, Medgar Evers, who had been murdered for his struggle for human dignity, stated:

"He said he was fighting not only for Negroes in Mississippi and in the United States, and not only for the colored people of the world, but for his white friends as well."

These words in the circumstance of their utterance, sharply and poignantly attest to the fact that the oppression of the Negro people from the birth of our nation to the present day, is a cancer generating a syndrome of inequalities and maladjustments affecting both oppressed and oppressors alike. This condition if not removed imperils the nation's decency and integrity—even its very existence. Not until this malignant evil has been removed can our nation attain maturity equally shared by the former oppressed and oppressors, and realize the full potential of its tremendous human resources — unified at last.

The Encyclical Letter of Pope John XXIII, issued April 10, 1963, was hailed by men and women of good will everywhere. The following excerpts eloquently bear upon the matter at hand.

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On June 11, 1963, President Kennedy articulated in a speech to the nation the crucial human and moral issues confronting the people and tearing at the very fabric of our country. He set forth certain concepts too long unspoken by the chief executives of our nation.

"We are confronted primarily with a moral issue. It is as old as the Scriptures and as clear as the American Constitution. The heart of the question is whether all Americans are to be afforded equal rights and equal opportunities; whether we are going to treat our fellow Americans as we want to be treated. ... And this nation for all its hopes and all its boasts will not be fully free until all its citizens are free. Those who do nothing are inviting shame as well as violence. Those who act boldly are recognizing right as well as reality. ... One hundred years of delay have passed since President Lincoln freed the slaves, yet their heirs, their grandsons are not fully free. They are not yet freed from the bonds of injustice. They are not yet freed from social and economic oppression."

The President, in alluding to the Civil War and the history of slavery which stains our national history, was referring to the basic problem of our nation — the extension in practice, of freedom, justice and equality to the Negro people, with all rights and privileges already guaranteed by our Constitution.

The President is our elected leader. His duty transcends narrow party considerations. His responsibility is to accept the mandate thrust upon him by the historic exigencies of our times. His task is to employ every means at hand and to create new means in all haste to redress the wrongs and centuries of torture, agony and humiliation visited upon a patient, courageous and creative people.

We urge the executive branch and the legislative branches of our government to turn from soft methods to much more determined action; from wavering defense to solid attack, to absorb inspiration from the heroism of the Negro people.

The President is legally obliged to "take care that the laws are faithfully executed." The Constitution provides that it "and the laws of the United States ... shall be the supreme law of the land," "...laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding." This constitutional authority was used by Attorney General Kennedy as grounds for his participation as agent of the President to intervene in the Prince Edward desegregation cases. This legal authority has been all too rarely used by our executive branch.

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Section 332 of the United States Code, subsection 10, provides that whenever the President deems there to be unlawful obstructions or combinations against the authority of the United States and its ability to enforce the laws, he may call into use the State militia or use the federal forces of which he is Commander-in-Chief. Section 333 of the Code authorizes the use of the armed forces where any unlawful combination or conspiracy hinders the execution of the laws of the United States and any class of people is deprived of a right due to them as citizens, particularly when state officials fail or refuse to protect these rights.

Can it be doubted that in the past century circumstances warranting utilization of this executive power have been all too present? There is, in fact, a conspiracy in the South with allies and co-conspirators in the North, who have by force and violence deprived the Negro people of their constitutional rights as citizens.

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