

'56 ARRESTED IN CLASH AT SCHOOL SITE

Nab Dick Gregory in Racial Row

LIE-IN AT BANK

Fifty arrested when lie-in by Negroes seeking more jobs paralyzes bank operations. Story on page 7.

Split between labor leaders delays AFL-CIO stand on Washington civil rights march. Story on page 8.

Congressman accuses Kennedy administration of "playing footsie with southerners" on civil rights issues. Story on page 4.

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Thirty-nine racial demonstrators refused to post bail last night on charges of disorderly conduct and vowed they would spend the night in jail in protest against the use of mobile classrooms.

The pickets earlier had burst thru police lines and hurled themselves in front of trucks, a bulldozer, and a ditch-digging machine in a tumultuous racial demonstration at a south side school site. Demonstrators included Negroes and whites.

Fifty-Six Arrested

Fifty-six demonstrators, including 12 women, were arrested. All were charged with disorderly conduct and some also face complaints of resisting arrest. Five juveniles were questioned and released.

Five of the men and all 12 women were released on \$25 bond. The remaining 39 men prisoners said they would stay in the Englewood lockup until their appearances today in Boys court.

Police had to tackle some of the pickets and throw them to the ground to keep them out of the path of construction equipment at 73d street and Lowe avenue. Most pickets lay on the ground and had to be dragged or carried bodily into police wagons.

Comedian Returns

Pickets included Dick Gregory, Negro night club comedian. He was arrested once, released without charges, and then re-arrested when he returned to the scene to picket. Many of the other pickets were teen-agers and women and small children.

Gregory, speaking thru the bars of the Englewood police lockup, criticized police.

"The Chicago police should be catching child slayers and restaurant bombers instead of interfering with peaceful demonstrators," Gregory said.

Ald. Charles Chew Jr. [17th], who was at the site most of the day, said there was police brutality and he would protest to Mayor Daley and Police Supt. O. W. Wilson.

Police denied the brutality charge.

Two Clergyman Seized

Gregory's wife and his gag writer were among those arrested. Two others were clergymen.

The number of arrests was slightly lower than the 67 integrationists arrested Aug. 2 in a noisy, near-riotous demonstration at the same site.

The prisoners sang, stamped their feet, and pounded on the walls of their jail cells.

Shortly before quitting time, workmen installed floodlights to illuminate the site thruout the night. Police strengthened their round-the-clock guard, first posted last week after city crews had to remove six truckloads of garbage that had been thrown on the site.

Gasoline Bottle Thrown

A flaming bottle of gasoline was thrown last night against one of 10 mobile classrooms

placed last year at 72d street and Lowe avenue, a block from the demonstration site.

Isadore Branch, 57, of 7208 Vernon av., a night watchman, extinguished the flames before firemen arrived. Branch said the bottle was thrown from nearby railroad tracks and shattered against the side of one of the trailers. He said damage was slight.

Yesterday's demonstration began about 7 a. m., shortly after workmen arrived to assemble the first two portable classrooms of the 18 scheduled to be installed at the site.

As the pickets approached, 50 policemen formed a line between them and the construction crew.

In late afternoon, after several charges thru police lines, officials used a diversionary tactic to draw the pickets away and bring in a third classroom unit.

Ruse Proves Successful

Four squad cars pulled up a block north of the site, sirens wailing and blue lights flashing. About half the pickets dashed in that direction to see what was happening.

At that moment, other policemen removed barricades at the south end of the school site, and trucks towing the two halves of the classroom unit pulled onto the rear portion of the school site. It was a highly successful end-run.

As was the case in two previous demonstrations, the pickets failed to bring construction to a halt.

Pickets Follow Pattern

The demonstration repeatedly followed this pattern:

Pickets formed in front of policemen whose lines extended around three sides of the construction site. The fourth side is a railroad right of way.

Then they ran thru the police cordon. After crashing it, some dived under the wheels of the classroom trailer units.

Others threw themselves into the trenches being dug for the sewer lines.

Police reestablished their cordon, and then carried off the demonstrators who had slipped thru and were lying on the ground.

Regroup for New Charge

The pickets, meanwhile, regrouped for a later charge.

Prominent among the picket organizers was the Rev. B. Elton Cox, director of the Chicago Chapter of the Congress on Racial Equality, and Mrs. Rosie Simpson, chairman of the 71st and Stewart committee, a parent group which touched off the school protest.

In midafternoon, after police had forced the pickets back down an alley leading to the campus, Cox made this bargain with police: He promised there would be no more rushes onto the site, or lie-downs, if the pickets could reenter the alley.

That bargain had scarcely been made when the police pulled the end-run to bring in the third classroom.

Blow "Charge" on Bugle

At one point, a picket blew a cavalry charge on a bugle while the intermittent rushes at police were going on.

A 2-year-old child, who apparently was watching the demonstration from her home across the street, fell to the ground from the third floor window of an apartment. The child, Eddie Dorsey Jr., whose parents live at 625 W. 73d st., suffered only a bruised cheek.

Leaders of the demonstrators said that the picketing would continue as long as construction goes on. They object to the use of mobile classrooms, which they say are degrading to their children, and to the location of the campus beside a railroad.

The board of education plans to open the campus for 800 elementary pupils this fall, using the site while a permanent school is built two blocks away. The parents want their children transported to existing schools.

Purchase of a permanent school site on the north side of 71st street between Lowe avenue and Union street, will be recommended to the board of education tomorrow.

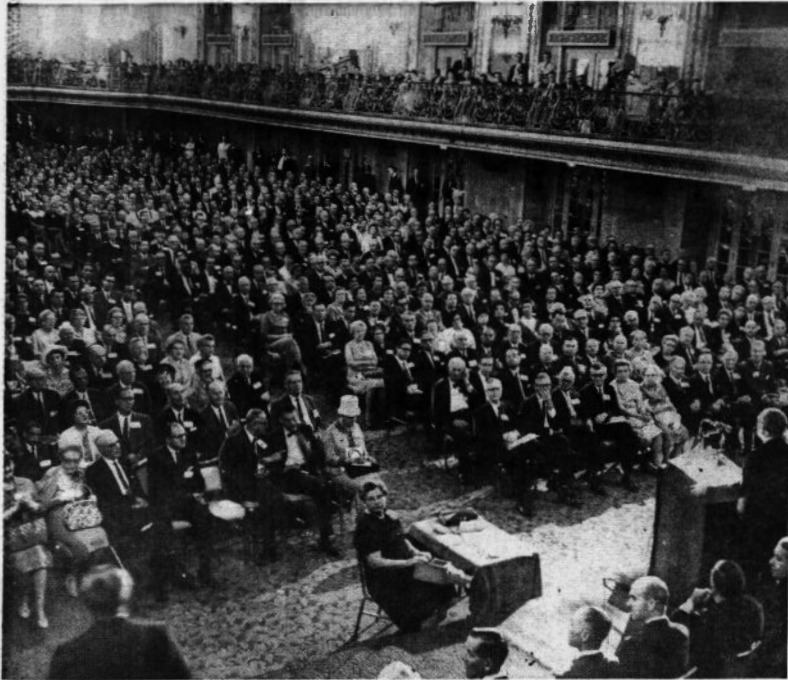
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Arrest Demonstrators at Mobile School Site—Bar Association Opens Conclave

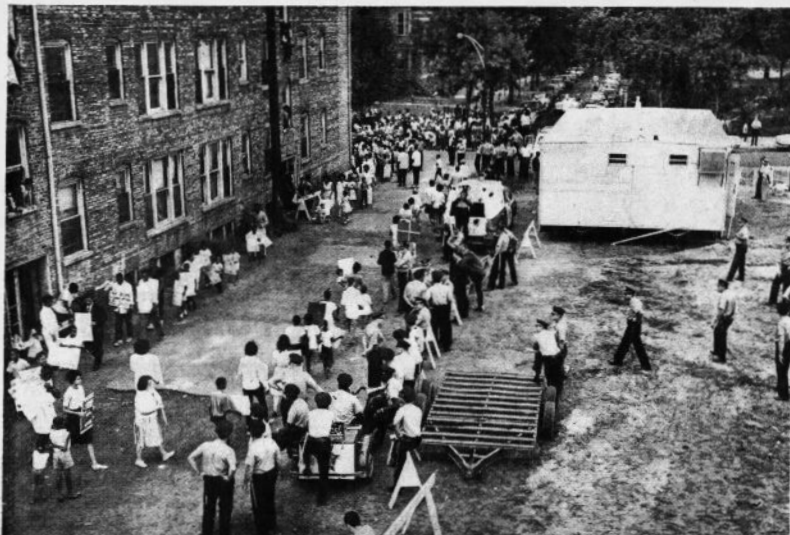


Sylvester C. Smith Jr. (right), president of American Bar association, addressing the opening assembly of the association's 86th annual meeting in grand ballroom of Conrad Hilton hotel yesterday.

The convention, extending thru Friday, will hear talks by numerous leaders in government, business and law. About 15,000 persons are visiting Chicago in connection with the convention. (Story on page 1)

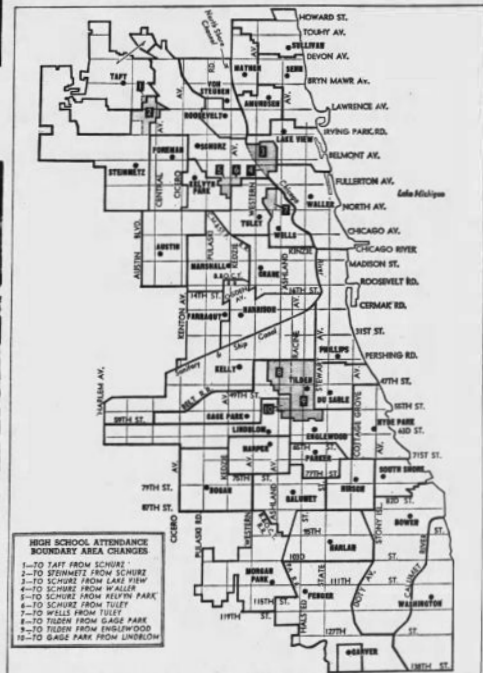


John and Caroline Kennedy scrambling from convertible auto to follow their father into Otis air force base hospital for a visit with their mother yesterday. Caroline won the race to be first out of car. (Story on page 17)



Nearly 40 policemen on guard beside mobile classroom moved onto tract at 73d street and Lowe avenue yesterday while demonstrators, some of them of pre-school age, walked with placards. In

the street in background were others of group whose tactics of lying in front of trucks and tractors led to more than 50 arrests for disorderly conduct and flouting police orders. (Story on page 1)



Shaded areas denote 10 changes in high school districts, approved by board of education, which C. O. R. E., charging racial segregation, is asking the board to rescind at meeting tomorrow. Present boundaries of districts are current result of hundreds of changes over the years. (Story on page 10)



Policeman carrying away demonstrator arrested in disturbance at the site of mobile classrooms at 73d street and Lowe avenue. (Story on page 1)



Dick Gregory, Negro entertainer, in patrol wagon after his arrest during demonstration against mobile classrooms installed on south side lot.



One of the demonstrators who lay in front of a truck puts on a yelling, kicking performance while policemen give him a lift to patrol wagon.



Young man turns to shout at policemen forcing him into patrol wagon at scene of south side disturbance prompted by arrival of mobile classrooms.