# YOU WERE THERE

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## Little Rock IF YOU ...

### ... BELONGED TO THE NAACP



You were with the children and parents as they went through the court tests



You helped the nine brave children get ready for their day of trial — that first day at Central High School



You walked up to the Arkansas armed troops with Elizabeth Eckford and were bluntly turned back



You lived through the riot around the school



You saw the 101st Paratroopers arrive under orders to protect the children in their right to attend Central High



You rode to school with the youngsters in the U.S. Army jeep



You helped them give the right answers to endless questions of scores of reporters, radio and television people



You suffered with them the daily abuse of a handful of their schoolmates — the shovings, kickings, blows and name-calling —

All this you did if you belonged to the NAACP.

In time of racial tension and conflict, the NAACP is the only steady, dependable, continuous experienced guide, adviser and aide.

Everyone cannot be on the scene in person, but by joining the NAACP anyone can be there in spirit and support wherever men and women — and children — are fighting for their rights, which are also your rights.

The fight for freedom is everyone's fight. Even when you cannot be on the front line in person, you can be there through your NAACP membership, for wherever this struggle goes on there is the NAACP.

Our children in Little Rock, in Clinton, in Clay and elsewhere in the South have been brave.

#### Don't let them down.

They are on the firing line.

The least you can do behind the lines is to supply the means necessary to keep them going.

You can do this by joining the NAACP and letting them know that you are behind them all the way. Membership in the **NAACP** is sound insurance for the future of the children of America.

In this period of strife and strain, they need this insurance.

They are looking to you for help in this crisis.

Let them know that you are behind them by joining the NAACP today. Send your check or money order to your local branch or to the national office today.

#### N.A.A.C.P.

20 West 40th Street, New York 18, N. Y. or your local branch

I stand with the Little Rock Nine and enclose \$.....for membership. I enclose \$.....as a contribution.

Name.....

Address

City and State

Annual Membership \$2.00, \$3.50, \$5.00, \$10.00 and up. Youth Membership (under 17), \$.50, (17-21), \$1.00. Junior Life Membership (under 13), \$100.00, Life Membership \$500.00. Memberships of \$3.50 and up include a year's subscription to The Crisis magazine at \$1.50.