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YOUTH MARCH FOR INTEGRATED SCHOOLS
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INSTRUCTION Sheet #1

NOTE:- This March is for:

1. Young people of High School and College age.
2. and for children from fourth grade to eight grade if accompanied by a parent or an adult designated by a parent.

1. Schedule:

Leave New York - 7:30 a.m. (on the dot.)
Arrive Washington 1 p.m.
Rest Period and Lunch 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Begin activities 2:30 p.m.
Supper 5 p.m.
Leave Washington 6:30 p.m.
Arrive New York 11 p.m.

2. Care in Busses

- (a) All groups and organizations are required to meet the conditions of care outlined in this memorandum.
- (b) All busses must have at least 5 adults. Such adults should be some combination of Ministers, Teachers, Parents, and one Red Cross or Practical Nurse.
- (c) If grade school children go on the trip, they must be accompanied by a parent or other responsible adult.
- (d) The trip is scheduled to take a half hour more time than the bus company states is needed in order to provide two extra rest stops.
- (e) There will be five doctors and five registered nurses in the bus caravan.
- (f) Each bus will have a general marshall who will supervise the five adult counsellors.
- (g) All buses will be inspected by the childrens committee before departure to see that the conditions outlined in this memorandum have been met.

3. Meals

- (a) All persons must carry their own snack box for the trip down since feeding 1,000 people at the rest stops in time is impossible. The snack should be simple and limited some such items as:
 - (1) a container of milk.
 - (2) a piece of fruit (banana recommended).
 - (3) one meat sandwich.
- (b) A hot lunch will be served in a Washington Church at 1 p.m. for all persons at the price of 35 cents.
- (c) A light supper will be served in a Washington Church at 5 p.m. for all at the price of 50 cents.
- (d) To pay for these meals and to have a few cents over, each student should have not less than one dollar for the trip.
- (e) A song sheet of Spirituals and songs especially composed for the occasion will be provided each person in every bus.

4. Loading and unloading

- (a) Groups taking buses can arrange for their bus or buses to come to their central location to load and unload. All buses when loaded will proceed to the Polo Grounds to cross George Washington Bridge and begin caravan to Washington. Buses from Brooklyn and Queens will join caravan at a convenient point in New Jersey.
- (b) Buses will unload at points most convenient to group or organization taking bus to Washington. Buses taken by Youth March Committee will unload at Polo Grounds.
- (c) Parents or responsible adult are urged to meet all persons under 18 at Polo Ground to accompany them home.
- (d) A committee of counsellors will meet buses at Polo Ground to see that all persons under 18 are met or delivered to their homes. Cars will be provided by the Youth March Committee to see that those youths not met by parents or a responsible adult are escorted home.

5. Care in Washington

- (a) A team of doctors will be available in the Washington headquarters. An ambulance from Freedman's Hospital for use if necessary along the line of march. Red Cross will be alerted.
- (b) Parents and ministers will be included in the line of march to lend support and dignity and to help control any problems that might arise.
- (c) There will be a central headquarters in Washington and the young people will be kept busy and entertain themselves there during meal and free time.

6. Program in Washington

Note: Theodore E. Brown and Clarence Mitchell are making arrangements with Washington officials and police concerning the

route of the line of march, the use of Lafayette Park, the Capitol Steps and the Lincoln Memorial.

- (a) March down Pennsylvania Avenue lead by Jackie Robinson.
- (b) While group assembles across from White House in Lafayette Park delegation goes to White House.
- (c) At the same time a delegation will meet with congressmen on the steps of the Capitol. These congressmen promise to read the youths' statement into the Congressional Record when Congress convenes.
- (d) After White House and Congressional interviews the Youth assemble at the Lincoln Memorial for a rally. The students will put on their own program. We hope to have a final inspirational address by The Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. or Mrs. Daisy Bates and Lillian E. Smith, writer.

7. Clothing

The Committee requests that Ministers, Parents, Labor Leaders etc. advise that young people going to Washington dress simply. School dress is preferable to Sunday dress.

It is recommended that girls wear white blouses and dark skirts and that boys wear dark suit and white shirts if possible.

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