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## DEMONSTRATIONS AND THE NECESSITY THEREOF

"The Lucky 13"

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I feel that demonstrations are necessary in Tuskegee. Not by the students and younger people but by all residents of Tuskegee. WHY?

Because:

1. Tuskegee needs to extend its city limits.
2. Negroes are denied equal job opportunities at places such as A & P, Big Bear, the banks, etc.
3. The streets in many Negro sections need paving and resurfacing.
4. Tuskegee needs to place street lights in areas where they are urgently needed.
5. Tuskegee needs a full-time Fire Department.
6. The Macon County sheriff department needs to be intergrated.
7. Tuskegee needs better sewerage facilities; in some areas where Negroes live the smell of swerage permeates the the whole area.
8. Tuskegee needs better school facilities:
  - a. Thoroughly integrated facilities
  - b. More Negroes in Tuskegee High School
  - c. White children in Negro schools
  - d. Better bus facilities: Buses upon which Negro children ride are dangerously over-crowded while the buses upon which whites ride are not so.
  - e. Better schools should be placed within reasonable proximity to people living in rural communities so that students do not have to travel long distances in order to get to school.
9. Tuskegee should have integrated recreational facilities and a public statement should be issued by the City Council to clarify this matter.

10. More Negroes should be hired in city offices.
11. The City Jail of Tuskegee and the Macon County Jail should be integrated. (Negro prisoners are ~~the~~ human beings also.)
12. Tuskegee needs integrated housing facilities (there are two "Negro housing projects" and two white projects; the "Ole separate but equal bit".
13. Tuskegee needs integrated churches (or maybe there are two Christs a white one and a black one and two "separate but equal heavens."

Some of these things were promised to Tuskegee: Where are they? The Tuskegee Institute Advancement League (TIAL) is planning a massive demonstration for July 19th. We want everyone to attend and to think seriously about the above statements, ("The Lucky 13"). We will proceed downtown to City Hall, where we will present to the mayor (if present) in petition form "The Lucky 13". If he is not there we will continue to the City Park where "The Lucky 13" will be discussed. Afterwards, a freedom rally with the singing of various and sundry spirituals and freedom songs. After the rally the crowd will disperse and future plans will be announced as to the possibility of another demonstration to present the petition.