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LAW DIVISION

Dear Sir:

I am writing this in regard to your order allowing negro children to attend the school where the white children go.

Have you any knowledge of the number of white taxpayers in Hillburn in comparison to the negroes.

The living conditions of the colored families are very unsanitary in every respect, there are very large families of children living in small shacks that should have been

Condemned years ago. Newspapers and magazines of different issues told of the terrible & filthy living conditions, where all kinds of venereal diseases are to be found. Now there are more coming in from the South since they say, soon they will be able to run the whites out and do many things they were not allowed to do in the South.

The rally the colored organization had in a ballroom in Harlem, up to raise funds to fight this, could have been put to much better use by repairing the

colored school instead of
creating all this trouble.

Also think people such
as certain people in Washington
& also Helen Hayes could
have spent some of their
money by helping the
colored people have their
own school repaired.

Since these people all
~~send~~ send their children to
private schools, would
you or any one of those
people that advocated
this want children of their
own being open to
diseases or any such
conditions

Why don't you have
things investigated properly.

The people of Hillburn were
always very kind to the
colored people and as you
know a certain number of
them were attending the
white school for years.

They had to make repairs
in order to bring in those
children to the white
school. Why didn't
they repair the colored
school instead.

Place yourself in
the shoes of those white
parents and I guess
you would think
twice before passing
any final judgement
Yours Truly,
C. H.