

Bond Predicts Black Student Confrontations

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WASHINGTON, June 15—Black students throughout the South are likely to force confrontations this fall over what they see as the fraudulent desegregation of their schools, Julian Bond, young black Georgia legislator, predicted today.

The massive desegregation predicted by the Administration almost surely "will be nothing more than a fraud perpetuated under a guide of paper compliance," Mr. Bond told a special Senate Subcommittee on Equal Educational Opportunity.

He suggested that even the Administration's proposed \$1.5-billion fund to help in desegregating schools would become a "political pork barrel."

A markedly different view was taken before a House subcommittee by Prof. James S. Coleman, principal author of a basic study of school desegregation. Mr. Coleman agreed to help the White House draft the fund bill.

Issue of Busing

Regardless of what other Administration civil rights policies may be, he said, "this legislation constitutes the first time there has been a positive commitment, supported by resources, to creating strong and stable school integration."

He noted that the President had said he would not impose busing on desegregating districts. "But it is also clear that he is not going to inhibit local districts from doing so . . . and that he wants to encourage districts, through positive incentives, to integrate their schools by whatever means they see fit," he said.

Says Young People in South Regard Desegregation of Schools as Fraudulent

Mr. Bond, testifying on present levels of desegregation, said that the South was not seeing educational desegregation but "educational destruction." He cited supposedly integrated schools that segregated black students by class and schedule, dismissed and demoted black teachers and continued to permit "Dixie" to be sung at assemblies.

Despite the belief of some whites that blacks now seek separatism in schools, he said, "black people in the South want and are going to fight for integrated, quality education."

By "fight," Mr. Bond said to questioning Senators, he does not mean violence. "I am opposed to violence," he declared.

'Very Pessimistic'

But just as students across the country are raising their voices in behalf of social change, he said, "this fall you will be hearing from black students all over the South as they make sure that the newly integrated schools contain no remnants of past racist qualities."

"While I would like to think that such confrontations . . . will not be necessary, I am very pessimistic," he said.

The key to successful integration is political leadership, which the Nixon Administration has not provided, he said. He described two types of alleged failures.

One was negative—"The insensitivity and seeming lack of concern by the Department of Justice, in particular, for black individuals."

He criticized Attorney General John N. Mitchell for stopping "for a look" at Jackson State College last month after the killing of two students by the police "on his way to deliver a speech before a segregated audience" in Cleveland, Miss.

Mr. Bond also cited the Justice Department's support for the tax-exempt status of segregated private schools.

"The Federal Government is sanctioning racism, and black people can no longer look to it for assistance," he charged.

The second leadership failure, Mr. Bond said, is that the President is committed only to the minimum legal requirements concerning desegregation.

Emphasis on Benefits

What is needed instead, he said, is an emphasis on integration—and on the evidence of educational benefits for all children that it can bring. "But I do not feel the President is committed to that goal," Mr. Bond added.

Without such positive leadership, desegregation cannot succeed and perhaps should not, he said. "It's increasingly hard to argue for integrated education because of what has passed for integrated education because of what has passed for integrated education because of what has passed for integrated education," he said. "It's no wonder that black children have reacted against it—have come to despise it."

As for the Administration's new 1.5-billion desegregation bill, Mr. Bond said it "smacks of a political payoff." He said that it would give districts under Federal orders to desegregate twice as much aid as others.