

Phillips Favors Gray Commission Stand on Schools

Lucas D. Phillips of Leesburg will join other State delegates in Richmond next Wednesday at a special session of the Virginia General Assembly.

Gov. Thomas Stanley has called the special session November 30 as a first step to bar compulsory integration of the State's public schools.

The bill which the senators and delegates will be asked to consider is being written by the State Commission on Public Education. It would provide for an amendment to Section 141 of the State constitution to permit public funds to be used to subsidize children in private schools and so circumvent the Supreme Court decision of May 17, 1954, banning segregation by race in the country's schools.

Whether or not he'll vote for the bill, Phillips said, depends on what form it finally takes.

But, he said, he is in favor of what the Governor's Gray Commission has been trying to do—prevent forced integration in the public school.

General Assembly plans call for the introduction of only one bill—the one drafted by the Gray Commission. This would provide for the holding of a Statewide referendum on whether there should be a constitutional convention limited to the tuition grants question. Such a referendum would be held within 60 days on a date to be fixed by the Governor.

Whether it lasts two days or 30, the special session probably will cost the taxpayers close to \$100,000. Members are entitled to a minimum of 30 days' pay at \$18 per day, or \$540. Other expenses for travel costs, printing, clerks, pages and similar personnel will run up the total.

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(Readings made by U. S. Weather Bureau Observer Bentley Gregg at Hilltop Gardens, Lincoln.)

	Precipitation		Temperature	
	In Inches	Inches	High	Low
Nov. 16		.27	60	45 cloudy
17			52	35 clear
18		.55	46	29 clear
19			38	30 cloudy
20			42	28 clear
21			60	26 clear

4" snow and 2" sleet and hail on November 19

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Futility, The Price Of Broadmindedness.

To the editors:

In last Thursday's Herald there is a reprinted article, published at the request of a nameless reader, evidently intended to influence public opinion against a recent decision of the Supreme Court requiring racial integration in public schools. Such reprinted articles, unless carefully balanced by articles representing an opposite view are, I think, considered by readers as representing the editorial policy of a newspaper as distinguished from signed articles and letters to the editor where the responsibility of contributors is beyond question.

If this article was published to oblige a reader and to maintain an open forum for the expression of divergent views, it is suggested that another article, of equal length and force, favoring integration be published. This will demonstrate to readers that the article already published does not necessarily represent the policy of the Herald and that the editors are willing to accept

a 1 1/2 to 4 inch inside diameter. He can reach 13 inches vertically, so a reaching distance of 18 inches is used for ratproofing. A rat can jump 2 feet vertically from a standing position, and more than 3 feet with a short running start.

From a standing position, a rat can jump 4 feet horizontally from a height of 15 feet he can jump 8 feet horizontally. He can enter a building by dropping two or three stories through a skylight, and live to tell the tale. A rat is a good swimmer and can enter a building through water seals in the plumbing. When trying to burrow under a wall, a rat will dig to intersect the wall face about 18 inches below the ground level. As he goes deeper along the wall, he will stop burrowing if he comes

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