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## A Quantum of Sanctity ... or It's Your Turn —

## By Roosevell Fitzgerald

I stayed up all night several months ago to watch the Space Shuttle blast off. There were several hundreds of thousands of people there on the scene to witness it first hand. I. like millions of others. watched It from the comfort of my living room without having to deal with the traffic problems. It was quite a sight. Dan Rather gave a splendid play-by-play of the action. It almost seemed as though he'd rathered have been a member of the astronaut team.

I watched it all. They told us about the thrust of the engines, fuel con-

sumption, height of orbit and speed around the planet once orbit was attained. I listened and watched with rapt attention. I neither answered the door, the phone or the "call of the wild." After all, it was a age as that episode rehistorical occasion. Who could forget it?

Almost a year ago, in was achieved at the "IN-DY 500." Additionally, the winner was disputed because of certain irregularities which took place during a time when the drivers were ing that time. Someone

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did and went on to come In first, it was that first place which aroused the anger of at least one of the other drivers. He lodged a complaint and ultimately presevered and had the winner's position go to him.

As much media coverceived, I can neither remember the winning time and average speed Indianapolls, Indiana, a nor the names of the speed record, of sorts, two drivers involved in the ultimate decision

You may be wondering what the INDY 500 has in common with the space shuttle. Not much - on the surface. One was in space and the under the caution flag. other was on Earth, But. No one was to pass dur- you know, they each went around something - the shuttle around the world and the formula cars around the track. Both, in their element, achieved unbelievable speeds.

On land and in the air few can touch the U.S.A. in technological devel opment. Unbelievable. Who would believe that what those scientists, technicians and mechanics believed was bellevable? Believe it or not, more than a few believed and because they did, they put up money and time to make those bellefs, in both instances, realities. Speed. It's something

to almost see. I say almost because usually it happens so fast that you really cannot conceive of it. More often than not, we can only imagine how fast things are going. Every now and then we do get an opportunity to see speed in action. Sometimes, speed is of such a nature that we can not only open the door, answer the phone and the "call of the wild," but we can also go on vacations, raise families. bury parents and/or loved ones, go to the Moon, breed numerous mass murderers, send hundreds of people off to life sentences and back again, send "other" people - for similar offenses - to the "chair" or to the gas chamber

and on and on and on. Almost twenty-eight years ago to the day, the United States Supreme Court ruled that the public schools of the country were to integrate 'with all deliberate speed." Twenty-eight vears ago. The school systems of the country are still not integrated twenty-eight years later. This is an example of speed which can, even while it cannot, be seen.

It is commonly belleved that integration within the schools was something which would only be beneficial to black people. Because of that perception, black people were expected to pick up the entire tab. Well, in 1954, black people, even though they realized the error of that perception of value, were willing to do that. It was realized, by them, that integration was the one needed ingredient necessary to bring the United States closer to its target of democracy.

So we picked up the tab. We did it all. Okav. So integration meant wouldn't want that to that former black high happen. Would we?

schools would become For twenty-eight junior high schools and years we've made the sacrifices. And what lose their traditions. happens? I'll tell you -Fine. We made the sacrias though you didn't alfices. So integration ready know. Everytime meant that black princiwe look around, they pals would be demoted want us to make even to assistant principalmore sacrifices. Seems ships with the accomthat there is no end to it. panying loss of salaries and prestige. Fine. We We haven't minded made the sacrifices. So doing our part even integration meant that though our part was all black teachers would of it. But, gee whiz, lose their jobs because sports fans, you're rubof the perceived lack of bing that bit of dignity qualifications to teach

lay-offs. Fine. We made the sacrifices. Finally, the children. They seem to always come out on the bottom because someone has said that "the next generation" would solve all of the problems. I refuse to believe that children and those yet unborn are more capable of solving things than we are. Sure, I know its crazy but so am I. So integration meant that they would have to leave their neighborhood schools and go to schools far, far away and sit in classrooms which were, mind you I

said were, merchandis-

ing a culture substan-

tially different than

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ent please. Enough's

enough but this is too

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clerks, cooks and cus-

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their rank riddled with

"That's a good idea.

they'll have to walk like "Honest Abe" did a century and three-quarters ago. I know they don't expect them to drive back and forth. Our kids don't have all of those "Trans Ams" and "Cobras" and "Z 28s."

something. Maybe

"beam" them over or - how dare they. A lot of people got ticked off when the culinary union went on strike - interrupted tourism. A lot of people got ticked off when someone else. anyone else, went on strike. So what? They went on strike anyway. Just a thought. What

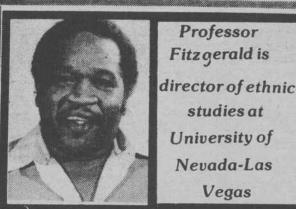
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Vegas Even if they did, they wouldn't be able to put gas in them. Remember. the overwhelming ma-

and gas costs money. Oh, woe is us. I don't see any solution. Maybe we should just let them go ahead and build a high school and a few junior high schools on the westside. Then again, they probably wouldn't do that. There are not enough zone variances. for our young black men

and women who help win championships all over town, to go around. Maybe we should sit out a year and negotiate for a better contract. Everyone else goes on strike when things are to their detriment Airline traffic controllers, musicians, culinary workers, firemen, pliots, policemen, teachers, baseball players, football players and everyone else. It's the American way - or so it Saams

> It seems that everyone is understanding of those strikes which take place - especially if they're involved. A lot of people got ticked off when the airline controllers went on strike - interrupted their vacations. A lot of airline controllers got ticked off when the pilots went on strike - interrupted their work schedule and salaries. A lot of people got ticked off when the teachers went on strike

do I know? I'm just an old country boy from the "sovereign" state of Mississippi.

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## **Social Security Cuts Support Dies in Budget Meeting**

The Senate Budget Committee faces an uphill battle in their effort to cut \$40 billion from Social Security costs over three years."

Senate Budget chairman Pete Domenici, R-N.M., conceded Monday there is not enough support in the Republican Senate to pass the proposal.

"It would appear there is not going to be enough support for precisely the guaranteed solvency language that we put in." Domenici said. "I don't understand why we don't have the courage to do it." The Senate, in its second day of debate on the \$779 billion budget for fiscal 1983, had agreed to allow only general debate and to postpone any amendments until their Tuesday meeting.

The budget approved by the Senate Budget Committee earlier this month and backed by President Reagan includes \$40 billion in proposed Social Security savings. But Democrats and some maverick Republicans strongly oppose that idea.

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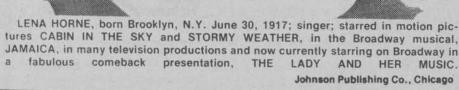
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fair treatment. We

Just in the nick of time, someone said something like: "Let's give 'em a break. Let's only have them ride the busses for eleven years Instead of twelve.' Someone else said: That way they won't have a beef." Well, fine and dandy. So we made the sacrifices and so did the children - our children. It's a good thing they know that we care as much for them as they do. Otherwise they might begin to wonder why we let them be subjected to such un-

vou see?

That one last school is snatched away. All we jority are unemployed need or have ever need ed it seems is just a min-

imum of fairness. Why we have been very pati ent in waiting for democracy to arrive is beyond me. But we are. In a way. we are almost in cahoots with our oppressors. We sanction what they do by going along with it or tolerating it or ignoring it or just simply making do with whatever we have. It reminds me of the way things are

we have left into the dirt.

Only one thing stood be-

tween us and total humi-

liation - one last

school for the neighbor-

hood. Well, I guess that

was too much to expect.

thought we were stan-

ding up on our hind legs

too much and not on our

So what happens?

knees nearly enough.

guess someone

We have not demanded or asked for a quantum sanctity. No. We don't mind a reasonable amount of trouble or hard times and deprivation and debase. ment. But now - now everything is taken away. Nothing is left. Look around. What do

in Poland or in Hungary

or in . . . you name it.

Oh well. They've just decided that bussing will no longer be used to achieve integration. Great. What's going to happen to us now? There are no junior high schools on the westside. There are no high schools on the westside. How are the children going to get to those places for all of those years that they must, without bussing? Maybe they'll just