



Challenging Segregation

Civil Rights

13th Amendment	Abolished slavery
14th Amendment	Legal and civil rights for African Americans
15th Amendment	Voting rights to African American men
1875—Civil Rights Act (1883—Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional)	outlawed segregation
Jim Crow Laws	Put segregation into place
Brown vs. Board Education (1954)	Integrated schools
Boycott	Refuse to purchase a service or good until demands are met
NAACP	Focused on Civil Rights by using the Supreme Court



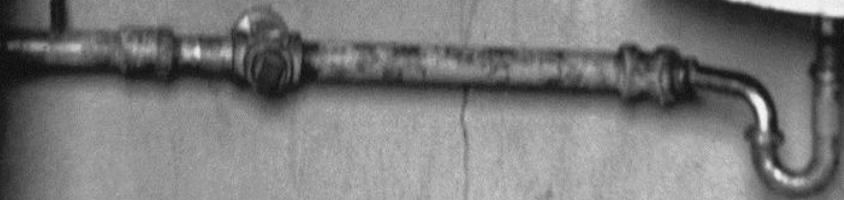
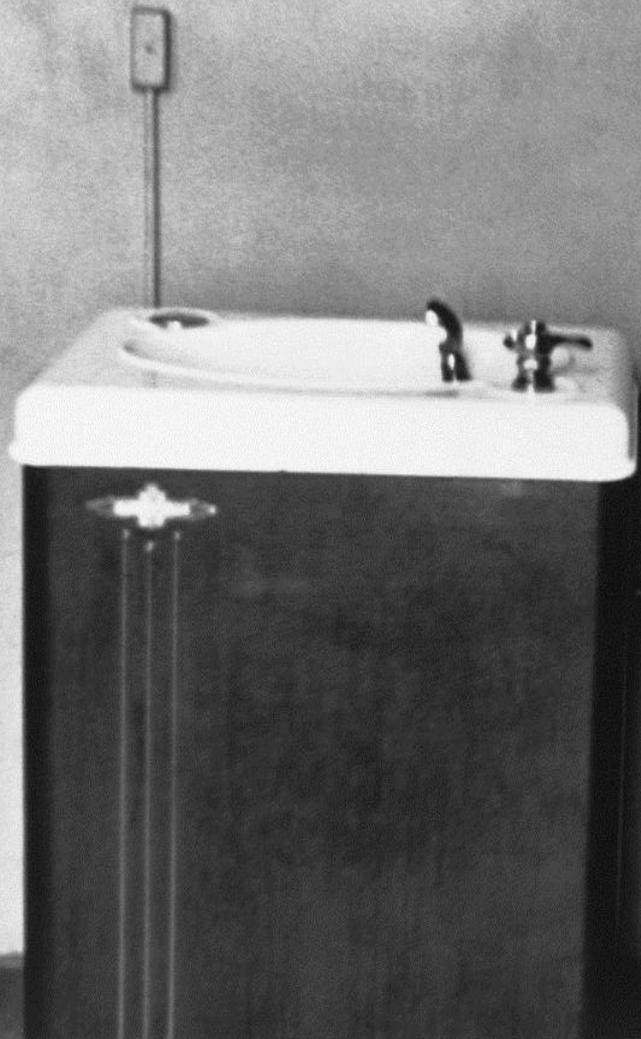
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WHITE

COLORED



A black and white photograph of a street scene. In the foreground, a white sign on a metal stand reads "COLORED WAITING ROOM" with a black arrow pointing to the right. The sign is positioned next to a utility pole. In the background, there is a brick building with a window and a sidewalk. A white barrier is visible on the left side of the frame.

**COLORED
WAITING ROOM**



NO

**DOGS
NEGROES
MEXICANS**

LINDSEY & BROWN COMPANY
CHICAGO, ILL.

REST ROOMS
WHITE **COLORED**



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SEGREGATION
FOREVER

Lunch Counter Sit-Ins

- **1960—4 students sat at a segregated lunch counters in Greensboro, NC**
 - **Students were called names, beaten, spit on, food poured on, arrested**
- **By 1961, Sits-Ins were used at restaurants, hotels, movie theaters, etc.**



Jackson, MS



Nashville, TN



Freedom Riders—1961

- **Goal—to integrate bus services**
 - **2 buses travel through South to test Supreme Court ban on segregation of interstate buses**
 - **Made up of black and white people**
- **Birmingham, AL—freedom riders were pulled from bus by police/KKK, beaten, & driven to TN**
- **Montgomery, AL—supposed to be protected, yet mob of KKK beat passengers (police allowed it)**
 - **Made national media**



Freedom Riders Plan

- **Plan was to ride through Virginia, the Carolinas, Georgia, Alabama, and Mississippi, ending in New Orleans, Louisiana**
- **tactics:**
 - **at least one interracial pair sitting in adjoining seats**
 - **at least one black rider sitting in white section**
 - **rest of the team would sit scattered throughout bus**
 - **One rider would abide by the South's segregation rules in order to avoid arrest and to contact CORE (Congress of Racial Equality) and arrange bail for those who were arrested**

Freedom Rider Jim Zwerg—the white freedom riders were beaten the worst

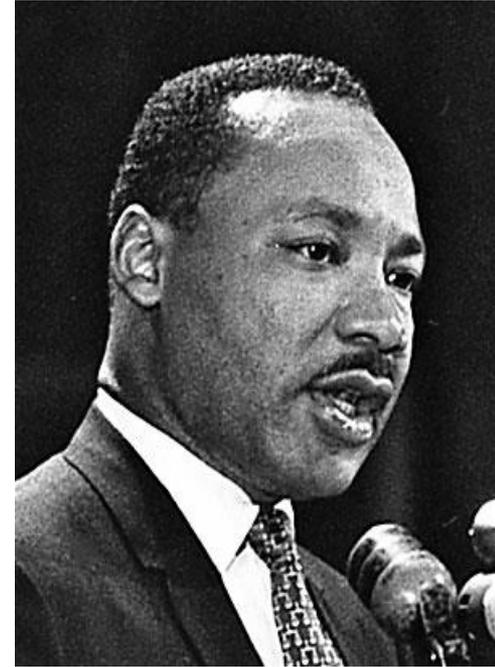


Birmingham Campaign

- **1963—MLK led a PEACEFUL** protest in Alabama: needed to get the President's attention
- **City known for total segregation**
- **After 8 days, MLK was arrested—he was the symbol**
- **Protests continued [children led] but eventually met with violence and at least 600 people were arrested**
- **Millions watched on television**



High school students are hit by a high-pressure water jet from a firehose during a peaceful protest





JOCKEY BOY
RESTAURANT
Coca-Cola

“This is the most segregated city in America [Birmingham]. We have to stick together if we ever want to change things.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

“In the name of the greatest people that have ever trod this earth, I draw the line in the dust and toss the gauntlet before the feet of tyranny, and I say segregation now, segregation tomorrow, segregation forever”

**Alabama Governor Wallace
1963 Inaugural speech**

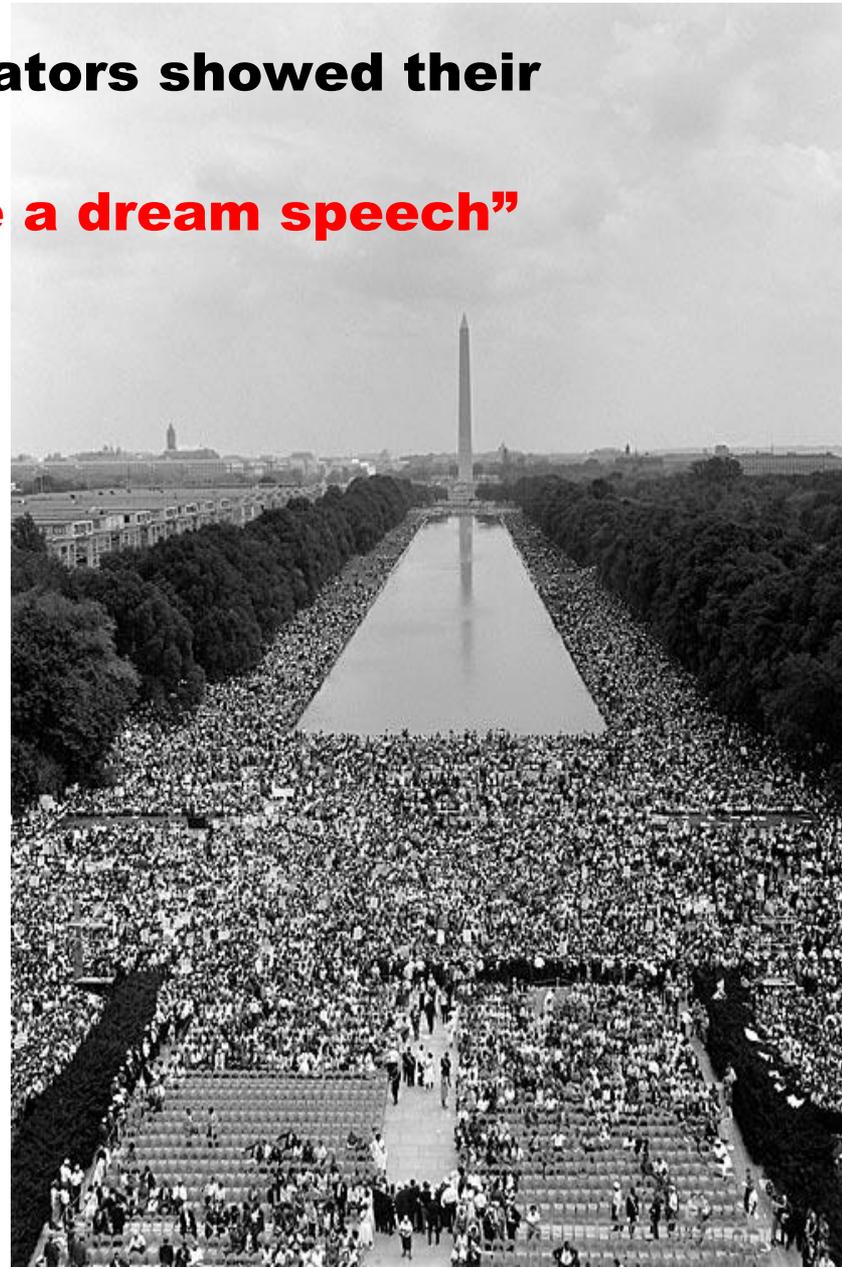


Attempting to block integration at the University of Alabama, Governor George Wallace stands defiantly at the door while being confronted by Deputy U.S. Attorney General Nicholas Katzenbach.



March on Washington

- **Aug 28, 1963—250,000 demonstrators showed their support for Civil Rights**
- **MLK delivered his famous “I have a dream speech”**





New Legislation

- **Civil Rights Act of 1964**—banned discrimination in the work place on the basis of color, religion, sex, or national origin; made segregation illegal
- **Voting Rights Act of 1965**—eliminated literacy tests
- **Civil Rights Act of 1968**—ended discrimination in housing

