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## Linda Allen and Peggy Jemison, 1969

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Carolyn Yellin- this is tape 2, interview with Mrs. Frank Jemison and Mrs. Linda Allen.

Linda Allen- Mrs. Newton Allen.

Carolyn Yellin- Mrs. Newton Allen yes, Linda and Peggy Jemison. The place is 4241 Park Avenue, the interviewers are Joan Beifuss and Carolyn Yellin. The date is February 24<sup>th</sup> 1969. We now are talking specifically to Mrs. Jemison and Mrs. Allen will rejoin us shortly having gone to pick up a car.

Joan Beifuss- Will you spell Jemison for the tape for whoever transcribes this?

Peggy Jemison- Jemison is J-E-M-I-S-O-N.

Carolyn Yellin- We were just reviewing what we talked about on the earlier tape and saying this feeling that the people that we know personally, those of us who were living in Memphis at the time, were involved in this event that was going to be remembered in history and we were saying specifically Henry Lobe, in fact what you were saying the thing of being with Mr. Lobe's sister in Puerto Rico, Mrs. Frances.

Peggy Jemison- Peter's Mar whose husband is a member of young presidents organization and they live in Bronxville New York and how actually fearful she was for her sister's life.

Joan Beifuss- Was she very familiar with what was happening here?

Peggy Jemison- Yes. They had been very closely involved with the family because as is well known Mary's family would avoid politics probably and she had suffered with her sister a little bit through it all.

Joan Beifuss- What was their maiden name?

Peggy Jemison- Greg.

Joan Beifuss- Greg, I am sure we have that some where. And they had been in Memphis?

Peggy Jemison- Yes, they grown up in Memphis and the Greg family has been in cotton for a number of.

Joan Beifuss- Had you known them as a girl?

Peggy Jemison- I had known Mary, and Henry too growing up but I had known Mary and the fear with which her sister was regarding this situation and they were so personally concerned for their safety in their lives. But moving on from there I think it was rather interesting because this is a personal change in my thinking. After attending Memphis Cares and thinking about my own reaction I felt regret that I had

not gotten acquainted with Mattie Sangstad as a person. I knew we had been in sessions with her and this had been pleasant but I had not really made any contact beyond a surface acquaintance. I think I felt that I had certainly missed an opportunity and now to try and bridge the hostility and bitterness that perhaps would be there was too bad. And I hadn't taken the opportunity when I had it. So after Memphis Cares we realized how we would like to know Mary Collier and Diana I think called her and we found that an interracial group had been meeting for years very interestingly and very quietly on Saturdays. And so Linda and Diana and I proceeded to go and our reaction was that we were the ones with lack of poise and Wanda just had to handle this situation and we found you there Carolyn.

Carolyn Yellin- In fact as I recall as we were parking the call and there I saw my neighbors there..

Peggy Jemison- We hadn't seen each other.

Carolyn Yellin- Well it was not a well advertised group.

Joan Beifuss- No as a matter of fact..

Carolyn Yellin- You had to learn about it that way.

Joan Beifuss- It was kind of a word of mouth group wasn't it?

Carolyn Yellin- I think it has now become much better known, but at that time it was not something that again partly because of wishing to do the thing it has always been done in Memphis. You went ahead and did it and you didn't talk about it and you didn't say to the kooks come look we are integrating, you just did it very quietly.

Peggy Jemison- Well it certainly was an interesting experience to find yourself in this position and wanting very much to find what a black woman thought and felt. You do get that sense there that you are visiting often on very unimportant subjects but then just by the very contact and communication you are achieving something. The head start program as we mentioned earlier was good for me personally. I had been involved at things at the administrative level. And you need to get away from that.

Joan Beifuss- Not ringing door bells.

Peggy Jemison- Yeah you really need to get away from that. So that of course is I must suppose my pride in Memphis does come forth that when I read Time magazine I had the feeling and I will quote Peggy Mitts when she wrote to the editor and said some people are frustrated and in their frustrations rot, and some people are name callers and I feel that in this article you have been one of those because certainly to blame Memphis for the assassination was hardly justifiable anymore than extreme righteous groups blame everything on the Communists to say that the killer was a product of Memphis isn't necessarily true though certainly we were breeding the situation and it did happen here. And I think that now this is going to

be a great advantage to the city because I believe we are moving much faster and much more genuinely into programs that will benefit the vast number of people in our city. I don't believe we will be able to ignore this inner city of the urban problem.

Carolyn Yellin- Do you think we are moving faster than we would have had this not happened or do you also think we are moving faster than other comparable cities in the south now.

Peggy Jemison- I really can't compare that. I feel we are moving faster than we would have been. I think Memphis would have been slower to act and I think more people are alerted to it and this silent majority we talk about I think do really exist are much more vocal now and much more interested in seeing that it get going.

Carolyn Yellin- I wanted to ask one thing, there has been considerable discussion about the role of the churches both the white churches and the black churches in this and we talked with a good many ministers both the black ministers and several of the white ministers, not as many we tried to get the point of view of those involved most directly in the strike and it turned out that more black ministers were involved than white needless to say. Have you any particular feeling or anything you want to say on this particular thing of the role of the churches. Did they have any weight or do you think that more weight is carried as far as accomplishing change by say the business community or a specific organizations.

Peggy Jemison- Well I personally think that probably the business community and civic groups can do more than the churches can or should. This is my personal reaction. The mission of the church is a very important one and can be accomplished. I think it is very divisive in a church and one of those things that has to be done on an individual basis, I think certainly from my experience that's the case.

Carolyn Yellin- Well do you think that there was a religious impotence for people that changed do you think that for some of them this had a religious impotence. I mean that really made them reconsider.

Peggy Jemison- I don't know whether the changers were that great or exactly the thrust of this but I am trying to pin down something, the relation of you know we are in what is considered the bible belt.

Peggy Jemison- Right.

Carolyn Yellin- And there is really for someone coming from the outside there is so much more discussion of religion and there is so much more evidence of the form and ritual of religion in public life in this section than there are in others. I was aware of it after moving back to this section after having lived in the northeast and I am trying to relate the actual influence.

Peggy Jemison- I think the influence has been great. And I think it has definitely been brought about in some tangible ways in urging the brotherhood of man and a

loving and compassionate heart. This has taken various forms in political and social responsibilities. Some people equate it much greater with their spiritual life than others. I don't really have strong feelings that the church or the minister should enter into this. I think that your religious experience is an individual one and I think it definitely gives you love in your heart and this can be brought about in various ways. I really have no..

Joan Beifuss- What about reaction to the ministers who went to see Mayor Lobe, led by Rabbi Wax. Remember the morning after Dr. King was killed and to many of them there was so great a reaction in their own congregations.

Peggy Jemison- Yes I think this was felt and I think many in the church at 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian felt that the council, national council of churches overstepped themselves by making a contribution to the strikers. This was felt by a good many and was reflected in their pledges this year to 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian.

Carolyn Yellin- To the church itself or to the....

Peggy Jemison- 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian.

Carolyn Yellin- Simply because they were continuing to support the national and they felt resentful that this had been done. So I think there was strong feeling on both sides. It had effects on various churches. I think Linda will probably comment on this fact and she is much more in a position to know than I at the church of the Holy Communion they were going through an agonizing decision about St. Mary's school as whether to integrate this fall or not. Purely because it had not been done in any of the independent schools and they had just completed a very large building job and had pledges out and the building was underway and I think it is interesting to see that this has taken place at St. Mary's and she was telling me that the enrollment is a capacity enrollment and that the pledges are ahead of last year. And as far as I know my daughter is there and it has moved very smoothly. Joan Beifuss- Do you think there is a feeling here in Memphis that the, oh I don't know who to term it but hardcore, not Ku Klux Klan, but the really hardcore segregationists perhaps there is a feeling that these people are more powerful than they actually are. Or there is fear there will be a strong reaction to any move toward like integrating St. Mary's and then the reaction doesn't do it when you actually do it.

Peggy Jemison- Joan we were talking about it Linda and I were talking about it and among our friends, just after the event we sensed a really a polarization of views. It was definitely a hardening of attitudes among some of our friends, at that point.

Joan Beifuss- And did you hear some of your friends say things at that point that you would have never believed they would have said, well for instance Linda says her own son says this kind of thing just comes out. It was a moment of truth really.

Peggy Jemison- It really was and one day after attending a luncheon of our very close friends, I called Linda and I said Linda we are definitely in the minority, our point of view is not shared and it is shocking to me you know these people you have

been associated with them all your life and you expect them to feel as you do and they don't. And this we felt was obvious however since that time we felt there has been a change.

Carolyn Yellin- Mrs. Allen is with us again.

Linda Allen- For about ten minutes and then I have another call.

Peggy Jemison- I was just saying that we did feel initially the sharp attitude or reaction among our friends. Now we feel, however among this same group that we are closely associated with that they are changing and there is a progression of thought on this matter.

Carolyn Yellin- Do you feel you maybe personally have been responsible, and I ask this in all seriousness because I think that seeing someone do what did take some courage and I don't think there is any question or at least to take a lively curiosity to want to find out and the becoming involved and I know you were involved before but it seems to me in some respects you made some movement that hadn't been there before and other people saw you do this and so, do you think you influenced them?

Peggy Jemison- I doubt it.

(Muffled)

Peggy Jemison- I will say that my husband has certainly done some things that, and I am happy that he has. He has actually moved into some relationships that are new to him perhaps a little bit more than I have say. One has been a person to person program which Reggie Worseburger, and you perhaps know the name of it, I was trying to find out the formal name, of a group of men who will take a person in a related field and they discuss their own problems, it is a business group.

Carolyn Yellin- I remember at one point you told me something of this over the phone.

Joan Beifuss- Is this coming from the chamber of commerce?

Peggy Jemison- No I think this was purely a spontaneous thing that Reggie Worseburger...

Carolyn Yellin- And it is a black and white?

Peggy Jemison- It is a black and white operation and Frank met with related men in the building business and they have had several interviews and conversations, it has been a mutual thing. They have had experience in one area than he has and they have shared this. It has been helpful to him.

Carolyn Yellin- Peggy was this the thing where you were saying if I recall, where the black man have not had the same opportunity for leadership that often the women have? And they feel the need of this.

Peggy Jemison- I think they definitely do and there is one observation I would like to make in reply to that. One change I have seen on civic boards this year has been the freedom with which the black man has spoken. And I have noticed this both with the black man and the black woman. Proud of that I had been on the sun board for some 6 years and the contribution that they made was not the same as it is today, they had much more freedom to speak. And I think they also feel an urgency to let the white person know what the black is thinking.

Carolyn Yellin- Think it is getting through?

Peggy Jemison- I don't know. To a degree it is but it has been very interesting to me that the black woman has been much freer to speak and I am glad she has. The other thing which Frank is done, purely to make a contribution to this Memphis community leadership training group. Charlie Pomp and Bill (muffled). Yes, and he has become interested in that.

Joan Beifuss- Has your husband came out of any sensitivity?

Peggy Jemison- No he has not.

Joan Beifuss- He is going in the morning march?

Peggy Jemison- He is going to try to, this has not been a time when he could do it, but he hope he will be able to contribute personally more.

Carolyn Yellin- (Muffled) the other night about that program.

Peggy Jemison- And it is underway. Right now Linda and I are involved in a workshop training group which will be city wide and we hope we will have some benefit.

Joan Beifuss- What is that?

Peggy Jemison- It is a board member institute and it will be held at Memphis state in the student union, April the 11<sup>th</sup>. It is training people to be good board members to develop leadership for all sorts of group.

Carolyn Yellin- Is this mostly women?

Peggy Jemison- We hope it won't be.

Linda Allen- This is a junior league sponsored board member institute, it is the first time there has been one in 10 years.

Peggy Jemison- In cooperation with volunteer service bureau. And we don't want it to be just women. We will be very disappointed if we don't get the men there because..

Joan Beifuss- Are you having some night sessions as well as day.

Linda Allen- No this is just one day.

Peggy Jemison- It is a one day session and Dr. Cyril who will be the keynote speaker and then we will have a panel and workshop leaders.

\*Are you going to predominantly black organizations too?

Peggy Jemison- This will be a black white institute thing.

\*So civic groups. This is what has amazed me is I am just not aware that there were so many and we have begun to hear of them.

Peggy Jemison- We are using as many black leaders as we can for the workshop. Certainly any who are free to come be available for this day session.

Joan Beifuss- (Muffled).

Peggy Jemison- Frankly, if it came too quick enough I think it is just we know just like these colleges that group is moving so fast. I am just not sure we can do it quick enough.

\*Have you had a personal feeling of satisfaction?

Linda Allen- You will have to talk for me I have a call in 5 minutes, and that hits a nerve...(tape break)

Linda Allen- I want to back up to what Peggy was saying about her sense of Lethargy the week that King died. I was just absolutely astonished at my own reaction it was as if you couldn't move.

Peggy Jemison- It as though a funeral in your family was taking place.

Linda Allen- I would catch myself sighing out loud when I would be driving down the street and I would hear a siren and it would shock me that it just came out. I remember at church maybe a midweek communion or Sunday week after care I spoke to Erik at the door as I walked out and my eyes all filled up with tears and he knew immediately what my problem was we didn't have to communicate anything because he was feeling the same way. Peggy and I were very conscious that we had different levels of friendship all of a sudden, That among our friends those who felt this sense of despair which turned into a sense of urgency to do something to heal. That we had some friends who felt that way and some friends whose initial reaction was to slam the door and not face it and to react and hold on to the status quo.

\*Does that kind of feeling you have with those friends do you still have it?

Linda Allen- No I think things are happening I feel very hopeful, I am terribly optimistic. And so then there came a time oh I sent a memorial and wrote Mrs. King a letter which I had never done before.

\*You felt you had to do this?

Linda Allen- Yes, these were all as you say as a catharsis. So then came a time when you had to do something, and what can you do and so we worked on that head start program and then Mayor (Muffled) again called and said that she and Joe had gone to the board of education and asked if they could open Wisconsin school one day a week during the summer for a program for children there. And she called me and asked me if I would come down and make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and make kool-aid for them. And so I went several times to Wisconsin school and would keep order in the halls and make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, you know this is so trivial but you felt you had to do something. Mayor Dreifuss had a fund to get money for camps and keep the children busy this summer, so I sent a contribution to that. All of which seemed very small but something that had to be done, and then when the funnel wore on mayor Clayton became (muffled). The time has come now for you to be involved in the fund for needy children to go down and to be a part of the red tape in one of the schools and all this to sign up for a free lunch program. And do you care who you work with black or white. I said no just put me down for a school so I drew Florida school. Audrey Nunnery and I went several times and I really felt so inefficient just hadn't handled papers before to interview and make lists. So we did interview all the mamas and signed them up for the free lunch program and then Callie Stevens is principal of Florida School and I really wanted to do something else I wanted to be involved and I was not really very interested in the social service aspect for myself because I had done that. I want to backtrack for a minute because I did do something else before I went to Florida school. Mayor Clayton had called and said don't you want to go down and hear about the (muffled) of this project for children in which Uncle Sam has some money for a pallet project with full census tracts and all the children in those census tracts they want to upgrade the health program from birth until 18 by providing free medical and dental and hospital services for these children but they also need to do something about nutrition. We have a little program where we go down and call on mothers and get them to get a group together and then you go and talk about nutrition for children. So I had to do something so Betty Smith would give us a list of certain women in the area and one of, an occasional one would have a telephone and we would call and talk to them and ask them if they would let us come in and talk about nutrition.

Carolyn Yellin- These were perfect strangers?

Peggy Jemison- Yes, and...

Carolyn Yellin- Was your reception friendly or..

Peggy Jemison- Well we got a good reception and if I do say so myself southerners have maintained a one to one basis and my father was a doctor in the Mississippi delta and they called him Dr. Jesus. He really had a relationship with the black community and this gave me an extra compulsion to serve because my father had done an awful lot to alleviate need and care in the black community in the Mississippi delta and I was a generation leader. It was easy to go and talk to these women about nutrition of their children on a sort of hot breakfast sort of basis because you had children of your own and to do it on that basis and we had Betty Smith had several groups that we went down there and talked to and neither one of us knew anything at all about nutrition but we could tell them that oatmeal was better than corn flakes and tell them where the day old bread place was and you could buy eggs that were brown shelled cheap at the egg place nearby. The thing that I learned was that poverty is a very lonely thing. I hadn't been aware that people without telephones and without automobiles who can't you think could be in touch and leave and busy, that you would think they would be in touch with their neighbors in like situations and of course they aren't. This was a revelation to me and I also found this was not my thing to go down and talk about nutrition. I was sure there was something I could do that was more effective than that. SO this was when I moved on to Florida school.

Carolyn Yellin- So then you made peanut butter sandwiches.

Peggy Jemison- I made peanut butter sandwiches at Wisconsin school but I moved on to Florida school where I found what I was supposed to be doing and when you said satisfaction. I was working as a volunteer one day a week in a 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom. Soon after I started doing this it was so exciting and so much fun that I ran into Madge Clark in Cecil's groceries the incoming president of junior league and she says what are you doing that is interesting and I said well let me tell you.

Carolyn Yellin- I'm glad you asked me that question.

Peggy Jemison- To my amazement, Madge said the league was ready to move in an inner city project. So things had happened at the...

Peggy Jemison- 128 league members had signed up as desiring placement.

Carolyn Yellin- This is what I am getting back to modesty aside the fact that you knew of this.

Peggy Jemison- Linda had a great effect right here and opened up this.

Carolyn Yellin- Because you have gotten into this now 120 other people, it might have happened other wise.

Peggy Jemison- They are not yet in it I don't want to but they did indicate an interest in this. It has not yet become a league project so we should certainly make that clear.

Linda Allen- It is next Tuesday at 3.

Peggy Jemison- Actually it would be going into Florida school only and this project, the league has yet to vote on this, they may or may not vote on it. The project as it was set up Linda could describe, I think it would be a \$15,000 with volunteers in the Florida school. It would be in core operation in fact with mayor Dreifuss but not under her program.

Carolyn Yellin- Would it Linda?

Linda Allen- I think Meyers project that is so flexible that if she finds a group that are willing to take over a school then you take that over but the thing that is so fantastic to me about Meyer Dreifuss' group, is for the first time the board of education has really welcomed laymen and they had a meeting this fall with their guidance counselors and told them you don't get involved in any social work at all as a guidance counselor. You are there academically. You let the fund for needy children ladies handle all the social needs.

Joan Beifuss- I think Meyer Dreifuss is (muffled)

Peggy Jemison- Yes absolutely and never before.

Carolyn Yellin- Well this is the (muffled)..This is the kind of yeast in the community that I really feel is working here and I share your optimism.

Peggy Jemison- I also think it is important to say that the Jewish community in this city, the Jewish women in this city have been working for several years far more than any other group to build bridges into the black community primarily through the school situation, teaching tutoring, serving social service needs. But as a personal feeling about working at Florida school I feel that one of the ways in which we can serve the most is if women do volunteer teaching in the black schools and in the poverty white school as it seems to me that only in southern cities re there educated women who are freed who have time to do this, and the need is enormous frankly, my dream is that at some point in the next few years there will be many volunteer women doing volunteer teachers working in the school system. It can be done all over the city and hundreds of women could be used and Callie Stevens the logistics of having a hundred volunteers in our school it is fantastic.

Carolyn Yellin- And the value of these children seeing white people come into their schools who obviously care about them.

Linda Allen- It is just astonishing, it is so amazing it is unbelievable.

Carolyn Yellin- Which is something that is missing from the life of many negros that used to be present in southern life I feel.

Linda Allen- This is true. And this is at the elementary school level it is so easy now, there is no prejudice at all. I walk into the classroom and several little boys hop up to get my coat.

Carolyn Yellin- How about your relationship with the teachers in the schools.

Linda Allen- I feel completely accepted now., I didn't in the fall, in fact the first time I went.

Carolyn Yellin- Was it a little scary?

Linda Allen- Oh I took a dollar in my pocketbook, I locked my car and I went in and I didn't have any idea how I would be accepted. I didn't know whether I would be disrupted, I have never taught in my life.

Carolyn Yellin- What do you think when you are driving, it takes you 30 minutes to drive across town how do you feel when you are driving off to this.

Linda Allen- Oh it is just great.

Carolyn Yellin- At the time you had a few.

Peggy Jemison- Oh I had many trepidations what am I getting into and you know I am going down to a poverty part of town I have never been to Florida St. in my life and..

Carolyn Yellin- Did you have any feeling , now I want to ask one other thing, that anyone among your friends wouldn't understand why you are doing this, maybe not this particular thing but, or have you had pretty much understanding from other, or do they say oh Linda is off on one of her things.

Linda Allen- Really most of my friends are like that, you do have material.

Carolyn Yellin- That's another have you stopped beating your wife sermon.

Peggy Jemison- That could be a worry but I don't think that would...

Linda Allen- As a worry but really it is astonishing to me that we have moved as quickly and that there are as many people who are interested in doing it, and I do talk about it where I go and have gotten other people to go.

Peggy Jemison- This astonishing thing, by Linda's conversation with Madge the whole Junior League is considering it. Which involves a lot of young girls, of course they may be in accord with going ahead or not but by Linda's conversation there is that much interest and the league is a barometer of the...

Linda Allen- It is of the community. Of the leadership of the community.

Joan Beifuss- I think very definitely, what was the matter here what is changing here before it was not respectable to care and now it is respectable. It sounds very harsh when you just say it that way.

Linda Allen- But I don't think there is any doubt that the league next Tuesday is going to vote for this project.

Carolyn Yellin- I was going to say it is not just respectable I have a feeling that is

becoming the thing to do, it is even more than that which I think is the difference between this and other southern cities this was getting back to the point that maybe this is something that is different about Memphis,. That we had gone through this great trauma and that it has made enough change that there is a gradation of difference now, a year later between this city and...

Joan Beifuss- Let me throw in the kicker here. What would seem to be the kicker. Is there any move on the other hand to get taxes raised so that your school system is upgraded so that you don't have to pour volunteers in to fulfill needs. Does the thinking go to that level?

Linda Allen- I think our education, the problem with taxes, and our school system is just a whole new world of discussion and I don't think how ever much money we poured into these school systems that we would ever be without the need for one to one volunteers.

Carolyn Yellin- In this generation certainly.

Linda Allen- Oh and the need for teaching reading and just drilling and drilling with multiplication tables and spelling and hearing the children read aloud. This sort of thing which you as a parent might do at home needs to be done by the volunteer in the school.

Carolyn Yellin- And no amount of money poured into the school system..

Linda Allen- you couldn't hire enough people and it also has to be people who are loving and interested it has got to be.

Peggy Jemison- Well to get to Joan's question do we see anything afoot to....not just to replace the volunteer but to improve the educational system the entire everything,. I think we are sensing this terrible financial strain that the city inherited, and I must say that we can't forget that this was passed on to this administration and they are apparently trying to pull out of it. But our arts are in trouble and we are facing and are in a financial crisis and many of the groups, certainly the art groups...

Linda Allen- Schools expect to have less money this upcoming year than they did last year I was just at a meeting today where we were trying to get a string system in the schools for next year and there is no chance of getting the string music in the schools. I have to go but I want to say one more thing for the record and I don't know whether it can be left on the record or not but I think it is significant. My husband was head of the St. Mary's board of trustees last year and the big decision that faced St. Mary's schools...

Peggy Jemison- I mentioned this.

Linda Allen- Was whether to integrate, well what I was going to say was the board had an awful lot of agonizing thinking to do and they came to the thought that it was

important to integrate the school, it was right it integrate the school, and it was important to do it before they are pressed with their backs against the wall to do it but there was enormous building debt and all the pledges were 4 or 5 year pledges and only 1 years pledges had been made and so what happens obviously your enrollment will fall off some when you integrate and will people feel no longer the necessity top pay their pledges and here you are left with this huge debt what do you do and Newton paced the floor night after night.

Peggy Jemison- Newton was Chandler the board of trustees.

Linda Allen- So finally they made the decision to go ahead and do it and the two children that had applied do the tests while other children who were applying the same days on Saturday so there wasn't any quietness the word was out that there were black children applying. Then they were accepted and so we waited through the summer what is going to happen enrollment was slow coming in you know, what about the pledges. The end of the tale is, nail biting, that came down to August thinking we would lose about 15 children out of 600 which is at capacity which is really amazing.

Carolyn Yellin- This is through the headmaster?

Peggy Jemison- Matthew is the headmaster. Well it turns out that our capacity is where we are, we have got as many children as we can take, top enrollment. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade which is where the 2 black children are has the largest enrollment that they have ever had for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and the pledges are far ahead of what they expected the pledges to me. So this says to me that Memphis has made strides, I think this is a barometer of the feeling you see. I was delighted when the decision was made, I worried and bit my nails, Newton was very relaxed about it and said it is the right decision we have made it, let's don't worry about it anymore. And this I thought was interesting.

Carolyn Yellin- In fact I think this is a good place to close since we have to anyway. Thank you so much.

(Tape End)