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(DIRECT ACTION FOR RACIAL EQUALITY)

Anti-Klan Meet Held While Klan Rallies

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At the same time the Klan was meeting at Memorial Auditorium Sunday an anti-Klan group was meeting and discussing possible action programs in the area of civil rights. The group, consisting of some 40 young men and women, most of whom are white, heard an address by Rev. W. W. Finlator, pastor of the Pullen Memorial Baptist Church.

Spokesmen said the group had gathered originally to stage an anti-Klan demonstration, similar to their picketing on Fayetteville St. when the Klan met in Nash Square two weeks ago, but were asked by Raleigh Police to stay away from the rally in order to prevent possible violence. Instead of demonstrating, the group decided to hold a meeting to plan "direct action

programs designed to help in areas of racial injustice." Rev. Finlator told the group that poor whites and Negroes were locked in a battle against each other, which prevents their assimilation into the cultural mainstream. He said extremists were capitalizing on each of these groups for their own benefit.

Leaders of the anti-Klan group are Stanton Hoegerman, his wife, Georgeanne, James S. Lee and Craig Smith, all of Raleigh. Hoegerman said the group was created in response to the presence of the Klan in Raleigh.

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DARE is a local organization comprised mainly of North Carolina State University students who feel that the time has come to act constructively and directly on problems of civil rights and racial equality. In spite of recent legislation and the existence of many civil rights organizations, there remains much to be done if minority groups are to receive from and contribute to the flow of America's mainstream.

Most of the problems to be dealt with have already been extensively discussed and, in many cases, solved on paper but, implementation of these solutions has been lacking. This is where DARE steps forward and acts. To accomplish our goals we need intelligent, imaginative, and active young workers to help in areas such as voter registration, tutoring, community development, housing, employment, cultural activities, and many others.

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