

End to Rights Marches Urged

They No Longer Serve Purpose, Cleric Says

The executive director of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago urged clergymen and civil rights leaders yesterday to substitute hard work for excesses in street demonstrations.

Dr. Edgar H. S. Chandler, who has been in the forefront of the civil rights movement here, joined the growing number of church leaders who contend that demonstrations have achieved their ends.



Dr. Chandler

Now Solve Problems

"In the north, dealing with jobs, schools, and housing, you cannot simultaneously prick the

conscience and solve the problem," he declared.

"The conscience has been pricked and it will need to be pricked again, but the main task now is to solve problems."

"I appeal to my fellow churchmen and fellow citizens for a reaffirmation of law and order.

"I appeal to my colleagues in the civil rights movement to concentrate on the nitty gritty of specific steps towards justice."

He noted that Mayor Daley recently stated that the Rev. Martin Luther King's "position against poverty and discrimination is one which all right thinking Americans support."

From Protest to Progress

Dr. Chandler said that "all people of good will in our city" should be united by the mayor's call for "all citizens to support the board of education in its efforts to select a new superintendent of schools."

"The protest has registered," Dr. Chandler said. "Let us now all together register prog-

ress. No one can any longer deny that problems exist. But problems are for solving. Let us now move forward, consolidating every gain in education, in housing, and in fair employment. Let us make the dream a reality by taking specific steps toward the deliverance of these goals."

He cautioned that when protest is necessary, let it be carried out, in Dr. King's words, "with strictest observance of law and order," and be disciplined and directed to specific abuses that can be corrected.

The Rev. Joseph H. Jackson, president of the 5,000,000-member National Baptist convention, hailed Dr. Chandler's statement, and noted:

"A cheering squad is great if you have a football team on the field. But you can't win the game by marching and cheering. Let's have more positive and less negative action."