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DALEY, CLERICS AGAIN DISCUSS CITY PROBLEMS

Dr. King Is Among 40 at Conference

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Mayor Daley and top city aids met yesterday with 40 religious leaders to discuss solutions for the problems of slums, poverty, ignorance, and lawlessness in Chicago.

Among the 40 was Dr. Martin Luther King, head of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, who has begun a civil rights campaign in Chicago. It was the first time that Dr. King and Mayor Daley had met since Dr. King began his drive here.

After the closed door meeting the mayor and Dr. King described the conference as friendly and meaningful.

Salutes Mayor's Work

"I believe the mayor is concerned in his search for answers but this alone doesn't negate the fact Chicago has a long way to go—as all major cities have—in various social problems," Dr. King said.

He said he believed that the reports of the various city aids were good but regretted that no representative of the city's schools was present. He said segregation in education is a grave Chicago problem.

Mayor Daley, said:

"I think Dr. King is a religious leader who feels intently the causes he espouses. But you can't lay deprivation of education and slums solely to Chicago. The city's problems in these areas did not originate here but came from the various southern states. The religious leaders attending these meet-

ings are being asked to help solve these problems."

The mayor said that Frank Whiston, president of the school board, will be present at the third meeting, which was scheduled for next Thursday. Dr. King said that he will be unable to attend because he will be in Europe.

Dr. King said last night that he will leave for Europe tomorrow to raise funds for the civil rights movement in the United States. He said that he will speak in Stockholm and Paris "on the problems of civil rights in America."

Police Supt. O. W. Wilson told the clergymen that more than 100,000 unauthorized firearms are in Chicago and urged them to have their parishioners turn in to police any such weapons they may have.

Fire Commissioner Robert J. Quinn said that accumulated rubbish is the largest single cause of fires and asked the

clergymen to help by having their congregations avoid such hazards. He asked them to aid in fighting false fire alarms, which seriously hamper the fire department's operations.

Asks for Help

Building Commissioner Sidney D. Smith said that 1,000 city employees who check for building violations need the aid of persons in communities, who can help fight slums by reporting violations. Charles R. Swibel, chairman of the Chicago housing authority, urged messages from pulpits on the value of cleanliness and being good neighbors.

Swibel said that the CHA plans to add 6,000 more living units within two years to the 32,000 it operates.

Among the churchmen attending the meeting were Archbishop John P. Cody, head of the Chicago Roman Catholic archdiocese, and Dr. Edgar H. S. Chandler, executive di-

rector of the Church Federation of Greater Chicago.

Others were: Rabbi Eric Friedland of Beth Am Synagogue; the Rev. Robert J. Marshall, president of the Illinois Synod of the Lutheran Church in America; the Rev. Arthur M. Brazier, of the Apostolic Church of God; the Rev. Archibald J. Carey Jr. of Quinn Chapel of the A. M. E. church; Dr. Joseph H. Jackson, president of the National Baptist convention; Bishop Joseph Gomez, of the African Methodist Episcopal church; and the Rev. Carl Fuqua, executive secretary of the Chicago chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.



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Mayor Daley (foreground) with civic and religious leaders during meeting to discuss slums, poverty, and lawlessness in Chicago. Identified are (1) the Rev. Arthur Brazier, (2) Bishop Joseph Gomez,

(3) Dr. Martin Luther King, (4) Police Supt. O. W. Wilson, and (5) Albert Raby. Daley said third meeting would be held next Thursday to discuss school zoning problems.

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