

Let Your Opinions Be Known

While lunch counter commotion explodes or continues in many parts of the South, with accompanying arrests and bitterness, the Greensboro scene, where the protests began, is quiet.

Major credit for this accomplishment goes to Greensboro's responsible white and Negro leadership. Concerned citizens stepped forward to mediate as soon as the serious nature of the trouble became evident. Out of that leadership sprang Mayor George Roach's Advisory Committee on Community Relations, comprising city council, chamber of commerce and merchants association membership.

The committee's chairman, E. R. Zane,

immediately called on city residents for letters expressing views on the recent racial problems. These letters, all received in confidence, have been pouring in to the committee. They have helped it plan its course of action, including conferences with a committee from the Negro colleges and management of downtown stores.

While the stores clearly have every right to conduct their business as they see fit, management has indicated that it will be responsive to community wishes. Those citizens, then, who have not expressed themselves to the Mayor's committee should do so immediately.