

Minister Praises Sitdowns

CHAPEL HILL, May 8—Negro leader the Rev. Martin Luther King of Atlanta today boosted local youths in their efforts to end racial discrimination by businesses.

Speaking before 400 persons of both races at an afternoon meeting in a Negro community center, the minister told the group, "You're demonstrating a magnificent act of noncooperation with the forces of evil. You are not seeking to put stores that practice discrimination out of business, you are seeking to put justice in business."

At the meeting, sponsored by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Committee For Racial Equality, it was announced that the sidewalk picketing and leaflet distribution phase of their campaign will end.

On Tuesday afternoon Committee Chairman Harold Foster said leaflets explaining the group's past activities and future plans will be distributed to every doorstep in the community.

King, who will speak on the university campus Monday night, came to the meeting immediately after arriving at the Raleigh-Durham Airport. He said, "Tell the businessman, 'You respect our dollars. Now respect our person.'" He added, "continue to struggle until we can really obtain democracy in all its dimensions. And everybody in the community will be able to live together as brothers."

Committee Chairman Foster noted, "We are not calling off our demonstrations because the novelty has worn off."