

# St. Augustine Fountain of Dissent Report 2

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## SYNOPSIS:

This is the second of two reports on the *Racial Trouble* in St. Augustine, Florida: the Nation's Oldest City. Blacks in the City demonstrated against the City's *Segregation Policy* (the most stringent in the State) with Protests and Sit-Ins. Mayor Joseph Shelly comments on how St. Augustine has been the way it is for a long time in peace before "Agitators" arrived to stir up trouble. Dr. Robert Hayling comments on how the City Leaders should move forward. Business and local leaders worry over lost tourist business due to coverage of St. Augustine's racial unrest, especially with the City's 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration coming up. H.E. Wolfe, Chair of the Quadracentennial Celebration, comments on the relationship between Whites and Blacks and that the only segregation is at private places and businesses. Student Ruth Hammond criticizes older folks who didn't go along with protests. Churches in St. Augustine have been integrated. Pastor Howard Lee of the Presbyterian Church says religion is a way to help keep the peace and goodwill between Blacks and Whites. A.H. Tebault, Publisher of the St. Augustine RECORD, comments on the strength of church leaders.

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