

nonbeliever believe. It has infirmities not only in its makeup, but in the way that it came to the point where we find it today. Without having had an A bill it became necessary for them to find a stratagem to spend some money to pay for these expenses. I opposed doing it when it came before the Executive Board for the first time last year. Then they had to do it again. So this time they are bringing it as an amendment to this appropriation bill. This commission is not a legislative entity. They want to tell me, those who support this, that commissions have been given a home within the Legislature, so to speak. But those commissions, when they were going to spend money, had A bills attached to that bill which created them. There was no A bill attached to this thing, that's why they have to try to get the money for them in this fashion. Some of the members of this commission were appointed by the Legislature, some by the Governor, some by the Supreme Court. So it is not, strictly speaking, a legislative entity, it's not controlled by the Legislature. So you just as well could have placed it within the Supreme Court, let its home be there. But the Supreme Court doesn't want to give up any of its money. A home could have been given to it in the Governor's Office, but that was not done either. The reason, one of the reasons I condemned this thing so much, and now I'm getting away from just my opposition to funding it, it consists of 12 homogenized white men, homogenous white men. It is believed that these white men, coming from a narrow stratum of society, is so broad in its collective understanding that they will address every problem confronted by every group in the society, regardless of their socioeconomic status. Every issue relative to gender, sexual orientation, race, religion previous condition of servitude, all of these things will be properly and adequately reviewed by these 12 well-intentioned white men. Now maybe they are well-intentioned, and maybe they're all going to heaven when they die, so I'm not judging them in that respect. I'm saying that when you have a commission of this kind it should be what old Adams had said about it being a portraiture in miniature of the constituency that is to be represented or served. There is not one person on that commission who has the point of view that I have, who has studied the constitution to the extent that I've studied it, or has won, in my opinion, the number of cases between...before the State Supreme Court that I have won, and yet when it comes to black people I hail from the shallow end of the gene pool. When you see me you've not seeing the best that the black community can offer, you're seeing that which they