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PLEASE THANK THE THOUSANDS OF CITIZENS OF DADE COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE
WHO HAVE ENCOURAGED US IN OUR FIGHT AGAINST THE ILLEGAL TEACHING
OF ATHEISTIC EVOLUTION IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS, PARTICULARLY
THOSE WHO SIGNED OUR PETITIONS AND THE COURAGEOUS MINISTERS
WHO STOOD WITH US AT THE SCHOOL BOARD HEARING. IT WAS EVEN
GOOD TO DISCOVER WHO THE ENEMIES OF FREEDOM ARE BY EXPOSURE
OF THE OPPOSITION. WE ARE NOW INVESTIGATING HERE IN WASHINGTON
THE MISUSE OF DEFENSE MILLIONS FOR THE SPENDING OF THIS PRO-
COMMUNISTIC PROPAGANDA THROUGH SUCH TEXTS AS ONE FEDERALLY SPONSORED
"BSCS HIGH SCHOOL BIOLOGY," AND ALSO INTEND TO OPPOSE ITS UNAUTHOR-
IZED USE BEFORE THE STATE LEGISLATURE, STRIKING BACK AT THESE
UNCONSITUTIONAL ATTACKS ON OUR FREEDOMS OF SPEECH AND RELIGION
LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL. IT'S TIME TO DEFEND OUR TRADITIONAL
AMERICAN HERITAGE OF FAITH AND FREEDOM AGAINST THE ENEMIES
WITHIN. IT'S PAST TIME TO PUT A STOP TO THESE INTERNAL ATTACKS
ON OUR OWN CHILDREN IN OUR OWN SCHOOLS ON OUR OWN TAX MONEY.
AS BRYAN SAID: "IT'S A BATTLE TO THE DEATH." IT MAY BE OUR
LAST. MAY TRUST, FAITH AND FREEDOM WIN. IN THE WORDS OF PATRICK
HENRY: "GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH." PLEASE THANK REPORTERS
FOR FAIR COVERAGE. TELL THEM, AS JOHN PAUL JONES SHOUTED: "WE
HAVEN'T EVEN BEGUN TO FIGHT YET.          --YOURS
     DAVID,     DIRECTOR OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS.

Dear Friend:
The following wire was meant for all those who signed the petition and those who will join us in the fight for the truth. In the Bible we are exhorted to "Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints", Jude 3 Read in this small book about those who turn the truth of God into a lie. Please pray for us as we "work while it is yet day." God bless you. -- Jane Berg

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# School Board Meeting Erupts Over Evolution

By PETE MANN
Herald Education Writer

A Miami minister Wednesday attacked the teaching of evolution in Dade's schools, setting off an angry dispute.

The Rev. David    . radio-TV director of the Soul Clinic, charged that the textbook used in a high school biology course presents evolution not as theory but as established fact.

He clashed repeatedly with Mrs. Jane Roberts, board chairman, and was applauded repeatedly by about 75 supporters.

Mrs. Roberts cautioned him in advance that his presentation would be limited to 10 minutes under board regulations. She said four people who came to voice differing views would be granted three minutes each.

David argued that he had some 13 other ministers with him and demanded they be given time to speak. And he insisted 10 minutes were not sufficient to present his case.

Mrs. Roberts snapped that every board member had received a six-page typewritten letter from David detailing his complaints.

She said she had read it carefully and considered it "just an exaggerated bunch of stuff."

David specifically charged that the "teaching of evolution is not only illegal under the law of the State of Florida, but is a direct attack on our personal religion."

He said federal funds financed the textbook, which he labeled atheistic, and then charged the government with sponsoring "subtle subversion in line with atheistic communism."



Mrs. Roberts
... a clash

When Mrs. Roberts said his time was up, David shouted, "We'll take the Dade County School Board to court if we have to."

Appearing in support of the textbook were Robert M. Rodgers, of the American Humanist Association's South Florida chapter; Mrs. Evelyn S. Ross, mother of two school boys and a former scientist; and Robert W. Sonen, minister of the First Unitarian Church.

Mrs. Eunice Anderson, board member, said she read the textbook and could find no evidence of an attempt to teach evolution except as a theory.



David
... an attack

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# Minister Vows Court Battle Over Evolution

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By LEE WINFREY
Herald Staff Writer

The Rev. David, leader of a fight to stop the teaching of evolution in Dade public schools, said Sunday he and his supporters plan a lawsuit to settle the issue.

"Right now we're deciding on counsel in order to take it to court," said David, 43, radio-television director of Soul Clinic International, a fundamentalist missionary and broadcasting group.

David took his case to the Dade School Board last Wednesday. Mrs. Jane Roberts, board chairman, called his arguments "just an exaggerated bunch of stuff" and the board took no action.

David objects specifically to high school use of a biology book commonly called the "Blue Text." The joint work of some 70 biologists, its use is encouraged by the National Science Foundation.

David opposes it so firmly he withdrew two sons and a daughter from Miami Beach schools last Friday and has put them in a private school sponsored by conservative church groups.

"This text teaches evolution as though it were a fact," said David, who could hardly disagree more.

"The Book of Genesis," said David, "says that after six days, the world was all finished. Not developed or evolved from then on: Finished.

"The Bible says God created man directly, formed him from the dust of the ground. Not according to Darwinian theory, where cats can evolve into dogs or something like that."

If evolution is true, David wants to know, why has no "missing link" between man and the apes been discovered?

David, ordained as a minister by the Christian and Missionary Alliance but not presently preaching, sees his battle against the Blue Text as a fight for freedom of speech.

"If a book is going to be devoted to evolution, the other side — the account of creation as recounted in the Bible — ought to be in there, too. Either all theories should be presented — or none."

David, described himself as "contact men" between Soul Clinic International and "about 600 stations" in the United States which carry the religious program. The program is not aired locally.