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In the Brawley News of of October 31, 1987, appeared 2 Voice letters. One was by Trevor Adams who claimed to be the President of the Class of 1987. He says that he was intimidated by the Administrator and was afraid of reprisals. He also says "faculty advisers appear afraid to speak up thereby jeopardizing their positions". He advised voting for Daniel Tom for trustee of the Brawley Union High School on Nov. 3rd.

Although this letter interested me, I did not have the time to investigate it for he did not give specific details of what the intimidation was.

Now the other letter by Ruth Williams is shown and she advocated voting for Fleming and Cooley. Here it is;

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Return two

I want to give my support to returning incumbents Eunice Fleming and Frank Cooley to the Brawley Union High School board of trustees on Tuesday.

I feel it is important to recognize the present board's implementation of new curriculum requirements for students and teachers, for creating new forms of evaluation and observation procedures for the entire school staff, all leading to an accountability from the superintendent on down including the board members themselves. Mrs. Fleming and Mr. Cooley have worked untold hours revising our high school's policy of legal guidelines.

These forms of procedure and revisions are a matter of public record readily available at the office of the high school to anyone who wants to examine them and make a personal determination of the value of returning two caring, knowledgeable people to the school board on Tuesday.

Ruth Williams
Brawley

She claims that Mrs. Fleming and Mr. Cooley "worked untold hours". She advises this is "readily available". to anyone who wants to see this work. This puzzled me. So I went election day Nov. 3rd to the Administration Office at the High School, and showed the letter to the receptionist. She did not know what it meant. The Voice letter then was shown to about 5 people going up all the way to a Vice Principal, but nobody knew what it meant.

Finally, I was given 2 loose books each about 3 inches thick. One was labelled Rules for Teachers and the other was Rules for Students. I looked rapidly through both but could not find any work done by Fleming or Cooley. To me they looked like books that had been made up for at least 20 years and probably were revised from time to time in certain portions.

So it is a mystery to me as to what work Fleming and Cooley did as claimed by Ruth Williams. Furthermore, why Ruth Williams claimed it was "readily available" is not true. The people in the Administrative office sort of got fed up with me for I kept insisting I wanted to see the work done by Fleming and Cooley. Maybe these 2 books are not the work Mrs. Williams wanted the citizens to see? Now Mrs. Williams is a wealthy farmer. Federal records show that Quick & Williams yearly got \$95,000 for not growing cotton, Can Ruth Williams explain this big sum of of mooched money?
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