Clinton set to launch U.S. service program

A plan reminiscent of the Peace Corps

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Their friendship shows in their
glances at each other from across
eyes when they throw sideways
moans at each other.

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Louis Washington, left, and Jeff Lowe would never have become friends
had they not participated in a Madison public school desegregation plan.

Louisville multi-millionaire, being
vulnerable this fall.

Parting shots: A
picturesque display of
heroes. See 3E-4E

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GOP Davids vie
in face of Goliath

Kohl giant foe for survivor of primary

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She ultrasoret out to
prove. They are in awe of
his apparent willingness to spend
another term. And they fret that
the guiding forces behind the first national
service program introduced in Congress by
Clinton set to launch U.S. service program

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met, others
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Segal acknowledged the fears of Mar-
delin and others who pioneered the concept
of national service, and vowed to be "very
careful" in making AmeriCorps does not
become a jobs program.

This will not be a job program... It's
not in the heart and soul of jobs," Segal
did make a program that is rooted in the
interest and values and experience of the
middle class in this country, I think it will
succeed and endure.

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Schools

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gating schools as children like them can be
tegrated together.

"If they can't try and pair kids of different colors in the same school, me and Louis wouldn't be in the same school and be, you know, best friends," said one adult, including educators and parents, don't see the value at all or don't think the plan is working or worth the trouble.

But as adults, even students, will continue trying to racially balance schools — at the cost of breaking up neighborhood schools —

"So the majority of people actually believe that the achievement advantage of students, particularly low-income minority students.

Academic effects

"We don't have any evidence that all students, but particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds, learn better when we have inferior building plans for the West High School."

The Supreme Court decision that declared segregated schools unconstitutional 40 years ago applies to school districts as well, said Al Lindseth, an Atlanta attorney who has been involved in most of the cases for 15 years.

"It's not about whether or not black students will still do better when we had inferior buildings."

But the same adults, and students, believe that the plan has not worked well.

"I think there's been this misconception that if a school's doing poorly, I hate to say it, but blacks need white people."

"It's known in education circles as "controlled choice," when children from different neighborhoods are paired to attend the same schools.

"This is a modest degree."