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Both papers in this issue offer detailed analyses of the desegregation of US schools and the limitations caused by court decisions. Gregory Coleman's article takes us through the history of segregation, discusses the impact that the Supreme Court's decision in *Parent's Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District No. 1* has had on integration of schools in the US and the reaction of the states to the decision. Giovanni Luciano Escobedo's article offers an introduction of the Fourteenth Amendment and Equal Protection Clause analysis, race classification analysis and desegregation of public schools and discusses the impact of *Parents Involved in Community Schools v. Seattle School District No. 1* on school integration.

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