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An inquiry into the present day status of the American Negro 12 years after the historic Supreme Court desegregation decision, will be the subject of "The New Negro" Sunday Oct. 9 (9:05 -10 p.m. NYT) the first program of NBC News monthly series "Second Sunday" on the NBC Radio Network.

"Second Sunday" will be broadcast during the last hour of the 7-10 p.m. NYT segment of "Monitor" the second Sunday of each month.

The Supreme Court decision in 1954 granting the Negro equality in the public schools gave impetus to the civil rights movement.

"Most Negro leaders," says James L. Holton, executive producer for the series, "feel that the Negro today is at the crossroads, some call it a crisis. It is our intention to find out first of all who is this new Negro. The Negro who has

emerged after 12 years of legal battles, riots and violence. What has this revolution done to change the life of average Negro?"

The program will delve into the attitudes and frustrations of the Negro and explore his living conditions and educational opportunities.

"We are also going to examine," says Holton, "the Negro leadership -- both the moderate and the extremist."

The program will use the full facilities of the NBC News staff across the county who have covered the civil rights story.

To give a wide view of what Negro life is today in America, the program will talk with Negroes living in the North and South, the middle class Negro, and leading Negro spokesmen, sociologists and officials.

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