

RAISING RACE ISSUE CONDEMNED BY NOTED DIVINE.

Such Appeals False and Dangerous, Unworthy of Whites and Unjust to All, Says Dr. C. B. Wilmer

Atlanta, Ga., October 10.—Efforts to drag the race issue into the present political controversy, whether on one side or the other, were strongly condemned here today on both religious and economic grounds, in an interview given to the press by Dr. C. B. Wilmer, of Sewanee, Tennessee, Professor of Practical Theology in the University of the South. "The only result of such a course," said Dr. Wilmer, "will be to inject into an already difficult situation elements of discord that will react unfavorably on our whole religious, domestic and political life. The leadership of the South, clerical and otherwise, is missing a great opportunity if it fails to discourage and discountenance such appeals to race prejudice and fear, which every intelligent person must recognize as false and dangerous, unworthy of the white man, and unjust to both white and Negro.

"The white race is in control in the South today and any attempt to maintain that position by reviving the issues of a bygone past is tragically out of place. Whichever side resorts to such tactics—and both are guilty—is confessing its weakness, and failing to recognize that the voters of the white South, increasingly intelligent and fair-minded, are beginning to resent such attempts to frighten and coerce them when there are grave issues at stake which ought to be decided on their merits."

Dr. Wilmer has for years been conspicuous in the movement for better race relations in the South, always ready to champion the cause of interracial justice in Atlanta, his former home town. He was one of the organizers of the Southern Interracial Commission and is still an active member of that body.

COMMISSION ON INTER-RACIAL CO-OPERATION.

Baltimore, Md., October.—Political leaders in the South, irrespective of party, are admonished to refrain from further raising the race issue, in an editorial appearing in the Manufacturer's Record, published in this city by Col. Richard H. Edmonds. The Record agrees with the Richmond News Leader that "the Negro is not an issue in this campaign," and expresses the hope that the newspapers on both sides will emphasize this fact in the interest of the general welfare.

The following quotations from the editorial set forth the Record's view:

"Deprecation by the Richmond News Leader, an ardent supporter of Governor Smith, of the 'Negro menace' in the South as a campaign issue is so sane and opportune that true friends of the South will hope that other Southern editors will emphasize this point, regardless of their party affiliations. 'Negro is not an issue' in this campaign," says the News Leader, and in that pronouncement it speaks truly.

"Left to themselves, the white people and the Negroes of the South will dwell together in amity and mutual benefit economically. This is a fact that the leaders of both great political parties must grasp, and thus refrain hereafter from promoting the 'race issue' or the 'Negro menace.' In the heat of a political campaign of a few weeks duration they must be careful not to undo all that individuals and organizations have brought about in the creation of a spirit of harmony between the races in the Southern States."

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Long, Dr. Yorke Jones, Prof. T. S. Jackson, and Prof. S. H. Adams.

The Y. M. C. A. Cafeteria had its grand opening last week with a prosperous outlook for the year. We ask for the co-operation of the entire student body.

Prof. J. C. Bryant and Mr. R. H. Lee re-

presented the Y. M. C. A. at the North Carolina Y. M. C. A. meeting which convened at Palmre Institute, Sedalia, N. C., October 6-7.

The Y. M. C. A. and New Student Reception was held Monday evening, October 8th, in the University Refectory. The program was quite an elaborate one. We were quite favored to have present on this special occasion Mrs. Johnson C. Smith, our benefactress, of Pittsburgh, Pa., and Dr. J. M. Gaston, Director of the Division of Missions for Colored People of the Presbyterian Church, of Pittsburgh, Pa.

The occasion was quite enjoyable and many of the new students expressed their appreciation and pledged their co-operation with the "Y."

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(From The Sphinx, Shrewsbury, Mass.)

Sphinx Exchanges

Dear Exchanges and Shrewburyites:

The three papers which I am going to review are: "University Student," from Charlotte, N. C.; "The Lewis and Clark Journal," from Spokane, Washington; and "The Lookout," from Hartford, Conn.

The Smith University Commencement Program published on the first page is very interesting. The closing commencement exercises were held June 6th.

The principles embodied in the following article, "A Short History of the Fraternity Idea," are worth quoting here.

1. Measure men from the standpoint of truth.

2. The harmony of law in nature as analogy.

3. Man should study and do good in his boundary of life.

4. Man should so live that his life would be a success and not a regret to his friends.

5. Man can better the condition of himself as well as the world by fraternal brotherhood of men.

The aim of, and foundations upon which fraternities are founded are greater, and by far, more valuable than is thought by most people.

The article, "To You Who Move On," is exceedingly well written.

The first article mentioned here was written by Mr. Leon Steele. The last one was written by Mr. A. J. Clement, Jr.

(From Libertas, Bethlehem, Pa.)

"University Student, Charlotte, N. C. Your editorials are fine. College Gleanings and Fraternity News are very newsy articles. Your Philosophy Club is an extremely purposeful one. "The Scientist's God," dealing with the conflict between science and religion, is of great interest to every one. We envy your discussion."

"College Gleanings," is also the work of Mr. Clement, while the Philosophy Club Notes were written by Mr. Le Roy Young of the class of '28.

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