



Using Our Talents

The Biblical story of the talents is one of the best known and most widely quoted parables of Jesus Christ. It is too familiar to be repeated here, but the inference is that each person is endowed with a sufficient degree of intelligence to meet his own needs and make a contribution to the well-being of his fellowman.

For a long time, there has been a tendency to regard as misfits, persons who are unable to meet certain prescribed standards of mental measurements.

If statistics on this subject were available, it might be revealed that this disregard of the potential usefulness of those persons who are not able to pass intelligence tests constitutes one of the greatest man power losses in human history. It would appear that this great loss could be prevented if mankind would study and use the practical import of Christ's story of the talents.

The Reverend Mr. W. L. Shirley, the dynamic pastor of Raleigh's Davis Street Presbyterian Church, presented a vivid illustration of the truth of these assertions in a sermon last Sunday. Speaking on the subject, "Using What We Have," Mr. Shirley related the story of an ambitious, mentally handicapped boy who had high hopes of getting a college degree. The boy's parents shared the same hopes. Through the super human efforts of the student, his teachers, and his parents, this boy was able to complete the elementary grades and enter junior high school. But no matter how hard he tried, he was unable to master algebra, science and other required subjects.

The heroic effort of this boy to smash his mental road block led the school principal to enlist psychiatric help for him. After administering a series of mental and psychological tests, it was revealed that the boy's I.Q. was too low for him to attempt further school work. The psychiatrist suggested that he stop school and get a job.

The boy reluctantly quit school and found a job tending yards and lawns in his community. Soon he demonstrated that he had natural talent for this type of work, and it was not long before his abilities as a landscape

artist became known all over town. When a man, this boy happened one day to pass the town's unsightly dump. The ugly spectacle was shocking to his artistic sensibilities and he begged the town's mayor for the opportunity of improving this eyesore. When the mayor informed him that the town wasn't able to pay for it, the young man volunteered his services free.

After securing the consent of the town's council and mayor, the young man soon transformed the dump heap into one of the most beautiful scenes in that part of the country. It attracted sight seers and visitors from all over the world. This was a fine tribute to this young man, who as a boy had to discontinue school because he could not master algebra and other difficult academic subjects.

Although he could not become another Einstein, he used the talent his Creator gave him. Thus he was able to bring order and beauty to the eyes of those who were accustomed to beholding disorder and ugliness.

Parents of mentally handicapped children and all persons interested in this total resource development, should heed the moral of Reverend Shirley's sermon and work diligently to see that no talents are buried or lost. There never was a period when the need for a utilization of all skills is more badly needed than now. Every man should use his God-given talents to help lighten the load that humanity is being called upon to shoulder.

Today in most of our cities and towns, the public school systems are providing special training for handicapped children. In many instances, it has been found beneficial to educate parents concerning the importance of the program. However, it is gratifying to note that parental objections to their children being placed in these special education classes are gradually being lessened since they understand the purpose of the program.

We believe that when this country fully accepts the principle that all children are entitled to the best training and education they are capable of absorbing, whether it is scholastic or manual, this will become truly an invincible nation.

The Negro And The Party

1958 is election year in the United States House of Representatives. In addition, local and state elections will be held in practically every area in this country. Although 1958 will be an "off year", the halfway period between presidential elections, there are indications that an unprecedented number of voters will go to the polls next year.

Next year's election will determine the extent to which Negroes in the South will exercise their "new right to vote" as defined in the recently enacted Federal Civil Rights Law. Some observers predict that if Southern Negroes make any mass attempt to register and vote next year, the school integration battle will pale into insignificance while new battle lines will be drawn by the whites in an all-out attempt to keep Negroes away from the polls.

Such a prediction may or may not have merit, but it should be remembered that the United States Supreme Court decision on segregation was an interpretation of the law, an interpretation that left the punishment of those found in violation to the discretion of the law. While, on the other hand, a prescribed punishment is spelled out for those who violate the voting rights of Negroes under the terms of the New Civil Rights Law. Because of this marked difference, Negroes seeking to register and vote next year should not encounter the difficulties that have beset them in their attempt to follow through on the school integration front.

The foes of the new Civil Rights legislation have labeled it a political maneuver designed as a measure to attract Negro votes. Even some Civil Rights advocates feel that the bill is largely political in intent and purpose.

We have expressed all along the hope that Congress would pass a "rights" bill that would express the aspirations of the Negro race. On the other hand, we have tried to be practical in our thinking and have accepted the idea that half a loaf is better than no bread at all. The present bill is a far cry from the type of bill we had hoped for, but we feel that if Negroes will avail themselves of the provisions it offers, they will act as stepping stones to progress in the South and elsewhere.

Both the Democratic and Republican parties have claimed credit for passage of the bill. As we see it, neither party can claim full credit. What is more nearly the truth about the matter is that time has so changed the concepts of both parties that this bill is merely the fore-runner of other democratic measures the new order will produce.

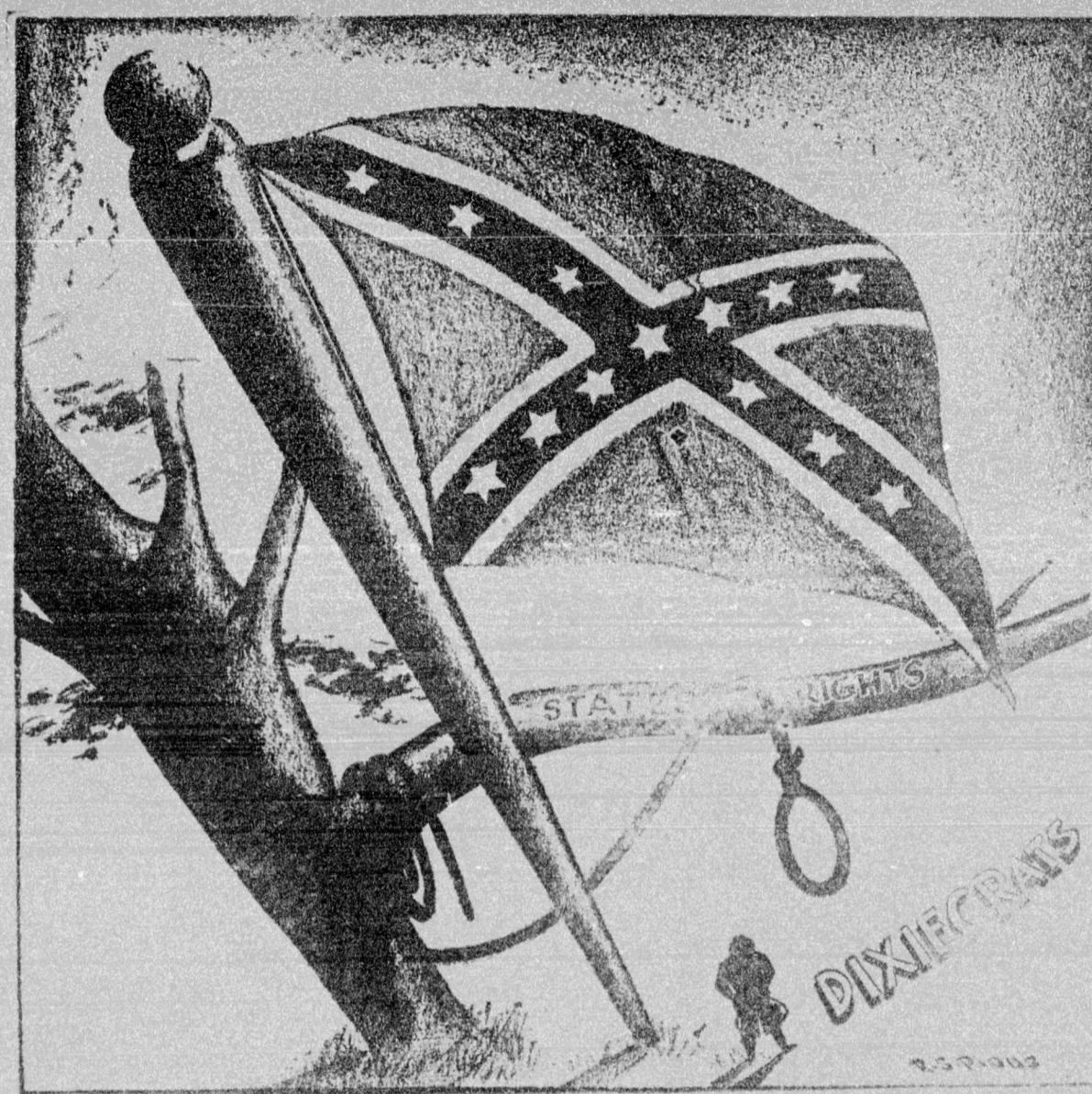
During the past decade, the Negro vote has been largely Democratic in the North and South. The Northern switch of Negro voters to the Democratic Party was influenced wholly by the economic, social and political gains achieved by Negroes under Franklin D. Roosevelt and the New Deal. The successive triumph of the Democratic Party at the polls convinced Negroes that their only chance for survival lay in their ability to catch crumbs falling from the tables of the ruling party.

Although the recent Civil Rights Bill was Republican sponsored, it is not likely that this will affect the support of Northern Negroes who have voted for the Democratic Party for the past 25 years. The Negro vote in Wisconsin where the Democratic candidate, William Proxmire, recently upset his Republican opponent, in a campaign to fill the seat left vacant by the death of Republican Senator McCarthy, revealed that 75 per cent of the Negroes in the urban centers of Racine, Madison, and Milwaukee, voted for Democrat Proxmire.

There is a possibility, however, that Republicans may expect a larger percentage of Negro votes in the South, since the Federal government has promised him protection in exercising his right to vote. It is expected that Republicans in the South, hungry for the taste of holding office, will seek an alliance with Negro voters in order to set up a real two-party system in the South.

We must wait and see what the Southern Negro plans to do with his newly-won voting rights. They can, if properly used, be the means of opening many doors formerly closed to him. The decision as to what party he will support is entirely up to him. It is hoped that he will use his vote intelligently. We cannot urge any political party upon him, but we can urge him to vote.

No Legislation Of Morals Involved, Mr. President. Just Plain Rebellion



SENTENCE SERMONS

BY REV. FRANK CLARENCE LOWERY For ANP

FOR WHAT PURPOSE WERE YOU BORN?

1. This question of course cannot be answered by those who have not reached the age of discretion... but the starting point about it is, that some persons reach middle and old age without even savoring the slightest reflection.

2. If young people would follow the common order of life, and prepare heart and head to meet oncoming strife, life then would not prove such a hazardous case when the finer things of life they would strive to embrace.

3. This is only further concrete proof of the adage that, "Life is what you make it." But the sad part is, that too few individuals start thinking early enough to arrange and successfully press worthwhile aims through.

4. If in the Divine Providence of God, you on this earth are allowed to tread, and bask in His sunlight, and be refreshed in His shadow, then you can place your value far above the

SPARROW.

5. For if on these little creatures God looks down from above, then His human creatures must know they share abundantly His love; thus the secret is unfolded when humbly we learn we are born to glorify God and His presence adorn.

6. Then keeping the inner eyes wholly centered on Him, naught is there left for any vestige of sin, and beholding His matchless presence in earth and sky, sufficient power is given, every evil to defy.

7. Truly, then the recipient can joyfully sing "What a fellowship, what a joy Divine, Leaning on the everlasting Arm, What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, Leaning on the Everlasting Arms."

8. This is the purpose for which you were born, to glorify God, and none of his children scorn... to give and take, forgive and share, and help prove to all mankind that all of God's newly born children are exceptionally fair.

9. This is still another purpose for your natural birth, a higher development of spiritual birth enabling you to work hand-in-hand with God, to fit weaker souls high above the soil.

10. It will be found that data will be too short in which to do this work, for in this God-given task you would never shrink; the honor is too high and the reward too great to be found at your work unprepared and late.

11. It is all in learning early the Divine purpose for which we were born, and give God the very best, and not have to mourn to learn how to thank God for everything, and never ashamed to praise His Holy Name.

12. Any Parent who would cherish these high purposes to give, by teaching their children this choice way to live, is an heir of God's Kingdom and a joint-heir with Jesus Christ, and throughout Eternity enjoy Heaven's Paradise.

Gordon B. Hancock's BETWEEN the LINES

THE REAL TRAGEDY

Our nation has come upon critical times. The current outbreaks of lawlessness should be the cause of serious concern to the patriots of this country. The open defiance of the laws of this land are threats to our national survival.

What Governor Faubus has done in Arkansas is being encouraged and threatened throughout the South. There can be little doubt that the way the Little Rock situation is handled will set a pattern for the rebellious elements of the South.

There is currently a showdown between federal power and state rights. We and under God, the President, hesitates to use his power to the utmost, and we can also understand the danger of letting Kasperism take over the destinies of the South and nation. Long since should Kasper have been lodged behind prison walls and the longer his imprisonment is postponed the greater the danger.

If the rabble rouser as he calls himself, had been firmly dealt with weeks ago the nation's embarrassment would have been averted. But Kasper has been at large too long and it is to be feared when he comes at last to the end of his rope, other Kaspers will step.

The situation is not only dangerous but dangerous. Too long the country has tolerated those who openly defy the laws of the land. With a Senator of the United States calling for "massive resistance" to the mandates of the Supreme Court and with the Southern press too largely committed to open rebellion, the time has come that somebody must handle the situation with a firm hand. If we want law and order to be maintained in the Southern States.

To use aeronautical language, what Faubus did at Little Rock was a "trial balloon" and if he gets away with it, other Southern governors are ready to give it a try.

There is little much encouragement to be gained from the critical situation, there has been little or no bloodshed. This in itself shows that much of the big show of "massive resistance" is superficial. There have been chances for the shedding of blood, but thank God to date there has been none.

Five weeks ago James Crow collapsed from overwork and a "flu-like" condition. For three months he was critically ill while recovering from a "separable" operation, removal of a cancerous "second" gland by surgery.

His present condition is further complicated by the effect of several heart attacks that resulted from "blowing his top" when he learned how the Supreme Court had been chipping away at the practice of segregation, the last great weapon of the Confederacy.

Previous Medical History shows that by the time the justices had finished with the cases of Elmer Henderson, J. Marion Sweatt, and G. W. McLaurin, James Crow had become a miserable wreck of "skin and bones" too fragile for the South to lean on. His physician gave him up for dead, but he rallied through the crisis.

On May 17, 1954, the United States Supreme Court ruled that segregation in public schools was illegal. James Crow suffered a relapse and his physician had to give him a shot of "white supremacillin" to activate his damaged heart.

The Court, on May 31, 1955, handed to the lower courts and local school boards the task of ending all racial segregation in public schools. Against the doctor's orders, James Crow got out of bed and aligned himself with Southern reactionary forces that pledged themselves to retain segregation at all cost.

From the hopeful words of Dr. Thurgood Marshall, who renewed legal cardiac specialist, and consulting physician, James Crow learned that he had better conserve his energies, because "complete destruction of all enforced segregation is now in sight."

HIS PASTOR: Seeing how feeble James Crow is, his church minister has urged the aging man to renew his faith in God and man, because the time is near when "Christians in America can take a long moon and hand the gospel to the black man out of the back door."

Along The Colonial Front

BY A. J. SIGGINS

LONDON, England (ANP)—Almost before the British brother - brother propaganda campaign to gain the goodwill and confidence of Arabs and Africans has got started it looks as though Britain will be at war with an Arab nation again.

The War is for oil, the basic cause of most of the trouble in the Middle East and in Oceania.

The battleground, Oman, is supposed to hold vast quantities of oil and British and American firms are trying to get possession of the oilfields.

British newspapers say openly as well as hint that ARAMCO (Arabian American Oil Company) is arming and financing the rebels who have driven the forces of the Sultan of Oman out of Niwza. Eighteen months ago the Sultan's forces drove the Imam of Oman out of Niwza, now he is back, supported by strong forces, armed with modern arms.

The Imam's men are called the "rebels" in British newspapers, while the Sultan is described as "a staunch friend and ally of Britain for 150 years."

King Saud of Saudi Arabia and Colonel Nasser of Egypt are reported to have fomented the "rebellion" and armed the Imam's forces.

"How can we be sure that Saudi Arabia, feted by Washington in the Spring and supplied with American arms, is not conspiring against Britain with whom she broke off relations months ago?" asks Graeme Newwood, in the once-Liberal News Chronicle.

Other papers, like the Daily Mail, Daily Express, Daily Telegraph scream for the rebels' blood and demand the sending of large British forces at once as "Britain's vital oil interests are threatened."

In Parliament the Labour Opposition oppose the sending of forces.

Already forgotten by the Government and their war-whipping supporters are the good intentions towards Arabs. And it is doubtful now whether even the hardest-skinned Tory politician would have the nerve to approach Arabs with any brother-brother stuff after this.

And whatever is done by Britain will naturally be done in the name of Her Majesty, the Queen.

Meanwhile British and American oil searchers are working close to each other in the disputed area and the stage seems set for some old-time Wild West frontier war stuff. All that is now lacking is a film producer.

WILL YANNOT U. S. CONTROL THE OIL-WAR?

It is time that the peoples of the Pacific and Indian Oceans basins look over control of their inheritance as it is obvious that U.S.A., Britain and France will risk plunging the world into a nuclear war at any time because they covet oil and other wealth belonging to weak nations. None of these "three respect the U.N. Charter or the rights of other nations when their material interests are likely to be threatened."

Those three Powers have huge armed forces and immense wealth and so constitute a real danger to world peace. If the Soviets intervene they will risk war. So apparently mankind is faced with an undetermined period in which fear will rule the world and more than half mankind is doomed to suffer under its shadow.

It is time that Arabs, Africans, Asians, Oceanians, and all North and South Americans who honestly desire a just peace demand a Pacific and Inland Oceans Peoples' Federation linked to a United States of Africa between the tropics and a Mediterranean Peoples' Federation extending from the tropic of Cancer in Africa into Europe, Black Sea and Arabia.

Death of James Crow

BY MARCUS H. BOULWARE

(A Case History) News Bulletin: James Crow, alias "Jim Crow" or segregation, age 85, active during his youth in the KKK, in mob violence, in racial discrimination and segregation in public schools and public transportation, has been a patient at the Confederate Hospital since May 17, 1954.

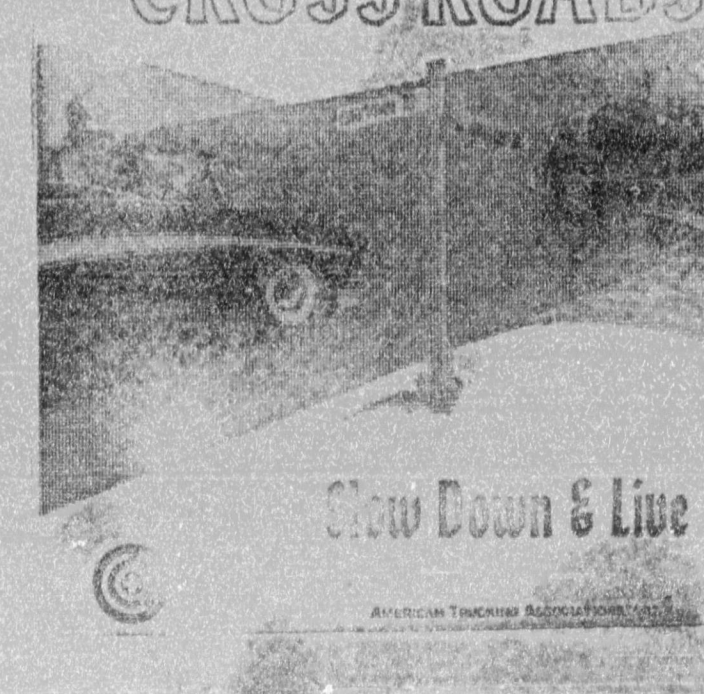
His condition, following his last heart attack, remains unimproved and his physician states his name is still on the critical list.

Medical Bulletin: Shortly after the Civil War, James Crow

wasted his energies in many nefarious activities (sowing wild oats). During the Reconstruction Period, depriving the Negro of political equality, to him, became a holy crusade in which a noble end justified any means.

This patient was in the heat of the battle to reduce the Negro's citizenship to a matter of inconsequence. To be sure, he helped to draft Southern legislation separating Negroes and whites on trains, in depots, and on wharves. By 1900 Negroes were banned from white hotels, barber shops, restaurants,

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