

Editorial Viewpoint

The CAROLINIAN'S

WORDS OF WORSHIP

2. And very early in the morning, the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.
3. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?
4. And when they looked they saw that the stone was rolled away; for it was very great.
5. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting in the right side, clothed; he is risen; he is not here; behold the place where he lay hid.
6. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted; ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen, he is not here; behold the place where they laid him.
7. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.
8. And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed; neither said they anything to any man; for they were afraid.
9. Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.
10. And she went and told them that had been with him, as they mourned and wept.
11. And they, when they had heard that he

was alive, and had been seen of her, believed not.

12. After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.
13. And they went and told it unto the residue; neither believed they them.
14. Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.
15. And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.
16. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.
17. So then, after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.—The Gospel according to St. Mark.—The XVI. Chapter, Two through Twenty verses.

Our Weekly Words: Our Weekly Thought, Believe That He will Come Again, And The Saved Shall Rise, As He Rose.—Happy Easter!

He Is Risen!

(Easter Sunday)

As we celebrate this Easter season, we think of the last week of Christ's life. After all, it was the final test of a man's living.

How does he meet disappointment? How does he die? For two years it seemed almost certain that Jesus would prevail. He himself was sure of it. If you have read the Gospels, you watched the crowds flock about him in the market-places and shores along the lakes; you heard the cheers that greeted his victories over shrewd antagonists, and the murmured awe when a man stood up and walked.

Reports of his triumph proceeded him everywhere so that men competed for the honor of being his host. There was a friendliness in his audiences that made almost anything possible. And why not? If, by accepting his message, men could be lifted up, transformed into sons of God, heirs of eternity, why should any man be so stubborn or foolish as to oppose? Surely such truth would conquer.

If you read the story of his life carefully, you can see how his tone and manner grew in confidence. He knew that he could lift the hearts of men as no other had lifted them. The knowledge thrilled him with ecstasy. He called on friends to free themselves, to cast their burdens upon the Lord, to believe more, rejoice more, and expect more of God.

Those who listened were profoundly impressed. Even the most callous yielded grudging admiration. "Never a man so spake," said they. The enthusiasm of the multitude would brook no halfway measures. They would take him by force and make him king.

Then came a change. His hometown turned against him. Said the people, "Can any good come out of Nazareth?" His brother deserted him. His best friend, John the Baptist, died doubting him. "Are you he, or should we look

for another?" said John. Finally the people deserted him, and he had to face the cross alone.

But the thing that impresses us greatly at this time was the cowardly action of Pontius Pilate who listened to and allowed himself to be influenced by the mob that chose between Christ and Barabbas, the crooked politician.

When Pilate died, he was not the last of the crooked politicians. There will always be a new one in some form as long as the sun shines and so long as men in office are willing to accept favors. This seems to be the nature of some office seekers and holders.

Pilate straddled the fence. No man can straddle the fence forever. There is no middle course in the struggle between right and wrong, good and evil. We are on either the right side or the wrong side. We cannot wash our hands clean of the matter.

Life also forces a decision upon us and makes neutrality impossible. The weaknecked Pilate chose between Christ and Barabbas. We, too, have to take a stand in the strife between right and wrong, truth and falsehood, good and evil, humanity—???

Pilate turned Christ over to his enemies and he was crucified between two robbers. Soon it was over, and the crowd had sickened of its revenge and scattered; his friends were hiding; and soldiers cast lots for his garments. Surely the victory of his enemies was complete; he could do no miracle hanging on a cross.

And yet one of the robbers said, "Jesus, remember me, when thou comest into thy kingdom."

There have been leaders who could call forth enthusiasm when their fortunes ran high. But Jesus, when his enemies had done their worst, so bore himself that a crucified felon looked into his dying eyes and saluted him as KING.

And Jesus is risen as he said!

The Melody Lingers On

W. C. Handy, 84, died last week, but the melodies that he composed and created will linger on. It is regrettable that his untimely death prevented him from attending on April 7, the premiere of a movie based upon his life and named "St. Louis Blues."

In a book, "The Negro Genius", the introduction carried a discussion of the artistic creations of the Negro in America. Among the four creations, the blues were included. Credit for the creation of the blues has been given to Handy, and he was named the "Father of the Blues."

As the spirituals and slave songs sprung up in the hearts of the people who had a longing for freedom, so did the blues make their appearance. But it took a musical genius like W. C. Handy to express them in musical language so that our pianists and musical aggregations could record them on phonograph records for radio and TV audience the world over.

Registration - A Challenge

For many years, Negroes have been criticizing local, state, and the national governments for keeping them in a second-class citizen's place, for denying them the opportunity to hold office, and for failure of municipal governments to give them jobs in city halls, capitol government offices, and so on.

We have purchased property, and we have taken a greater interest in securing an education. No longer can we be referred to as an untrained electorate, because our illiteracy rate has been significantly reduced. But these alone are not enough to give us status as first-class citizens.

We also must register and then go to the polls and vote. And we have a greater opportunity to do this in May when we will be called upon to vote for local, county, and state government officials. But the first important thing we can do at the moment is to register on or before April 26. On April 26, the registration books will be open at the various precincts throughout Raleigh and Wake County.

But no citizen has to wait until April 26 to

register for voting purposes, since he may register any time in the office of the Wake County Board of Elections located in the basement of Wake County Courthouse next door to the main post office building on Fayetteville St. If this is inconvenient, a citizen may report anytime to the office or home of the various precinct registrars and become registered.

It might be interesting to note that it is estimated by reliable sources that the total number of registered Negro voters in Wake County and Raleigh is 6,500. But to elect a representative to the N. C. General Assembly from Wake County in the 1956 election, it took some 27,500 votes.

We now have a Negro candidate, Dr. Nelson Harris, who is running for one of the three seats from Wake County. If we hope to elect him, then we must turn out for registration in large numbers.

Electing Nelson H. Harris to the North Carolina General Assembly is one of the greatest challenges that Negro citizens of Raleigh and Wake County have ever faced!

The Breeder Of Misunderstanding



SENTENCE SERMONS

BY REV. FRANK CLARENCE LOWERY For ANP

"WHEN"

1. Nearly everything depends upon the answer to this little word. A Landlord walking down the street one day with a tenant who was in arrears with his rent, asked "can you pay some of that 'back rent' now and then?"—to which he replied, "I can pay some then, but not now."

2. The necessity for such a word sprang into existence in Genesis 3:6 describing the predicament into which Eve led Adam, in the following manner: "And 'WHEN' the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also to her husband with her; and he did eat; yes, and this is the beginning of man's countless efforts, his God to defeat."

3. Since man lost his balance, this term "WHEN" has gained prominence down thru the ages, and has reference to periods of time when he can, if he will, erase the dark spots from his historical pages.

4. This dissatisfaction with

himself is so beautifully portrayed by David in the Psalms 17:15 "As for me, I will behold Thy face in righteousness; I shall be satisfied, when I awake with thy likeness."

5. To be sure, the deceitful heart of man, alone, is not sufficient to bring him happiness and Peace; no, not until he puts his trust in God, will his evil traits and habits forever cease.

6. It is only when men see-eye-to-eye with God, that they rise above treacherous hate, prejudice and fraud; no, this does not come by careless gesture . . . one must in Heaven's Stock be a heavy investor.

7. When men lay aside all make-believe and help each other sin-stains to relieve, then powder and guns will spill and rust, for the new world standard then will be "In God We Trust."

8. When men resort to expensive run-fire just to appease a fiendish desire, just to take the spoils that War affords, will never see the face of the King-of-Kings and Lord-of-Lords; for this is granted only

to God's elect, who pay Him tribute and highest respect.

9. Luke answer the "WHEN" in Luke 21:7, "And they asked Him, (Jesus), saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?" Then said He unto them, Nation shall rise against Nation and Kingdom against Kingdom."

10. Have we not now this prophetic picture that makes the present outlook so very plain? . . . are not men in Royal Apparel almost acting insane? Is not Society losing its conscience for passing things material . . . and are we not by-passing God, for things frivolous and wholly unspiritual?"

11. "WHEN?" will mean change? that is an individual matter . . . but to keep from being lost, Christ must be found sooner or later, but waiting could end in terrible misfortune, if too late one is assigned to everlasting torment, when it could have been a Palace Royal with eternal joy and contentment.

IN THIS OUR DAY

By C. A. Chick, Sr.

NOT SO BAD!

This writer realizes that it hardly makes sense to say that our present economic recession is not yet out of control. And, most especially does he realize that it does not make good reasoning to people unemployed and to firms with large amounts of finished goods on hand for which there is no demand to hear it said that the present recession is not yet beyond control.

Despite the foregoing, this writer is forced to the conclusion that our economy, by and large, is still in good order. There are several important factors upon which the foregoing conclusion is based: There are a large number of people whose positions, training, and experience qualify them to speak on matters pertaining to economics and fi-

nance say that the present recession is not yet an uncontrollable one.

Certainly there are those whose positions, experience, and training also qualify them to speak on matters pertaining to economics and finance say that the recession has reached a serious point in our national economy. But the point is that as long as there is room for difference of opinion among those qualified to speak on such matters then it seems to this writer that a layman may safely conclude that the recession is not wide-spread, nor a general one.

Another point that refutes those who say the recession is wide spread is that the National Income for 1957 was one of the best in our national history, about 437 billion dollars. Moreover, the vast majority of

corporations with stock listed on the New York Stock Exchange paid as much dividends in 1957 as they did in 1956. Some even paid more.

The leading financial periodicals and newspapers, such as Business, The Wall Street Journal, the Financial Sheet of the New York Times, articles on economics in the United States News and World Report, and The Times Magazine do not paint a general gloomy picture of our economy.

For example, the United States News and World Report for March 14, 1958, quotes Mr. Murray Shields, consultant to many of America's largest corporations as saying—"We can have another decade of prosperity if we plan it that way."

Thus, this writer says to his many readers "Fear not. Wake up and invest in your country's

What Other Editors Say

WHY WORRY ABOUT THE RECESSION?

The major portion of the nation is greatly concerned, if not worried about the business recession, which affects the nation's economy. But to those millions of Americans, who have lived years in the grips of depression and recession, it seems a matter of no unusual concern.

What a great many Americans apparently do not realize is that poor people, who are accustomed to doing without many things, can easily tighten their belts, and do without numerous gadgets, which they never had anyway; and many more, who have washing machines and TV sets, now may wish they did not have them. Moreover, what is the actual advantage of having more leisure time, through the use of modern conveniences, if we have not learned how to use that leisure time wisely, or have on money even to do it wisely, if we knew how to do so?

To be sure, we are in the grips of an economic system,

which demands that we have jobs, earn good wages, and spend the money for things we want and think we need, in order to maintain prosperity. But the fact is that many people, if not most people, are not happier because of prosperity; we just imagine we are.

The simple truth is that things which money can buy are not the things that contribute to genuine happiness. Many of us know from cruel experience that prosperity is far more dangerous than poverty, although we are often ashamed to admit the fact.

Years ago, when we toyed with elementary economics we learned something about the law of supply and demand, which we accepted, because we thought the man who wrote the book knew what he was saying was true. But we have lived to see things all out of joint, and we have had to scrape our economics for something else, because of experts, who know more and more about less and less, whom we call specialists.

So, again we ask: Why wor-

ry about the recession? Some of us have never known anything else, hence it is a perfectly normal existence. What the country needs is somebody who really knows what it is all about.

— Star of Zion

SPACE TALK

How can men of the planet Earth hope to conquer Space when they have not solved the problems of their own world. If other planets in the universe are inhabited by intelligent beings, their existence is in grave danger now that earthlings are on the threshold of invading outer space.

I say this because so many of the earthmen are war-minded power-crazed beings like Germany's Hitler; Italy's Mussolini; Argentina's Peron; and of course there are other dictator-type governments at this present time who are a potential threat, not only to their own world, but to other worlds in the far reaches of the universe.

JUST FOR FUN

BY MARCUS H. BOULWAIRE

CORNBYARD AND NCTA

Yes indeed, Cornyard turned erudite and "highbrow" last weekend and attended several sessions of the NCTA. However the thing that worried Cornyard a little was the term "local and visiting dignitaries."

"DOC, what does dignitaries mean?" asked Cornyard at one of the general sessions.

"Well, let me see" said I. "Webster says that the word dignitaries mean 'persons of exalted rank and high office'."

"Then we paraphrased the program, Platform Guests."

"Members of Executive Committee, Presidents of Local Associations, Local and Visiting persons of exalted rank and high office."

"Simple, isn't it?" I remarked, and we both guffawed so loud that we attracted unfavorable attention to ourselves.

HONORABLE E. MORROW

Cornyard was simply delighted with the manner in which the Honorable E. Frederick Morrow "slayed us teachers."

The words which struck Cornyard's fancy were:

"It will be difficult for those (teachers) who have been getting by for years on a glib tongue to accept the fact that there is no longer a place for them in the highly competitive system of modern education (Cornyard looked over at me slowly)."

Mr. Morrow then added: "This would be a good time for misfits to get out of the teaching professions." (Cornyard looked at me and chuckled, he-he-he-he-he-he.)

As Mr. Morrow continued, he emphasized that schools "must demand from their students the mastery of their mother tongue and the hearers clapped thunderously. (I looked at Cornyard and clapped vigorously. These words were a short jab to Cornyard's rib section of poor English, and the smile faded from his face.)"

I ASKED CORNBYARD what did he think about a certain "topflight" keynote speaker, Cornyard said he felt she was "beating around the bush" and stalling for time.

As an auditor, I never could

quite relax with confidence that the speaker was master of the situation. If the speaker had somehow rolled into "high gear", I would have been more at ease.

Cornyard said that he had the feeling that the keynote didn't quite know what was best to say next.

OUR CONVERSATION THEN backed to Mr. Morrow. We were both glad that we had waited almost an hour on a half to hear him. Boy, how he "freewheeled" into cruising speed. I had the feeling that he was definitely in the driver's seat. Cornyard agreed with me, too.

Two gentlemen sitting in front of me said of Mr. Morrow, "He's my speed and can he go! He knew what he wanted to say—said it—and sat down." His seatmate remarked, "That was all right with me too, Gates!"

EDUCATIONAL CHILDREN'S SECTION: In this sectional meeting, Dr. John Magill, associate director of the mentally retarded, Division of Special Education, made as fine an informal talk as I have heard. But Cornyard was more interested in the voice of the female chairman.

Cornyard asked me to describe the voice, but I must admit words failed me. (I wanted to decline, but Cornyard said, "You're a speech teacher, aren't you?")

Cornyard said I "It's soothing, conversational, beautiful, resonant, and has the dynamics of appeal and persuasion." My friend looked puzzled, but he quickly agreed.

"DOC, a woman's voice is one of her most valuable assets, isn't it?" Cornyard spoke up. Immediately, I agreed.

(When ever I teach courses in "Fundamentals of Speech" I include in the first lecture the slogan: "She was the Belle of the Ball until she opened her mouth" to talk.)

ON MID-TERM EXAMINATION: I asked my students to identify "the quality of life's adjustment." One student wrote: "the dessert of life means oranges, pie, ice cream, etc." I laughed until I cried.

Letter To The Editor

To The Editor:

We the members of the J. E. Baxter P. E. R. Council 127 are members and proud of it. Being a member of a P. E. R. Council places a great responsibility on this group of people. Webster says that the meaning of the word COUNCIL is to advise by a person or a group of persons; To act with administrative authority and I think that all Past-Exalted Rulers should feel honored to have the pleasure and privilege of being identified with this august body of people! Let us then, thoroughly consider and appreciate the recognition shown us by our local lodges and the grand body that has approved our appointment or of having won the same by service rendered.

In reviewing ELKDOM and its condition from 30 years back up to the present date I realize quite a difference in the last ten (10) years between the sincerity of yesterday and now, and I feel that a greater part of this is due to the fact that the members have not been taught properly the fundamentals of the organization. The majority of the members seem to think that the most important thing is to get his card and then see how much milk he can drink.

I am sure to bring the order in line for needed information. It would be for the order if each Exalted Ruler would put on a drive and start teaching the members the fundamentals of Elkdom. Teach them how to protect themselves and the order. After they have been taught they will then realize the true value of the organization and their obligation to the same.

There are some of the things that I am presenting to you for your earnest consideration.

At the State Association meeting in North Carolina, and he was wondering just what the reason for this was. I can an-

swer that by saying, OVER TAXATION. North Carolina had at that time, (Quote, 87 Lodges, unquote) "but had only 27 delegates representing." This condition does not exist in North Carolina but it is all over (according to reports). Members are kept away by over taxation. For instance: there are commissioned officers elected and appointed and re-taxed from \$2.00 to \$50.00 and these members are giving their time and money for the support of the organization.

There is another thing, the powers that we have put on a mandatory tax of from \$15.00 to \$25.00 on all lodges falling to send a delegate to the convention and this tax is in access to the Per-Capita tax sent otherwise. These extra laws are formulated in committee rooms and presented to a few people for ratification and they are passed before average members have a chance to give it a thorough consideration, therefore the rank and file of the members of the States pay tax on laws enacted by committees and not by members throughout the States.

They say that the delegates should meet the various committees and put in your vote there, but how can that be done when you cannot get into the committee meetings if the committee feels that you are not in accord with their program or some of the things that are given them for consideration? They also charge visiting members an unreasonable fee to attend the meetings. I know because they charged me \$2.00 in Kingston, as a registration fee and I was only a visitor and a past State Officer.

I feel that something should be done for the benefit of the masses and not strictly the classes.

I recommend that this body insist that the method of making laws be reverted to the previous ways of adopting and revising laws, by a committee on laws and revision of laws. The duty of this committee would be to require before there are any changes in our laws that are now in force or before any new proposals shall become law, these changes should be sent to this committee and these laws or proposals should be put into the form of a questionnaire and a copy be sent to each lodge in the jurisdiction for the purpose of obtaining the views or votes on whatever the contents of the questionnaire may be. When these questionnaires have been acted upon by the various lodges and returned to the committee, it will be enough for the committee to have time to compile the results and make its recommendations at the convening of the convention.

When these things are done the various lodges can instruct their Delegates how to vote and what to fight for.

The lodges of the State work to a disadvantage because they do not have any worthwhile information, therefore, they cannot instruct a Delegate just what to do, which bears out my contention that to send a Delegate means nothing but giving the brother a few days vacation with part paid expenses. L. E. Wilcox, C. A. Baxter, P. E. R. C. No. 127.

The Old Timer



"Good health is the thing that makes you feel that now is the best time of the year!"