

BYRNES' APPOINTMENT AN AFFRONT TO ALL DECENT PEOPLES

NATIONAL
Negroes in this country will not become excited over the dinner invitation which President Eisenhower extended to two members of their group. Such invitations are often extended those who have been "good little boys and girls" or are motivated by some other purpose not exactly social. The two Negroes, Dr. F. D. Patterson, former president of Tuskegee and A. A. Alexander, noted Washington contractor, may be expected to sing for their supper.

What Negroes would like to see the president do is open up more and better jobs for them, especially in federal agencies operating in the South, where the policy is still "For Whites Only." This outworn idea that an honor conferred on one or two Negroes is an honor conferred on all Negroes is no longer that of sensible members of the race. What Dr. Patterson

and Mr. Alexander ate at the president's dinner will do the stomachs of the 10 or 12 million Negroes in the South no good. What they want and need are more jobs so they can buy their own dinner. When the president of the United States appoints a demagogue and an avowed Negro hater like James F. Byrnes as a member of the United Nations General Assembly, the dinner invitation extended to two Negroes will not offset the damage done to the race in this country as well as the millions of other colored peoples throughout the world. As governor of South Carolina, Byrnes has openly declared that he will close the schools of that state before he will submit to a ruling of the United States Supreme Court abolishing segregated public schools should the tribunal render such a decision in the cases now before it on the matter.

Byrnes' appointment is not only an affront to the Negroes of this country and the colored

peoples who constitute a majority membership in the United Nations but to every decent white citizen throughout the world. The late President Roosevelt tried in vain to make something out of Mr. Byrnes and former President Truman tried it, both to no avail. That Mr. Eisenhower would make the third attempt to discover in Byrnes the qualities of world citizenship when every resource is needed to convince colored members of the United Nations that this country is sincere about what it says about democracy is horrifying.

The invitation extended to the two prominent Negroes and the appointment of Byrnes appear to us to be each in their own sphere cheap political moves by which the Republican Party hopes to retrieve the Negro vote and nail down the gains made in the South during the political campaign of 1952. Mr. Eisenhower and the GOP are beginning to emanate an offensive odor.

THE HIGH COST OF SEGREGATION

DURHAM
In Durham, North Carolina a committee composed entirely of white persons has been appointed by the Chamber of Commerce, also entirely white, for the purpose of bringing more conventions to the city. It is hoped by this means to put more money into the coffers of merchants, hotels, etc. Although the Chamber of Commerce officials have not said so they are not particular about where the money comes from so long as it is the kind used in the United States.

Fortunately or unfortunately for Durham it has more Negro corporate wealth to the square foot and more Negro home owners than any other city in the entire country. No other city its size or even larger can boast of having in one block three Negro corporations of approximately \$50 million in assets. Likewise, we doubt seriously that there is another city in America in which its largest home owned corporation is owned and operated entirely by Negroes. We also suspect that Durham is the only city in the United States in which the officials of such corporations have absolutely no representation on the Chamber of Commerce.

Here, once again, one gets a partial view of the tremendous cost of segregation and other outworn southern customs. To uphold white supremacy and keep the Durham Chamber of Commerce absolutely lily-white, Negro business men, who are custodians of millions of dollars, are barred from membership. There is little wonder that several of the younger officials of some of these corporations are beginning to turn over in their minds the thought of domiciling the home offices in some other city where the atmosphere is a little more pleasant.

Because of the high esteem in which Negro business in Durham is held throughout the nation an invitation extended to any Negro convention to hold its annual session here is usually given top priority. It would be hard to estimate the millions of dollars Durham has missed in the past 25 years which it might have had spent here by Negro visitors and delegates to conventions if its Chamber of Commerce had had the foresight to include some of the city's top Negro businessmen on its membership roster.

If there is to be better cooperation and better understanding between the races in the South, it has got to come about by extending to it Negro citizenship more and better representation on policy making and its governing bodies. The outworn idea that one-third and often as much as one-half of the population of a city or county is going to be satisfied with remaining on the outside while the plans for a program are being shaped and then be in position to cooperate with them to the fullest extent just does not make sense.

In Durham and the most of the cities of North Carolina there are many well trained, and intelligent Negro citizens who are able and willing to give their time, talent and ability to aiding in the building of the communities in which they live. They want to cooperate in the promotion of all movements for the betterment of business and the community as a whole. To expect them to do so in the best manner without extending to them respectable representation is asking too much of sensible men who have been exposed to the teachings of democratic procedure.

INCREASED BUS FARES SHOULD BRING BETTER SERVICE

ASHEVILLE
Our City Council has declared its intention to become an interested party in any hearings to be held by the State Utilities Commission on the application of the local bus company for a fare increase.

Such applications are usually considered on the basis of the company's need for an increase in order that they might make a fair and reasonable profit.

The company claims that it is not making such a profit due to a decrease in the number of passengers hauled.

Such a decrease in passenger load is usually due to potential riders using other forms of transportation because of better service afforded.

It is at this point that the State Utilities Commission becomes interested in the type of service given by a company seeking a fare increase.

Therefore, in consideration of the kind of service which the local bus company is giving, the Negro people in the

various inadequate bus-service areas should also become interested parties in the hearings scheduled to be held here in Asheville.

For a number of years, the residents of the Walton Street area have been petitioning for bus service, but for one reason or another, the bus company has continued to refuse to extend such to this area, an area which is also the location of the only city park facility available to Negroes.

The area extending from College Street south to Beaumont Street is another area which notably suffers from the lack of adequate bus service.

Within this area there are a great number of churches and a YWCA whose effectiveness and growth are in great part dependent on the people's ability to reach these facilities conveniently and economically.

Certainly the leaders in these institutions, as well as the residents living within this large and heavily populated community, will not

let these hearings be held without being heard on such an important matter.

Another section primarily populated by Negroes which is not receiving adequate bus service is West Asheville. Many of the residents in this section walk over a mile to the nearest bus stop.

It should not be a very difficult case to prove that the local bus company is failing to render adequate service, especially in areas which are heavily populated with Negroes.

Negroes ride the city busses in large numbers, passenger-wise and dollar-wise—even when they must walk a mile to do so. They are necessarily interested in any proposed fare increase.

We think that any consideration given a fare increase for Asheville should be influenced by what type of service if any the bus company is going to be willing to provide for those sections of the city where such has been denied for several years.

DEEP SOUTH SPEAKS

BY ROBERT DURR
(For Calvin News Service)

The Hope Is Black
Over a hundred years ago, one appeared in Iran who was named "The Glory of God" with a message to guide a mature mankind. Many wondered why he should come forth from Iran which was at time the most politically corrupt nation on earth.

Two thousand years ago when Jesus of Nazareth was born, there was a great deal of scoffing and scolding and predicting that He could not be the Expected and Hoped-for One, because nothing good could come out of Nazareth.

That One Baha'u'llah—"The Glory of God" born in corrupt Iran founded the now well known Baha' World Faith with centers in 107 countries of the world, proving to many to be the answer to millions who search for God, peace and spiritual freedom from racialism, nationalism and communism.

In Christianity, we find a fulfillment of the laws under which the people lived in Judaism. Its central theme was love—an everlasting one, because God can only love us if we love Him. Mankind needs to love for its own safety. And today's world needs to be baptised in an overwhelming appreciation of the need for justice by the earth's people—especially the traditionally oppressed because of colored and black skin.

This columnist is no skin worshipper. Nor am I a racist, but it is my conviction that the so-called Negro stands on the brink of his most important hour in history.

He is the only man I know who can come into the council for world peace with clean—really clean hands. He achieved his freedom through enforced servitude. No sword has he

taken up for aggression and conquest against other people.

It has been proven true that you do not get figs from an apple tree. Hence, despite all the efforts made at the old League of Nations and now at the United Nations, little could and can be expected to be accomplished in so far as the establishment of the Most Great Peace is concerned because the majority of the member nations' hands are tainted with innocent blood.

The dominating nations are Caucasian. What is needed is a campaign to see these Caucasian people on participation by black people in every effort for peace, in all avenues of government at home and abroad on a basis of equality—call it anything you wish—there can be no social justice without economic, political and social equality. JUSTICE is the key to world salvation today.

The world needs a fresh and clean transfusion of black people in the blood and sinews of the dominating Caucasian groups of the world so as to save the Caucasians from themselves.

The Hope is Black—blacks conscious of their growing responsibility to lead men in the ways of peace.

This columnist does not advocate a black or white domination, but a world society determined to recognize that mankind is one and that we are all the leaves of one tree and the flowers of garden.

There can be no freedom for mankind until the oppressed black peoples are free. For every one held in physical, political or economic bondage—another will die in battle somewhere, sometime in wars but in which wars, and no peace, will be won.

STORY BY WRITER FEATURED IN "CONTEMPORARY READER"

NEW YORK
An unusual short story by a young Negro writer, Paula Marshall, of New York City, will be featured in the second issue of the "Contemporary Reader", a new national literary quarterly to be on the stands August 1st. Miss Marshall's "The Valley Between" is her first published work.

According to Dr. Edwin Berry Burgum, editor, a principal objective of the Contemporary Reader is "to bring forward new Negro writers and a truthful portrayal of Negro life." The first issue published this Spring featured a story by Esther Leacy, Negro housewife of New York City, and a story by John Starks about an inter-racial picket line in St. Louis. Benjamin Brown, formerly editor of the Harlem Quarterly, is on the editorial board of the Contemporary Reader.

Miss Marshall is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Brooklyn College and is now employed as

a librarian in New York. Her literary gifts were stimulated while she was a member of a writing workshop sponsored by the Committee for the Negro in the Arts.

Miss Marshall's story, "The Valley Between," is a study of the tragic effects of a husband's selfishness on a woman and her marriage. Other features of the magazine include a chapter from novelist Millard Lampell's forthcoming book; a critical article by Dr. Burgum on "Playwriting and Arthur Miller," satires by Ruth Goldberg, Russell Davis, and film-writer Abraham Polonsky; a story about teenagers on the eve of their induction into the army, by Hal Schreiber; and poems by Thomas McGrath and Vincent Ferrini. Edith Berg, Jack Wandell, and Russell Davis are new writers who are also being published for the first time.

The Contemporary Reader, sponsored by the Writing and (Please turn to Page Seven)

"SLOWLY BEING REMOVED FROM OUR NATION'S CAPITOL"



by Alfred Andersen

Within and Among

Dear Fellow Seekers . . . In tracing the development of the competitive (in contrast to the mutual-aid) attitude toward one's environment you may feel that we are going contrary to our own commitment to put our emphasis on seeking and encouraging the good rather than seeking and fighting the evil.

The answer is that in seeking and serving the good, competitive attitudes impinge on us inadvertently, presuming to draw us into the "fight." The prime example of this is the conscription practices of the national state to recruit for its military program. The arm of conscription reaches into the remotest, most primitive areas of the territory over which it presumes jurisdiction in its mechanistic impersonal way, almost completely free of sensitivity to individual conscience or anything else other than its military program. We must know how this competitive-aggressive tempo works, not in order to fight it or compete with it, but in order to avoid participating in it and becoming spiritually enslaved to it.

It needs also to be said here that whereas we note how efficiently the national state pattern (and other totalitarian patterns; in churches for instance) can be "used" by the competitive tempo . . . we shall also come to find the mutual-aid element even here, the very seed of hope for redeeming the bulk of modern society.

by referring again to the history of the development of our own country. (We make a distinction between country as a cultural spiritual thing, and government as a formal expedient for special purposes within the culture). As suggested last week there were many of the early colonists who were not only willing but anxious that the culture of the new country should grow slowly and organically, according to its own spiritual uniqueness.

Notable among these were the Quakers (The Society of Friends) under the political leadership of William Penn and Roger Williams. (See FRIENDS FOR 300 YEARS by Howard Brinton). Because of their leadership the Friends influence centered around Pennsylvania and Rhode Island, the more historic branch being the former with its metropolitan center at Philadelphia.

It will be noted that despite the early influence of the Friends, to my knowledge none of their number participated in the Revolutionary War or the coming of the new National Government. This despite the fact that they were very active in social reform, being the first to completely give up slavery, even before the Revolutionary War! Certainly they were the strongest force for social justice in the pioneer days, at no time even approaching the witch hunt and torture practices of the Puritans.

The early colonies were politically closer to the Quaker policy of proceeding by the "sense of the meeting" rather than by "counting noses" in a mechanical vote. The Town Meeting contained a similar seed of Democracy because it allowed for all shades of opinion, not only to be expressed, but to influence the final synthesis of group decision. There emerged from the better Town Meetings (and from the Quaker Meetings) a group decision which was organic and spiritual in that it was the result of a group seeking together for something better than any one of its members could devise for himself; a social "Gestalt" rather than the majority-vote product of a social compromise and muddle. The colonies and small groups of home steers were growing slowly, but organically and healthily.

But impatience set in, the war fever was aroused by the competitive temper, the war was fought, suspicious emotions usurped quiet trusting attitudes, and before the mass hysteria subsided a mechanistic top-down formula for national statism was so-to-speak "shoved down their throats." In place of the pattern that was developing before the war of federated organic groups based on the Town Meeting foundation, the new national state bypassed all that by presuming a society of separate atomic individuals out of which they could build their political machines on the (Please turn to Page Seven)

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

Often major Washington excursions are triggered by a circumstance obscure to the public.

Thus, recent request of major airlines could set off probe.

Major airlines have applied to CAB, the Civil Aeronautics Board, for permission to reduce commissions paid thousands of independent travel agencies. CAB has authority on everything pertaining to civil aviation.

CAB has in the past taken many steps to block independent airlines from competing with the majors, so they apparently feel it will be a routine matter to secure approval for the plan to cut down the independent travel agent. Yet, the issue, from the airlines' standpoint, is so petty, it may be the straw that breaks the camel's back.

Independent travel agents are credited with doing a great selling job for air travel, but in addition travel agencies have become almost indispensable to the traveler. Buying transportation through an experienced travel agent who knows facilities, connecting lines, and other data, the traveler avoids standing in line in an airline ticket office, the often futile attempts to seek information from a green clerk and other harassments.

For this service, the travel agent receives a 5% commission. Thus, on a cross country trip, the average commission to the agent for all his services is only \$4.55. But now the major airlines want to cut this to \$1.50.

In fact, major airlines are going even further.

Fully staffed ticket offices are opening in many communities so small they do not even support a medium-sized department store. In smaller towns they are trying to sell tickets through traveling ticket trucks.

It is important to bear in mind that airline tickets are not a commodity bought by a large share of the people on a frequent basis. Thus, in many communities there is no economic justification for an airline office.

Yet major airlines are willing to spend dollars to save pennies.

Therefore, this move may start a full scale probe of airlines.

There are many in Washington, in and out of Congress, who have long asked, "Just how good is the business management of the major airlines?"

It is based on several factors. For example, despite the fact that the major airlines receive millions from the U. S. Treasury as a small subsidy, in practically every major U. S. city push airline facilities occupy highest valued property.

Yet, when independent competition has succeeded in getting permission to fly, despite CAB obstructions, it has given the public good low-cost service at a profit with no subsidies.

Spiritual Insight

"POWER TO HEAL" By Reverend Harold Roland
Pastor, Mount Gilead Baptist Church

"Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk... Acts 3:6.

The Holy Spirit is a mighty healing power. Those endowed with the Holy spirit can become a healing blessing for mankind. Wounded and sick men need healing. The gift of the Holy Spirit means healing for the sickness of men. The Church endowed with the Holy Spirit went forth on a healing mission. Peter and John stopped on their way to the prayer meeting to become a blessing to the man on the porch of the temple. Here is a man who has been sick for more than thirty years. God used them as healing agencies. God's plan of salvation is for the healing of the nations. God offers healing for our sick bodies, minds and souls. They prayed until the power came. The power came and they preached God's message of redeeming love for a lost world. Now we see the power of the spirit brought to bear for the healing of a man

who had been lame and handicapped for a long time.

There is still healing power in God's Holy Spirit. I believe in the healing power of the Holy Spirit. Let it enter your soul and mind and it will become a power of the Holy spirit. The spirit of evil destroys our health but the Holy spirit heals and restores our health of body, mind and soul. The Holy Spirit healed the soul of the woman at the well. The Holy spirit became power to heal the sick mind of the mad man among the Gadarenes. Faith and the spirit healed the miserable woman who had been sick for twelve years. The unholy spirit makes for sickness of body, mind and soul but the Holy is for the health and healing of the whole man.

I know the Holy Spirit is a healing power. I have felt its healing influence in my own life. I have known its healing for my body, soul and mind. The Holy Spirit is a mighty power for healing. Your fears will make you sick. Your hatred will make you sick. Those old grades and

resentments will make you sick. Your sins will make you sick. That unforgiving spirit will make you sick. Why remain in sickness when God is ready to heal you? You too in the name of Jesus can rise up and walk. Let him cleanse you of the Unholy spirit and fill you with the Holy spirit. I have seen this power work wonders in the healing of the minds, bodies and souls of men. Many claim to be sick but all they need is to get right with God and their fellowman and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Many who claim to be sick need only . . . In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk . . .

Yes, let us rise up and walk in our God-given privilege of health and wholeness. O God purge and cleanse us of the UNHOLY SPIRIT AND FILL US WITH TRY HOLY SPIRIT.

The healing power of the Spirit and its Holiness requires no money. This healing is free to all men. It is a gracious gift from the Almighty God.

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