

SUPPORT FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE NURSES ASSOCIATION

This week more than 1200 nurses of both races will gather in Durham from all over the state for the 52nd annual convention of the North Carolina State Nurses Association and the fifth convention of the Student Nurses Association of North Carolina. The seat of the convention will be the Washington Duke Hotel which probably not many months from now will be among the first to throw open its doors to Negroes. The nurses convention should help as a conditioning event toward that end.

Reports coming from Negroes connected with the nursing profession in Durham are to the effect that some of the Negro hospitals in the state are not giving proper support to the organization by not encouraging their nurses and student nurses to attend

in large numbers. This is unfortunate from several points of view one of which is not fostering the abolishment of the segregated pattern in other conventions that should be integrated.

From a second point of view there is always much to be learned in conventions of this kind and the Negro nurses who stay away are the greatest losers. Such a loss is eventually handed on down to their patients, who are denied the advanced techniques, etc. that are demonstrated at such gatherings.

As we understand it all of the meetings and other affairs of the convention will be on an absolutely unsegregated basis. If this is true the two nurses' organizations deserve the support, cooperation and encouragement of every lover of democracy in the world to-

day. The nurses have certainly outdone the churches of the two races that appear to be unable to tear down the walls that keep them from worshipping God under the same vine and fig tree.

Every Negro hospital in the state should see to it that their nurses and student nurses attend every meeting held by the nurses' convention in sufficient numbers to bring back a full and rounded report as to the advances made in the profession. Again they ought to do so in order to encourage other groups to integrate for the common good of humanity. The problems of all mankind are the same the world over and any movement that tends to solve those problems should be backed to the fullest extent.

Life Is Like That

BY H. ALBERT SMITH

One week and two days have passed since Hurricane Hazel made a visit to the coastal areas of North Carolina and places inland, that will linger in our memories for years to come. She came unbidden, but not unheralded, save in those inland regions where she caught even the experts by surprise not to mention us poor laymen who depend upon them to know what the morrow will bring forth.

A day or so before, the weatherman, while predicting that a storm of unusual ferocity would strike the coast, was telling us in drought-stricken inland areas that we could expect little more than scattered showers. There was little in that word to cheer those of us who wanted rain as much as those that wait for the morning and less in the way of warning.

It seems that Hazel was displeased with the way other members of the Hurricane family had allowed their course to be charted, not to mention their narrow range of activity—confinement to the North Carolina coast. Impelled by greater ambitions and determined not to be predicted, she, therefore, threw dust in to the weatherman's eyes to hide a plan of wholesale destruction not only along the coast but also in areas considered to be relatively safe from tropical storms.

By the time that gentleman had cleared his eyes of sand, Hazel was headed inland. But he got his vision back soon enough to see what the sinister lady was up to and send out warnings in time for teachers and school children to get home.

Was Concerned

In this column last week, I stated two reasons why I was not disturbed concerning my personal safety. First, because I was in a place which afforded a large measure of protection by buildings constituting a buffer. And, second, there was my faith in a protecting providence.

Some of you may wonder why I mention the relative safety of position before the matter of faith. Well, that is because I am to some extent, at least, a realist and am at heart honest and devoted to truth. In the fury of an ocean storm, one would hardly face as great a test of faith on a great trans-oceanic liner as he would on a ferry boat. My faith could have been put under greater strain.

But if calm and confident about my personal safety, I was concerned about my wife who had gone to her school that morning. I was about to call the school when the radio announced that the school had dismissed and "by now the pupils are at home."

I called my home and the good wife answered. That was a great relief. Although I am no gossip, either by nature, habit, or inclination, and, for the most part, possess a healthy aversion to sticking my nose into the affairs of others, I got set to discuss Hazel. But the good wife was not receptive. Her non-receptivity and pitch of voice gave me the impression that she was slightly nervous. I speak conservatively.

STILL BEING DISCUSSED

Although eight days have passed since Hazel came this way, she is still very much in

the news. The Raleigh News and Observer now before me carries a headline on the front page, "Hard Hit Unincorporated Areas Make Bid for Hurricane Relief." On an inside page is a page-wide headline, "Mountains to Sea: Variety in Weather and Scenery During Week of Hurricane." The story that follows by Margaret Taylor McMahan deals mostly with Hazel. About two hours ago. (It is now 1:00 A. M. Monday), the radio announced a monetary allocation to damaged North Carolina areas.

Hazel! What a woman she was! A neighbor said to me right after her sojourn, "She was a pistol-packing mama!" I responded by saying that Hazel was equipped with heavier artillery than pistols. And pictures of the wreckage she left in coastal areas lend credence to the notion that she was "packing" some mighty destructive weapons.

Religious Implications

In all that I have said about Hazel in this and a preceding article, I have dealt with her as a natural phenomenon and pointed out the unusual nature of human responses thereto. Those responses were unusual because the phenomenon was unusual.

But Hazel was more than a storm of terrifying force so far as I am concerned. She was the messenger of God, a prophetic of thundering judgement and roaring warning. She had a mission other than that of destroying property. That mission was to shake men out of the deceptive comfort of self-sufficiency and into the realization of a Power in which we live and move and have our being.

This I felt in the pulpit the Sunday following the storm. I went into the pulpit prepared to preach on the subject, "No Longer Strangers or Foreigners." Hazel was only to be an item in a preliminary statement. But an irresistible inner urge led me to speak instead on the subject, "Hurricane Hazel the Voice of God." I still can't account for the urge without attributing it to a divine influence.

I am neither a philosopher nor a theologian—nor even a scholar—but simply a preacher with the sense of destiny and mission, trying to survey life with hard common sense, and believing that there is a universal Spirit who speaks through persons and events to call men to eternal life.

I could be wrong about the religious implications of Hazel. But there is within me a feeling that my intuitions are right and have roots in reality.

For the benefit of a few friends, I am reminding them that "impress" can be used both as a noun and a verb. The verb is pronounced with the accent falling on the second syllable.

Impress as a noun concerns us here. It is defined: 1. Act of impressing. 2. A mark made by pressure; imprint; result of pressure or influence. 3. Characteristic; mark of distinction; stamp; as the work bears the impress of a great mind.

In case my effort here is not conclusive, we'll have to resort to more expert opinion.

"Your Vote Represents Power, When You Exercise Your Franchise"



Spiritual Insight

"I KNOW HOW TO LIVE"

BY REVEREND HAROLD ROLAN, Pastor, Mount Gilead Baptist Church



"I know how to live when things are difficult and I know how to live when things are prosperous..." Phil. 4:14

The Holy writer had found one of life's supreme secrets, when he could say, "I know how to live." Do you know how to live? What is the secret of knowing how to live? He says to know how to live is to be able to face DIFFICULTIES AND PROSPERITY with poise and grace. It calls for a certain bit of spiritual power: inward strength of the Spirit of God. Anybody can carry on when things are going well. The real test comes when we face adversities and difficulties. Those who wilt and fade in the face of difficulties have not found the great secret of LIVING.

We have seen people who were great when things went well. But they were crushed under the weight of despair

and discouragement, when the tide turned. We have seen people who went along nicely when the sun was shining. In the storm, however, they would freeze up and become paralyzed with tormenting fears.

You know how to live if you can face difficulties as well as prosperity. Paul had found the secret of life—an invisible power—that helps man to stand in adversity as well as prosperity. Paul's imprisonment had proved that he had learned how to live. In prison or out of prison he met life with a graciousness that only God could give. He knew the usual limitations and handicaps of a prisoner. But what men intended for evil, he preached and witnessed for Christ.

Truly this is the highest secret of life—to turn every handicap, trial, disadvantage, and misfortune into a glorious

victory. Do you know how to live? You have found the secret if you can face difficulties as well as prosperity.

I know a man who was a great reputation, and we when all went well. He had a great reputation, and we thought he had a character undiminished by faith in God. But adversity struck! He had not lost his children, he still had them. He had his health and the property he owned. He lost about thirty-five hundred dollars, and he went to pieces. He became a mental wreck. Why? He had not learned how to live in DIFFICULTIES AND PROSPERITY.

This man had not learned how to say with the great Apostle, "I know how to live when things are difficult and I know how to live when things are prosperous."

A JOB WELL DONE VS. A JOB POORLY DONE

Congratulations to the Durham Business Chain and North Carolina College for the splendid manner in which the annual Trade Week parade of the Chain and the Homecoming of NCC were jointly carried out last Saturday. The parade, the game and all of the celebration festivities were well done.

Special congratulations are due the parade committee for not allowing any floats or pretend-to-be-floats that did not come up to standard. The mistaken notion of some Negro business firms in Durham that they can spend \$10 or \$15 and have a creditable float in a parade was for the first time disabused sufficiently to drive home the fact that in future years no attempt will be made to enter a float unless it is up to standard.

Special mention is also due the coaching staffs at North Carolina College and Maryland State College for putting on the field two teams that

played a brand of football seldom seen in this section of the country. The game was well played and the sportsmanship exhibited by the players was beyond reproach. This affords quite a contrast to the game played on the other side of the fence between Wake Forest and the University of North Carolina where fist fights were engaged in during and after the game.

According to the daily press reports a University of North Carolina player deliberately slugged a Wake Forest player after a play had been completed. Said Dr. Harold Tribble, president of Wake Forest, "It looked like a deliberate attempt to knock Consoles out." Nick Consoles, the Wake Forest quarterback, is the player who lost three teeth in the fracas.

Saddest report coming from the entire unfortunate affair is that one of the Carolina coaches slugged one of the Wake Forest players near the

dressing room after the game. If the report is true it is about the lowest state of affairs we have ever heard of in college sports. We do not believe such a man would be tolerated in a single CIAA college. Likewise we do not believe the conference itself would stand for him to continue as a coach.

Negro fans throughout the CIAA circuit should be thankful that no such affair, up to this time, has occurred. If they have not already done so, CIAA officials should lay down such rules and regulations as to safeguard against it. The poor sportsmanship demonstrated by the UNC player during the game, the fist fights that occurred thereafter and the party raids that occur from time to time in some of the leading white educational institutions of the nation cause us to wonder whether Negroes have too much to gain morally by being admitted to some of them.

A CONDITION PROGRAM FOR PURE DEMOCRACY

At Bethesda School, located in Durham County, United Nation's Day was observed last Thursday by entertaining foreign visitors with an original skit and serving them an international menu. Gathered at the table were persons from Japan, India, England, Pakistan and Iran. The occasion was a great one and the students of Bethesda had a fine opportunity to promote democracy in the countries represented and to learn about people of other nations.

We wonder, however, just what attitude the students and the faculty of Bethesda would take if we suggested to them a similar affair for representative from Negro student groups of the Mer-

rick-Moore and Little River High Schools of their own county and nation. It appears to us that such an occasion would be far more practical than seeking people from Europe and Asia to study, teach and learn democracy. The representatives from Japan, India, Pakistan and Iran, who are usually well informed as to what the South has to offer American Negroes in the way of democracy, were probably laughing up their sleeves at the hypocrisy they were witnessing.

Such affairs as that given at the Bethesda School should be encouraged but it would be far more informative and impressive to foreign groups if American Negroes could be invited to our white schools

from time to time to preach, lecture, give concerts, recitals and to participate along with white students and faculty members in panel discussions, forums, sports events, etc.

A program of this sort would be far more beneficial and effective than the Governor's Advisory Committee on school segregation appointed several weeks ago. If the Committee is doing anything about the matter, it is talking in whispers and behind closed doors. Thus instead of a conditioning program, it appears that the wait-and-see attitude prevails in North Carolina instead of a definite move toward what is certain and sure to eventually come—integrated schools.

PRESIDENT TUBMAN'S VISIT TO GEORGIA

We salute our esteemed contemporary, Carl Murphy, publisher of the AFRO-AMERICAN, Baltimore newspaper and others, for correctly informing President Tubman of Liberia as to the feelings of American Negroes regarding his proposed visit to Georgia. It is the native state of Tubman's mother who emigrated from there to Liberia in 1872. Had the visit been made at the invitation of Governor Herman Talmadge it would have been an affront to every Negro in this country.

According to Drew Pearson "President Tubman will go to Georgia to receive a degree from Atlanta University but not the guest of Governor Tal-

mage." The refusal of Talmadge's invitation by President Tubman, however polite it may be, amounts to a snub in our book and is as it should be. Governor Talmadge was probably influenced to extend the invitation by some would-be enterprising Negro citizens of Georgia who felt that an invitation extended the head of another nation to visit any state should be through its Chief Executive. The motive, therefore, was proper but the act was stupid. Otherwise it would have been interesting if not distressing, to watch Talmadge entertain the president of the Negro republic. One wonders if he would have attempted to maintain a jim crow pattern

or would he have extended all of the courtesies to which the head of another nation is entitled. We surmise that he would not, and that the risk of precipitating an international situation that would be embarrassing to this country made it almost mandatory that President Tubman should not accept Talmadge's invitation.

The nation probably owes a debt of gratitude to Carl Murphy for advising President Tubman not to accept Talmadge's invitation to visit Georgia. And the American Negroes are thankful to Liberia's Chief Executive for not accepting. All is well that ends well.

STRAIGHT AHEAD

NEW YORK

This is the story of a lady in our town named Mrs. K. who expected an increase in her family and was delighted when her mother-in-law volunteered to come and stay with her and give her a hand until the great day. Mrs. K's enthusiasm was short-lived, however, because mother-in-law's presence meant just another mouth to feed, another dish to wash, another bed to make. Mother-in-law was good company but not much help.

One day when Mrs. K. had finished a back-breaking wash, done with elbow grease and washboard, mother-in-law expressed grave concern for daughter-in-law's welfare. In her condition, she certainly shouldn't be reaching up hanging those heavy clothes! So mother-in-law carried the basket of clothes into the backyard and hung them up to dry. Meanwhile daughter-in-law, thankful for small favors, was enjoying a brief period of relaxation on the front porch when she heard a neighbor remark that it was certainly a fine thing that Mrs. K., had such a nice mother-in-law who would come and help her with

her heavy work. Mrs. K. suddenly saw the light. Mother-in-law had been one jump ahead of her. After all, the two of them knew who had done the wash; but the neighbors, seeing mother-in-law hanging it up, assumed she had washed it too. From then on daughter hung up her own.

There is a similar situation involved in the two major political parties. It seems the GOP often opens a wedge for the Democrats to step in to take a bow. Take the congressional situation, for instance. For twenty years, Negroes tried to get representation in Congress from Harlem. Under the Democratic administration, they didn't get to first base. The year after Thomas E. Dewey took office, the 22nd Congressional District was created, whereupon Negroes promptly sent a Democrat to Congress. In the recent local elections, the GOP named a Negro for Borough President of Manhattan, a move which completely shocked the Democrats, since they had already met and named a white man. So, the Democrats met again, withdrew their white candidate and replaced him with a Negro, who is now proudly beating the

drum for the Democrats, apparently unmindful of the fact that, left to them, he would never have dared dream of holding such an office.

For years, certain groups interested in African affairs had been pressing the national administration to invite Emperor Haile Selassie to visit here, but it was never possible. President Eisenhower invites the Emperor for a visit, and who takes the bows and escorts the Emperor around town? The Democrats, of course, and they whizzed him through Harlem too fast for anybody else to shake his hand. Again, in the matter of the Supreme Court decision of May 17, The Democrats left you they softened the Justices up for the kill, and have been winning and dining Thurgood Marshall as though he were Chief Justice. Without talking anything from the brilliant and thoroughly capable Mr. Marshall, it must be pointed out that the NAACP has been preparing briefs, buttonholing Congressmen and Senators, and lobbying their heads off for years now, and never got anywhere. Here in New York a social club gave an award to Mr. Marshall at a Sunday afternoon affair. It was a well-deserved award. But who appeared to take bows and thereby associate himself with the civil rights

victory thus heralded? The Democratic candidate for Governor of New York! Even rabid Democrats are still trying to figure out how he could deal himself in on that one.

The GOP has allowed the

the Democrats to capitalize on their work too often. It's time they learned to hang out their own wash, particularly since the record indicates that they have "the cleanest wash in town."

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

An independent businessman catching someone dipping into the till does not rationalize such action away as due to unhappy childhood, nor stays quiet because he may antagonize culprit's relatives or friends.

This fact explains growing groundswell of protests reaching Washington from Main Street.

To most minds there is no double standard of evil. Evil is evil, and its black mantle falls on those who passively accept evil, as well as those who concoct it. And encouraging evil with financing is beyond most human understanding.

Many feel Sen. Joseph Knowland, (R., Cal.) would have emerged here had he stood to demand to sever diplomatic relations with Russia.

Attempt being made by J. Bracken Lee, Utah's governor, to stop foreign aid spending as unconstitutional, is drawing Main Street support.

Reports of British Labor Party junket in Red China gave fresh sense of urgency to this feeling.

Attlee's statement, "I believe that the Chinese peasant has got a government that is doing something for him, which is concerned with the welfare and prosperity of the peasants and rests upon the confidence of the peasant population. The West has nothing to fear from Communist China," and the Bevan statement made in China, "Our presence is itself sufficient to show our support for the Chinese People's Revolution" has thrown chill in many American hearts who realize these people may be but a heart beat

away from again ruling England.

It is also disclosed British gunboats will protect merchant ships going into Shanghai; naval power perhaps paid for in part by U. S. military assistance aid.

Statements as made by British Labor Party leaders who may again be on eve of power are attributed to either madmen or those who have actually degenerated so morally they can rationalize murder, pillage, slavery. In any event, independent businessmen want to stop use of their taxes to financing such rationalization of evil.

At present British demand Red China relations—on grounds U. S. still sees fit to recognize Russia, a situation publicly deplored by Herbert Hoover as the great psychological mistake and moral tragedy of this country.

Now many fear epidemic of rationalization of evil is infecting Washington.

Washington believes special 60 man committee now studying anti-trust laws, heavily loaded with college professors and corporation lawyers, will recommend unifying nation's anti-trust laws when it reports in December on grounds U. S. cannot do business with nations without anti-trust laws. Already propaganda on this position has been unleashed.

Thus drive will be to sell American people that in order to live with evil, this nation must adopt the ways of evil.

But it is held significant that British system of cartel and monopoly business has as its eventual and inevitable result upward government officials who not only condone, but uphold bloody, red handed evil, just as history shows all nations who have gone Communist have been nations without anti-trust laws to protect independent enterprise.



Draw nigh unto God, and He will draw nigh unto you—(James 4, 8.)

God cannot enter us against our will, although He is ever present all about us. Through devout prayer we must invite Him into our being—first ridding ourselves of unrighteous thoughts, acts and desires; and thus cleansed, we throw open the doors of our mind and soul to receive His boundless love, His guidance and help

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