

THE FALLACY OF THE MONGRELIZATION ARGUMENT

We have listened to and watched with a degree of amazement, if not astonishment, the various arguments and statements of some so-called southern leaders on the question of mongrelization. If the American white man is not the world's champion mongrelizer as well as himself, the world's most mongrelized human being would like to know who is. The animosity of southern white folks in their contention that they are deeply concerned about the purity of their race evokes from us a good old-fashioned horse laugh.

In the first place, there is hardly a white family in the South of 50 years duration or more that doesn't have one or more Negroes sitting on limbs of its family tree. The only difference is that their forbears were so minus morality, common decency and

Christian principles that they enacted laws which prohibited marriage and therefore stripped Negro women of any protection against the lust or love of a white man. That was their ungodly idea of keeping the white race pure and from becoming mongrelized. It is still their idea.

In the second place, the Caucasian of flaxen hair and blue eyes is rarer in America than a full blood Negro American. A casual glance at an audience of white people will find them with hair ranging from coal-black to platinum, straight to kinky. Noses from sharp and pointed as an ice pick to flat and stubby as a pug dog, lips from thin as tissue paper to as thick as an African aborigine. So far as the color of his skin, it ranges anywhere from light brown to putty white.

Other features of the American white man, whether

North or South, belie the contention that in this country every person classed as white is of pure Caucasian descent. The great fear of the southern white man is not mongrelization per se, but that under a non-segregated society he will be forced to dignify his heretofore clandestine love affair across the railroad tracks with marriage. Being one of the world's greatest mongrelizers, he does not trust himself in the arena where men and women are free to pick and choose their mates. To protect himself from the penalty he therefore cries out that a non-segregated society means mongrelization when every Negro whose skin is not black is a living testimony to the fact that mongrelization outside of the law has been going on since the first Negro woman walked down the gang plank and set feet on these shores.

ANOTHER WARNING TO AMERICA

In an editorial of THE CAROLINA TIMES, issue of December 24th, we warned American citizens of the danger attending the springing up in the South of organizations such as the Patriots and others of similar nature. Here is what we said in that editorial:

"Let no one be mistaken about the Patriots—or probably they should be called the 'Hatriots.' This new small but fierce organization, if allowed to continue on its way, may in time become the undoing of whatever there is left of American Democracy. Its deliberate and open defiance of the U. S. Supreme Court, its disdain for the U. S. Constitution are even more than the Communists in our midst have ever had the gall to do. Yet without the Patriots have been chartered by the state and have embarked upon their hellish mission, the same as Mussolini and Hitler. So, in the not too distant future, as Mark Twain once said about war, you will see this curious thing: speakers against segregation—'stoned' from the platform and free speech strangled by hordes of furious men, who in their hearts are still as one with those stoned speakers—but do not dare say so. And now the whole nation, pulpit, and all will take up the cry for segregation and mob any honest man who ventures to open his mouth; and presently

such mouths will cease to open." We warn America to keep an eternal eye on the Patriots, whose unholy purpose and methods of achieving it have already been openly admitted. We warn America to treat this organization as other subversive groups whose ultimate goal is the overthrow of the American government. For when an organization openly defies the highest court in the land and attacks the Constitution of the nation, it is time for all loyal American citizens to go on guard duty."

And now the Christian Century, undenominational periodical of Chicago, takes up the warning. In its issue of March 21st, it had the following to say with reference to the White Citizens Councils, now being organized all over the South:

"On the other hand, the white citizens' councils have organized to drive moderate elements into silence or out of the south. They prefer to work through economic organizations—banks, stores, machinery companies, plantations, marketing associations—but they do not stop there. They seek to infiltrate and dominate every center of power, small or large. They try to control the administration of government from justices of the peace to legislators, governors and United States senators. They manip-

THE COST OF BEING RIGHT

Where the governor of North Carolina has failed his state lamentably in allowing the dust of prejudice to blind him to the responsibility of leadership, there is one political figure in the state who is at least sufficiently free-thinker to see clearly the danger of siding with such Neo-Fascist organizations as the Patriots of North Carolina, Inc.

That political figure is Rep. Thurmond Chatham, who is seeking re-election to his Washington seat in the Fifth Congressional District. Mr. Chatham charged that the self-styled Patriots are obstructionists, blocking the path to the solution of the race question.

"They are hurting us by all their agitation." And he charges further that, instead of contributing solutions to the race problem, the Patriots are making the issue more complicated.

He did not speak amiss because, despite a high-sounding name, the Patriots are a bunch of bigots, bloated with superiority feelings, making lying pretensions of Americanism and hypocritical claims of patriotism, to cover activities which cannot but

weaken the United States' leadership in world affairs. In reality, the Patriots are but so many leeches sucking the life blood of unity at home and the country's prestige abroad.

With regard to all the furor, excitement, schemes and plans to circumvent the decision of the Supreme Court, Mr. Chatham bluntly says of that decision, "we should forget about it. It's already law."

Blasted by the Patriots for his stand on the race issue, Mr. Chatham has courageously stood his ground as is evidenced in answers to several questions submitted to him in a letter by these Patriots of segregation.

Asked as to whether separate schools is an absolute necessity to the best interest of members of both races, Mr. Chatham answered, "This is not the question. The Supreme Court has ruled and for going on two years it has been the final law of the land."

A forthright answer was also given to a question as to whether the Constitution can mean one thing for seventy years and then something else completely opposite over-

night, Mr. Chatham replied: "Unless the Constitution is interpreted in the light of issues as they arise there can be no orderly government. What body except the Supreme Court could possibly make that interpretation?"

The Fifth District Representative might have gone a step further to state that the decision of seventy years ago, which was made null and void by the recent High Court decision, should never have been made. "Equal but Separate" was morally indefensible then and has been through the years. It contravened the law of justice and brotherhood and every principle of democracy, as well as proving a colossal economic blunder and making the white people of the South parties to a conspiracy to evade even that unjust law to rob Negroes, not only of educational opportunities and facilities for which they were taxed, but to degrade them, as prejudice worked without shame within the framework of a segregated society supported by law.

Recent Supreme Court decisions banning segregated public schools was but correcting, therefore, a wrong

decision made decades ago. And the Patriots, red hot with unrighteous indignation, because, at long last, right has prevailed over a wrong which they would perpetuate even by rebelling against the law of the land, are out to slay politically any leader who has the guts to defend the change.

These very unpatriotic Patriots may not succeed in their efforts, but they are out for the scalp of another North Carolina leader who refuses to see eye-to-eye with them. But that is the price of statesmanship, like leadership, and we hope Mr. Chatham will not step backwards if, pay the price, he must, and that in full.

Life Is Like That

By H. ALBERT SMITH

Misfortune No Fruit Of Conspiracy

Many of us face from time to time experiences that leave us limp with discouragement and in the grip of despair. We use our imaginations to explore the future, and the only prospect that faces us in an insuperable insecurity. On every horizon, there are storm clouds, bleak and menacing, from whose depths proceed deep, portentous rumblings of disquieting thunder and terrifying flashes of lightning.

Habitual Despair
A state of mind like that has in many persons become chronic and habitual. Concerning these persons, we cannot be too severe in our judgment. For some of them have not merely one bitter and disillusioning experience, but many which have followed each other in unbroken succession. And thus they have come to feel that for them, there can be no future of success and joy.

Making Worse
The thing that makes matters worse for such persons is that they themselves are quite frequently highly idealistic, innately good and trusting people so far as they can see, trample upon with scorn and without recriminations of conscience. Yet, these persons who spurn proprieties and have no fundamental regard for law, human or divine, apparently have what it takes to gain positions of advantage in life. On the other hand, their idealistic and propriety-conscious cousins always find themselves in positions of disadvantage.

Not Too Helpful
To tell these persons that the advantage of the unscrupulous and principled is only seeming in many instances and not real, does not seem to be of too much help. This is largely due to two causes. First of all, the retribution befalling such persons is seldom of a nature so dramatic as to become spectacular, or invite attention; second, because some of us have not yet learned that in life there is a law of sacrifice which requires the righteous man to suffer.

Another Factor
And there is another factor we should not forget. Jesus summed it up when he said that God makes the sun to shine on the

crowded, in the "little shack across the track. "We have equality," so we hear, but equality must be a relative term—Is that an amiable relationship?

Sunday morning, eleven o'clock, and off to church we go—White Methodist, Colored Methodist; White Baptist, Colored Baptist; White Catholic, Colored Catholic, each goes his separate way to worship the One God during AMERICA'S MOST SEGREGATED HOUR—Is that an amiable relationship?

White school, beautiful and spacious, sitting atop Sugar Hill; Colored school, ugly and over-

crowded, in the "little shack across the track. "We have equality," so we hear, but equality must be a relative term—Is that an amiable relationship?

Maybe it is—for the white man, but I doubt it, because he has a conscience.

What is this amiable relationship of which they speak? Negroes and whites in the South are not engaged in physical combat, but a lack of violence is all the negative side of an amiable relationship. It also has a positive side. Amiable relationship. It also has a positive side. Amiable relationship. It also has a positive side. Amiable relationship.

It is my humble opinion that Kipling's philosophy of "East is east and west is west, And never the twain shall meet" is a false foundation for an amiable relationship between groups. Rather, the attitude of the writer who said:

"In Christ there is no East or West" seems to be a better principle on which to build solid friendship.

In a word, the argument that desegregation will destroy the spirit of friendliness between the races is foolish indeed. How can you destroy something that has never existed?

Sincerely yours,
John W. Fleming
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"Only With Complete Freedom And Equality, Can There Be Peace."



Spiritual Insight

"NON-VIOLENT WARFARE"

By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND
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"Be not overcome by evil, overcome evil with good." Romans 12:21

What is the spiritual power of non-violent warfare? It is love engaged in a spiritually offensive action against deeply entrenched evil. It is love becoming the spiritual aggressor against evil. It is love in its matchless spiritual power going out to engage and rout sin and evil. Why? For evil is always weak because it has a spiritual and morally indefensible position. Evil fights furiously and doggedly, but it must bite the dust in defeat. Hatred is weakness. He who resorts to the violence admits weakness and frustration. You go out to bomb a man in his house when his wife and baby are sleeping. Is it that strength or weakness? It is weakness. It is the abject weakness of an empty and a degraded soul. But love at work in Non-Violent Warfare is strength, spiritual and moral power of the highest order.

Hatred is weakness. Prejudice is weakness. The use of violence against the helpless is an admission of abject weakness. But love in action against deeply entrenched evil is the greatest weapon in all the world. Phillip states it offensively.... "TAKE THE OFFENSIVE—OVERPOWER EVIL WITH GOD."

The people in Montgomery have taken up this great weapon to fight and overcome deeply entrenched evil. What a noble spiritual-moral drama we see there—forty thousand people in soul discipline against entrenched evil. This nation has never

seen the like. All they need do is stick to their course and continue to use this mighty weapon. There will be intimidations, threats, provocations, proddings to use violence and hatred. They will try to inflame all of the frightening emotions of fear and hatred. There may be more arrests and more imprisonments. But if they will only continue to be clad in the armour of Divine Love they will be able to... "OVERCOME EVIL WITH GOD."

The life of Jesus is ever a living warfare against deeply entrenched evil. His life shows that it works. God gave him the victory over evil. So our hearts have been aglow with hope as we have seen the people of Montgomery adopt this weapon in their struggle against evil for human dignity. Yes, it is heart-

warming to see forty thousand people engaged in a Non-violent struggle for human dignity. Men, in the main, have used two weapons in their struggle for human dignity and freedom—Violence and Non-Violence. From the club of the cavemen to the use of the Atom bomb we have relied too heavily upon violence. Wise and noble souls have seen the useless futility of Violence. Jesus has been the greatest advocate LOVE OR NON-VIOLENT means to achieve the goal of human freedom and dignity.

Gandhi, the little brown man, has in our times in South Africa and India proved the practical value of Non-Violent warfare in the struggle for human decency and justice. He used Religion and applied spiritual truth in a

long struggle against deeply entrenched evil. He put Religion in action against evil. He brought Love or Non-Violence in the front line trenches to do battle against evil, injustice and insults. He put love in a pitched battle against evil. In South Africa he won after twenty years. It was a long hard battle but in India he won after some forty years. It works. Love overcame evil. This SPIRITUAL GIANT used this weapon of SOUL FORCE to humble a proud but violent Empire and give freedom and dignity to more than three hundred million people. It works!

He demonstrated that Love-Non Violence-Truth-Soul Force can overcome deeply entrenched evil. Love was crowned with a glorious victory after a long, hard struggle.

Thank God, we see the dawn of a new era in the Church and its leadership. Ministers and people are engaged in using Love-Non-Violence as a weapon to maintain the dignity of their own souls and heal the soul of the nation. Can we, ten million strong, make use of this weapon? Our whole past has prepared and conditioned us for the use of this SPIRITUAL WEAPON. Its power and soul beauty which sprang forth from our souls in a cruel and a violent atmosphere. Jesus proved its wisdom and power. And we can use it to reclaim the souls of forty-million people in the South—Our own souls and the souls of our brothers-for the Kingdom of God... "Overcome Evil With God..."

Capital Close Up . . .

BY CONSTANCE DANIEL

D. C. Peels Political Onion
GOP Old Guard Challenged
With the first real voting in the District of Columbia in 82 years, only weeks away, Old Guard GOP-ers, here, rubbed their smarting eyes, last week, as a local Republican liberal rallied behind George P. Lamb—long-time resident, but political unknown—as he busily peeled the skin from a potent political onion—Old Guard machine control in the District.

Shattering the loud silence that followed announcement of the this-is-all-Republican slate for Dec. Cee's Rip Van Winkle Primary on May 1, Lamb, an anti-trust lawyer, declared his candidacy for the National Committee post held by Clyde G. Garrett, Old Guard incumbent backed by the machine off cruising in the Mediterranean when the onion was cut. Newcomer Tackles Integration
The political newcomer, an Eisenhower Republican, and a Catholic who grew up in the midst of Klan violence in Indiana, cut deep into the onion when he took a stand on the

two hottest issues in the Nation's Capital—full racial integration and Home Rule—and challenged Republican State Chairman George L. Hart, Jr., to debate both. Hart ducked the challenge and came back with the stock answers: Where do you "get off"? How much money have you given to the GOP? And didn't you once vote for a Democrat?

Like another Indian, Wendell Wilkie, former Democrat, utility lawyer and GOP 1940 standard-bearer, Lamb's forthright stand has attracted an impressive cross-section of support—racial, religious and economic. His headquarters reports that more questions on integration than on any other subject are directed to the challenger, who six get-out-and-register telephones facing his headquarters door, are interracially manned. He could well say, quoting the late, great Willie, "I decided that on at least two points I might help to arouse and make articulate a body of public opinion that would demand clear statements of pur-

pose."
Backers Release "Declaration of Purpose"

Lamb backers who, last week, released a Declaration of Purpose supporting his candidacy, included Robert Grayson McGuire, businessman, the Rev. Jerry Moore, pastor of Nineteenth St. Baptist Church, Mrs. Minnie Connor, civic leader, Leon Calhoun, "Mayor" of Southwest Washington, Attorneys Henry Lincoln Johnson and Thurman Dodson, Louis H. Fisher and Herbert Williams, businessmen, columnist Constance Daniel, and others. The Lamb slate, which names Mr. Calhoun, realtor and civic leader, and Attorney Thurman Dodson as Delegates to the California Convention, opposes the "Machine" slate which names one Negro Delegate—Harry E. Polk, director of the Jim-Crow Police Boys' Club. Alternate Delegates named on the Lamb slate are the Rev. Jerry A. Moore, Jr. and Barrington Parker, attorney—the latter endorsed from the Old Guard slate. (Continued on Page Seven)

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