

PARTY PLATFORM AND CANDIDATES

Roy Wilkins, NAACP Secretary, says the Republican platform is a shade better than that of the Democrats on the subject of civil rights. He points out further that voters may have to decide which candidate to support. That we shall help them to do and shall turn the spotlight on every action, word and deed of candidates, national and state, of both parties. We do not intend to be misled ourselves or to mislead others into voting for any candidate who advocates less than absolute democracy for citizens of all races, creeds and colors. Where there is only a shade difference we intend to recommend the lesser of two evils.

The Carolina Times does not attach too much significance to party platforms. They are nice to put in the show-window. We want to know what is going on in the smoke-filled back room. Here is where deals are made and policies that are to obtain are formed.

Here in North Carolina where Governor Hodges has done everything but call out the state militia to uphold segregation, we expect to advise Negroes to vote for the Republican candidates for governor, not because we know him to be any better but because unless he is an outlaw he can be no worse than the man who now occupies the gubernatorial mansion in Raleigh. As proof of the above statement we cite here the oath which Gov-

ernor Hodges took when he assumed the highest honor the state could give him. That oath is as follows:

"I, Luther Hodges, do solemnly and sincerely swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to the State of North Carolina, and to the constitutional powers and authorities which are or may be established for the government thereof; and that I will endeavor to support, maintain and defend the Constitution of said State, NOT INCONSISTENT WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES, to the best of my knowledge and ability; SO HELP ME GOD."

When any man takes such an oath and then deliberately proceeds to disregard it by becoming the leader in a movement to defile the United States Constitution and the United States Supreme Court, finally calling a special session of the legislature for that purpose, we think it is high time for respectable citizens of both races in this state to sit up and take notice.

Mr. Wilkins is probably right in saying that the Republican civil rights plank is only a shade better than that of the Democrats. If this be the case, we therefore would advise our readers to investigate and study the record of each candidate, one by one, and vote for the one that ap-

pears to be the lesser of two evils.

If Governor Hodges had furnished the right kind of leadership, there are enough sensible white persons in North Carolina and enough sensible Negroes to have long ago sat down together around a conference table and formulated plans whereby compliance with the Supreme Court ruling on segregation in public schools could have been met with the least misunderstanding and trouble to members of both races. Instead, he deliberately proceeded to fah the fires of race hatred, browbeat Negro leaders and concoct a plan which even the most ultra-conservative Negro could not swallow, thereby leaving no alternative but to accept it or nothing.

The right kind of leadership in a Democracy does not tell a man or men that they have got to accept this or nothing. Even the humblest human may reach the point under such demagoguery where he feels that life itself is not worth having unless one can have some semblance of human dignity with it. There is not a sensible Negro in North Carolina who wishes to kick anybody around. Likewise there is not a single one of them who wants to be kicked around. That is why November will probably find Negroes voting the Republican ticket for governor as well as president.

WELCOME LOTT CAREY CONVENTION

Winston-Salem, as well as the rest of North Carolina, is happy to welcome once again the Lott Carey Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention in its annual session. It was only a few years ago that Durham, another North Carolina city, had the honor of acting as host to this great religious organization that is doing so much to relieve suffering in our own country and in other parts of the world.

While in Winston-Salem we are quite sure the delegates will find many points of interest and will be welcomed in all of the churches, homes and businesses without regard to denominational af-

filiation. Here will be found the Winston Mutual Life Insurance Company, the Safe Bus Company that is unique, in that it is the largest transit system owned and operated by the race in America. There will also be found the Winston-Salem Teachers College and above all the great R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, which at all times extends a cordial welcome to visitors to the Camel City.

Any city that is fortunate enough to become the host to a convention of 1,500 delegates and visitors is not unmindful of the financial benefit to be derived therefrom. Although Winston-Salem and

the rest of North Carolina cities are at present handicapped in entertaining any large gathering of Negroes because of inadequate hotel facilities it is hoped that by the time the Lott Carey Convention visits North Carolina again that such will be available for people of all races.

If Miami, Florida, a city of the deep South, can open its hotels to delegates and visitors of large Negro groups we are convinced that North Carolina has equally as much goodwill and that the time is not far away when the same courtesy will be extended to them in cities of this state.

CHIEF HUBERT E. KING

The passing of Chief of Police Hubert E. King will be mourned by a majority of Negro citizens of Durham. Because of the difficulty often encountered with the responsibility of enforcing the law, a police officer, from patrolman to the head of the department, is more often disliked than liked by the people around him. It was not so with Chief King. Those who knew him not only respected him as a police officer but loved him for his fairness and simple justice which he seemed to want to extend to all men.

A man just does not rise from that of a farm youth to the head of a police department of any city and hold such a position successfully for 16 years without possessing

some of the things out of which great men are made. Chief King seemed to have understood that you cannot deny the rights of democracy to one man without endangering that of all men nor can you extend those rights to the humblest citizen without strengthening democracy for the strongest and most independent. So with this conviction he, probably more than any other one person, was responsible for employing Negro police officers in Durham.

Needless to say he suffered much criticism for the act and for a while there was rained down upon his head all of the fury of the shortsighted and the ultraconservatives. Time has proved him right as Negro section after Negro section of the city has been made

more liveable and respectable by the presence of Negro police officers. Not only did he employ them but he saw to it that they were rewarded for faithful and efficient service by giving them promotions. Thus Durham citizens have been proud to boast wherever they go that they live in one of the few, if not only city in the South, that has on its police force a lieutenant and two detectives of their race.

In our book Chief King was one of Durham's finest citizens whose death caused this city to suffer a distinct loss. It is our sincere hope that his family and friends will find some comfort in the fact that he lived a most useful and full life by giving to this community one of the best police forces in the entire South.

FOR LAW AND ORDER

At Clinton, Tennessee, this week, law and order took over and a member of the White Citizens Council was jailed when he tried to incite a race riot at a high school that was experiencing its first day of integration. Twelve Negro students have entered the school and three pickets

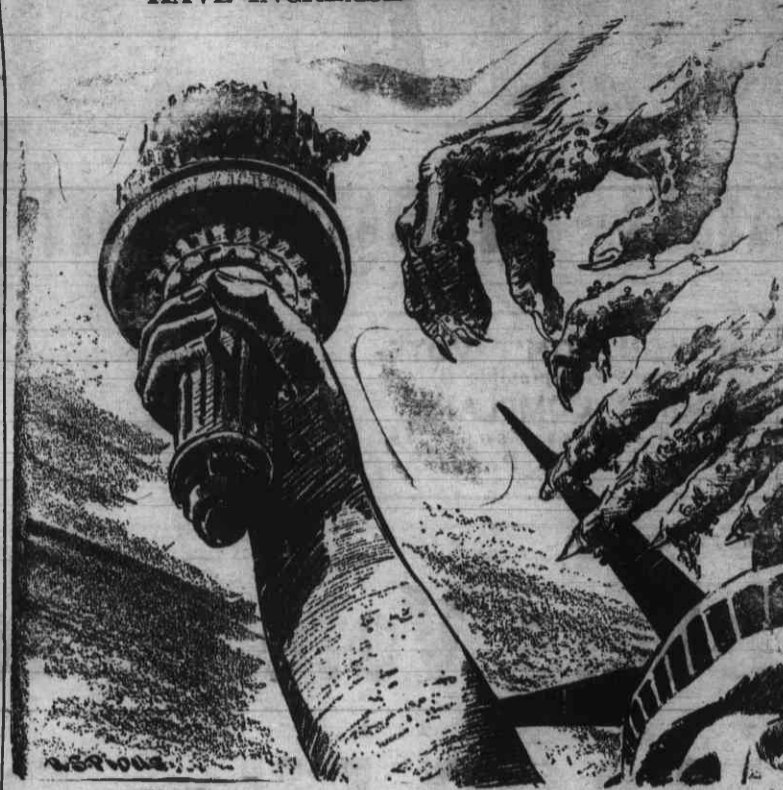
not half so important as upholding the law and letting the world know that here in America Democracy can work and is working. This little Tennessee town has done more to weaken the influence of communism in other countries of the world than the millions of dollars the United

States is spending in them trying unsuccessfully to buy their goodwill. There are some things you can't buy with money, especially from an oriental.

The White Citizens Council leader failed in Clinton, Tennessee because leading citizens in the city gave little or no encouragement to him and backed the law enforcement agency in its effort to do its duty. Let there be no mistake about it when you see rioting and other forms of disrespect for law and order, the leading citizens of a community have either encouraged it by positive action or have done so by negative action. You can't wink at lawlessness at the hands of one man or group of men in a case like that in Clinton without reaping a harvest of rioting and possible bloodshed. The police department probably knew this and nipped the thing in the bud before it was able to get started.

We think the example set by Clinton is one that should be followed in other cities of the South where hate-ridden little men are seeking to defy the U. S. Supreme Court and the U. S. Constitution. Either law and order must be upheld throughout the South in the case of integrated schools or this country must surrender to communism's contention that Democracy in America is "for white only."

RECENT COURT DECISIONS ON DESEGREGATION HAVE INCREASED HER PRESTIGE



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

August 13, 1956
The Editor
The Carolina Times

Dear Sir:
My work constantly carries me back and forth across the state and brings me in contact with people from all walks of life. For the last three or four months I have been talking to people who are disturbed over the way southern politicians are facing the pertinent issues of time.

Among our people there is a growing awareness that the GREATEST HOPE OF SALVATION FOR THE NEGRO IN NORTH CAROLINA IS A TWO-PARTY SYSTEM. One minister made this statement to me and then he posed three questions and gave the answers. I believe those questions and answers are worth passing on to others for their serious consideration.

1. FOR WHOM HAVE WE BEEN VOTING?
For men who filibuster against FEPC, anti-lynch law and civil rights.
For men who are attempting to stir up racial hatred and strife.
For demagogues who will not make an honest effort to pronounce a simple word like Negro.
For men who try to antagonize and humiliate the NAACP because it fights for human rights.
For men who are openly defying the highest court in the land.
And for men who believe that "White makes right."

2. HOW ARE WE TO COMBAT SUCH OBVIOUS DISREGARD AND DISRESPECT FOR THE NEGRO VOTE?
By organizing our votes.
By organizing our votes, to back the Republican Party.
Two-hundred thousand organized votes could make the Democratic Party aware of the Negro, his rights and his potentials.
Be not deceived by the southern white man's hypocritical criticism of bloc voting. He has been doing it for years. That is what created a one-party

system in the South. We must use the same technique in order to have our presence felt on the political scene.

3. HOW CAN THIS PLAN BE PUT INTO OPERATION?
Through individual efforts—crusading in the factories and the fields, the offices and market-places.
Through civic, fraternal, educational, social, and religious organizations.
Through mass meetings where issues are defined and the record of candidates are examined.
And through organized political action.
Let us make up and face up to reality. We are not getting anywhere by voting for southern democrats, so why not make a change?

Sincerely yours,
JOHN W. FLEMING

The Editor
The Carolina Times

Dear Sir:
In your issue of July 14, you carried a letter regarding Averell Harriman's being a Catholic, and quoting some terribly enlightening claims by a Pope of Rome to the right to rule the world.
The other day I was given a pamphlet by a Catholic priest, published by the Catholic Literature Society, which states that Catholics do not believe "that the Pope has temporal rights in the United States." This statement is probably true of most Catholics, since most of them are not acquainted with the ultimate aims of the church, nor with the bloody history which she has created for herself in an attempt to rule, both temporally and spiritually, the entire world.
The Catholic Church is desperately seeking to keep, sub rosa, the fact that Harriman is a Catholic. They know that it was Al Smith's Catholicism that defeated him in his bid for the presidency.
Ordinarily, a man's church

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VINOBA BHAVE: A DISCIPLE OF GANDHI

BY MARY MILLS

He finally burned all of his credentials from school, certificates and diplomas and then left home. He never saw his mother again; she died during the influenza epidemic in 1928. He refused to attend the funeral since he objected to the caste system which prescribed that all funerals rites should be conducted by professional priests.
And though he left home to take his examination at Bombay University, he had no intention of doing it but rather decided to "dedicate" himself; to what, at the particular time, he wasn't concerned. He had considered studying the sanskrit and taking a part in the anti-British movement. He was quickly disillusioned with terrorism because of its policy of deceit and violence. He was now studying in Benares University the seat of Hindu learning and a hotbed of nationalist intrigue.

He had been in the University when Gandhi, shortly back from his sojourn and experiences in South Africa, made a speech before an audience of bejeweled princes in which he told them to discard their finery since it had been purchased with the price of blood from India's starving millions. "That was what Vinoba had been waiting for, this was the "holy grail" and immediately he put down his studies in the university and followed "the Master."
Gandhi had not been accustomed to having young men

follow the cause at such an early age. Vinoba was different from the very beginning. He vowed to wear no more than one garment at a time to forego salt in his food, the last remaining condition which he allowed himself. These vows were taken in secret with God. When Gandhi found out that Vinoba had left home without even telling his family of his whereabouts he wrote them saying: "your son Vinoba is with me"; young as he is, he has reached spiritual heights which have taken me years of patient labor to attain."
Some time later Vinoba requested a year's leave from the Ashram to continue his studies of the sanskrit and to wander along the countryside, seeing himself how poorly he could live. He went by foot and took no money with him. Exactly a year later and on the very hour he returned. This was proof of his loyalty to mathematics though Gandhi called it truth. Vinoba requested that Gandhi adopt him as his spiritual son. Gandhi replied: "Your love and character overwhelm me and I accept the role. A truthful father should produce a more truthful son than himself. In your case, through no effort of mine, I see that this has already happened."
From that time Gandhi regarded his serious young disciple as superior to himself. He was twice his age but gave him the title of Acharya (pre- (Please turn to page 7)

Spiritual Insight

"HE IS ALWAYS THERE"

By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND
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"Did not we cast in three... but I see four..."—Dan. 3:24, 25.

The righteous has the assurance that God is ever with him. God stands with his own in the hours of trial and testing. The enemy was astounded to find the Most High God standing amid his children in the hour of great crisis, God will never leave nor forsake us. God is a very present help in the time of trouble. What a source of strength and courage the believer has to know that "HE IS ALWAYS THERE."
The faithful believer can count on God in the time of testing. And in God we can always pass the test with flying colors. How can we really know about this faith until we face some critical hour of testing? The testing hour is a sure way of knowing about the power of our faith. These testing hours prove our spirit and our character. The word is right... "These things

come to prove us..." God was there a long time ago in the hour of testing. And he is with us now in our hours of testing. In him you can say... "The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear..." Yes, the faithful knows that in every hour of testing... "HE IS ALWAYS THERE..."
God is there to deliver the trusting soul. The three Hebrews find that in the crisis he is there to deliver them. They stand for right. And they find that God is there to bring them through the ordeal as conquerors. They had done no wrong. In a world like this you don't have to do wrong to suffer. Just believe in God and do what is right and you may find yourself in serious trouble. But we have the assurance that there is deliverance for the testing soul. God will give you a day of triumph... "God sent his angel and delivered his servants, who trusted him..." Those who are faithful in the service of the

Lord know "HE IS ALWAYS THERE."
Life is different when we know that we have the presence and the power of God. What do you know about his presence in time of trial and tribulation? Can you say from personal experience... "HE IS ALWAYS THERE..." You must know of God's presence and power in your own life. To read and listen to the stories of others may be all right. But there is nothing like knowing this truth from personal experience! You are all right if you can say from personal experience I know... "HE IS ALWAYS THERE..." How do you know? I have always found him there in the time of need.
Those who live according to his Holy will, will find him there giving strength, courage and hope. God's words are true. "I WILL NEVER LEAVE NOR FORSAKE THEE..."

Capital Close Up . . .

By CONSTANCE DANIEL

DEMOCRATIC CLAIMS AND CIVIL RIGHTS
Back in the days when the New Deal was doing much that was right and much that was wrong, an enlightened and conscientious Government colleague called us one day, at 6:30 in the morning, and said, "The boss wants to know who you are for — the NAACP or the Department?" At 6:31, we replied, "The answer is, 'for principle,' which he should know, by now."
A typical story... nothing unusual. The '44 Campaign was oncoming. Vote-building was in process. The department head in question had done some fast maneuvering for potential votes via increased loans, through subsidiaries in the Deep South. Negroes had not been included, for ironical ly obvious reasons.
The powers that were were caught in the act, and waxed belligerent in a huddle with Thurgood Marshall. Later, when asked to repudiate Thurgood's accurate report of this comment, we declined. Hence the "Who are you for?" "FDR" FOR THE "COTTON SOUTH"

what "FDR" had done made a difference! Naturally, this information, which could have been checked without too much effort, was not used.
"SEGREGATION IN WASHINGTON"
Without the quotes, segregation is the blot on the Nation which the Eisenhower Administration — minus certain conspicuous elements in its following — has sought to erase, with marked success. It is the blot that has existed in the Federal City for generations; that existed through both Cleveland Administrations and was darkened by the Wilson Administration.
In quotes, "Segregation in Washington" is a monograph summary of a survey conducted in the Nation's Capital, with the last of the Rosenwald Fund money—conducted over a period of many months by the National Committee on Segregation in the Nation's Capital.
WHO WERE THESE PEOPLE?
There were 92 names on the Committee's membership list, names like: Edwin Embree, then Rosenwald Fund president, Harry Emerson Fosdick, Charles H. Houston, Hubert Humphrey, Charles S. Johnson of Fisk; Mordcael Johnson of Howard; Eleanor Roosevelt, Publisher Frank Stanley, Channing Tobias, Phillip Murray, Walter White, E. Franklin Frazier, Lester Granger, Bishop G. Bromley Oxum (his Sibley Hospital here still excludes Negroes) and many others. They were, as the saying goes, "Names to conjure with."
There was a research committee of eight, which included Will Alexander, E. Franklin Frazier, Robert Weaver,

and Charles Houston, a research staff of three, and nine official research analysts — Northern, Southern, black and white. We volunteered our services — on request — for many months, in the belief that the job was being done for the advancement of democracy, spelled with a small "d." We are of the opinion that many, if not most of those on the committee, or who worked with the committee, held a like belief.
HOW THE SURVEY WAS USED
When the survey was completed, in May of '48, the question was passed around, to key people, "When should these findings be released?"
Educator Nannie Burroughs of Lincoln Heights, D. C., who is a Republican, said, in our presence, "Release the findings so that they will be available to both political convention." We were present when several such contracts were made, and the answers were all the same. But the survey was made available in time for use only by the Democratic Convention. All of which should be remembered when the temptation is strong to wrap party claims in the Robes of Righteousness.

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