

Wanted: The Old Schoolhouse

It is now beginning to dawn upon the surviving senior citizens of today that probably after all is said and done they should cherish the memory of the old frame schoolhouse of yesteryear with its pot-bellied stove and teacher who taught simple reading, writing and arithmetic "to the tune of a hickory stick." Many of those who perchanced to have been a product of such an educational system of those bygone days, when it comes to every day spelling and proper use of the English language, will often put to shame the average holder of a bachelor's or even a master's degree from many of our present day colleges with all their finery, in the form of modern steam-heated buildings, text books, equipment and other paraphernalia.

Somewhere along the line, in the development of what is often referred to as modern education, it appears that something has gone haywire. They sometimes refer to it as "social promotion," and other high and professional sounding terms, when pupils in our present day schools are advanced or promoted to the next class, whether or not they have done the

work in the present class. Promotion of such pupils is made to the next class, they claim, on the basis that to retain them in the same class, until promotion is earned, would harm their personality.

We think it is too late to save the personality of such a person from shock after he is employed on the basis of his high school or college classification for both his employer and him to discover that he is totally unprepared for the position for which he has been employed. The belated shock comes when he has to be told that he is unqualified for the position simply because of a lack of spelling ability or other basic knowledge he should have acquired in elementary or high school.

So, in desperation, we throw out an appeal to any person or persons who may know the whereabouts of a graduate of a plain, old-fashioned, frame schoolhouse with its pot-bellied stove, benches with no backs, occasional spelling-bees and a teacher or teachers who have the gall and the guts to teach the "three r's" or in plain words, "reading, riting and rith-metic."

The New Administration at NCC

In less than a month from today, Dr. Albert Whiting, the newly elected president of N. C. College, will come to Durham to assume the full responsibilities of the position for which he has been chosen. To say that Dr. Whiting has a big and tedious job already cut out for him is putting it in conservative terms. We think, however, that it is most fortunate that the new president of NCC will assume his office when the institution is not in regular session. It is fortunate because he will have at least a few weeks to study the situation firsthand which he will face in attempting to guide the destiny of NCC in the years from that are to come.

It is our feeling that we are expressing the sentiment of every loyal alumnus of NCC and all good citizens of Durham when we say that Dr. Whiting will have the prayers, best wishes and support for success in the gigantic task that is set before him. Whatever is said or done, the suc-

cess or failure of NCC will automatically be shared by all of the citizens of Durham and of great concern to members of the alumni association wherever they may be found.

It is also our hope that every member of the NCC faculty, student leaders and the student body as a whole, will also join with Dr. Whiting, the alumni and friends of NCC in counteracting any turmoil, unrest or misunderstanding which may arise during the coming school year. If all concerned will only put their shoulders to the wheel to aid the new administration at NCC, we are satisfied that success will be the result.

Without attempting to be too presumptuous, the Carolina Times takes this means of pledging to the new administration at NCC its full support for the new school year and those that are to follow. We, therefore, extend to Dr. Whiting and his family a hearty welcome to Durham and trust they will find in this newspaper a tried and trusted friend.

Support For the NCVEP

The Carolina Times throws its full support behind the formation of the North Carolina Voter Education Project recently formulated for North Carolina. The NCVEP, as the non-partisan organization may be referred to for brevity, has for its goal a unit of its voter education program in every precinct, county and congressional district of the state. This we think deserves the full support of every worthwhile citizen of the state, whatever his party affiliation.

With the acting chairman of the NCVEP being a leading minister of the state, the Rev. A. I. Dunlap of Weldon, it is our hope that other ministers will fall in line and throw their support behind the project which as we understand has for its

purpose greater exercise of the ballot by registered and non-registered Negro citizens.

Under the leadership of John Edwards, Durham young man of energy and steadfastness, as its director, it is our feeling the NCVEP can become a telling influence in securing through the use of the ballot many of the rights which some are now claiming can only be obtained through the wielding of "black power."

We urge our ministers, teachers, businessmen and others in all walks of life to get behind the NCVEP and build here in North Carolina the kind of organization that will have as its program the welfare of all citizens irrespective of race, creed or color.

More Money for Jobs and Education

President Johnson has proposed to spend \$650,000,000 more on education to strengthen Project Head Start for pre-school education of underprivileged children and to extend a beefed-up education program for them into the first years of elementary school. He also proposes more remedial reading and vocational education classes to prevent juvenile delinquency by keeping potential drop-outs in school and to get those who have dropped out back into the main stream of earning and learning.

These proposals are wise and deserve criticism only for their inadequate financing. Investment in education for youth is the wisest investment we can make. Saving even a few young people from juvenile delinquency would benefit society as well as the young people, for the road to crime often begins with youthful delinquency.

We must also make sure that there will be jobs available for all our young people. The general unemployment rate at nearly 4 percent of the labor force is too high, for Negroes the jobless rate is double that, and for Negro teenagers double again. We need a massive Federal program of useful public works to provide more jobs, plus stricter enforcement of the Fair Employment Practice section of the Federal Civil Rights law to en-

sure Negroes getting a fair proportion of the new jobs thus created. And we should offer tax incentives to employers to hire unskilled workers and give them on the job training to upgrade their skills and usefulness. Employers do this for whites, they should do so for Negroes also.

College Demonstrators

The trend in the United States in recent years has been toward a growing number of student demonstrations.

The public was more sympathetic with moves to allow members of minority races to attend certain schools than with some of the more recent protests about the composition of faculty, rights of the students and powers of student organizations.

The history of the great democracies shows that one of the differences between their societies and that of, for example, the Latin nations is in the behavior of students at the university level. In some countries students agitate actively in politics, lead protests against the government and even help stir revolutions.

In our country college and universities have allowed students almost the Egyptian demand, the U.N. leader helped open the door to a highly dangerous and explosive situation.

When The Mask Is Removed



SPIRITUAL INSIGHT

By REV. HAROLD ROLAND



Those Who Exercise Patience Will Receive God's Promises

"At the time fixed I will come."
—Rom. 9:9

Men in their impatience fail to wait for God's appointed time. Those who will exercise patience will receive the promises of God. Our time and God's time may be a little different. We, in our weakness and finiteness, work from the narrow perspective of time. We by nature are bound by time and space. We work within the framework of definite limitations. Thus we get impatient as we await the fulfillment of the promises of the Eternal God. But God works from the perspective of time and eternity. The Psalmist is trying to tell us this: "A thousand years is but as yesterday when it is passed." Then let us ever remember God's promise: "At the time fixed I will come." Our impatience produces fretfulness as we wait for God to fulfill His promise to us. Here then do we see the need of the spiritual resources of faith and patience. Many of us do not like the connotations of the word patience. Many see

it as an excuse to let unjust and sinful things remain as they are. But true patience is that spiritual power to wait for that which we are confident shall come to pass. As we wait in patience for the coming of God to fulfill His powers we can be assured our waiting is not in vain. When the clock strikes, and the time is ripe God will come. Patience—waiting for God's promises is not in vain nor futile. God will reward the patience of the just. Thus we are rightly commanded: "To wait and be of good courage." We can rest our hopes on God's word. Believing souls become a little uneasy at times when they behold the glamour and fading glory of the unjust. They seem to flourish for a while—yes, remember its just for awhile. And thus we are told "Fret not yourself because of evil doers for they will soon be cut off." And then the word of God adds to support the faith and patience of the righteous. "I have never seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." It is al-

ways safe to do right and trust God. God will honor his promises. God's word will be fulfilled. Then let us rest our hopes in God knowing that "At the time fixed I will come." Yes, God will be there at the appointed time.

Let us resolve to take our stand on God's promises in the assurance that in due time God will reward our faith. The point is to trust God and He will bring it to pass. Men by nature will fail at times. Men work within the framework of definite limitations. Men in their depravity let us down. Men take sick and are unable to keep their promises. Men die so they find it impossible to keep their promises. But he who stands in unshakable faith on the promises of God will not be let down nor disappointed.

We as believers in God have the great promise of Christ as He ascended into Heaven. "Lo, I am with you always." Truly our labors in the Lord are not in vain.

--Grads

Continued from front page hopes for the future are just as bright.

But in one major respect, Mimi, Mary and Buddy are unique. They are what remains of the first group of undergraduate Negro students admitted to Duke.

The group was never large; it consisted of only five members back in 1963. In the course of the four-year-long quest for sheepskins, one of that number left school to take a job and a second to join the armed forces.

Mimi and Buddy plan to continue their studies beyond Monday's commencement, both aiming toward Ph.D. degrees. Mary, who attended one session of summer school and thus was able to complete her studies in psychology and pre-medicine last January, now is married and working at the Duke's Aging Center. She, too hopes to do graduate study eventually.

Mimi will begin work toward her doctorate in American studies next fall at Harvard University with the aid of a coveted Woodrow Wilson fellowship. Her ultimate goal is a career as a college professor.

One of Duke's most popular students, Mimi was this spring elected May Queen by her fellow students at the Woman's College.

White, who has been on the dean's list for each of the last two semesters, has received a research assistantship from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He will begin studies there this fall toward a Ph.D. in statistics. At Duke, he has worked as a part-time consultant to an undergraduate computer programming course in mathematics.

In Durham, Buddy is the son

A graduate of Hillside High of Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel White. His father is a Durham printer and a graduate of Hampton Institute.

Mrs. Harris went through elementary, junior and senior high schools, as well as the University, in many of the same classes with White. Soon after her sophomore year at Duke, she married Michael William Harris of Raleigh, a North Carolina College graduate who now works with the North Carolina Fund. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Willie Lee Mitchell of Durham.

--Nassau

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—small bodies with a fine rose white plumage and velvet wings perform. The Native women made a wonderful impression by demonstrating handy craft work by making straw hats, bags, pocket books and other articles to sell to the many tourists to carry back home to their friends. At night, several of the night clubs and cabarets were visited to hear their music and enjoy the late dances. The tour ended with the tour of the beautiful Paradise Island.

--Postal

Continued from front page and which is apparently devoid of any corrective authority." He said present complaint procedures are violated, thus, creating "endless delay" and that the EEO program is understaffed and poorly funded. Calling for a full-staffed and well-funded program manned by intelligent and dedicated personnel, Smith said his group is seeking enforcement regula-

tions that can shorten the period between complaint and relief, and provide disciplinary action against violators.

Smith said that the equality of opportunity will only come into the postal service when patronage and special influence are ruled out. Not only are the positions of Postmaster and Rural Letter Carrier achieved through political assistance, the NAPE official stated, but so are the Department's positions at grade GS-13 and above. The regional positions are a part of the patronage system and above first level supervision in all post offices, in spite of the efforts of some postmasters who obtain some promotions on merit.

--Mebane

Continued from front page also the recipient of a \$1,600 scholarship from Rensselaer which is renewable each year.

On the undergraduate level Rensselaer ranks with such schools as California Institute of Technology, Carnegie Tech and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

--Honorary

Continued from front page his achievements in his profession of insurance and banking, he has been a leader in education, in religious activities, and in civic enterprise, richly contributing to all through his wise and effective endeavors. Serving his country beyond our shores, he represented the United States at the inauguration of the President of Nigeria; and he was an official delegate to the UNESCO Conference at New Delhi. He has received a Presidential Citation. The University of North

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To Be Equal

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG JR.

Role Of Negro Colleges

THERE ARE few positions in American higher education more important or sought after than that of Dean of Harvard College. There are few positions less sought after than that of staff member of a small, unaccredited Negro College in Birmingham, Ala. college in the Deep South.



Yet the Dean of Harvard College, Dr. John U. Monro, recently quit his job to take the position of Director of Freshman studies at Miles College in Birmingham, Ala. This step had the effect of an atomic blast on the educational community. Many people just didn't understand why anyone would leave a position laden with prestige and status to face the tasks of working in a Negro college in the Deep South.

Dean Monro gave the answer. "I want to disassociate myself from any idea that this is a sacrifice," he said, "I see it as a job of enormous reward." He set an example other educators should follow. The challenge of deeply influencing the course of education in colleges whose student bodies come from backgrounds of poverty and segregation is far more rewarding to men whose intellectual vigor is matched by their sense of moral justice, than teaching in our established and prestigious institutions.

Miles College Excellent Example

Miles College is an excellent example of the important work being done by the Negro colleges in the South. For the past three summers, under Miles' brilliant and dedicated President, Dr. Lucius Pitts, Dean Monro has taken part in the development of a new curriculum for freshmen and a program of grooming high school students for college work.

Miles is the only college accessible to Negro students in the Birmingham area. Most of them attend the segregated high school which has a student body of 4,000. By focusing on these students, motivating them to continue their education and providing remedial work to heal the scars of their inferior, segregated public school training, Miles is living up to the highest responsibilities of American Colleges. Few others, with greater prestige and resources, are doing nearly as much.

About half the Negro college students in the country—100,000—attend predominantly Negro colleges. Many of them are doing so at great sacrifice to their families and their own efforts to help others often keep them from continuing their own education. One student said: "I'd like so much to go to grad school, but I've got to get my sister through college first."

This sacrifice and dedication to the goals of higher education is one of the great unsung stories today. If Dean Monro did nothing else, he deserves the gratitude of all Americans for focusing national attention on the needs and dedication of the students attending these schools.

They Labor Under Handicaps

They labor under great handicaps. Our big universities have millions of dollars endowment income, but these schools have to scrape along on a shoestring. While some support comes from the United Negro College Fund and other institutions and individuals, there is a crying need for help to enable them to do the job which must be done.

Carolina is pleased to honor this distinguished citizen with the degree of Doctor of Laws.

Church, Monday at 8:00 p.m. Honorable Leroy R. Johnson, Georgia State Senator, will deliver the principal address.

--Advocates

Continued from front page completely in keeping with its record of terrorism as a reaction against social progress. "The same mind-set that is responsible for the bombing of children in Birmingham is responsible for the bombing of children in Vietnam," he said.

"Since the most significant gains in assuring people their constitutional rights have been made through non-violence," he went on to say, "the demonstrators believe that America can best preserve its freedom through peaceful means." Mr. Klinefelter, of SCLC, pointed out that whenever Dr. Martin Luther King or any other Negro leader spoke out against the administration policy in Vietnam, there has been a hard-boiled alliance between the civil rights organizations and the peace groups: the KKK here demonstrates an alliance between the racists and the war-hawks.

--Contest

Continued from front page and a brand new Westinghouse Color television will be made by Dr. C. E. Boulware, member of the Durham City Council.

Winner of the Mustang, the first prize, is Mrs. J. A. Carter of Durham. Winner of the color television, the second prize, is Mrs. Oneida McGhee, also of Durham.

Awarding of the third prize, a brand new mink stole, will be made, Sunday, June 18, 6:30 p.m. at the Second Baptist Church on South Graham St. in Chapel Hill.

Winner of the third prize is Mrs. Aline Baldwin, resident of Chapel Hill. The third prize will be awarded by Mrs. Susie Weaver, president of the Chapel Hill Funeral Home.

Remarks of appreciation by L. E. Austin, publisher of the Carolina Times, will follow the presentation part of both programs.

--Johnson

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gia, and Florida. The program will open with the registration Monday, June 12 at 8:00 A.M. with a public meeting at St. Joseph's A.M.E.

WHO KNOWS?

1. Which President threw the first baseball to start the baseball season?
2. Who invented the lightning rod?
3. How high is Mt. Ranier?
4. Define the word winnow.
5. Deutzia is a member of what shrub family?
6. In what year were the well-known Dionne quintuplets born?
7. Where is Devils Tower?
8. What does a lexicographer do?
9. Name the largest animal that has ever lived on the earth or in the waters that still exists.
10. For what is Charles Wesley best known?

Answers To Who Knows

1. President William Howard Taft in 1910.
2. Benjamin Franklin.
3. 14,410 feet.
4. To separate or sift, as chaff from grain.
5. Saxifragaceae family.
6. 1934.
7. In the Black Hills country, Wyoming.
8. He is a compiler of dictionaries.
9. The whale.
10. As a writer of hymns.

• FOUR-YEAR-OLD to his mother: "I like you better than any other leading brand." Catholic Digest—May.