

The Pattern of Token Integration

The widespread and apparent determination on the part of the white power structure units in every county, city and town of North Carolina — and we suspect every other southern state — to maintain the tokenism desegregation plan now in effect, is something to behold when put under a magnifying glass of law and order. All over North Carolina the efforts on the part of the so-called law abiding white citizens to evade the integration of the public schools, employment in state, county and city offices is something to behold.

Here in Durham, for an example, where there are several of the largest Negro business enterprises of the nation, in addition to a sizeable Negro college, all of which employ many Negroes whose salary checks contribute considerably to the economy of the state, county and city, token integration continues practically, unmoled in the county courthouse, the city hall, the public schools and other places of employment maintained directly from all the taxpayers pockets. In short, the white power structure is determined, come hell or highwater, to maintain a pattern of segregation, in spite of the orders or direction of the United States Supreme Court to the contrary.

Sad but true, at the back of those

supporting such tactics is the white church with its pious faced ministers who stand in the pulpits on Sunday morning, as ambassadors of Him who admonished mankind to "Love one another" and that "God is no respecter of person," whatever his race or the color of his skin. So, with the characteristic slap on the wrist being applied, the white parishioner is made to believe that he is living the life or following in the footsteps of the Master.

We think the time is now for every black and white citizen who believes in Christianity and democracy to take up the cudgel to rid our nation of the hypocrisy of token integration now being maintained in public offices of our states, counties and cities. We think the time has also arrived for officials of the Durham Committee On Negro Affairs to pay a visit to Durham's City Hall, the Durham Courthouse and observe the scarcity or lack of black employees.

Unless some action is taken now we may awaken one morning to discover that a new and determined organization has arrived on the scene that will be moved only by action instead of a battery of pious words and promises which for the time being have proved to be only techniques of evasion and refusal.

Discussions About Racial Superiority

The findings or the verdict rendered by the panel of educators recently held at the University of California in Berkeley, which declared that, "there is a wide difference between white and Negro children in school achievement," sound to us too much like a conspiracy to perpetuate the widely circulated or general contention of a large segment of southern whites that Negroes, from a mental standpoint, are inferior to people of the white race. The verdict or findings rendered by the panel, to our way of thinking, amounts to pointing a finger in the face of God Almighty, accusing Him of deliberately making Negro human beings inferior to white and branding them with a black skin so they can be easily identified wherever they may tread upon this earth.

While we did not attend the panel in person, we find no evidence in its reports that its findings explained just exactly how or why such personalities as Frederick Douglas, George Washington Carver, Booker T. Washington, Mary McLeod Bethune, Phillis Wheatley, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Harry T. Burleigh, Thurgood Marshall, Blanche K. Bruce and many other Negroes, too numerous to mention, were able to

excell or equal whites in their respective fields, in spite of their race or the color of their skin? It thus appears that if the participants of the panel were not endeavoring to formulate a conspiracy on the question of Negroes being equal to whites, they were hard up for something to do.

We have observed in many instances the emergence of mental giants from some of the most poverty stricken black and white homes to be found and likewise, the emergence of mental midgets from some of the most pretentious and wealthiest homes. To cap it off, parental background and even environment have often appeared to have played little or no part in the mental capacity or achievement of an offspring or offsprings.

It may be that the Great Maker of us all was too wise to leave the knowledge, the how come or the why of such in the hands of mankind. Thus, about the best humans can do about the matter is to provide panel discussions or write books about what, this newspaper holds, is an unsolved mystery of mental ability and achievement that transcends race, creed or color.

Ralph Emerson McGill

It is totally impossible for us to find words adequate enough to pay tribute we so much desire to Ralph McGill, publisher of the ATLANTA CONSTITUTION, who died recently or just two days before his 71st birthday. Ralph Emerson McGill was more than a courageous newspaperman, a fearless publisher and editor or a journalistic institution within himself. He was a mighty fortress and a voice thundering, not crying, in the wilderness of the deep South against racial depravity, and hatred. As vicious as the state of Georgia and other states of the deep South are, with regards to the race question, it is hard to visualize what they would have been without the influence of the relentless, crusading pen of Ralph McGill over the past 30 years. Thus his passing leaves an

empty void that will not be easily filled in journalistic circles of the deep South.

That this dynamic crusader, principally in defense of the southern Negro, met a natural death instead of being assassinated early in his life, will forever remain one of the unsolved mysteries of those fearless and courageous persons who take up the cudgel in behalf of the Negro.

Because our efforts to pay a final and befitting tribute to one of God's noblest sons loom so futile before us, we close with the full satisfaction that the passing of Ralph McGill merely opened the door for his passing into the realm of everlasting peace to which all such good men enter after they have "shuffled off this mortal coil."

Inflation Serious

Largely untreated in the final message to the American people by outgoing President Lyndon Johnson was the grim danger facing the nation at this very moment because of inflation.

Most Americans realize inflation makes prices rise, which means they pay more for goods. They also are aware that it reduces the true value of savings, which so many elderly people depend on.

What is more serious for the nation is the threat continued inflation poses to the nation's trade, to its traditional trade surplus. This would be more apparent if 1968 had not witnessed a massive flow of foreign investment capital into the United States (caused by several European panics).

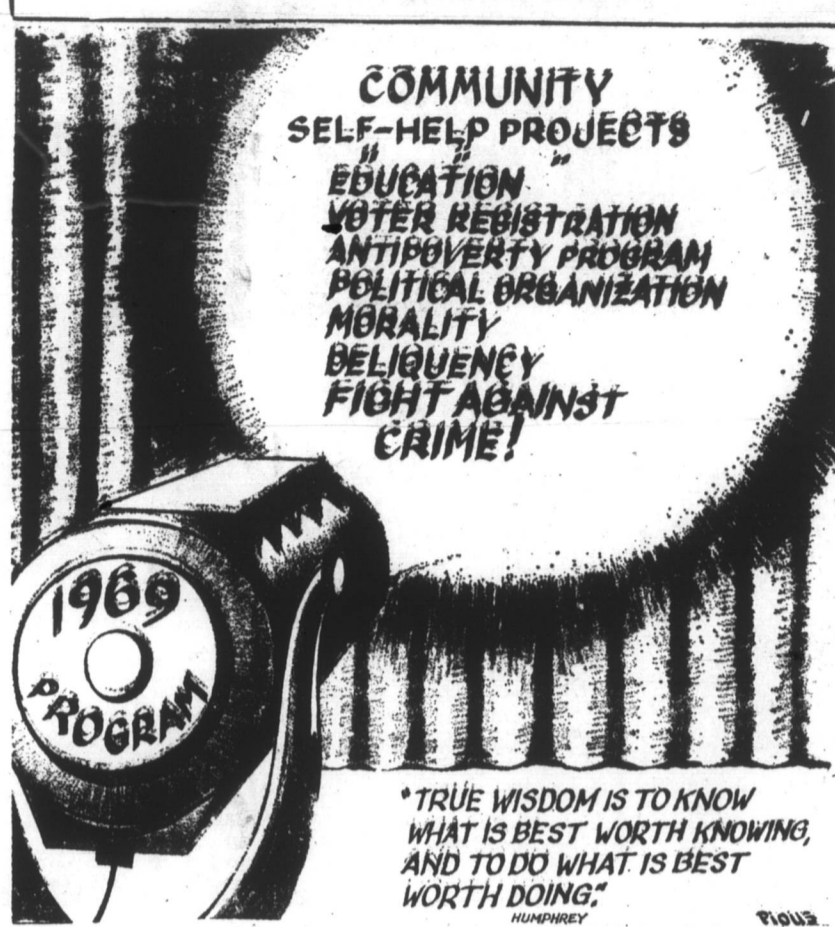
That inflow of foreign capital enabled the U.S. international payments to end the year in the black for the first time in years—about \$150,000,000 in the black. It hid the fact that our traditional trade surplus, which

has made possible all our foreign aid programs and foreign wars to a great extent (since deficits in international payments balances would have been far higher had we not enjoyed a trade surplus regularly), dropped sharply in 1968.

We are facing hot competition from foreign nations like Japan, which are moving into many American market areas with great selling success. And as our wages go up, and prices increase, our products are being priced out of the world market in many cases. Figures show that our trade surplus in 1968 was only \$500,000,000, when it should have been three or four billions—using the past as a guide.

Obviously we are not going to enjoy a huge inflow of foreign capital into the country every year. This is why inflation must be curbed if the nation and Americans are to continue to enjoy economic health and prosperity, one prerequisite of which is a trade surplus.

Get Involved!



--Methodist

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will visit the Publishing Houses of the three denominations and ascertain the physical asset, with an eye toward the proper production and distribution of the 3 name items to the potential 3 million membership of the new church.

The Committee will report to a special commission, composed of a bishop from each denomination, the managers of the publishing houses, the editors of the various publications, the public relation people, and contributing editors. Bishop Burton was of the opinion that the ground work could be done and submitted for approval in order for the operation to begin June 1.

The two-day meet, which was presided over by Bishop W. J. Walls, A.M.E. Zion, went into all the ramifications of a union and it was expressed by Bishop Jordan, A.M.E., and Bishop Doyle, C.M.E., who head the commission from their respective denominations, that there seems to be no obstacle to this merger and that barring unforeseen obstacles, it would become a reality in 1972.

--Student

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scholarship will be increased to \$5,000. Second, third, and fourth ranking Homemakers of Tomorrow in the nation will have their original scholarship grants increased to \$4,000, \$3,000 and \$2,000, respectively.

This is the 15th year of the Betty Crocker Search, initiated in 1954-55 by General Mills to emphasize the importance of homemaking as a career. More than six million senior girls have participated in the Search program since its inception, and 1,460 winners will have earned scholarships totaling \$1,591,500 at the conclusion of the current program.

The 630,564 girls from 15,116 schools registering for the 1969 Betty Crocker Search established a new record for the program.

--School

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best, it was the only feasible one and the "only one that met with more approval than any of the others."

Chairman Dozier stated that there is nothing the board can do until a hearing is held before U. S. Judge Edwin M. Stanley February 20.

It reported that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will file an alternate plan of desegregation by February 14.

--Market

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up to a maximum income of \$6,000. Class A certificates are renewable annually.

The other one-third of the board will be elected from the ranks of Class B stockholders. These are non-poor persons who paid five dollars for each Class B share. These stockholders do not receive a dividend but get first chance at dividends, if the board votes to declare a dividend. No Class B shares are being issued at this time to the general public.

When the UDI opens its doors this spring, its customers will receive quality food at reasonable prices. The supermarket will use group buying in order to make low prices possible. The exact location of the store is not known at present, but four neighborhoods are being considered as possibilities. The store will be located in an area convenient to the customers it will serve. Plans call for such extra features as consumer education services and transportation assistance. Finally, the store hopes to hire as many neighborhood persons as possible to staff the supermarket.

The steam behind UDI is the strong support low-income people have given the idea for such a service-oriented business venture. Workers from the United Organizations for Community Improvement (UOCI) and Operation Breakthrough collected enough pledges from low-income citizens last summer to prove that there was a need for a supermarket which would have the people's interests in mind.

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Monday in the education building auditorium.

At 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 11, Louis Austin, editor of the Carolina Times, initiated a series of "oral histories" on the theme, "The Negro in North Carolina History." Austin spoke on his experiences as an editor in the fight against segregation and discrimination. This event will also be in the Student Union.

At 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, a panel of history faculty members, Dr. Arnold Taylor and Mrs. Barbara Benevie, with student body president Alfred Whitesides, were discussed William Styron's "The Confessions of Nat Turner."

On Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Student Union, "Teaching Afro-American History in the Public Schools" will be discussed by Dr. Brewer and Dr. Taylor. The James E. Shepard Memorial Library will display many of the historical volumes from its Treasure Room, which houses the colleges Afro-American history collection.

Pictures, cultural artifacts, and teaching material will be on display in other areas of the Student Union. Films and film strips relating to the theme of the programs are scheduled for between 3 and 5 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Planners for the programs are Dr. Render, Professor of English, and Dr. Taylor, professor of History.

of our towns and counties send out men to perform the most dangerous duties in our society...and we send them often with inadequate equipment and without the training they want and need."

--Officer

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Morgan then said "We send these officers out to stand between us and the criminal element of our society without first making sure that we have obtained the best possible men for the job by offering attractive wages and compensating them for overtime services... this is neither fair nor reasonable."

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

By Courtesy—Louis J. Baptiste, Editor, Dept of Church School Literature AMEZ Church

—For February 16, 1969

DISCIPLINES FOR DISCIPLES

Background Scripture: Mark 6:7-56

Scripture: Mark 6:7-13, 30-34; Devotional Read.: 2 Corinthians 5:17—6:10

And he called unto him the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits;

8. And commanded them that they should take nothing for their journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no money in their purse;

9. But be shod with sandals; and not put on two coats;

10. And he said unto them, In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from that place.

11. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment, than for that city.

12. And they went out, and preached that men should repent.

13. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them.

30. And the apostles gathered themselves together unto Jesus, and told him all things, both what they had done, and what they had taught.

31. And he said unto them, Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.

32. And they departed into a desert place by ship privately.

33. And the people saw them departing, and many knew him, and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together unto him.

34. And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

GOLDEN TEXT: Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. John 15:14.

HOME DAILY BIBLE READINGS: February 10-16. M. The Disciples Sent Forth. Mark 6:7-13. T. The Need for Renewal. Mark 6:30-34. W. Compassion for the Hungry. Mark 6:35-44. Th. "Have No Fear." Mark 6:45-52. F. Many Made Whole. Mark 6:53-56. S. Chosen by the Master. John 15:12-17. S. "Ambassadors for Christ." 2 Corinthians 5:17-6:1.

CENTRAL THOUGHT: Equipment for the task of discipleship is not material, but spiritual, and through Christ our needs are supplied.

COMMENTS ON LESSON: 1. The Disciples Empowered: Our Lord moves the twelve disciples up a step higher—from disciples to apostles. They had now been long enough with the Master not only to have imbibed much of his spirit, but to have learned the

nature of his ministry, and to have entered into its methods. And, too, their evangelistic journey would be disciplinary to themselves and profitable to the population of Galilee, and it would increase and extend the interest of the people in the ministry of our Lord. It is always strengthening to see men and women of God interested in the plight of others, and doing their part to bring them to Christ, our common Redeemer. This requires purpose, organization and spiritual industry.

Our Lord's call to the disciples, and his subsequent commissioning to go forth, put upon them the responsibility of being imitators of Jesus. They were enjoined to have compassion upon the varied needs of their fellow-men, to address themselves to the supply of both spiritual and temporal needs. Their voice, as a unit, had to be the positive echo of their Master's voice, as they summoned men to repentance; which is the universal condition of pardon and life to sinful, guilty men. A complete change of heart and mind alone could prepare men for the blessings of the Messianic kingdom; and ultimately become instruments of the Lord, themselves.

The servants of the Lord cannot too carefully study these counsels, in considering in what spirit they shall fulfil the commission entrusted to them in human society. All pride and restlessness, must be repressed; and the office must be magnified—the responsibility of the unbelievers must be placed upon themselves.

II. Christ's Great Compassion: It is bad economy in Christian workers to neglect the claims of the body, which needs to be kept, by food, exercise, and repose, in a sound and healthy state, that work for Christ may be done vigorously and well. The sad condition of the people awakens Christ's commiseration. This is a great lesson in diligence and zeal. Others might have said, "The people are comfortable and cared for." But the Master sees that spiritually they are as sheep without a shepherd, and his heart was touched at the spectacle. The spirit of Jesus is needed to look thus upon the spiritually destitute and famishing, to penetrate through their outward guise to their souls' needs.

Jesus, the source of wisdom, taught the people from his abundance, and supplied their spiritual needs. The record says that, "he taught them many things." Jesus is still the great teacher, using the process of revelation on the one hand; and on the other, he uses human instruments whose hearts have been dedicated to Him in the doing of his will. We must be sensitive to the voice of Christ as he speaks to us through his servants. The way to the kingdom leads through disciplined minds and willing hearts. References: Matt. 10:1-11; Isa. 61:1.

--Hampton

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"If we, the relatively conscious blacks and the relatively conscious whites, do not falter now, we may change the history of the world" in race relations. We all need to "get rid of the 'religion' of race, and move on to make brotherhood the guiding principal of our lives."

Fred Hines a veteran civic and church leader who was "wrap-up" speaker on the program, followed Hampton's talk with another call for more black citizens to join in the current struggle for equality.

He emphasized the need for volunteers to offer their help through monitoring and other services in support of the struggle—"It makes no difference whether you're a school teacher or a factory worker or whoever you are."

--McGill

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black and white. His passing leaves not only the South but the entire nation the poorer."

Through personal appearances and a nationally syndicated column, McGill strove to present the many needs of Southern Negroes yet retain compassion for oldline whites. Before the phrase "telling it like it is" became popular, this trait of McGill's had earned him the enmity of some white Southerners who regarded him as a traitor to the religion.

--Assignment

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Mrs. Chisholm made a formal request in the form of a resolution to the leadership at the Democrat Caucus in which the Committee on Committees made a final committee designation. In her statement to her fellow colleagues she stated "I know that the pressures of geography and seniority make it difficult for a first-term representative to get his first of a committee assignment, or even his second. But I think it would be hard to imagine an assignment that is less relevant to my background or to the needs of the predominantly Black and Puerto Rican people who elected me, many of whom are unemployed, hungry, and badly housed."

Hearing Slated On Day-Care Center Licenses

A public hearing on legislation requiring licensing of child day-care centers has been set for 3 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 26, in the State Legislative Building auditorium.

The bill, sponsored by Sen. Elton Edwards (D-Guilford) would create a day-care licensing board and an annual licensing program for operators of facilities providing care for more than five children. The measure sets certain minimum standards for day-care centers and would become effective Jan. 1, 1970, with operators paying a privilege license tax of \$2 for each child in the center.

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