

EDITORIALS & COMMENT

A Black Candidate for Mayor of Chapel Hill

The announcement last week that Chapel Hill will have a black candidate for mayor to join with several other black candidates now seeking various public offices in other cities of this and other states is most encouraging. In announcing his candidacy for the chief executive post Candidate Howard Lee puts to test the acknowledged leadership in good race relations now existing in Chapel Hill.

Our investigation discloses that Lee is well qualified for the position he seeks and we trust the voters of both races in Chapel Hill will seriously consider what a great opportunity they have to further point the way to good citizenship and race relations in the state as a whole, as well as in their own city of community.

A casual visit to Chapel Hill will reveal that, generally speaking, it is far ahead of the average city of the state in the integration of its schools and many other areas. If by chance or otherwise Lee is successful in his bid for the post he seeks it will do much to point the way to better race relations all over the South as well as in our own state.

It is our hope, therefore, that every black citizen of Chapel Hill who has not registered will do so between April 12 and '26, the period of registration. There should be an organized effort in the form of a door to door canvass of every black home so that assurance can be had that every qualified black citizen will be able to cast his ballot on May 6 when the election of mayor will be held.

A Salute to North Carolina College

This newspaper is of the opinion that it is altogether fitting and proper to salute the president, members of the faculty and student leaders of N. C. College for the very high caliber of academic demeanor they have thus far been able to maintain on the campus at NCC, during these stressful times of upheavals and unrest that are occurring at so many educational institutions across the nation.

That there have been no major outbreaks or upheavals between the administration and students at NCC is a tribute to the leadership and academic statesmanship being furnished by President Albert N. Whitney and is truly most comforting to alumni and friends of NCC, wherever

they may be found, as well as to the citizens of Durham.

Add to the above the fact that, generally speaking, the demeanor of NCC students, on and off campus, is of such a high calibre, we think, it worthy of the highest praise when compared with the all too often unseemly conduct engaged in by students in many of the other colleges and universities of America.

So again, with our fingers crossed, we salute, the president, faculty, student leaders and student body of NCC with the hope that they may be able to continue their fine example of academic demeanor of which all of Durham is proud.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

The passing of Dwight D. Eisenhower at Walter Reed Hospital, removes from the American scene one of its most dynamic personalities, of both the political and military worlds.

That his death and funeral have caused such a long pause in our own nation's life and evoked so many words of praise for the great life he lived, as well as expressions of sympathy, from a majority of the crowned heads, monarchs and diplomats of the civilized world, bespeak the high esteem in which Eisenhower was held by his fellowmen all over the earth.

As regretful as the passing of such an admired and highly esteemed personality is, it may be that America's World War II military hero and past president, will be able to achieve in death what all of his ability and experience were unable to achieve in life — the beginning of a movement that will force mankind all over the world to listen to and heed the simple lesson so aptly expressed in holy writ — that "they who fight with the sword will perish with the sword."

So, as we view the visit to our own nation of the many crowned heads, monarchs and notables of other nations of the world, who have come to pay a final and deserving tribute to one of the world's great men, we say with all humility and the deepest sympathy for the beloved members of his family and many friends, who knows but what his passing may light a spark of truth, love and common understanding that will snatch mankind now standing on the brink of total destruction, to safety.

If in their visit to America, on such a sad occasion, they will become impressed with the fact that this nation, in spite of its great wealth and power, only desires to live at peace with all mankind, the passing of one of the nation's greatest and most beloved men will not have been in vain but a blessing to all mankind.

Therefore, we join with all good men of our times, in paying a final tribute to Dwight D. Eisenhower and extending a word of our deepest sympathy to the members of his family in their hour of bereavement.

80 Years of Usefulness

This spring one of America's truly great men — A. Philip Randolph — celebrates his 80th birthday.

Randolph's extraordinary achievements as a leader of working men, as a champion of equality and as a proponent of social justice are well-known. But in these troubled times, it is important to note that A. Philip Randolph has never wavered from the path of solidarity with all mankind. He has struggled often against incredible odds to achieve freedom for black Americans through peaceful change. He has steadfastly fought against racism of any kind, against violence in any form, against separation for any reason.

The A. Philip Randolph Institute, founded in 1964, is committed to this philosophy. Its goal is to forge a new and dynamic unity between black America and those other groups which advocate social pro-

gress — organized labor, religious groups, liberals and intellectuals.

The cornerstone of the Institute's activity is the Freedom Budget for All Americans, a ten-year program to abolish poverty in the United States. The goals of the Freedom Budget are full employment, the rebuilding of our slums, and the provision of adequate education and medical care for every American.

There are few causes for freedom with which A. Philip Randolph has not been associated in the past sixty years.

To pay tribute to A. Philip Randolph on the occasion of his 80th birthday, a committee has been formed to mobilize enough resources to assure that his life work will be carried out through the Institute which bears his name. We heartily endorse this goal and wish it every success.

The Living Scriptures by Jack Hamm

He Can Finally Wreck the China Closet



"TO BE CARNALLY MINDED IS DEATH; BUT TO BE SPIRITUALLY MINDED IS LIFE AND PEACE."

--Suit

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*police officers are assigned to patrol car duty on basis of race

*promotion possibilities are limited

*Negro officers are allowed to administer only other Negro officers

*employment and promotion test are administered "arbitrarily and unfairly to discriminate against Negroes."

The Black officers are seeking, through their LDF attorneys, a declaratory judgment saying the challenged practices are "null and void" and violate the U. S. Constitution.

They also ask that the defendants be enjoined and that "affirmative action to eradicate the effects of negative regulations and policies be taken."

The case was brought by LDF attorneys Frankie L. Fields and Vernon Crawford of Mobile, and Jack Greenberg, Norman C. Amaker, Michael Meltsner and William L. Robinson of New York City.

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tion from the United Kingdom, Ireland, the British Commonwealth including Canada, Australia and New Zealand, the Caribbean, Mediterranean, and the United States of America."

According to the editors, "entrants are drawn from the ranks of business, law, medicine, education, publishing, religion, diplomacy, and politics, among others."

Representation of the countries is in proportion to their populations. They are chosen for inclusion "as a result of the researches of the St. James Press, suggestions of the Nominations Boards, and the nominations of Blue Book entrants."

--March

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Dr. King was supporting at the time of his assassination. Local 1733 is a unit of the international union to which the sanitation men belong.

The Rev. James M. Lawson, Jr., Pastor of the Centenary United Methodist Church in Memphis, representing C.O.M.E., said that "While we solemnly and with continuing love honor Dr. King's memory at this time, uppermost in our minds is a persistent and pervasive resolve to rededicate our time and efforts to the ideals for which he lived, struggled and died: Freedom, Integration, Nonviolence."

The "March in Memphis" will occur during the biblical hours of Jesus' death—the sixth to the ninth hours. Beginning at the Clayborn Temple AME Church at 12 noon, the sixth hour after sun-up, the March will proceed to the Lorraine Motel, site of Dr. King's murder. A silent, wreath-laying ceremony will be held at the National and international leaders have been invited to participate. In addition, a call has gone out nationwide for participation by persons from all walks of life. In addition to

To Be EQUAL
By WHITNEY M. YOUNG

Day For Rededication

ONE YEAR AGO—on April 4—Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was shot and killed in Memphis. His killer is now behind bars, but investigations should be pursued vigorously into evidence of a conspiracy.

The verdict of the court is in, but what of the verdict on the nation, whose shame is not erased? The meaning of a man's death is in his life—what he fought for and what he stood for. Dr. King was a leader in a great national crusade to cleanse the blot of racism from the tortured past and the stained present.

How far have we as a nation come in pursuing the goals for which Dr. King laid down his life? Sadly, the answer is that little progress has been made.

Several weeks before Dr. King's assassination the Kerner Report was issued, warning that the nation is moving toward two societies, separate but unequal. Now, the Urban Coalition and Urban America have issued another report—One Year Later—studying what has been done about the Kerner Commission's recommendations. Their conclusion: "The nation has not reversed the movement apart. Blacks and whites remain deeply divided in their perceptions and experiences of American society."

Efforts Must Be Redoubled

All of this indicates that Dr. King will have died in vain unless those of us who believe in creating a better society redouble our efforts to win what he fought for.

April 4 will be a day of renewed mourning; a day of ceremonies honoring Dr. King's memory. The best way to pay tribute to this great fighter for human rights is to rededicate ourselves to the ideals he represented.

Prime among these was equality. It was Martin Luther King's dream that one day there would be an America in which whites and blacks would be full partners in equality. He fought against the evils of segregation and the more subtle evils of discrimination. That fight must be continued.

After Dr. King's death, a wave of shame and remorse swept the country. Whites and blacks alike pledged themselves to become more concerned with ending poverty and with helping the disadvantaged. Now the time has come to rekindle the flame of morality; to fulfill those pledges and promises.

Individuals have to rededicate themselves to volunteer their time, their energies, their influence, to the cause of bringing justice and equality to this nation which lacks those qualities to such a glaring degree.

Concept Of Non-Violence

And April 4 is also a day to reaffirm our belief in non-violence. If Dr. King's name is associated with anything, it is associated with the concept of non-violence. That such a great man of peace should die a violent death only underscores his unswerving belief in non-violent challenges to the society. He correctly saw that violence only breeds counter-violence, creating a never-ending circle of oppression that can only doom our efforts to create a just society.

We all have a responsibility to work for change, but the greatest burden must be with those who have the power. This first anniversary of the tragedy that befell all Americans would be an ideal time for the nation's leaders in government, labor, and industry to declare their commitment to bringing about equality for all.

Great questions are in the balance; whether our trillion-dollar economy can support a war on poverty; whether it can build decent housing and provide jobs and education for all. The answers could decide whether our cities and our hopes for true democracy will survive.

One way to insure that they will be for all of us, back and white, rich and poor, to work for change in the same spirit that Martin Luther King Jr. worked to make his dream of a united America a reality.

6 Tar Heels On Dead List In Vietnam

WASHINGTON — The Defense Department has released the names of six North Carolina servicemen who have died in the Vietnam war.

Killed in action were Army Sgt. Carter L. Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Graves of Reidsville; Army Spec. 4 William J. Maske, husband of Mrs. Burnetta Maske of Albemarle; Marine Pfc. Donald R. Arnold, husband of Mrs. Joyce H. S. Arnold of Rt. 5, Greenville and

Memphis groups, sponsorship of the march is expected from numerous religious, labor and civic organizations.

PHOENIX, Ariz. — Gov. Ronald Reagan of California says disorder on the nation's campuses is caused by "a ring, or network" of troublemakers. "This is a plan. These people have a missionary cause," Reagan said Tuesday. He said his solution for the problem is "separate the troublemakers from the campus. Expel them."

If you put extra weight in the trunk of your car for winter driving, you do more harm than good, according to automotive experts. Extra weight disturbs the over-all stability of a car and tends to lift the front end off the road surface.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

—For April 6, 1968

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

HE HAS RISEN!

Background Scripture: Mark 15:42 — 16:7

Scripture: Mark 15:42 — 16:7; Devotional Reading: Acts 1:1-11

And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,

43. Joseph of Arimathea, an honorable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus.

44. And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead.

45. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph.

46. And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.

47. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph beheld where he was laid.

7. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

GOLDEN TEXT: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. I Peter 1:3.

Home Daily Bible Readings: March 31-April 6, M. The Burial of Jesus. Mark 15:42-47. T. The Empty Tomb. Mark 16:1-8. W. Mary Meets the Master. John 20:11-18. Th. The Walk to Emmaus. Luke 24:13-35. F. Tarry in Jerusalem. Luke 24:35-49. S. The Great Assignment. Matthew 28:16-20. S. "You Shall be My Witnesses." Acts 1:1-11.

FOREWORD: The death of Jesus is the most significant fact in Christianity. On it depends the hope of all saved sinners both for time and eternity. We need not be surprised to find the reality of His death carefully placed beyond speculation.

The text brings before us three kinds of witnesses who testify to the truth of His death. The Roman centurion, who stood near the cross, the woman who followed our Lord from Galilee to Jerusalem, and the disciples, who buried Him, were all witnesses that Jesus really died. But there were also other pertinent facts connected with his death.

Among the facts, stood one blessed event: Our Lord had tried on several occasions to build up reality in the minds and hearts of the disciples—an unshakable hope that would blossom into faithful expectancy—that is, He would rise again; that his resurrection would be the grounds upon which Christianity would rest. Jesus is alive, and in him we have the hope of immortal glory.

COMMENTS ON LESSON: I. The Entombment: Death brings to light many things that have been hidden during one's lifetime. We cannot conceive of a more remarkable proof of this than the person who is here men-

tioned for the first time, Joseph of Arimathea. We know nothing of this man's former history. We know not how he had learned to love Christ, and to desire to do Him honor. We know nothing of his subsequent history after our Lord's Ascension. All we know is the touching collection of facts before us. We are told that he "waited for the kingdom of God," and that at a time when our Lord's disciples had all forsaken Him, He "went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus," and buried it honorably in his own tomb. The disciples were watching from afar off, but ostensibly lacking in courage necessary to move in for this last rite to Jesus.

Moreover, there were others who had honored and confessed our Lord when they saw Him working miracles, but Joseph honored Him and confessed himself a disciple. when he saw Him a cold, blood-sprinkled corpse. Others had shown love to Jesus while He was speaking and living, but Joseph showed love when He was silent for you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you, are Christians, of whom we know nothing. They are in places where we least expect to find them. The Lord has many "hidden ones" in the Church. (1 Kings 19:18).

II. The Resurrection: "Very early in the morning . . . they came to the sepulchre at the rising of the sun." We may be sure that this act required no small amount of courage. These holy women, as they walked to our Lord's grave, were full of fears about the stone at the door. They sang among themselves, "Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre?" But their fears were needless. Their expected trouble was found not to exist. "When they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away."

What a striking emblem we have in this simple drama, of the experience of many of us, today. We are oppressed and cast down by anticipation of evils, and yet, in the time of need, find the thing we feared removed, and the "stone rolled away." Also, in the midst of many uncertainties, we find that our doubts and alarms were groundless, and that the thing we dreaded most has never come to pass, at all.

There in the dim twilight of an eastern day-break, they were very fearful, although undergirded by a great love and strong faith. Then, as they viewed the tomb, in fear and trembling, they heard a reassuring voice, saying, "Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here . . . Christ is alive!"

III. The Resurrection Announced: The holy women were given the mission of announcing the good tidings to the disciples and to humanity for all time, that Jesus walks beside us, and He stands ready to help us in the crisis of experience, as well as in the joy of life and living. We must meet Jesus, get to know him, and decide to live with him, and for him. Our mission as Christians, is to tell others of the living Savior.

we fail to vision the many daily injustices we sometimes do which are displeasing. Instead of revelling in the light of our living Lord, we are still trying to crucify Him. Yes, every time we cheat, steal, bear false witness, envy or do anyone an injustice, we are crucifying our Lord. Why should we be identified this way when he has done so much for us?

Seemingly, every living thing except man, shows evidence of gladness to be alive. This season clearly deems it so. This is the perfect time of year to witness the vibrancy and strength of new life. This natural beauty which surrounds us again and again reveals the love of our Lord.

I pray that the lenten season will leave the world less bitter as men pause to again remember the love and sacrifice of our Savior.

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They Crucified Him

By Mrs. Iredell Richardson

As we approach the end of another lenten season, one cannot help but think of the conditions of today's world. Nearly everywhere we find chaotic strife. War torn people are struggling, fighting, and taking the lives of their fellowmen.

Have we not time to pause and think of Jesus who struggled, bled and died to save His fellowmen; Why snuff out the legacy of life He gave us? Why spend it selfishly and foolishly as if it were a mere bubble soon to dissolve and be no more? Life is too short for rivalry or strife. Yet we find time to quarrel and hate.

Surely, we say we are not involved with committing an injustice if we are not participating in a major conflict. Yet

"EVEN THOUGH IT SPARES THE FAMILY OF LIVING THROUGH THAT EXPERIENCE AGAIN, ALL THE FINGERS THAT PULL THE TRIGGER MUST BE BROUGHT TO JUSTICE."

"MOCKERY OF JUSTICE"

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