

The Absence of Judicial Integrity

We trust the 200 black citizens who recently gathered at Jackson from Halifax, Northampton, Bertie and Herford counties to witness the trial of Sheriff Frank Outland who had been charged with slapping a black woman, Mrs. Lucy Baker, during the trial of her son in Juvenile Court on February 7, was enough to arouse the thousands of black citizens of the above mentioned counties and others nearby to action. Instead of 200 black citizens who exhibited enough concern about the unfortunate incident there should have been 2,000 blacks present to hear and listen to the ungodly and damnable verdict of "not guilty" rendered by Judge Ballas S. Gray.

The mere fact that Attorney Frank Ballance, a black lawyer, was not permitted to participate in the trial of Sheriff Outland is prima facie evidence of an existing conspiracy in-

volving every official of the Superior Court of Northampton County. Let there be no mistake about it any person or persons who has lived for any time in any one of the four counties mentioned above or other sections of eastern North Carolina, can testify to the fact that there is no such thing in existence in a single one of them as judicial integrity where the rights of a black citizen comes in conflict with a white person.

We would like to suggest to all of the black citizens of Jackson and the surrounding counties that they begin immediately the organization of a register and vote program that will enable them to rid all of the counties affected of the existence of two kinds of justice, one for whites and another for blacks. Until this is done, blacks will continue to be the victims of the whites in the courts, employment and otherwise.

Learning to Drive and Walk With Safety

Statistics, it is said, can be used to substantiate any fact. However, according to Sterling T. Tooker, president of The Travelers Insurance Companies, statistics cannot prove how many accidents have been prevented through safety education.

Writing in the 35th edition of his company's annual booklet of highway accident data, Mr. Tooker said, "Our rationale back in 1931 was that if reasonable people knew the truth about a problem, the truth will help them solve the problem. In 1969, 65 million booklets later, it is still our rationale.

"Ironically enough, this conviction cannot be based on hard statistics," he said. "Yet we know that hundreds of thousands of accidents have been prevented by drivers and pedestrians who have learned to drive and walk with safety. And the ever-mounting number of miles traveled on many poorly engineered roads clogged by more and more cars and trucks and busses give us real reason to believe that these ghastly casualty totals could be much higher," he added.

"Alcoholocaust" is the title of the 1969 edition of The Travelers booklet. And for the first time it takes a long, hard look at the mixture of alcohol and gasoline. But the booklet does not contain statistics to support the title. Here's why:

The numbers and the classifica-

tions are distilled—no pun intended—from monthly reports furnished by state motor vehicle departments (a voluntary service gratefully acknowledged by The Travelers). Energetic and thorough research has nailed down drunk driving as a major accident cause, but absolute precision is still out of reach. A dead driver can't be asked to heel-and-toe or take a breath or blood test. The injured driver frequently needs swift emergency treatment. Technical examination for alcohol in his blood stream must come later when the aberrant ingredient has been diluted or has disappeared altogether.

The evidence is nevertheless overwhelming. Indeed, the U. S. Department of Transportation has issued a report to Congress which even die-hard statisticians agree is a definitive indictment of drink-then-drive offenders. This landmark study concludes that "the use of alcohol by drivers and pedestrians leads to some 25,000 deaths and a total of at least 800,000 crashes in the United States each year."

"Some" and "at least" acknowledge that the D. O. T. study is not an exact recap either. The point, however, is sharp to all last-ditch apologists for irresponsible social drinkers or social drinkers-and-drivers themselves.

Get the message?

An Advantage or A Monstrosity

Already four Negro churches have succumbed to the east-west expressway that has been under construction in Durham for the past two years or more: to say nothing about the many Negro homes and business structures that have been sacrificed to make way for the wonder of wonder passageway that is expected to mean so much in easing traffic travel within and through the downtown business section of the city.

Not satisfied with the staggering travesty already imposed on the Negro community by the taking over of the White Rock Baptist Church area, that of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, the Mt. Olive AMEZ Church and the West Durham Baptist Church, rumors are now being circulated from reliable sources, that the ultimate aim of the powers-that-be is to make it so uncomfortable for St. Joseph's A. M. E. Church that the pastor and congregation will eventually decide that the most practical thing, for this last of the ancient Negro church landmarks, in the Hayti section, is to seek a site elsewhere or in the extreme southern section of the city or county, where it appears the same powers-that-be intend that a majority of Durham's Negro citizens shall occupy or be domiciled.

Certainly every intelligent Negro citizen of Durham is interested in seeing and aiding in the growth and development of the city in a manner that will serve all of its citizens to the best advantage. We think however, that too much importance is being attached to the east-west expressway that is already beginning to be looked on as more of a monstrosity than a much needed facility.

When and if the east-west expressway is ever completed, we trust that the Negro citizens of Durham will not be shouldered with the additional cost and disadvantage involved in the demolishing and removal of more of their churches, businesses and

homes. In short, we think the time has arrived when Negro leaders of Durham should begin to demand more information as to what advantage this or that development of the city is going to serve all of its citizens instead of any particular section or segment of the population. It would probably startle many persons in Durham if the cost, up to now, were revealed in dollars and cents, of the church, business and home establishments that have gone into the construction of the yet-to-be finished east-west expressway of this city.

A DISTILLER'S OPINION

An exchange says, "Bishop Charles Howard Locke of the Meth. Episcopal church said in a letter to President Roosevelt, 'A friend of mine asked a rich distiller why he lived in Palo Alto, so far from his San Francisco office. The reply was, 'A dry town is the only place to raise your children.'"

Abraham Lincoln said, "The liquor traffic has some defenders, but it has no defense." Let's make our city dry and thus attract the blessing of God and the prosperity that He is waiting to give. Also we will thus avoid the curses that follow in the wake of unrighteousness. Read Hab. 2:12, 15.

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SURPLUS

The method by which a surplus is accumulated and distributed may appear to be theoretically unfair, but at least the surplus is assured under the present system. If all incomes were graded to one level, the additional amount coming to each would be so slight that most of us would still find ourselves unable to save anything, and within a generation we would face industrial ruin—unless the government forcibly did our saving for us by means of taxation.

The Unwanted Division

CONFRONTATION EVEN IN VIETNAM?

"COMPLAINTS RANGE FROM DISCRIMINATION IN DUTY OR ON EMOTION AND THE USE OF SUCH WORDS AS 'NIGGER' AND 'BLACK BOY' TO ANTI-NEGRO SCRAWLS ON THE LATRINE WALLS."

NEW YORK TIMES



"I WILL TELL YOU WHAT TO HATE. HATE HYPOCRISY. HATE CANT, HATE INTOLERANCE, OPPRESSION, INJUSTICE, PHARISAIISM. HATE THEM AS CHRIST HATED THEM—WITH A DEEP ABIDING, GOD-LIKE HATRED."
E.J. ROBERTSON

--Boys

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Branch Place, Some 741 boys are now enrolled.

Club officials have been widely praised for the reduction of juvenile delinquency in the early years of its operation. In recent years, under the auspices of the Boys Clubs of America, the club has initiated a versatile program of arts, crafts and recreation that has increased significantly the educational level of the boys served by the program.

--Thorpe

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the inaugural address. The native of Durham pointedly stated, "Elizabeth City State College wants to burn with the enthusiasm which comes with the success of sound, relevant, and meaningful learning."

Presented for induction and investiture by Maceo A. Sloan, a member of the ECSC Board of Trustees and Vice-President of North Carolina Mutual Insurance Company, Dr. Thorpe spoke at length on the topic, "Change: Where Youth and the Future Meet."

With the Medallion, presented to him by Board Chairman McDonald Dixon, hanging around his neck, Dr. Thorpe continued to speak from the power of his convictions and philosophy. He prosed that, "We would join in cooperation with a totality of effort with all who would help us reach our goal of a democratic search for truth and reasoned action."

"We propose that our primary purpose shall be the undergraduate preparation of young men and women for teaching in the public schools of the state, as well as providing such graduate and professional programs as shall be approved by the North Carolina State Board of Higher Education, consistent with the appropriations made therefore," Dr. Thorpe emphasized.

Representatives from 76 other colleges and universities; 21 learned societies, professional, and educational associations; and scores of other guests, officials, and dignitaries heard Dr. Cameron P. West, Chairman of the North Carolina State Board of Higher Education state that, "With due recognition for the past achievements of this institution, the inauguration of a new

president affords an opportunity to assess the present, and to set new goals for the future."

"Fanfare and Recessional," played by the Elizabeth City State College Band, the Reverend Lorenzo A. Lynch, Pastor of Durham's White Rock Baptist Church, gave the benediction.

--Trigg

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A marked characteristic of Dr. Trigg was his insistence on maintaining a modern office with the latest and most technical equipment for the treatment examination and treatment of his patients. He was often cited for the high quality of equipment in his office.

Dr. Trigg was a member of the National Medical Association, Norfolk County Medical Society, Old Dominion Medical Society, and an associate fellow of American College of Chest Physicians.

He was a member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, the Hiawatha Club, Oriole Beneficial Association, and Campbell Masonic Lodge N. 67.

Besides his wife Dr. Trigg is survived by two brothers, the Rev. Young Trigg of Deale, Md., and Dr. Harold Trigg of Greensboro, N. C., and the sisters, Mrs. Elaine Pollard and Mrs. Gladys Dikens of Philadelphia.

--Grant

(Continued from front page) a community-owned and controlled profit-making business, United Durham, Inc., will initially establish a supermarket in southeast Durham, a jelly processing business, and a casket manufacturing operation. These enterprises are expected to produce about \$3,000,000 in gross sales and create jobs for about 125 people.

This Community Capitalism project will provide jobs and needed services in three areas in Durham. One is black community and the other two are mixed black and white populations.

The Foundation will help United Durham to decide which ventures are most likely to succeed. When a venture has been chosen, the Foundation will invest a portion of its grant in stock of United Durham. The Foundation will then grant its stock ownership to a Community Charitable Trust which will hold it for the benefit of low-income residents. Dividend from United Durham business

will go into the charitable trust to be used for Community projects such as scholarships, the upgrading of recreational facilities and sponsoring low-income housing projects.

The grant funds will also be used to help obtain funds from additional public and private sources.

--People

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books, the politicians could no longer ignore Negro demands. It was on the strength of the efforts of the young people, he said, that he was elected to the State House of Representatives at the age of 22. Now 26, Mr. Mitchell is a State Senator.

In a press conference, James Blake, NAACP Vice-President for Youth Affairs, said that part of the purpose of Youth Mobilization was to have a bill to lower the voting age brought out of Congressional Committee to be considered in Congress as an adjunct to proposed action on the electoral College.

--Employees

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member of First Baptist Church.

Hairston, 55, joined the staff of the local insurance company in 1949 as manager of the printing department.

He was elected to the board in 1959 and was named assistant treasurer in 1956.

He is married to the former Miss Irene Pace of Pfafftown where they now live. They have a daughter, Mrs. Lois P. Turner and two grandsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Hairston are in community life at Pfafftown and with the local Bethlehem AME Zion Church there.

Mrs. Harper came with the company in 1945 as a bookkeeper and typist in the agency accounting department. She promoted to supervisor of agency account department. She was promoted of supervisor of agency account department in 1968.

--Race

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who will fight for their needs and rights. I want to do all within my power to see that recreational facilities are expanded to meet the needs of a growing population. I want to see that public housing tenants stop being shoved around and being ghettoed. I am concerned that there is no one qualified to make a thorough investigation of citizen's complaints, especially in the area of choice of housing, public works, or civil problems from a human relations point of view. As for labor, it is necessary for the most important people in the world, the working man or woman, to have a vote in city government. Last, but not

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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

For May 4, 1969

THE FORMATION AND PRESERVATION OF THE BIBLE

Background Scripture: Exodus 34:27; 1 Chronicles 29:29-30; 2 Kings 22:8-13; Jeremiah 36:27-32; John 21:24-25; 2 Peter 3:15b-18; Revelation 1:11, 19

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Devotional Reading: Psalms 119:129-136

Then the word of the Lord for the good of the worst of men. came to Jeremiah, after that Their rejection of it is only to king had burned the roll, and the their own hurt and loss. Weak words which Baruch wrote at the men, at their best, cannot avert mouth of Jeremiah, saying, the will of God for his people's life. This was and is true and write in it all the former concerning his design for the Hor-words that were in the first roll, ly Word—the Bible. It's formation which Jehoiakim the king of Ju-and preservation is in His hands; dah hath burned. and there is no destruction within the powers of men.

32. Then took Jeremiah another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah; who wrote there in from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah hand burned in the fire: and there were added besides unto them many like words.

24. This is the disciple which testified of these things, and we know these things: and we know that his testimony is true.

25. And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written to every one, I suppose that even the word itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen.

15b. Even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you.

16. As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

17. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

18. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

GOLDEN TEXT: Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. St. Mark 13:31.

CENTRAL THOUGHT: The Old Testament—Promises; and the New Testament, Fulfillment. Jesus Christ, the beginning and the ending of the Divine drama of human life and action.

COMMENTS ON LESSON: I. God Used Men: The burning of the roll which contained the corruptible, and undefiled, and Word of God as was by the setting staged by King Jehoiakim. Bible, the writings of the proph- The mighty king felt that he could get rid of the words spoken by the Holy Scriptures.

God through his servant Jeremiah. The truth is that it was beyond Apoccalypses, all reflect life his rights and his powers to de- triumphant in conduct; life trium- stroy the Word of God meant for phant in character; life triumph- the direction and salvation of his people. King as he was, (the roll about the history, prophecy and did not belong to him. Neither had he any authority over the in- ship with the living Christ, and

The king blundered. That roll contained the only available pre- We are to trust the life that is scription for the healing of the ours, in Christ and act in its pow- distresses of himself and his king- er, allowing it to have full domin- ion over us.

--Samuels

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employed as police officers in the City of Durham.

--Race

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least, we need to do something to reduce taxes.

Rankin is married to the former Ethel Corbett of Burlington, North Carolina and has one son, Tony. He has served in the Civil Air Patrol as a 2nd Lieutenant, has worked with the Boy's Scouts of America and was honorably discharged from the United States Air Force and National Guard.

In making his statement Hampton said: "we are in a sea of complex problems and instead of outfitting ourselves with the best ship for the voyage we are still trying to make it with a crude canoe! That is about it in a nutshell when you are describing our public leadership."

The problems of poor schools and overworked and underpaid teachers, a criminal shortage of and unattractive housing, unpaved and uncleaned streets, insufficient and not well-trained policemen, a grave lack of parks and well-supervised playgrounds and swimming pools and diversion on

hot summer nights. All of these plague us here in Durham; I know not what you think—but I'm sick of it. Leadership in trying to solve today's modern complex problems with yesterday's antiquated policies and practices. And I know not what you will say, but as for me, I say out with it and let's look to the new imaginative, innovative approaches and techniques.

We cannot teach an old dog new tricks but we can try old tricks and get a new dog. It was once thought that the cure for an ailing democracy was more democracy but history has taught us that the cure is leadership—bold dynamic and imaginative leadership.

The People United for Progress in Durham are offering just that. We are opening this Headquarters as evidence of the faith and belief we have that all of Durham can come together to promote all things essential for mutual progress. We are standing before all Durham to test whether this community is willing to start moving forward together or content to take a canoe out into the stormy sea of chaos and confusion, distrust, misuse and abuse."

There are 563,500 highway bridges in the United States, says the U. S. Department of Transportation.

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