

EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

HAMPTON PRESIDENT NEEDS ANOTHER ASSISTANT

Inasmuch as Hampton Institute has bolstered its President with an assistant the Carolinian believes it should see a little further and flank Mr. Moron with a trade school director.

Building Construction. Now with the trend in the trades at Hampton towards teacher training under the School of Education its trade school graduates are decidedly handicapped. The conception of a tradesman as envisioned by the School of Education is certain to be unfavorable to training a good tradesman because liberal arts personnel in the School of Education are beyond the scope of their training, interests and appreciation. And of course, in consequence we have the prevailing frustration at Hampton of a muddled trades training program and small enrollment of students in this school.

A Deyarmett, and his immediate successors did a good job of supplying the field with able tradesmen. These men directed the Trades School unhampered by the School of Education. That was and still is as it should be. And we hope the trustees will reflect back a few years and justly evaluate the place Hampton's trade school played in giving the Institute its prestige throughout educational circles. Should they recommend less than a trade school director with the entire school divorced from the influence of the School of Education then we will be sure the President isn't alone in needing assistance.

GOVERNOR UMSTEAD MAKES GOOD START

In his inaugural address the new governor of North Carolina, William E. Umstead, gave a blueprint for continued progress in the State's governmental functions. His statements were general, on the whole, as is customary in inaugural addresses; however, the broad outlines of the program presented are sound, and will doubtless be elaborated upon as time goes on, and with specific proposals, such as a 10 per cent increase in the teacher salary scale for example. Another laudable proposal in the field of public education, and one which we hope will be closely followed up, we quote directly from the Governor's address:

to enforce effectively the school attendance law." Of special interest to CAROLINIAN readers was the Governor's pronouncement on the subject of facilities for the mentally ill and deficient — a subject which has been brought to their attention in both the news and the editorial columns several times recently, as well as over a period of years. Pointing out the inefficiency of the Caswell Training School for feeble-minded white children, he said, "It is not now and never has been a 'training school.' It is and has been a detention home for feeble-minded children who grew into feeble-minded men and women." Then he added, "There has never been a place which has even been called a training school for feeble-minded children of the Negro race."

A specific recommendation followed that the General Assembly authorize a vote of the people on a bond issue for remedying the defects of the Caswell institution, for establishing a training school for feeble-minded Negro children, and for providing additions and improvements to the mental institutions for adults. It is believed that the governor will specifically recommend a bond issue which will include several millions for schools for the feeble-minded of the two races.

MOORE SQUARE THRIVES UNDER KIND TREATMENT

Moore Square, or old "Baptist Grove," has been considerably dressed up. The old park, which led for many years a hardly respectable existence as a public square, has taken on new life. Once referred to frequently as probably the only park of its kind for miles and miles around without a bench in it, Moore Square is now a fairly attractive spot in downtown Raleigh, and gives promise of becoming more so. After years of neglect and of debate and controversy as to what was to be its fate, it was finally agreed to let it be what it was supposed to be, and further to help it achieve a really respectable career as a small downtown spot given over to beauty, recreation and rest.

It is glad that it was on the right side, and that the right side seems, for the time being at least to have won the Battle of Baptist Grove — the battle for maintaining the site and improving it as a park in which it is located, and serve the part of the city all the city as well.

However, trite or obvious it may be to do so we make no apology for referring to the simple grandeur of the ceremony by which on lead of the United States is replaced by another, chosen by the people of the country, in order and as a matter of fact. When one looks back on the strife of the presidential campaign, the rough-and-tumble of the national party conventions and all the acrimonious pronouncements that preceded and accompanied those processes, it is no less than a minor miracle of human engineering that under our system the change of administrations and amiably, on a stated can take place so quietly date, with both the outgoing and the incoming proceedings.

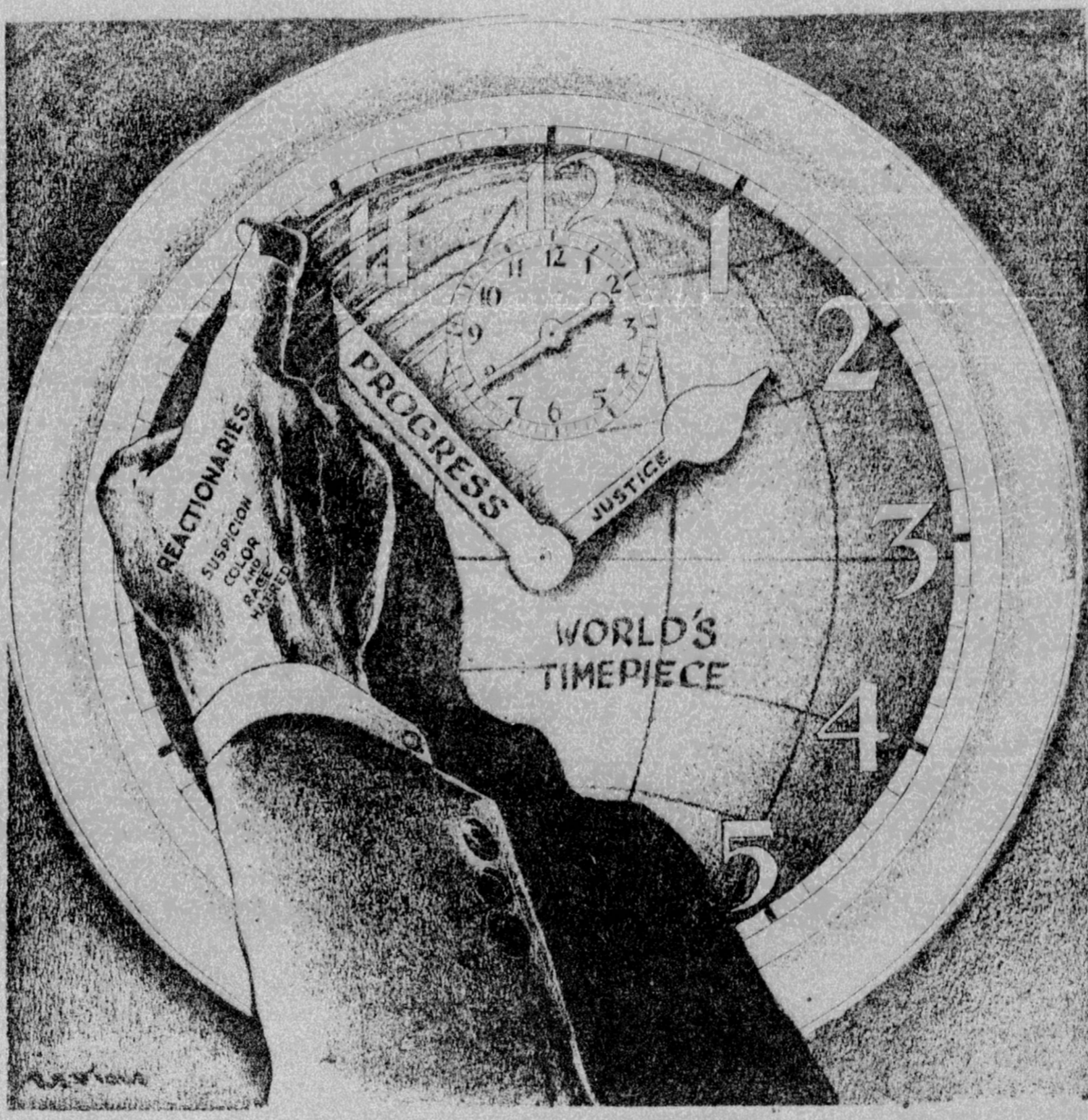
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hazard the guess that when Dorothy Maynor sang the National Anthem, and prayers were offered up by representatives of the three great religious bodies of the nation, and by the new Chief Executive himself, millions of hearts were uplifted, not only with pride, but with courage for facing the future.

President Eisenhower's reaffirmation of the highest principles on which our nation is founded, and of faith in them, and his clear statement of our role in leading the world toward the goals of unity, freedom, good will and peace, were both sobering and inspiring.

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A STRONG STAND BY THE UNITED NATIONS WILL ANY BACKWARD STEP



C. D. Halliburton's SECOND THOUGHTS

Continuing an examination and discussion of the excellent article from the University of Virginia NEWS LETTER which was first brought to the attention of the readers of this column a short time ago, we look at what it had to say about the violation of traffic regulations and the courts.

Driving faster and more carelessly, they also "provide" and "maintain" "Good roads do not drive fast. They only provide the place in which people drive, and it is the speed, rather than the road which makes for deaths and injuries on our roads."

In the matter where we are to be kept for a driving driver, instead of waiting on the side walk, it is better to have a traffic officer in the street than to have a traffic officer in the street.

Straight Ahead

With Julius Adams

RELUCTANTLY THE OLD ORDER CHANGE. FUTURE UNDER GOP LOOKS BRIGHT. WASHINGTON, D. C. (AP)—The new era began here last Tuesday, January 20, when Dwight D. Eisenhower was sworn in as President of the United States. It was a glorious occasion for many, but for others it was a sad one. The thousands of Government employees and officials who were a part of the New Deal and Fair Deal Administrations that ruled for 20 years, bowed out, not with grace, but with obvious reluctant bitterness.

time seemed destined to wreck our form of government. It has been the fertilization of conflicting ideas and philosophies that has made this country a truly great one. It is doubtful if it could have reached its greatness had we adopted and followed a totalitarian principle with a one-party, one-idea concept. It is perhaps idle now to consider how near we were to the brink of disaster.

The argument of the Democrats during the recent campaign that "You never had it so good" implying that "You would have it so good if the Republicans win," do not seem to be bothering Washington. What most people here feel — and they are here from all over the country — is that "You have not seen anything yet."

"This faith defines our full view of life. It establishes, beyond debate, those gifts of the Creator that are man's inalienable rights, and that make all men equal in his sight," he said. And again: "Conceiving the defense of freedom, like freedom itself, to be one and indivisible, we hold all continents and people in equal honor. We reject any insinuation that one race or another, one people or another, is in any sense inferior or expendable."

It is a fact, certainly, that the Republican Party and its business were mainly responsible for the development of a crown of this country during the past 20 years. It may be true that during the past 20 years we have had a good time, having up what we had accumulated, but we have not done a great deal during that time in stock-piling. It seems, will be the task of the new administration. Where we have used up our reserves and gone in debt, it will be up to the GOP to pay off the debts and through careful and good management, restore and make sound our economy.

There is something I have not seen as yet to which this year holds the key. No one knows just what it is, but it will come to you and me. I know my God knows all about it, though its mystery are hidden from me. His providence will guide my footsteps and keep me from danger.

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Gordon B. Hancock's BETWEEN THE LINES

TRUMAN'S TRIUMPHANT EXIT

Ever this release comes to the attention of our many readers Harry Truman will have departed from the White House for the home of quiet independence. But in leaving Washington for what might be called his "retirement" he will leave a mark on history as one of the most successful administrators this nation has known and he will go down in history as one of the truly great public servants of his times.

Truman's true greatness will stand out in bolder relief with the years and the decades and the centuries as dead, forgotten, and humane mortals are always preserved with the thought that trouble does not last always.

There are those long on whom and short of policy but not so Harry Truman. If some day we could exchange mail of our social push for more cooperative social policy the cause of a better world would be advanced.

Truman was not a new discovery. He was positive and hearty, and his convictions and his integrity, his vision, the world always finds where Harry Truman stood. He took a stand and stood there, regardless of the machinations of the interests and state rights and party politics.

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OUR DEMOCRACY — by Mat ACROSS THE YEARS We cannot escape history...The fiery trial through which we pass will light us down, in honor or dishonor, to the latest generation...We shall nobly save, or meanly lose, the last, best hope of earth. The way is plain, peaceful, generous, just — a way which if followed, the world will for ever applaud, and God must for ever bless. — Abraham Lincoln — Message to Congress