

EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

Voting Tuesday

Raleigh citizens will go to the polls on Tuesday to decide three issues—Whether we will move the city hall—Put fluoride in the water—Street improvement.

All of these need serious consideration. They should not be considered in the light that Raleigh is no longer a one-horse town, but a growing city which should keep pace with the times. No longer can citizens of Raleigh expect to live under conditions that tend to retard. Raleigh has grown up and should think that way.

We have no quarrel with those who would keep the city hall where it is, but we do think that serious thought should be given to the moving of the building for many reasons. The big thing is how much it will cost the taxpayers. We have been reliably informed that little or no tax increase will evolve from moving to the proposed Morgan Street site. Another issue is accessibility. Persons having business at city hall now find themselves with a parking problem that is very annoying and in many instances when one goes in to pay an overtime parking ticket, he comes back to find that he has another for paying the first one. We have been told that this situation will be remedied if the building is moved to the new location.

Another issue in favor of the proponents is that there is no doubt that Raleigh needs a modern city hall and should the coming bond issue be defeated it will take four or five years before it will come up again. Procrastination is the thief of time and certainly we cannot wait until 1961 to vote for a new city hall. We need to act now.

As to fluoridation, not being chemists, we

are not in position to say whether it will impair the health of the citizens or improve it. We have listened to arguments on both sides. We do know, however, that it is being added in many metropolitan cities and we have had no protest of any more people dying than died before the fluoridation went into effect. What advantages that are to be derived from fluoridation went into effect. What advantages that are to be derived from fluoridation strikes us as outweighing those which would be damaging. Here again we say each voter should study the benefits and the disadvantages and vote his or her conviction.

The third issue that will be voted on will be to improve our streets. This has long since been one of the nightmares that have haunted our city for a number of years. There are so many advantages to be derived from improving our streets until we don't think anyone would vote against that proposal. Certainly the Negro population should be intensely interested in this matter. We understand that the money is available and all the City Council needs is a mandate from the people to go forward with the project.

Again we say study the issues involved and vote your conviction. Raleigh must move forward and not backward. Voting is a God-given right and every qualified voter should go to the polls on Tuesday and vote his conviction. Don't stay away from the polls. All issues affecting Raleigh is of interest to you. It does not matter whether you are a land owner or not. If you eat sleep and have your being in Raleigh, you should be interested, so be sure to express your opinion by voting on all the issues Tuesday.

Oral Roberts In Raleigh

The International preacher who is alleged to have healed many sick hearts, bound up many broken hearts and given solace to so many disturbed persons came to Raleigh last week. What effect his visit to the state capital will have upon it remains to be seen.

One thing we do know that he was not able to do very much about segregation, even though he is said to have made the declaration that he would never preach to another segregated audience. Persons who were known to have been intensely interested in his meetings are known to have said that the declaration was made that there would be segregation, in keeping with the practices of the state.

His first night was so filled with curiosity that there was not time for segregation to raise its hoary head and as a result brothers in Christ, of all races, sat awe stricken to listen to what he had to say. As he began to tell of his experiences and what he had been able to do elsewhere, without any reference to segregation in God's house, the congregation got into the spirit of the occasion and gave vent to their feelings with a little hand clapping and foot patting.

He is said to have had breakfast with Governor Hodges Thursday morning and on Thursday night a pattern of segregation, after a fashion, was noticed. It was even rumored that members of the sheriff's department were seen in what was believed to be an attempt to separate the lambs. Perhaps these acts of discrimination went unnoticed by the man who has traveled over the world trying to establish the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.

It is hard to believe that Oral Roberts would countenance segregation in any form and certainly he has to live with himself and if he has the milk of human kindness flowing in his heart, as all true Christians are supposed to have, we wonder how he brought himself around to it. It will be a little more difficult for him to talk to Russia. Red China about Christian democracy.

Aside from this bad picture we hear that there were many people who were disappointed. There were those who traveled from as far away as Mississippi and did not even get to the assembly line. There were others who had certain misgivings and suspicions after attending one of the meetings. There were still others who are said to have not been able to meet the financial requirements. The first two are bad enough, but if there is any truth about the last one, then Oral Roberts has done himself a disservice. There are millions of people who think that he is a true representative of Christ and he made it unmistakably plain that he invited men without money or price.

True Christianity is not strained, but rather plain. It knows no race or color. Oral Roberts, if a representative of the Risen Savior, cannot afford to practice anything but the true religion that works by faith and purifies the heart. He cannot dim his influence by practicing one thing in one section of the nation and another in another section. He must preach only Christ and Him crucified. Anything short of this makes him an imposter.

The Passing Of George Moore

The passing of George A. Moore in New Bern last week took from the stage one of the most respected churchmen and fraternal leaders that the state has ever produced. George, as he was known to his intimate friends, was considered one of the outstanding churchmen of the nation. He held high places in many Christian bodies.

He had no peer in the fraternal world. He was a protégé of J. Finley Wilson in the Elks and therefore had much to do with the policy of that Order. He was in position to put his candidate in office and wielded enough influence to keep those out who did not meet his approval. He always had what he termed justifiable reasons for landing his candidates.

He had a way of endearing people to him and because of that was able to influence them as to what was good for the democratic bodies to which he belonged. He carried this same technique into his church life and was able to convince the powers-that-be as to what was good and what was bad for the temporal side of the church.

His leadership will be missed in both phases of North Carolina life. He also made a contribution to the civic and political life of the state. He was a member of the special committee that came to Washington to appear before the lawmakers when the hearings were

held on the Pearsall Plan. He often lamented the fact that his section of the state did not wield enough influence when it came to voting to be heard and felt.

The esteem in which he was held was attested to by the huge crowd that attended his funeral. Rich and poor, high and low came to pay the last tribute of respect to a man who died in the harness. His ability to meet people and to become so beloved by them so that they would follow his counsel in church and state could well be copied by those of us whom he leaves behind. A leader is not one who appoints himself, but one chosen by the people and his worth can only be measured to the extent that he is followed by the crowd.

George Moore possessed this peculiar ability. He could calm a heated church congregation. He could take the floor in a fraternal situation and bring sobriety to a confused delegation. George Moore could whisper to a chairman of a meeting and the entire proceedings would take a different course. These are virtues that any man would do well to acquire. George is gone, but we hope that he has so implanted his virtues into the lives of people with whom he came in contact that his sober judgement, his wise candor and his persuasive argument will quell many seeming disturbances.

"May He Always Turn A Deaf Ear To Any Such Advice"



OBSERVATIONS

By Rev. R. Irving Boone

(We are happy to resume our relationship with THE CAROLINIAN, and through its columns, greet, anew, our many friends. We recall with keenest pleasure the numerous letters and other expressions of appreciation which the many readers in the past were graciously enough to convey. It is our hope that OBSERVATIONS will again meet with the same cordial reception.)—RIB

"By Their Fruits..." "By their fruits, ye shall know them..." This immortal dictum was enunciated in the long ago, by the Man of Galilee. Here is a criterion that commands universal acceptance, and that constitutes a primary determinant in the correct appraisal of an individual.

All too often there is a tendency to overlook this basic factor of the quality of one's offerings, and evaluate, in terms of a person's social background, or racial identity, or economic status. This type of faulty reasoning that is the root of many of the injustices

and that has caused much of the misunderstanding and misery that afflict our world today.

It is clearly obvious that one of the primary needs of our times is for a re-appraisal of our entire set of values and for an honest-to-goodness application of that great Christian principle of judging individuals, not by the color of their skin, or the nature of their origin, or the eloquence of their professions, but rather by the character of their lives, the quality of their service, and the measure of their contribution to human happiness.

The one and only adequate norm in determining the true worth of individuals—what ever their vocation—is by their fruits.

IN THIS OUR DAY

By Dr. C. A. Chick, Sr.

Approaching the End

Approaching the end of anything, whether a period of time, or a geographical distance, or a goal of achievement, etc., affords a splendid opportunity for an individual to look back over the time or distance or accomplishments to see how well or poorly a given task may have been accomplished or not accomplished.

And, thus, as we approach this season of the year—approaching the end thereof, we should take stock—look back—over the past twelve months to ascertain how well we have reached our goals, or failed to reach them. Many of us will take stock of our material assets and liabilities. If we find our material liabilities greatly in excess of our assets we should immediately endeavor to ascertain the cause

of such and try hard to remedy the situation.

All well-established business firms at this season of the year take stock to ascertain whether or not they have made or lost money during the past year. And if they have not made any money they will try to discover the reason why they have not. Moreover, during the next year they will try to profit by past mistakes. And on and on I could continue listing various ways by which individuals should, and do check—take stock—look back—during this season of the year.

However, the purpose of this article is to raise the question as to how many of us take time to check—take stock—on ourselves. Have we personally gained or lost during the past twelve months? Is our faith in a Supreme Being stronger or

less than it was at the beginning of the year? Are we more content or less so in our conditions than we were twelve months ago? Have we increased our desires to read good literature, to see good shows and plays, and to listen to good music? Do we have more or fewer genuine and worthwhile friends? Do we have more or less confidence in ourselves?

The foregoing is simply a few of the many things we need to take stock of regarding ourselves as we approach the end. And, if we are losing in any of them, we should pattern after a good business firm in that we should make haste to discover the reason therefor. As the year rapidly ebbs out, happy are those who can conscientiously say with the Apostle Paul, "I have fought a good fight."

SENTENCE SERMONS

By Rev. Frank Clarence Lowery For ANP

OUT OF THE NIGHT

Night is symbolic of darkness, be it of whatever kind. Nature's tints of coloring or a morbid state of mind.

The mind of man was ever intended to expand and reflect the Divine image of God; anything less would lead to distress and allow Satan his soul to defraud.

But man must not weaken against the strain of Satan's blasts, or the night will then quickly come on, and sad will be his eternal end if to God he does not respond.

Thus nightly men pour into an open door like Pacific Garden Mission and other similar Institutions open to inmates of Skid Row, who in quest of food and shelter, often find the Blessed Savior whose gifts are so much better.

Here they find a new beginning just as soon as they stop sinning; then daylight begins to calmly dawn as they rise above the storm.

What a pitiful state for a man to remain in, when there are so many ways open to him to conquer sin; his Adamic nature cannot be denied... but why let Satan cheat and drive when so many bright hearts are

open to him and pleading to show him a way to win.

It must have been for such bleeding souls that the Poet's thoughts did soar, when out of inspiration came these words to open wide another door. "Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter, feelings lie buried that Grace cannot restore; touched by a loving heart weakened by kindness, chords that were broken will vibrate once more."

This is the way out for the sin-sick whose night seems to outlive the day... there can be no early morning until men begin to pray; then will come the transformation like mist before a rising sun, when one says "YES" to Jesus, then the new life is begun.

Then out of the night gladness, sweet music, holy communion and heavenly charm; then all of Satan's imps surrounding can't do such a soul any harm.

Peace then will be his portion and holy unction from on high... night shades will have their limitations and true blue will be the sky, nothing will escape his Master's notice, no harm can enter beneath his wing, for He is the eternal

Father and the everlasting King.

"OUT OF THE NIGHT" of chill and sorrow, hate and misery how ever intense, God has thrown up indelustrable barriers for every soul who sincerely repents.

For such protection who would deny Him of the very best service one can afford, after being liberated from his adversary into the hands of his precious Lord?... his pleasure then should be to personally accept this sacred entreaty to save other souls from a sinner's grave; "Let the lower lights be burning, send the gleam across the way, some poor fainting, struggling Seaman, you may rescue, you may save."

Melvin H. Kolbe, Extension horticultural fruit specialist at N. C. State College, says strawberry plantings in the mountain area should be mulched when the temperature is staying in the 20-25 degree F. range. This probably will come sometime between now and Christmas, he points out. Two to three tons of wheat straw is ideal. However, other materials, especially pine straw, can be used.

Gordon Hancock's

BETWEEN the LINES

For ANP

The Old South's "Position"

In 1943, fourteen Negroes were asked to collaborate in the writing of a volume entitled "What the Negro Wants", and published by the University of North Carolina press. A serious attempt was made to have the collaborators to consist of every shade of thought, from super-radical to ultra-conservative. But in the last analysis it was found that all of the Negroes wanted the same things and this put at rest the oft-stated assertions that there were Negroes who wanted to settle for less than full citizenship.

As one of the fourteen and as teacher of social psychology, the writer was the only one of the collaborators that took account of propaganda as a factor of great power in the ultimate solutions and adjustments. It occurred to the writer then—and since—that the thorough propagandists are at the greater advantage in the fight for justice and equity. He declared then, as he declares now, that the Negro's limited means of propaganda is calculated to work tremendous hardships in the long run, in competition with these of unlimited means for propaganda purposes. In the long run, the fellow without it will get lost in the race to be heard.

When we consider the current appeal to propaganda and the Negro's limited resources, we can easily sense the difficulties that he should. It has come about that the Old South is turning seriously to propaganda to justify its "position" in the eyes of the world. Already the propaganda of the Old South is making itself felt at the North; for already the Old South's propagandists are tremendously impressed at the tangible results from a limited attempt to set themselves right before the nation and world; and this is but the beginning. Already many of the Northern newspapers and magazines are

falling for the Old South's line and the campaign is just getting started. Negro leadership could with great profit take more serious notice of this new departure in race relations.

The Old South is naturally propagandist in its outlook. In this nation these representatives of the Old South have built up an almost formidable anti-Negro sentiment. And so it has come about, the hydra-headed octopus of race prejudice is just as evident in Boston as in Atlanta, and that it is subtle, makes no difference.

With the current appeal to propaganda we may expect a further delay in the attainment of full-fledged citizenship if the propagandists of the Old South succeed in their current "massive" undertaking. This does not mean that the onward and upward sweep of public opinion will not in the long run prevail; it means that the current efforts at propaganda will make the run longer.

There is one thing to be borne in mind—and that is one good example is worth a hundred propagandas. When the Negro football heroes of the current season have done great things for the cause of better race relations as have their predecessors, so Negroes who are short on propaganda must be long on performance if we would successfully counter the current effort to propagandize the Negro into an indefinite status as a second class citizen.

We are not here intimating that our entry into the Promised Land of full-fledged citizenship can be forever barred; but we are asserting that whereas the Old South's representatives are resorting to propaganda which he can buy in unlimited amounts, the Negro can perform wherever the time and occasion present themselves. The current attempt of the Old South to propagandize the nation and world is a dangerous sign of the times. Negro leadership must call the race to character and excellent performance.

Along The Colonial Front

By HAMILTON T. BOSWELL For ANP

LONDON (ANP)—The invasion of Egypt by Israeli, British and French forces was undoubtedly one of the stupidest moves ever made by British and France. For Israel it was a last desperate attempt to bring help before she is overwhelmed.

As I predicted the move brought the Chinese into the picture. The Communist bloc is now a power in the Middle East and the paramount power in the vast Euro-Asian land mass and will not, under any circumstances, allow British, France or USA to weaken the influence gained.

Marshall Zhukov, the Soviet Defense Minister, said recently that the British, French and Israeli invasion of Egypt must be crushed and that the Soviets were ready to join any force for Egypt.

Marshall Bulganin hints that rockets will be used by the Soviets if the aggression is not halted. Fortunately the British, French and Israeli governments realized that was no empty threat and promptly halted. The Jerusalem Post admitted this was the reason for Israel's withdrawal of her "We hold what we have" policy. But British and French politicians and newspapers persist in denouncing the aggression, and some of our most stupid generals and Air Marshals join the politicians and newspaper men and women in demanding

that we should take over the Canal.

Then General Gruenther feels impelled to add his voice to the confusion and makes confusion worse confounded. The General warned that if Russia used rocket weapons against Western Europe, "just as night follows day, retaliation will follow and the Soviet Union will be destroyed." Gruenther deserves to rank with our own Monty, the Mountebank as just another "loudmouthed general" whose mind is as confused as the minds of our politicians.

NATO may be five times stronger than it was in 1951, but not in land forces. Germany has not fulfilled her early promise and both France and Britain are entangled in adventures that can easily cost them all their available sea, land and air forces.

General Gruenther is obviously referring to air strength, and once that is established as the ultimate resource, as indeed it is as far as USA, USSR and Britain are concerned, it is absurd to talk of blunting an attack and retaliation as though there would be ample time after an all-out attack with rockets and H-bombs and all the rest implies.

If the Communists really make up their minds to attack it will be a Pearl Harbor with all they've got.

Do's And Don'ts



"It Is Important That You Control Your Temper, Especially When In Public."

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