

#### Another Look

Several days ago a Negro man, Mr. James Harris, was tried and convicted in Raleigh City Court of disorderly conduct. The charge resulting in his conviction alleged that the man created a disturbance in the police station when he and his wife appeared there to inquire why nothing was done about e telephone call the man had made to the station requesting action against two white men the Negro claimed had insulted his wife. According to Mr. Harris' story, he and

his wife were driving down town when the two whites, in another car, invited Mrs. Harris to leave her house and come with them. When Mr. Harris showed his resentment of the invitation to his wife, the white men drove off. The visit of the Harris' to the police station was made. Mr. Harris said. to ascertain why the desk sergeant had hung up when Harris called to report the incident,

We do not know what happened at the police station that night. Two policemen testified that Harris came in banging on the desk, loudly protesting his telephone request. being cut off and demanding action, stating that if a white woman had been involved, the Negro men accused would have been found and "hung to the nearest yardarin". The police claim that Harris became so violent they told him he was under arrest and admitted that force had to be used to subdue him when he resisted being arrested. The Harris' denied being violent or disorderly and claimed Mr. Harris was choked, besten and arrested because the police were angry because he had made the assertion he was being given the run around. Harris stated at his trial that he was told by the policemen that a "damn N --- didn't talk to white Releigh police as he had talked and get away with it. The judge evidently believing the policemen's story, found Harris guilty and fined him \$50.00 and costs.

Having sketched, without details, the "factual" side of the story lets consider a few closely related aspects. Mr. Harris was described in newspaper accounts as a big, burley, aggressive type. If that description of him is true, it would seem that he would have pursued the white mun whom he says insulted his wife, caught up with them and battled it out. Big! burley, aggressive men usually do just that. The policeman who answered Harris phone call says Harris was talking incoherently. We wonder if Harris was talking coherently chough on the phone for the policeman who answered it to learn that the caller was a Negro man protesting an insult to his wife from white men. We also wonder, if the calter had been a white man, rightly excited because Negro men had accosted his wife, would not the paties department rushed a car load of officers to the caller's home in an effort to get details so they might apprehend the culprits instead of hones ing up the phone as was done when Mr. ris called

Mr. Harris, as was his right as a free American citizen, went to the Raleigh police station to protest, what he considered a slight given him by the policeman who answered his telephone call. While there, it is understandable why he could become resentful because of the indifference shown him both over the telephone and during the conversation at the station. A man who has just seen his wife insulted wouldn't or rather. shouldn't be expected to be happy and pleased, whether or not he became disorderly would possibly depend for an answer on from what angle one was looking at the matter and also upon just how much provocation the Raleigh police department experts a Negro to suffice without showing resentment. For our part we would actept the word of the Harris' who say there way nothing disorderly in the conduct of Mr. Harris, before we would that of the two policemen. It just doesn't make much sense to believe that a man who had not gone after two rats who had insulted his wife, would try to beat up two policemen armed with pistols and black lacks. Neither does it make good sense for two armed policemen to say it was necessary for them to use so much force that both of them had to knock Harris down, set on top of him and only get off of him after two Negro policemen came on the scene If. as the police involved claim; only as much

As far as we are concerned the real signs understanding and a more folerant approach in race relations. In line with this thinking we are pleased to present these widely separated happenings that seem to bear out our

in Texas and at first glance it might be considered a defeat. Its aftermath proved it to be a significant racial victory. Barbara Louise Smith, a student in the College of Fine Arts,

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force was used as was found necessary to subdue Harris. why were both of them astraddle of him on the floor after he had been subdued. Why were they holding him on the floor and how can a person be disorderly in a police station? According to a Brooklyn, New York judge,

that is impossible. Disorderly conduct, according to this New York jurist consists of public disorder, conduct involving a breach of the public peace. Ruling in favor of a defendent charged with being disorderly in a police station, this judge pointed out that a person could not be convicted on such a charge because the public peace was not involved, that a police station full of armed policemen was certainly not a public place needing protection against disorderliness and, until a person had broken the public peace and offended society, he could not be found guilty of disorderly conduct. That interpretation of disorderly conduct appears to our lay mind as reasonable, sound and fair. Pending the time when this enlightened intepretation of disorderly conduct can be accepted here, why should a man, even if as it is alleged in the Harris' case, be charged and found guilty of disorderly conduct because he pounds on the police desk and tells the police they did not do their duty. When did the Raleigh police become so high and mighty that the citizens who pay their salaries cannot tell them what they think without asking their permission to tell them and why must they, while expressing their grievances, stop doing so simply because the police involved do not care to listen any longer. As we previously stated, we do not know what went on the night Harris went to the Raleigh police station seeking relief but there are many aspects of the aftermath of his visit that are not wholesome or conducive to good law enforcement or to proper race relations.

In passing we would like to comment briefly on two other facets of this case. One, the matter of Lieutenant Bailey's commendation of his policemen for their actions in "subducing" Harris is directly related, the other, the wide spread and growing habit of white men molesting Negro women in the streets of Raleigh is indirectly related. We cannot accept the policemen's version of what went on the night Harris came to them for help. He went to the police station seeking help, not to be disorderly. If he was provoked into being disorderly the police, not Harris is to blame. Lieutenant Bailey, the immediate superior officer of the policemen involved by his praise for their action against Harris, may be encouraging other policemen to fly off the handle and charge Negro citizens with being disorderly when they come to the police station seeking help, and, although we seriously object to anyone taking the law into his own hands and creating violence what ever the provocation Lieutenant Bailey by his commendation of these policemen for "subdueing" Mr. Harris, may cause other aggrieved Negro citizens to feel that they have no other recourse in protecting themselves against aggrevations and assaults but their own resources of defense. White policemen, do not seem to realize that people, including Lieutenant Bailey and his Negroes are human beings the same as they are. They have the same feelings, the same motivations, the same reactions, when and if these truths are learned, there will be no raised tensions. Touching on the indirectly involved subject, white men in Raleigh molesting Negro women, it is very strange that the Raleigh police department is not aware of this sickening practice. It goes on every day and every night. It is prevelant in every Negro district in Raleigh. No Negro woman who walks the streets of this city is free from being molested by this white vermen. these hypercritical advocates of race "purity" and racial segregation. Some how, we have a feeling that Lieutenant Bailey would be doing a far better job of helping to improve the law enforcement pattern in 'Raleigh were he to crack down on his men for their failure to protect the Negro women of Raleigh instead of praising those who say they had to use a disputed amount of force in order to subdue a husband who came to them seeking help for a wrong that had ben inflicted upon his wife.

#### Signs Of Progress

of racial progress are the lowering of race barriers and the incidents along the way which point to enlarged opportunities, better The first incident or happening occurred

University of Texas, was chosen, because of her excellent voice, to play the leading role in the college's annual full dress opera. After religiously rehearsing this role since last October, she was called into the dean's office, a few days before the scheduled opening of the opera in May, and told she could not play the part. The dean expressed his sorrow but informed Miss Smith that certain members of the legislature, then in session, had objected to a Negro girl playing a romantic lead opposite a Texas white boy.

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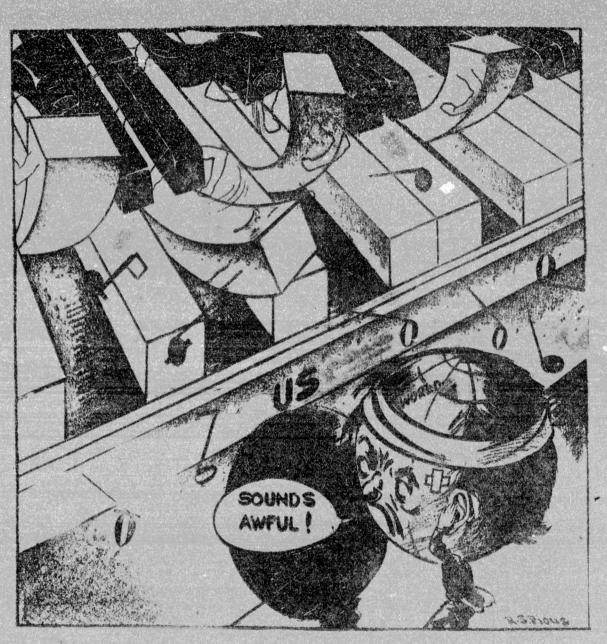
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### "Civil Rights Bill Hampered By Amendment. White House Still Silent."



### IN THIS OUR DAY

BY DR. C. A. CHICK, SR.

"Government Gifts" It cannot be denied that many of our politicians are elected to office by deceiving the people as to what they (politicians) are getting them from their government. We must let our legislators and administrators know that we realize they are not giving their constituencies any special privileges when these privileges must be matched by similar gifts by constituencies all across the country. The net result is simply a ballooning of tax costs for all. Citizens need to support activities that will avoid excess in spending at the

as at the national level. We should require government agencies to give first consideration to reducing taxes

WHEN SHADOWS FALL

be the day, dark shades must

eventually follow, and weary

earth adjusts its soft night-

cap and awaits a better tomor-

2. How much like this is Life.

with its changes like a movie

on the screen . . . joyous pleas-

ures and good fortune in the

daytime, but evening some

3. God knows that the en-

chantment of Eden would be

all a human heart could desire.

but by Adam and Eve's own

bilious thinking they would be

the whole human Race, and

new daily mankind has new

problems to face; even from

their first children the world

learned of murder, and ever

since, crimes have been made

5. Even mock trials to per-

form lynchings, have proved

early date aplenty, and lately

not a few . . . the case in point,

to be nothing new . . .

4. This changed the status of

hurt by playing with fire.

tragic scene.

to order

1. How ever beautiful may

state and local levels as well

and then compelling them to live within these limits. The foregoing is the recognized procedure of all good business and successful family finances.

It must be pointed out again that the taxes on the United States business are a cost to all 170 million United States citizens It is important that we start now to making our government representatives fully aware that most of us realize that we as individuals are standing the cost of taxes, directly or indirectly, and that we are aware also of the extra costs and inefficiencies involved in too much of the hidden types of taxation.

We need to help make it good politics for our servants in government to effect every feasable lessening of the total

SENTENCE SERMONS

By REV. FRANK CLARENCE LOWRY For ANP

of the Blessed Savior, whose

accusers reflected the lynch

spirit in their behavior, and

hav were not ordinary men of

the street, but high church dig-

deceit.

nitaries given to hypocrisy and

6. Thus shadows have nearly

covered every spot on the

Globe, and sadness and de-

struction are making deep in-

roads; only Christ who was

crucified can dissipate this mad

onslaught . . . for thus His

7. Shadows will come, and

death and resurrection our re-

they will go, contingent upon the kind of need we sow, and

the closer we draw near to

our blessed Savior, the finer

8. Then will come the glor-

ious change to mankind and

the world will emerge from its

frightful doom, and you and

I will help dissipate shadows.

and our buds will break forth

9. This is the answer for all

earthly heartaches, disappoint

ments, disagreements and woes;

into full bloom.

will be our daily behavior.

demption was bought

tax burden and to gradually shift away from the use of the indirect hidden taxes and towards the use of direct and visable taxes. Then we need to strengthen awareness that the present initial distribution of the tax burden does not save consumers anything in the end, and that, in the meantime this distribution places special penalties on the nation's ability to save and to invest in progress toward higher levels of living. By focusing their attention on the foreground and similar

areas of misunderstanding concerning tax policies and practices the masses of the citizens could develop a powerful and constructive force working to ward the accomplishment of a sounder tax structure.

for He who experienced the

wormwood and the gall, knew

then and now, the countless

penalties every man and wom-

Him we owe" and shadows can-

not very long stay where His

light of life doth flow; like a

mirage of dewy breath, this

mysterious Master even steps

11 Surely then, the shadows

cannot hurt, while heavenly

Angels move about and around

God's children lurk; for noth-

ing can go awry that is within

the Master's will, and trials

are but shadows when He says

12 It was St. John who said. Let not your heart be trou-

bled; ye believe in God, believe

also in me. In my Father's

house are many mansions; if

it were not so I would have

told you. I go to prepare a

shadow banishing word; when

we listen to, and trust in God,

no other false voices can be

heard.

in to conquer death

'PEACE BE STILL."

courage Lord . . continue to fight knowing full well that the banner of victory side Mr. Alexander spoke truly for all the Negroes of this state.

> ject in the South Raleigh area already being prepared for it. Uprooting 150 families, half of them home owners is a sad thing, regardless of the reasons. But for the Baleigh City Council, after having voted to allow this uprooting to be done, to do nothing at all about finding homes for those disposed citizens, was and is, nothing short of a community disgrace.

At this late date, all of the residents of that area have not been able to find places for relocation. These people are now wondering around the town literally begging for places to live. To make it so very bad, none of these are older people and there are several small children included in the lot. All of this indicates the type of concern our "City Fathers" have for the Negro citizens they voted to put into the

# TO THE

Many of us who follow the activities of the legislature were shocked by the attempt of Senator Jolly to have enacted into law a bill that would provide the sterilization of unwed mothers who gave birth to at least two illegitimate children We are thankful to God that the measure was killed by thoughful minds who recognized the far-reach

It was frankly admitted that the bill was designed to reduce the number of unwed Negro mothers receiving funds from county and state. I do not condone illegitimacy, but I do believe that it is the wrong procedure to strike at the symptoms rather than the causes of the problem. Illegitimacy is the fruit, not the root of the trouble.

In Senator Jolly's home county, Franklin, the Negroes have suffered severe educationand economic handicaps. Their schools have been far below par in educational facilities and resources. In fact, public education in that area is a comparatively recent project for Marcoss. The brunt

Gordon B. Hancock's

### BETWEEN the LINES

The current representatives of the Old South in Congress are making a stubborn fight to throttle the civil rights program Their delaying tactics are highly effective, and there are reasons to believe that the longer the bill is delayed, the greater the chance of killing it altogether.

The procedure is to destroy the bill, and if by some miracle it passes, to so amend it that it will amount to nothing in the way of guaranteeing civil rights of Negroes

It must be observed that only the civil hts of Negroes are concerned for the white man's civil rights have been guaranteed from the beginning. Much is being made over an amendment calling for a trial by jury in civil rights cases; for the chances of evading the law will be less when the trial is before a judge in the anticipated contempt cases. This column discussed many

years ago the possibility that no Negro in the South has ever had simple justice for the reason he is tried by a prejudiced jury, that is where interracial litigation is involved. We contended then, and we contend now, that it is impossible to find for any given case, twelve unprejudiced white men to sit on the jury, where and when the races are in conflict. However, nobly inclined these

white jurors think themselves to be, and however desirous they may be of meting out justice, because of their interracial background it is impossible for the white juror to devest himself of prejudice overnight.

It takes time to grow racial prejudice and it takes time to cure it, that is, to remove it from positive interference in dispensing justice as is presupposed in the jury trial. It is to be repeated, that it is doubtful if any Negro has ever had a fair trial at the South where Negro-white contentions were involved.

It makes the heart sick to reflect on the injusitees that have been inflicted upon Negroes by prejudiced white juries through the generations. The hardships meted out to Negroes are paralled by the moral contamination meted out to the whites themselves in their dispensation of injus-

What is now transpiring in Montgomery, Ala., will give an

if I would win increase my " They will imately rest on their

DISGRACE: It may or may not have been the right thing to put the 300 unit low cost housing pro-

streets.

## LETTER EDITOR

To The Editor:

ing implications of the bill.

idea of the advantage the southern leaders are secking in their clamour for a trial > jury amendment to the part ing civil rights bills. It is to questioned whether a trial a prejudiced jury is not a 11 bility to the cause of just rather than an asset.

Just' recently two white men were acquitted in Montgomery, Alabama in a indictment for dynamiting A Negro church and other case are pending and there are bound to be other acquittals One reason the Southerners are so insistent on the trial by jury is that a prejudiced jury need not be feared by evil doers if they do their evil to

This is a sorry state of affairs and one that should cause worry and shame by the up-right citizens of the nation. A nation that is afflicted with such moral corruption in high places is riding for a fall. Such brazen displays of race prejudice are noted around the world and make null and void our protestations of democracy and human brotherhood.

It is such things as these that lead to anti-American riots in China and elsewhere the United States assumes the role of moral leadership. Southern leadership in Congress threatens to destroy our good influence in the uttermost parts of the earth.

It will take more and more hillions to salvage our prestige, if we are going to be led from the prejudiced South. Trial by a prejudiced jury does not expedite justice but thwarts it. It is not a help but a hinder-

It is gettting high time for the liberals of the North to wake up to the fact that the behavior of the gentlemen from the South not only brings condemnation to the South but to the national. Eastlandism is not going to help our prestige abroad and it is not going to advance the cause of justice and equity at home.

In spite of the wailing and gnashing of teeth by die-hard Southerners committed to the eternalization of the Negro limited citizenship, the Negro will be free, if not until they are dead, even as the Negroes were freed from slavery in spite of the thousands slain upon hundred battlefields to keep them slaves. God and Time and Right are on the side of all oppressed groups. Trial by preju-

diced jury!

of the training has been borne hy denominational institutions. Albion Academy and Christian College which, in reality was a high school. More than fifty veaus ago, the Baptists seeing the need of Negro children for training established a school in Franklin county For a long time the Presbyterians operated a similar school in Louisburg. The educational background has been poor indeed. Because of a lack of skill

which comes through training, young Negro girls have been forced to take jobs as servants in the white man's home. The results have been tragic. Under the threat of econom to pressure, many of these girls have been forced to year to the advances of their employers. Th sponsor of the sterilizetion bill, citing cold but often unrevealing statistics, stated that 20 per cent of the Negro children in North Carolina are born out of wedlock. Actually, many of those children are as much white as they are Negro. I hate to shock Mr. Beverly Lake and others of his school of thought, but amalgamination (the illegal kind) has been a common practice since the days of slavery. In the veins of some of the so-called illegi-

flows. These children are the products of a vicious system where some Negro women are told that they must submit or lose their jobs. Jesus told a group who brought before him a woman caught committing adultery. He who is without sin let him cast the first stone" The same

principle is applicable today.

Where are we to place blame

timate Negro children the

blood of "white aristocracy"

for illegitimacy? I would suggest that the Senator from Franklin County treat some of the causes of the problem Work for better educational opportunities for the underprivileged in his own backyard. Help them find jobs that will bring them a degree of economic security. Fight for their right to vote unhampered by prejudiced registrars and socalled literacy tests. In a word, as their elected representative, demand that they be given the opportunity to live as human beings created in God's own

> Sincerely yours. Reverend J. H. Clanton

POET'S CORNER MY NATAL DAY

BY WILLIAM HENRY HUFF I love the twenty-seventh day of May Because it is my own-my

natal day. It is the day that I was born 'Mid Georgia's cotton fields and corn. Inside a lowly cabin built of

The thing was fit for only cats and dogs. That's why I struggled day and night to learn

So, in some happy future, I

could earn A happy home upon some boulevard

#### ODDS and ENDS

WARNING: This is the time of year when young boys all want to go swimming. There is certainly nothing wrong with that because swimming is one of the most healthy forms of recreation possible for one to engage. But swimming should be done in the proper places and under supervision. During the summer months when we hear of youngsters being drowned while swimming in some creek, pond or river, we always thing of what a useless waste of life this is. We know that boys will be

boys as the saying goes. We know that parents are hard put in trying to control the actions of teen age and younger boys, but somehow, when the drownings occur, we always feel that there has been some degree of parental neglect, some let down or weakening along the lines of obedience and control. No parent wants his sen to drown, that's for sure so why not do this parents: Find out where your sons go during the day. If you learn that he is frequenting an unsupervised swimming place SEE that he stops it. Yes, we realize that

youth, especially boys are not youth, especially boys are disobedient, just plain hard head ed, but there are still ways and means of implementing your orders to them. If you have to use these means do not hesitate to do so, they may save your son from being drowned this summer.

FAIR PLAY: Turn about is always fair play even when white students want to go to schools formerly attended only by Negroes. There is certainly no reason under the sun why the 3 young white men who have applied for admission to A&T College should not be admitted if they are otherwise qualified. The only possible reason why they won't be allowed to come to A&T will be fear on the part of the A&T administration.

We cannot, we will not be lieve that Dr. Gibbs, the president of A&T College, is a cow ard or a weakling. The Board of Admissions of course is the channel through which these applications will have to pass but the final decision will be up to Dr Gibbs Negroes are

now attending the University of N. C. at Chapel Hill, they are enrolled at N. C. State College in Raleigh and there are Negro girls at the Woman's College in Greenshoro. Is there any reason why white students cannot attend A&T College if they so desire. We cannot think WILL NOT STOP THE CLA-

MOR: When Kelly Alexander, president of the N. C. Conference of NAACP branches said that legislative imposed restrictions upon the activities of the MAACP could not stop the ever increasing clamor by awakened Negroes for their God-given and legally sanctioned rights he was, literally speaking, saying a mouth full. Negroes will not, they cannot turn back. To do so now would cause them to be regto the trash heap The battle for recognition by them as American citizens is virtually a battle for existence. These punishments and "legal" restraints that have been put upon them in other southern states and now most certainly to be adopted by this state, are but the last breathing of an already dead serpent, the last futile writhing of its ugly tail. Negroes know this, they will continue the fight, singing as they fight. "Sure I must fight