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Editorial Viewpoint

WORDS OF WORSHIP

Are Christians endowed with the authority to judge good and evil? This question is admirably answered in one portion of the Sermon on the Mount contained in St. Matthew, Chapter 7. A sinner accuses himself of sin, and thereby makes the confession which can lead to forgiveness. God

condemns sin and enables the sinner to be penitent. But Christians are not given the right to judge each other's sins. Instead of condemning, Christians should preach the gospel of God's Love and forgiveness. We must become our brother's keeper.

What Next?

That Raleigh can get excited or enthused over its politics was forcibly pointed out last Wednesday night at the Bloodworth Street YMCA where the Political Action Committee was having a session when a fist fight marred the meeting.

The two principals in the brawl hold choice positions in the religious, civic, political and social life of the Capital City. One, the Rev. John W. Fleming, is president of the Raleigh Citizens Association, and the other, Ralph Campbell, is president of the Raleigh Branch of the NAACP. Both are well-known here, and over the state, in these and other organizations.

There are many debatable factors surrounding such a display of temper. Who was right in the debate over the subject is not as important as the need to give and take; the ability to get along with others if it means peace and harmony for an organization; the sober, spontaneous judgment that restrains sudden anger; the respect for ladies and gentlemen; and the regard for proper decorum.

We admire courage and expect a man to take a firm position on that in which he believes. But few individuals, if any, will find that can disregard the best tenets of society and involve their individual code of action and remain voluble where ethics, respect and restraint are requisites to continued growth and progress.

We believe both men would take a second thought before inflicting scars upon the minds of their friends and associates should such an occasion arise again. Those present, who took charge, are to be commended for their immediate action in stepping in and putting an end to what could have been a more tragic occasion.

There are those who say, "hush up" the incident, that it will hurt the race. This thinking is entirely prejudiced. It breeds the same thoughts that are expressed when all Negroes are placed in the same position by white America when one Negro commits a heinous crime.

In fact, the grapevine has "covered" the story in many of its parts. The grapevine has also written quite a few editorials, pro and con.

Not to be forgotten in such incidents is the fact that the NAACP and the Citizens Associations belong to the people. The story is theirs to lead. The job of a newspaper is to get the facts and all sides possible of a story for its readers. Who is involved makes the story even larger. The fact that the presidents of two of Raleigh's most forward and most looked to organizations got into a fist fight is the Raleigh news story of 1964.

The CAROLINIAN would ask the executive boards of both these bodies to seek an apology of both Rev. Fleming and Mr. Campbell to their respective organizations and apprise the public of same inasmuch as the general public has such a great stake in both. Such an apology could already have been made to the persons present or to the organizations. If so, we do not know.

In the future, meetings of such organizations, especially where so many people are jockeying for power positions in politics, it would save some hard feelings as well as some jaws should the parliamentarian and sergeant-at-arms step in at the least discord by anyone as a preventive measure against disruption.

Possibly what happened was inevitable. Some good could be passed on to future meetings through such an experience. We hope so. Too much is at stake everywhere in this country for us to find discord and disdain for each other and his right to opinion and expression. To the point of fist fighting among organizational heads or, for that matter, any of its membership.

The "bigness" of both men will be known in the future more through their gentleness and dignity rather than through physical force.

Negro Church Statesmen

Two Negro ministers were recently elected to high church offices to assume the role of statesmen.

The Rev. Elder G. Hawkins was recently elected moderator of the United Presbyterian Church at its General Assembly which convened in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This office will call for a knowledge of church law and parliamentary procedure, effective oral communication, and tact to maintain goodwill during the deliberation sessions.

Following shortly after the election of the Reverend Hawkins, the Dallas Pastor's Association has its first Negro president in a period of 40 years. Again Texas leads the way.

The president-elect, Rev. Zan Wesley Holmes, Jr., 29, pastor of the 650 member Hamilton Park Methodist Church, "rolled" into office by a unanimous vote.

We take this occasion to salute these two pastors who have been articulate in the organizations' deliberations. Evidently, effective public speaking, accompanied by good parliamentary procedure decorum, caught the attention of their associates. These men will represent us in a high-class manner and statesmen-like.

Macon, Atlanta, Negroes Win

It was a long historical fight to enter politics in Macon County, Alabama; but, during the recent primary, four Negro candidates seeking office led the ticket.

One candidate faced possible runoff against a white incumbent, but there were enough uncounted votes—mostly in predominantly Negro precincts—to win.

With only four boxes tabulated out of 20 in the county, Rev. V. A. Edwards led the runner-up by 200 votes in the race for a seat on the county governing body. He was shy of a majority, however.

Edwards, religious extension director at Tuskegee Institute, had 1,229 votes; incumbent Virgil Guthrie had 1,020; Hoyt Sheppard received 998.

Dr. C. C. Gomillion, professor of sociology at Tuskegee Institute, drew 1,493 votes for a seat on the county school board now held by Emerson Guthrie. The incumbent had 949 votes.

Two Negro business men, William J. Childs and William C. Allen, campaigned for justice of peace in separate races. Childs, a service station owner, had 989 votes to 710 for Kyle Freeman. Allen, who operates a merchandising store, led James R. Perry, Sr., 970 to 654.

Without doubt the majority of the Tuskegee Negroes will be elected to local political offices. With the Negro's political strength in Wake County we could do likewise.

South Carolina Colleges Step Ahead

It is almost unbelievable, and yet it is true that six private and church colleges in South Carolina eliminated their racial barriers but only two Negro students have enrolled—admitted under court orders.

The two Negro students are enrolled at Clemson College. Harvey Gantt, a Charleston resident, enrolled during February, 1963. Last fall, a second Charleston student, Lucinda Braxley, was admitted.

Although no students have enrolled at the private colleges, the doors have been opened at Wofford, Presbyterian, Lander, Newberry, Furman.

1. Wofford has announced recently it will not deny admittance to any qualified male applicant on account of race or religion. At Presbyterian College, President Marc Weersing said the college has not refused admittance to any qualified student.

2. Newberry College, a Lutheran institution at Newberry, is coeducational. The Rev. Fred Dufford, board chairman, says "Qualified students will be received regardless of race or religion."

3. Lander is a Methodist college but the county took over the institution and made it coeducational several years ago. Lander is at present processing the application of a Negro girl who is graduating from the Negro high school at Greenwood.

4. Furman University, a coed Baptist college, announced months ago that it would admit Negroes; but the State Baptist Convention asked the school to await further study of the matter.

This information should encourage properly-qualified Negro students to seek admittance to these South Carolina colleges, for they issued these statements in good faith.

Who Is Hollering?

It seems unbelievable that "bloc" voting by Negroes, would be singled out and painted as an outrage. We should seek the source of the hiss and cry, who was hurt and how. The paradox of this post-mortem politicking is that the accusers are practicing the same things that they are accusing Negro voters of.

By singling out the Negro and by passing all kinds of "bloc" voting for different candidates, the accusers are guilty of purposeful assault on a segment of the population which is

indeed fortunate to even have courageous candidates, openly seek their vote, without being tagged in some way, with a hope-for "kiss of death."

If North Carolina is to take its place in the forefront of justice and right there is no room for such bigoted outrageous accusations. We commend media that has taken its stand against such attempts at trampling down our efforts, in behalf of those seeking office, who would be at least a political friend or ally.

STOPS THE MONEY

Down in Mobile, Alabama, a determined female cardinal bird is holding up sale of more than \$400 worth of young oak trees by a nursery.

The cardinal built a nest in one of the trees in a 1st house, and the nurseryman said that the entire shipment of oaks couldn't be moved until the cardinal's eggs are hatched and the young birds learn to fly.

The process is expected to take more than two weeks. The nurseryman said that he loved birds. (By Jove, I do too!)

MY! MY! MY!

A Jacksonville, Fla., lady heard her dog barking and barking. Guess what? When she went to the door she saw a big alligator stretched out on her welcome mat, blocking the screen door.

Corky, the dog, kept barking until the policemen arrived. The officers trussed up the 5 1/2 foot "gator" and relocated him in the intercoastal Waterway.

Let's hope that the alligator

FOUR DOGGIES!

An animal columnist says that at present dogs eat better and live longer than they did a generation ago, but they have less fun out of life—just like people.

Dogs have the same problems, too—for example, boredom. The quickest way to cure a human being of boredom is to give him an ailment of some kind, even if it is only a stomach-ache. The quickest way to cure a dog of boredom is to put a single flea on him. It may keep him busy for days.

CIGARETTES, ETC.

The worst braggart to put up with is the guy who not only smokes but has the habit of smoking—but boasts that he did it without losing a single pound.

And finally, they tell me that most pickpockets are skinny. (I hadn't noticed). On the other hand, confidence men tend to be fat or overweight—perhaps, because most people unconsciously trust fat men.

ONLY IN AMERICA

BY HARRY GOLDEN

WANTING TO BE PRESIDENT

Let's take a certain little boy age 5. He is one of forty million other little boys who may become President, provided he survives measles, mumps, scarlet fever, and the public school system. When this little boy finishes college or law school he is perhaps one of a million other lawyers or graduates who may become President.

When at 27 he gets his first appointment as a member of the State Highway Commission, it flickers across his mind that maybe he might not only become Lieutenant-Governor one day, but go from there to the Governor's chair and from there to the Presidency.

This flicker is not an all-consuming flicker; certainly not the kind of flicker you describe to colleagues, but it is an interesting flicker all the same. After all now he is one of a hundred thousand men who can become President.

The flicker occurs much more frequently when indeed our hero becomes Lieutenant-Governor. In fact, even his law partner and his wife and perhaps one astute precinct-chairman have the same flicker.

When he goes to Washington as a Congressman, the flicker is as continuous as a technicolor movie. Now he can see the White House, shake hands with its present occupant, get the lay of the land as it were.

And, of course, when he goes back to his home state as Governor, not only is he talking about that flicker which is a flicker no longer but a Michelangelo or Da Vinci vision, but the party pros are also limning the outlines. After his first term he is

one of one hundred and fifty men who can become President and after his second, he is one of twenty.

He says he has no political ambitions. He says he would only respond to a genuine draft. He says he didn't enter the Ohio primary, friends entered his name unknown to him. If friends entered his name at a hotel block with another woman he'd know about it and dissuade them but he can do nothing with them when they put his name on a ballot or put it before the convention.

Apparently, everyone but I understands why potential nominees don't declare themselves. I understand why Shakespeare's Caesar waved away the crown three times, because the Roman folks didn't want a king though Shakespeare makes it plain King was what Caesar wanted. But I cannot understand why Henry Cabot Lodge and William Scranton and George Romney and Richard Nixon all pretend the White House is a place of which they've never heard.

William Tecumseh Sherman said if nominated he would not run and if elected he would not serve but he is about the only American who never played it coy with the country's highest office.

More than once I'm sure the coyness has rebounded to a candidate's misfortune. Calvin Coolidge at the end of his second term told reporters, "I do not choose to run," but there is considerable opinion among professionals that he did not mean he didn't want to succeed himself.

But everyone thought that's what he meant.

Editorial Opinions

Here are excerpts of editorials, selected by The Associated Negro Press from some of the Nation's leading daily newspapers.

A PLAN IN THE SUN

The Negro movement toward full participation in American life frequently is referred to as a "revolution," and acts of civil disobedience from time to time are compared with the Boston Tea Party. The analogy is a weak one, leading to frequent misunderstandings.

American Negroes are not seeking to break away from their existing Government and to establish a separate independent nation, as was the case of the early American revolutionists. They are not attempting to overthrow the governmental structure, as is the case with the conventional "revolution." On the contrary, with the exception, perhaps, of the Black Muslims, American Negroes are trying to work through the existing Government and the existing power structure to obtain an equal footing with other Americans in the enjoyment of the opportunities which this country affords.

The distinction is important, because the tactics of those who want "in" are not necessarily the same as of those who want "out." Far from a revolution in the conventional sense, the civil rights movement is a striving toward acceptance, an effort to win over the hearts and minds of the dominant white group to an application of the principle of equality on which our nation was founded. In this effort the Negroes are not alone by any means. Many white Americans also are active supporters of the civil rights movement, and their founded and managed by Southern Negroes. Mr. Clement has pursued a business career in both the South and the North. No Uncle Tom, he has been a leader in racial causes. But he recognizes also the futility of despair and the evils of violence.

THEY DWELL IN DARKNESS

THE DENVER POST
In a speech in Los Angeles this week, Sen. Barry Goldwater again proclaimed his opposition to the civil rights bill which so many leaders of his own Republican Party—as well as many Democrats—are now seeking to pass in the U. S. Senate.

Goldwater, in taking this stand, is at odds with the GOP majority leader, Sen. Everett Dirksen, and a large company of determined Republicans in both houses who have labored valiantly to improve the bill and move it toward the statute

books

The major argument Goldwater offered in Los Angeles against a civil rights law could be used against any law. "I don't believe," he said, "that laws can stamp out a problem which is basically a problem of the minds and hearts and morals of men."

Murder, rape, arson, embezzlement and other crimes also involve the "minds and hearts and morals of men," but the senator would hardly oppose laws against these crimes if they be completely successful in stamping them out.

Spotlight on Gov. Wallace
THE EVENING BULLETIN, Philadelphia
After three successive primaries in the last few weeks the question has to be asked: "What does it mean that Alabama Governor George Wallace can come into the northern states and roll up such a big vote?"

No one seems to know the answer exactly and no one can accurately predict the effect. There is no doubt that the vote Gov. Wallace received in Maryland on Tuesday—up to 42 per cent of the Democratic count—represents a protest of a kind. Outside his own state Gov. Wallace himself couldn't get half of that on his personality and ability.

His vote in Maryland was not a surprise, considering where he got it and the money he spent to publicize himself. The Eastern Shore of Maryland torn by racial strife, and much of the western shore, too, is as much the "Deep South" as is Alabama, as far as segregation is concerned.

DRIVE SAFELY!

Head Cook Needed....



PULPIT AND PEW

BY EMORY G. DAVIS, D.D. (For the Associated Negro Press)

"LET THERE BE LIGHT"

There is more light in this dark world, thanks to Teamwork Foundation, which according to national statistics strikes one out of every three persons, Teamwork Foundation, Inc., has done and is doing the greatest job in the least possible time with amazing benefits and results, teaching the basic literary reading and spelling skills.

In Los Angeles, over 400 students, one a 79-year-old woman, received "diplomas"—Certificates of Completion—denoting they had completed 100 hours of class room instruction in reading and spelling. In Chicago, so far, over 200 have received these certificates, including a 69-year-old man who could only read "Stop" and "Go" signs, but now reads and writes at the 5th grade level.

A non-sectarian, non-political private group, headed by Ralph E. Loper is President, A. J. MacDonald, national Executive Director and Mort Levi, national Educational Director, the Foundation recently closed 9 classes in Chicago, held four nights per week, three hours each night for persons ranging in age from 7 to 79 with an average of 43. J. Leo Ash, regional director, former Navy Commander said that over 600 requests have come to the Foundation since then for more classes.

"Teamwork Foundation is not to supplant public education," stated Ash, "but rather to supplement it." He explained that that drop-outs, non-readers, poor readers and spellers and delinquents exist, among other reasons, because these persons lack the basic reading and spelling skills. "The schools do not take the time," he added, "and so these persons lose interest in learning, becoming unemployable, not even able to fill out an employment application."

Hallelujah! The light now shineth in dark places and there's something the people of the pulpit and pew can do about it.

ISSUES: GOOD AND BAD

BY F. L. PRATTIS FOR ANP

Right or wrong, I do not believe that those two Republican congressmen (one from Nebraska, the other from Kentucky) who traveled all the way to Alabama for material (pictures principally) for the build-up of a smear against President and Mrs. Johnson, did themselves or the Republican party any good. However, they acted out only one feature of the smear. Even prior to their departure a brochure was completed, ready for mailing to thousands of Americans, to show how indifferent the President and his wife are about the welfare of tenants on Mrs. Johnson's property in Alabama.

One must confess that whoever thought up this attack on the President's "war on poverty," was convinced he had a good one. There must have been loud guffaws in Republican circles when the idea was first presented by its creative sponsor.

This indeed would be a good one. This would put Lyndon in his place. His "war on poverty" is embarrassing to us Republicans. There are an awful lot of poor people in this country and if the President gets it over to them that he is not merely concerned about their welfare, but is going to do something about it, that will lock up millions of votes for him. Lyndon may be dumb in some things, but he's real astute when it comes to thinking up politically rewarding "deals" to get to the people. However, if we Republicans can show that Lyndon has some poverty right at his back door and that he isn't doing anything about it, the people may be encouraged to believe that he actually isn't interested in bettering conditions for the poor and then the poor people will conclude that the "war on poverty" is only a political gimmick. Disillusioned, the millions of poor people would swarm to the voting booths and cast their ballots for the Republican party and Barry Goldwater.

However, those traveling congressmen went too

Teamwork Foundation furnishes the teachers (State qualified), texts, tapes and all materials free of charge. The people in the pulpit and pew need only furnish the space—church basements, dining rooms, educational buildings—and recruit those who really want to learn plain old "reading," 'riting' and 'rithmetic." Some of our wealthy people in the pew can surely give money to this enlightening cause.

The Foundation wants to set up Teamwork Foundation Chapters throughout the U. S., to expand and perpetuate the cause. Already, Mr. Ash, sees himself being bogged down in Chicago where allegedly there are nearly 300,000 illiterates of all races, while thousands in other cities and towns need the Foundation's program. He advised that Chapters formed by local citizens in each city could do much of the ground work, freeing the Chicago staff to supply direction, program and recruit teachers.

Statistics indicate that the per pupil cost to the Foundation is approximately \$150 and that grade levels have been raised from a zero to 5.3 years in just 100 hours of their expertly developed techniques. In addition to private contributions, funds from industry, business and Savings and Loan Associations, support the literacy crusade.

We Negroes must admit, regrettably, that most of this illiteracy is within our own race, through no fault entirely of our own. While clamoring for our rights, let us prepare ourselves to assume those rights when they come by being able, at least to read the application for that new job and to write the answers legibly and intelligently. Write for information, at once, to J. Leo Ash, 3318 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, Ill.

Memo to Bishop Carberry, Lafayette, Indiana. A few weeks ago, we accused you of being prejudiced at one time, toward Negroes. We've since received the correct information. We apologize and will also inform our informant correctly. Keep up the good work in race relations.

far. Even if you can get a couple of belly chuckles out of their comic opera invasion of Alabama, you don't agree that it is fitting and proper to strike at a man through his wife. She is not running for anything. There must be thousands of good Republicans who resent this attack on Mrs. Johnson.

The congressmen and members of the Republican national committee could not have foreseen what they were going to run into on Mrs. Johnson's 3000-acre farm. From the scores of families who may have lived on the farm when it was used to grow cotton, there are only four left. When Mrs. Johnson changed from cotton to timber, there was nothing for many of the tenants to do. Indeed not! She allowed those who wished to do so to stay on the farm, retaining their houses and plots of ground for growing food. She charged them \$5.00 a month rent.

Believe it or not, the deplorable conditions the congressmen found were really not "deplorable" in terms of how many whites and Negroes do live in the South. The congressmen were apparently grow food on "Tobacco Road." With four acres to one couple was quite a piece of land, despite holes in ceiling and floor. It was learned that Mrs. Johnson sends them "boxes" two or three times a year. Sometimes the President's discarded suits go in to these boxes. In the deep south, holes in ceiling and floor don't go for much. The climate is warm hot. Flowers let the air in. Many folk, whites and Negroes, pay no attention to the holes. They may forget the holes, but they do not forget their gratitude. Mrs. Johnson's tenants expressed their pride in her. "I love her, both of them," one 70-year-old woman exclaimed. If she's allowed to register, you know whom this woman is going to vote for come November.