

Frankly Speaking

By FRANK ROBERTS

First of all, my sincere and humble thanks to one and all who took such a great interest in my last column. Public acceptance of the subject matter has been overwhelming. So much so that The Herald was sold out before the end of last Thursday. Many of the copies were bought out by NAACP members. I can only hope that the disclosures in the column were as effective and interesting to them as it was to many others, Negro and white. The interest shown has made me accede to the many requests to continue writing columns of this type. Another reason for continuing was a conversation I had with a local NAACP leader. This gentleman is quite sincere in his beliefs, just as I am with mine. However, in answer to his question as to how many more columns I am going to write regarding the NAACP and its activities, the answer is this: as many as necessary to combat the local goings-on, with the sit-ins, picketing, walk-throughs, harassments, all of which are inspired by the NAACP. The local chapter, of course, has brought in many outsiders to help stir up further discussions. They've also been giving out some falsely-slanted handbills and have been distributing a so-called newspaper out of Durham, the Carolina Times. The lies, half-truths and distortions presented in this journal are reminiscent of the tabloid newspapers of the 1920's. This newspaper's motto is: "The Truth Unbridled," a motto which they have not been following, so far as the Edenton stories are concerned. The headlines and stories have only one purpose; to inflame the passions of the susceptible youths who've been led to believe that the NAACP is the only answer to their problems. As a matter of fact, the way the NAACP uses the youngsters is reminiscent of the old Hitler Youth Organizations. All of the material they read, speeches they hear, just as in Hitler's day, is designed to garner distrust and, yes, hatred, of those who disagree. The NAACP programs create animosity, and serve to divide one race against the other, a program the Communists have been using for years and, of course, the Communists have been, and are, using the NAACP. On that particular aspect of NAACP activities, more in a later column. Right now, a question. Last year, in Washington, there was an official report, proving substantial Negro progress in America toward full citizenship. This report showed that Negroes have been making great strides in the south and without the interference of the NAACP. Why wasn't this report made public? Well, it was suppressed by the Civil Rights Commission. At who's suggestion? George M. Johnson, a member of the commission and a legal aide to the NAACP. Why should he object? Because this report emphasized that the Negro's progress was made before the enactment of the civil rights laws in 1957 and in 1960. It seems that full publicity would defeat the purposes of the Freedom Riders and similar groups who enjoy lying

to tell the world that they're all right, and the majority of this section of the country is all wrong. The logical conclusion, then, is that the NAACP, CORE and the like are interested in sensational publicity, in furthering the divide and conquer process which has been so successfully used by the communists. Don't forget! If the reports, such as the one that was successfully repressed, were made into national news stories, the NAACP would probably have to go out of business. That, of course, would mean that progress could continue slower, but surer; and more peaceably, with a greater Christian spirit than is now shown in spite of using the church as a front. However, Edenton seems to be headquarters for current NAACP activities, with more of the same popping up in Plymouth. Since that is the case, we should do everything in our power to combat the activities of the local NAACP, and to counteract the one-sided items that emanate from local and national headquarters. By the way, I don't question the sincerity of most of the local members. It's just that they're being used as tools by an organization heavily infiltrated with communist sympathizers. I feel sorry for most of them and can only hope, for the sake of our country, that they will, someday, wake up to the truth. One more note: To those very, very few who feel the matter should be dropped, and we should bury our heads in the sand, ostrich-like, a check with the history books will show that such an isolationist attitude has always been the downfall of a nation or group. The opposition is not going to let up, nor should we. The opposition is going to try to cow us, frighten us, and sympathy is extended to anyone who lets 'em get away with that. Let's make our positions known. Let's act, intelligently and peacefully.

Closing Thought: No free government, or the blessings of liberty can be preserved to any people but by a firm adherence to justice, moderation, temperance, frugality, and virtue, and by a frequent recurrence to fundamental principles.

—Patrick Henry.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Brotherhood will be stressed at Christian Science church services Sunday. Scriptural selections in the Lesson-Sermon entitled "Mind" will include this advice of Paul: "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the

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same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Cor. 1).

One of the correlative citations to be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy states (pp.469-470): "With one Father, even God, the whole family of man would be brethren; and with one Mind and that God, or good, the brotherhood of man would consist of Love and Truth, and have unity of Principal and spiritual power which constitute divine Science."

Heart Facts

From the Chowan County Heart Council

Question: What causes rheumatic fever?
Answer: The exact cause of rheumatic fever is still unknown. When the disease strikes, it usually follows a nose or throat infection caused by a germ of the streptococcus family, such as a "strep" sore throat, tonsillitis or scarlet fever. When rheumatic fever develops, it usually follows the strep infection by about two to four weeks.

Question: Is there any easy way to lose weight?
Answer: There is a way, which, if not "easy," is at least simple. Eat less. Your Heart Council says, "if you are getting fat, there's very rarely any reason but that you're eating too much. You are eating more than your body can use. To change this, eat less each meal. Remember, even a little overweight shortens life, according to life insurance statistics."

Question: Are heart attacks
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self-employment tax to receive Social Security credit for that year. This is required regardless of his income tax liability. Misunderstanding of this rule may make the difference between being insured for Social Security benefits and being unable to qualify for payments as a result of disability, death or old-age.

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Dear Jessica

Dear Jessica:
I have a friend of whom I am very fond and of whom I have only criticism. Whenever we have a drink at the drug store, somehow I always pay. Whenever he drops in for a visit, he stays and thoroughly enjoys my hospitality. However, when I go to his house, it is necessary to prod him for refreshments. How can such a really nice guy be such a moocher?

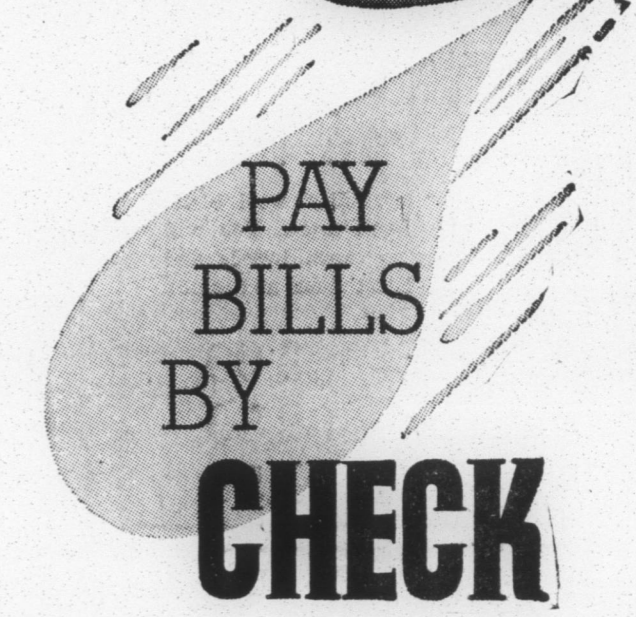
Dear Perplexed:
I am sure this person is not without redeeming virtues, consequently he is worth saving. There exists on this earth a breed of human beings which delights in good-natured "horse-trading." The competitive element colors, in his mind, perhaps, the fact that he is taking advantage of you. By playing up your own attitude of hospitality, he may be led to see the light.

Dear Jessica:
I have been playing "Cupid".

My best friend's father disapproves of her boy-friend. I make arrangements for them to meet. We are sixteen and her young man is eighteen. I'm convinced that they really love each other. Her father will let her go anywhere with me, but I don't like the deceit. He definitely dislikes this young man and would never give in. Am I doing the right thing?

Dear J. C.
This is a weighty responsibility. Are you sure that you can carry it? Have you talked it over with your parents? Deceit is never a good thing and I cannot conscientiously advise you to continue making these arrangements. The only avenue open to your good intentions is through a promotion of better understanding between this girl and her father.

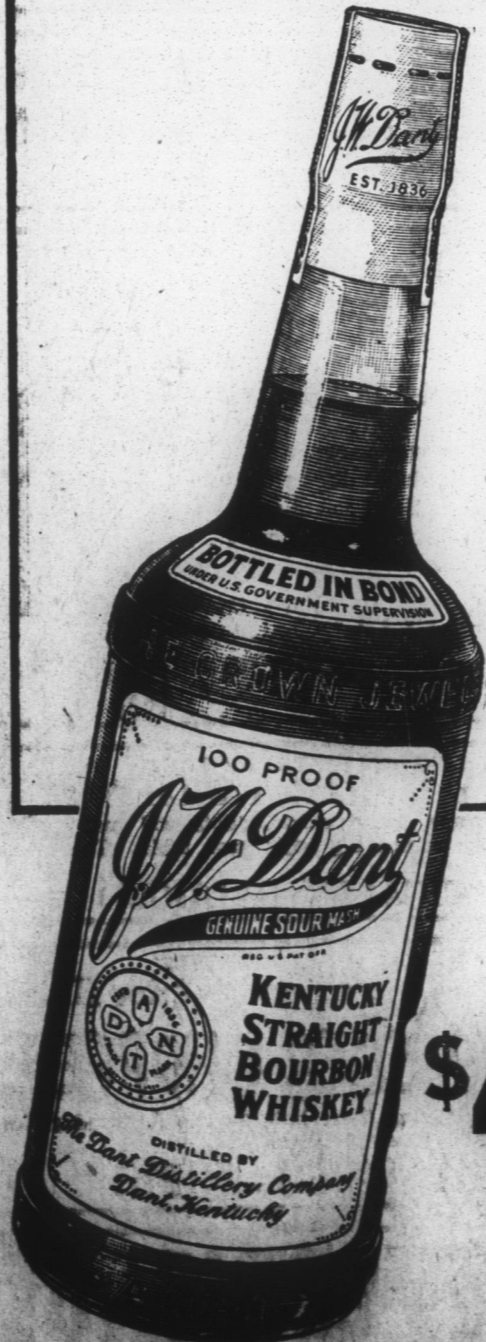
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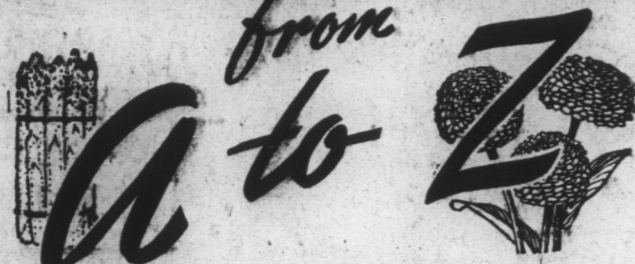
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