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A THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

COMFORT FOLLOWS SURROW AS THE DAY THE NIGHT: Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is expendent for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the "comforter will not come .-John 16:7.

FREEDOM AND THE BALLOT

At Greenville, South Carolina a Negro youth has been jailed on a frame-up charge of disorderly conduct growing out of his activities in getting Negroes to register for the city primary. A new release from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People states that more than 3,000 Negro youth members of the association will launch a campaign to raise funds, to defend the young Negro leader. Anderson is president of the NAACP, to the very bed rock of our youth council in Greenville and janitor in the city high school.

The work which Anderson has done in getting Negroes in his city to become interested enough in exercising their right to vote tionary that the world shaking to defy the Ku Klux Klan, and his willingness to go to jail for the cause is the best news about Negro leadership we have heard in a Mussolini and Stalin.

We have said in these columns before that the Negro is the only eppressed race in the world whose leaders never get in fail. may be that the dawn of a new day is breaking and a new type of race leader is beginning to appear on the horizon. Negro leaders who are willing to pay the price of leadership are rare specimen, and when one appears on the scene; be he young or old; it

The South Carolina law enforcement agency inferted with the Ku klux klan, may think it is doing something smart to arrest Anderson and place him in jail. It will find that the longer the young Negro is kept in fail the greater will become his fame. Instead of being known only in Greenville, South Carolina as president of the local NAACP youth council and the janitor of the high school, he will be known throughout America as a great here and martyr for his race. Instead of intimidating other Negroes in South Carolina, Anderson's persecution will only arouse more determination in their breast of others of his race to register

In North Carolina, inspite of the North Carolina Committee on Negro Affairs; there are many sections in which Negroes are not allowed to register and vote not only in city elections, but in national elections. The determination to vote on the part of members of the race in South Carolina, we hope will awaken Negroes in this state to the fact that they ought to organize an effort to liberate others of their race in every section of the state where they are denied the use of the ballot. There can be no freedom without the ballot and no ballot without freedom.

OUR STATE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Our attention has been called to the high death rate among Negro infants by an address delivered recently by Dr. Walter J. Hughes of the North Carolina State Board of Health, Dr. Hughes, who has been of untold service to his race and state in helping to bring about better health among Negroes, in the address had the . following to say in part:

The poverty of the Negro mother is a health hazard not only to her but to her unborn infant. She is forced to work until the very hour of her confinement. Quite frequently she must leave her bed within a week after confinement to gain the bare necessities of life. These mothers, undernourished; poorly; housed; overworked; inadequate paid and sometimes in the throes of tuberculosis, nephritis; heart disease or syphilis, go on bringing more babies into the world to be brought up undernourished, pale and anemic and with a fair chance.

Here it appears is the root of much of the evil of crime, disease and insanity among Negroes. The condition disclosed by Doctor Hughes presents vividly a sad picture which should summons every agency within the race that operates for its enlightment to the battle front.

"The pulpit, the press and the public platform ought to wage an incersant war against this condition that is destroying the health and welfare of the race.

Dr. Hughes' address was directed mainly at the high intant mortality among Negroes; but we are wondering just what kind of a grown-up human being the offspring of such a mother, as described by Dr. Hughes is going to make, As serious as the death of the infant of such a mother is, it is not half as serious as the diseased or half idjot that lives and is turned loose on society.

There ought to be a law governing the health and care of expectant mothers and that law ought to be rigidly enforced, even P. P. Creuzot of New Orleans, if it takes recialized medicine to do it. We do not believe that the cost of proper care for all expectant mothers, white and black, will be half as much as the cost of crime and taking care of the insane. Whether it is or not we believe it to be much safer.

MR. BLUFORD IS WRONG

(AFRO-AMERICAN, August 12"1939)

F. D. Bluford, president of A and T College; Greensboro North Carolina speaking on the 'Wings over Jordan' program, Sunday; declared that colored mechanics have lost out in Southern areas because they failed to keep up to the times.

There is no greter misstatement of the facts.

The old South trained the slaves as mechanics because the white

considered work beneath their dignity

Bereft of property by the war, the ex-slaveholders now have to work. Unions dignify labor; and today labor itself is the new

Mr. Bluferd ought to know that colored mechanics have lost most of the jobs they once had due to their exclusion from labor ms. The most stupid, ignorant; white foreigner; one who has not landed; can get a mechanics's job before a colored man. This is a question of color—not one of fitness or character.

the same race prejudice that causes North Carolina to pay ord ought to know better than to make such a statement. oge of Agriculture at Raleigh—in fact, the same old race hate that excludes Mr. Bluford from the ballot box, from being elected to public office, from getting equal accommodations on North (Please turn to page 7)

Writes

H. G. WELLS CALLS F. D. ents of these antithertic atti-ROOSEVELT THE HOPE OF tudes. Ascription of such epi-MANKIND IN AMERICA

statesman and social philosopher, states "That the hope of mankind rests in the United States with Roosevelt,' This is the greatest encomium that has author of the New Deal. Those who appreciate - the political genius of Franklin D. Roosewelt are apt to extol the doctrine which he has released to the world into a political, social and ethical cult. seems destined to go down through the ages as the founder of a new school of political, conomic and social thought. He will be known to history as a law giver along with the great of a slum. social thinkers of all time. The New Deal is not merely a political contrivance to trap t h e wary voters in the next election but a social gospel for the regeneration of an upset and beof the New Deal reaches down social structure. It is more fundamental though lies revolu-

It is universally conceited that the economic industrial e. It was reserved for Franklin D. Roosevelt to come upon moment and with the suddenness and celerity of genius. He stepped into the arena with audacity .. and broclaimed that a new order is at

movements headed by Hitler,

This dynamic doctrine split the American people assunder into liberal and reactionary camps according to their inher ent tendencies and disposition of human nature. Roosevelt saw as it were with inspired vision, that the time had come to inamong the inalienable rights of humanity along with life, liberand righteousness should be the common lot of all. The forgotten man for the first time tidings preached to him.

'Arrayed against the New Deal are the advocates of aggwould allow the forgotten man

thites to these distinguished Americans does not by a n y This world famous novelist, means imply reflection upon atesman and social philosop- their integrity or patroiotism but is merely intended as an apt description of the inherent bent

> The Hooverite fixes his gaze apon the West and the setting elt looks to the East and t h sun, while the disciple of Roose old bottle will not hold the new wine, the other knows that it cannot.

. In the old struggle between progress and reaction reform always has won, and always must win unless to Well'a expresion "Humanity

The path of progress has and wrong justice and injustice, cruelty and mercy and truth development of her race. Her and libraries visiting the deviled world. The philosophy and error. We need not be, therefore upset when we see While attending hool she was fort to collect material suitable the temporary throw back and temporary rebuff of the New and girls of her race. Beal is but an illu tracion of said, "They will see the posthe anonalies of history.

Every generation is prone to slay its prophets and to crucify and political methods of the its salvators. And yet reaction horse and buggy age, like all is ever constrained to pay homoutmoded system have had their age to liberalism. This we see day, and must shortly cease to when the traducers of the New Deal prove and applaud its objectives but acknow the scene at the psychological ledge their inability to grasp the magnitude of the means and methods requisite to accomplish the desired end in view. The spirit is cowed and the energy palsied at the task of attainment.

No single anti New Dealer has brought forth any constru tive proposal by which to reach the desired goal. The advocates of negation have never added an iota to the sum of human progress, but satisfy their lethargic souls with the refrain clude the right to a livelihood of Poe's Raven "Never more.

If American Democracy in light of the world, and Frankty and the pursuit of happiness lin D. Roosevelt is its chief and that education, industrial torch bearer. There is no other statesman in American nor for statesman in American nor for her seat on the beach, Judge tha matter in the world to be Jane M. Bolin 31 year old Harcompared with him in resource lem woman, "very much likes fulness of positing patriotic her work' and hopes her appoint had this social gospel of glad ideals and in persuasive power ment as Justice of the Domes of promoting them.

must needs ensue Mr. Roose- take a greater interest in public velt tells us that we are in life. vilege for the favor few who rendezvous with destiny. The only the cold crumbs of comfort newal of that of the progress country. Her appointment by which fall from their bountiful ive and reactionaries o a gen- Mayor LaGuardia on July 22 table. The final solution of the tion age when another set a new precedent, in recogni issue involved will require more Roosevelt, kindred in blood and zing the citizenship rights of than a political campaign but a spirit to the present day cham- the Negro. Negro women w h o

tional Negro Insurance Associa-

Dr. Cruezot succeeds the dynamic L. C. Blount of Deministration of achievement by Negro Insurance as a whole. Mr. Blount.

Those who are responsible for charting the course of the for charting the course of the an order to bureau heads in his appointment to the Supreme Insurance Association are to be Washington to reduce expenses. Court by President Roosevelt ongratulated on another master

tion in recent years has deve-loped a highly progressive na-tional program which e a c h would be a healthful move for new President has been able to the pruning knife to be used elatch of such circumstance.

NEW LEADER There has bring all companies into line in action, one is struck by her been recently elected and pro-support of the program with a patience her infinite willing-claimed a new leaders in the high degree of enthusiasm. We ness to give 'one more chance' h ighly important economic think it a wonderful thing that to family people beset by all realm of life insurance. Dr. the insurance fraternity has sorts of difficulties. neen able to evolve a program La. Secretary of the Louisiana of such popularity that all ness moderty but quick decision Industrial Life Insurance Com- companies come no matter what She is a member of the Nation pany who was elected in Los section they are located a n d al Lawyers Guild. Angeles as President of the join whole heartly, year to National Negro. Insurance As- year with such dignificant and APPOINTMENTS. constructive results.

cooperation with the administra to the bench. tion of Dr. Cruezot and let his troit and goes into office on tory show that his term of I have personal knowledge of the heels of a brilliant adoffice was one of the best for Judge William O. Douglas. He REDUCING EXPENSES

Already the attempt to curstroke in choosing a new lead- tail the WPA has stirred up a rather vigorously at least once stroke in choosing a new leader. Dr. Cruezot comes from a storm of protest, and we many progressive, aggressive and expect that any affort to see injustice done to Negro highly successful company with a record that commends its officers for national use.

The National Negro Association in resent years has done.

We held the WPA has stirred up a rather vigorously at least once in a while. We do not wish to see injustice done to Negro office holders. Still we think the pruning should go forward without fear or favor. Somewhere sometime every

Kelly Miller S. C. To Adopt Negro Books In Grade Schools

BY I. M. A. MYERS gram which placed emphasis on COLUMBIA, S. C.—South Negro life. This included me-Carolina State Department of thous of presenting the mater-Education has adopted Negro ial, the use of Negro music and ooks for the first five grades liberature in schools. n elementary schools. books are written by noted Negro authors. The lists was approvened after some study by group. In the exhibit were a committee of selection of 50 Negro journals, more than state acopted books upon aug- 100 pictures of leaders, and 20 gestions of Miss Thomas, state supervisor of elementary education. She is a ranking member of the department of education of South Carolina.

The whole matter of placing which began in a cave, will Negro books in the public end in the disease soaked uins school list is due to the credit of a Negro school teacher in the Allendale school at Allennever taken a straight line but dale, S. C. Litte is known of belief in Negro literature. ever a zig zag course admidst this young woman for she works the conflicting forces of right in a small town. But she is one York where she made personal person who is interested in the contacts with book publisher name is Hilds V. Grayson. convinced of the importance of to be presented for adoption ack-eddies in the onward sweep the story of the Negro race by her state. She was a meming steam of progress. The reaching the ears of the oys ber of a committee that visited She the department of education in sibility of rising inspite of all ed.

handicaps. was permitted to present her story to 5,000 members of the She has in a scrapbook Palmetto State . Teachers 200- complimentary letters f r o m ciation. At its last session in

such persons as Mrs. Mary

In the titanic struggle which women-Negro and white to

She is the first Negro battle cry might well be a re- Judge in the history of the moral crusade.

Opposable principles have always found embodiment in human antitypes. Expresident Hoover and President Roosevelt the Lord.

Spint to the present day chambers, the Negro. Negro women who already suffer the indignities adopted as his alogan and of membership in an oppressed rate, also underso the discrimin atoly handleage of womanhood.

In addition to being an honor graduate of Wellesley College, graduate of Wellesley College, and a fine student at Y a le University law school, Judge Bolin is also very pretty. She has plenty of brains, Nether is the without social conscious-

> at work in the Domestic Relations Court at 153 E. 57th St. Manhattan. Observing her in

She speaks with dignity, quie

expressed praise of President Now then, altogether for full Roosevelt's recent appointments

was one of my favorite professors at Yale. One thing cer The President has sent out tainly knows the law. I think

very good displays from various ment of education. This young woman has made several trips to popularize her Among there was a trip to New Scomberg collection, in an ef-

100 pictures of leaders, and 20

young articles to teen age bovs and teacher in her beliefs that she girls, telling them about leading men and women of their ace March, she directed a history I eod Bethune, Dr. C. C. Spauld group which was a credit to her ing; Dr. J. J. Starks, the Rev.

race. With her own means, she L. K. Williams; Dr. Carter G. gathered and arranged a pre- Woodon and others.

(Associated Editor, CNA) THREE weeks after she took was excellent, She said.

President had appointed Will iam H. Hastie, young N e g attorney to the Federal in the Virgin Islands. Yes, I think that was splen-

sign but Joe poor Joe this Joe did. It broke the ground in the appointment of Negroes to the

Since that time Hastie who was first an appointee of Secre tary Harold L. Ickes of the Department of the Interior, h a s resigned the judgeship to become dean of Howard Univer-sity Law School in Washington. Last week President Roosevelt appointed Herman E. Moore, Negro attorney f Chicago to replace Judge Hastie.

In school Judge Bolin said,

ices in the Domestic Relations tendance. Courts. She is the first Negro man or woman—to ever sit The Institute had the en- er at Woman's College of the on the New York bench in this dorsement of Mrs. Franklin D. University of North Carolina,

FORGET YOURSELF IN THE GREATER GOOD: Yo have heard how I said unto you, I go away and come again unto you. If yo lovad me, me would , rejoice because I said I go unte the Father; for my Father is greater than 1.—John 14:28.

NEXT TO BOW-LEGS, of responsibility.

How Come?

In fact, in their mad dash.

In taking my pen in hand who has the glass jaw, and and dipping it again and pubber under pins was overlook again into that liquid substance ed in the scramble and relegatwhich we all call ink, I am do ted to the year. ing so with the idea of assembhing a few words together a an bootting the battered faced expression of a thought on Gallento, they undertook to

paper, but the question upper-throw everything at Joe for a most in my mind is—'H O W knockout punch except the ink I have read and reread comment upon comment, line upon line precept upon preceptsive siurs and 'cracks' harled fellow who, if he happens to at the one and only Joe Louis, fall into the ditch, can crawl These 'cracks' on the most part out dust himself off and then came from the seeming envious go to town, in fighting or any chools showing the progress pens of a group of our, must I thing else. Why even the envery good displays from various a y American Sportswriters thused announcer when J o e-made by Negroes in S o u t h whose duties are give the went down from one of Gellen-Carolina and America. Among reading public the benefit of to's stiff lefts, almost knocked made by Negroes in 5 o u was a warding public the benefit of to's stiff lefts, simost another the autographs collected during facts and fair play in our leads my ears off and otherwise stift this meeting were those of ing American Daily papers, and fled myear drums, yelling and the mise that 'I o e that denarts and the part of professional through the mise that 'I o e callente prompters. They have been fall- was down, but when Gallento ng all over each other with went down was his first in his but few exceptions to see which fighting life, the announcer was of said group could 'outdo' his hardly heard above a whisper. other fellow craftsman by writ- They all seem to be after Joe, ng the most critical as well as and yet whenever Joe is schescathing article, yes trying to ferret out ways and mants on them in. He has been the the seeming impossible matter means of putting ready cash of how to stop that rampaging, into the peckets of many a yet outstanding American and betting individual white or yet outstanding American and bettin leather throwing, heavyweight black. champion, Joseph Louis Barrow. HOW COME?' then should if the pen which is admitted to he be at target for the ever an effort to have books adoptmeans of putting that 'weakling' the time Joe came on the scene known as Joe Louis out he the heavyweight division in hom would have passed from the ing was far below par, with scene of fixtic combat and out just a few mediocre fighters. for keeps long ago. At each Joe replaced it by wading fight Joe appears, these scribes through all opposition with but seem to locate some weak point one exception, and with that possessed by Joe. Apparently, one exception Joe has not only they have found out that Joe exemplified fair and tru has a 'glass jaw,' 'brittled sportsmanship when facing chin' 'rubber legs, easy for this opponents in the ring as I do and that punch and introduced not recall even a fowf cailed on to the canvass, etc. It is quite him, but he has 'splayed in in easy to sit in the press box and every act and deed the part of yell about how this or that a gentleman and true sportsshould be done which is on e man out of the ring from his thing and the actual stepping shoulders down or up. His into the ring with Joe which is prowess as a top notch fighter, another. One could go on nam- together with the seeming easy ing many other socalled weak

HOW COME?' then should money that does along with it, points such as they my Joe has has not turned his head. Just all of which brings me back to the point—'HOW COME?' Why Mr. Ford so is the the fight all this screaming headliness with Joe Louis Barrow. It is a and, fancy critical writing about matter of the iness regar less how to get Joe. Why not let of how much or how little is in Joe's opponents decide that. In volved. It is more his opponent his more recent fight with that Joe is after or else he would beer baron and big black cigar quit the fighting game. new, masticater, Two Ton Toney for he has made more than Gallento Joe it appears yes Joe enough to keep him going the the victor was given the ride rest of this life and then sme by those self same writers. The He has caused to be given a big beer baron, even in defeat great portion of his earnings to was hoisted to the very skies charity for the benefit of both and otherwise, given the 'OK' black and white children.

(Continued next week)

Federal courts, and therefore First Summer set a fine precedent. Parents Institute Closes at Bennett

GREENSBORO, N. C.—The tor of Personnel at Guilford first Summer Institute of Personnel at Guilford ent Education and Child Deveity on family fife delivered an she had no particular prefer lopment, which closed at Ben-ence in the field of law. But nett Cellege on August 4 was Mrs. Milner emphasized the imsince she started practicing in New York City, six years ago she has become distinctly interested in domestic relations. She became a specialist in this Flemmie P. Kittrell, head of It is within the family circle field during her service in the Department of Home Econo that the child must learn that City Corporation Counsel's mice at Bennett College direct to has specific responsibilities and consequent rewards for tive group of parents, teachers strict adherence to them.

Judge Bolin is one of 11 Jus and group leaders were in atices in the Domestic Relations

on the New York bench in this division. She sits in the courts of all five boroughs, rotating with her fellow Justices.

dorsement of mrs. Franking who are privileged to attend the Institute at Bennett College added to the home economics will gain much that will be valu able to them in thier home life the fall; Mrs. M. Shoffner, and in their work with children' Colored Public Health Nurse of Governor Clyde R. Hosy, Mayor Ralph L. Lewis, Secretary John S. Patterson of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce a n d

THANK GOODNESS we live Inatitute was a 100 voice chorus of community children sang at many may what he think—if he isn't afraid of wife, neighbors; of July. The chorus was director boss and he's sure it won't hurt his business or his reputation. Patterney with a clarinet tion. (Patterney West and Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at recital in the analysis of the Department of Music at the Department of Music A and T Coffege, assisted by F. Nathanfel Catlin of the Department of Rusic at Bennett College. On this occasion Mrs. OF SUGAR and cream in your Ermestine Cookson Milner, Direct coffee saves a lot of bether.

faculty of Bennett College inthe City of Greensboro, N. C.; Mrs. Raiston, Supervisor of the Public Health Mursing Council; Dr. Walter J. Hugh Chamber of Commerce and Dr. Walter J. Hugnes of the Dr. Robert A. Polson of the Department of Social organisation, Cornell University.

An interesting feature of the Officer.