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- Greater participation of Negroes in political affairs.
- Better housing for Negroes.
- Negro representation in city, county, state and national governments.

RALEIGH POLICE ARE FORTUNE TELLERS

WHEN the Civil Service Commission of Raleigh heard testimony that officer W. F. Canady went to arrest two Negro soldiers of Fort Bragg on the information of a white cabbie that "a nigger over here is going to cut us all to pieces" and heard Canady say that though the Negroes were not doing anything when he arrived at the scene of the alleged fracas, he placed them under arrest, brutally beat one and discharged the other, let everyone know that at least as far as Negroes are concerned, Raleigh cops are police, judge and jury.

On arriving on the spot where the Negroes had been previously engaged in an argument, Canady admitted that without any effort to make an inquiry about the disturbance, he placed the Negroes under arrest though the trouble was between both, cab drivers and Negro soldiers.

"They were talking loud when I got there" Canady told the Commission. He did not tell them, however, that though he only finished the eighth grade in a country school, he was fortune teller enough to look at their black skins, tell them they were guilty of disorderly conduct. Nor did he tell them that he resented a "nigger" questioning him or his method of arrest and became a one-man jury, ordered a severe beating for the Negro boy which he imposed personally. Neither did he say that after he had satisfied his egocentric white pride that he dismissed one boy and sent the other to a hospital.

In an effort to establish Canady's efficiency as an officer, the defense proved that Canady was capable of arresting enraged fighters and impossible drunks with just sheer manpower, yet the Commission excused him of knocking out a row of the soldier's teeth, breaking out a part of his jaw-bone and splitting his head with a black-jack. They ruled that it was not excessive force.

Very significant was the conspicuous absence from the hearing of all the Negro leaders. They either had something else to do or just chose to remain in their finely furnished offices, sit on their stuffed cushioned chairs and toy with speeches of good-will between the races in North Carolina.

Letters to the editor which appeared in the NEWS AND OBSERVER, following the hearing plainly demonstrated what the white people of North Carolina still think when a question involving the two races arises, and the outcome showed how hopelessly lacking we are of the calibre of leadership that will go to the front in defense of the defenseless.

Sincere leadership in these parts is either absent, latent, or dormant and it isn't because the south has ceased to produce the leaders. An examination of those who are now in the thick of the Northern struggle will show that a comfortable majority has migrated from these parts leaving only pacifists, quasi-leaders who act as go-between for the white bosses and would-be Negro leaders; and a few who have just fought out and are now too tired to make a sound.

If that soldier boy gets a chance to fight for this country, he will know in no uncertain terms just what kind of a democracy he is defending and what a pitiful race he is representing. He, like thousands of others, knows that if Uncle Sam loses in this crisis it will be because he defeated his soldiers before sending them abroad.

—A. M. RIVEIA, Jr.

CHARLOTTE SCHOOL BOARD VACANCIES

THE EXISTENCE of several School Board vacancies in the Queen City and the announcement of the candidacy of a Negro for one of the same should be a cause for the mass migration of the Queen City's Negro populace of voting age to the polls on election day.

The presence of a Negro on the Board of Education, in our opinion would go far in alleviating the sordid conditions obtaining in certain of our Negro Schools, whose deleterious effects on our children make obsolete and defeat the very ends of education, the production of good citizens.

The question of providing adequate and equal educational opportunities for our children is an empty phrase unless it challenges us to action. In the last analysis, we are solely responsible, as voters for the predicament of our schools; for it lies within our power as citizens in a democracy to vote for the individual, who has our interest at heart, and who in consequence will seek to better our plight.

Controlling the Floods of Hatred

BY RUTH TAYLOR

WHEN the snows melt on the mountain tops, and the spring rains begin to fall, then those who dwell by the great rivers watch for flood waters. What are life giving streams of great parts of our land are devastating torrents to other sections. Flood control is a vital subject to those who dwell in the lowlands through which the river courses.

The government engineers have made great strides in averting the damage of flood. They have built great walls to wall off the rivers; they have reforested great tracts of lands to absorb the excess water; they have built great dams to hold back the torrents and to control their flow into other areas so they may make fertile great wastes.

All this is most essential—but even more necessary today is a system of hate control. As the fortunes of war abroad, there is growing in this land of ours increasing hatred and bitterness. Shall we let this flood warp and destroy much of what we hold dear?

We need to build walls of understanding to hold the hatreds out. For mutual understanding leads to mutual trust and in trust there is no hate.

We need to reforest the scarred places in our minds—scars caused by injustice, bitterness, despair and intolerance—to reforest them with compassion, friendliness and love.

We need to dam back the floods of hate with bulwarks of education—education in positive democratic living, in putting into practice in our everyday life the things in which we believe.

We need to divert the stream of hate into useful channels, concentrating it on an ideology, not on a people—hating only the evil act or quality. Our hatred must run between such concrete walls of our wills, that we will not be guilty of either injustice or intolerance to any man, regardless of race or creed or color.

Thus and only thus can we control the flood waters of hate.

with Russia we will see what Tokyo wants in the Pacific.

The people who are very righteous are very hard to get along with unless you agree with them.

It might be a good idea to let Americans who prefer to live under Hitler move into Germany.

France put its faith in the Maginot line and many Americans place their trust in two oceans.

We know people who crave empty honors, just so other people do not know how empty they are.

It is easier to spend money than to save it and this explains why most of us have none to spend.

The man who works in the sun would like to swap places with the man at the desk, and vice versa.

Millions of Americans spend most of their money for non-essentials which they think are necessary.

The individual whose religion unfits him for cooperation with his fellow-men has too much religion.

Courtesy is possible, even when steering an automobile. Try it on the highway and see how it works.

We see where a cripple has made a success in business. Maybe, we ought to cripple some of our friends to give them an equal chance.

Correct this sentence: "The United States is such a large nation that no dictator would dare to fight us."

The natural allies of the United States are the people who have the great freedoms of modern civilization and we are their natural allies.

Ever since we learned that the movie people pay thousands of dollars for the screen rights of a novel we have had a yen to write a novel.

Maybe the workers of the world will go on a strike against Hitler to regain the liberties that they may lose by striking against rearmament.

In ordinary days nobody would expect Greece and Yugoslavia to win at war against Germany and Italy, even with help from Great Britain.

The world would be better if more adults had a personal interest in the welfare and development of all the little boys and girls who live about them.

The modern army travels on the back of industry and workers win or lose modern wars for their country. It is barely possible that this may interest American laborers.

The only way to get isolation, in fact instead of in theory, would be to pick up the United States and transplant it on Mars or some other uninhabited planet.

We believe in mercy but individuals who drive automobiles while under the influence of intoxicating beverages should get prompt punishment, even when they ask a jury to acquit them.

Banking Has A Lead Role In Defense Drive In Nation

In a recent address, P. D. Houston, president of the American Bankers Association, described the role of banking in the defense drive.

The banks have done a good deal more to expedite defense loans than is generally known by the layman. For instance, according to Mr. Houston, "The American Bankers Association has set up a nation wide organization to interest banks in and acquaint them with the making of defense loans. The Association called a group of bankers to Washington from each Federal Reserve District for conferences with its Washington staff and government agencies. From this group it named a National Defense Loans Committee which it provided with a program of action—State committees have been named and meetings have been held and are being held in their respective states. We have at headquarters a list of close to 400 bankers actively as members of defense loans committees.

"The response that we have had to our program is ample evidence of the devotion of the banking business to the country in this our time of need. Chartered banking has not waited for the call. It is ahead of the call." In any great undertaking

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such as the defense drive, financing is among the first and foremost problems. The factories must be built before they can produce. That is where banking is doing one of the country's Number 1 jobs—today. And every defense loan made by a bank means that the taxpayers are relieved of that much of a burden.

Before starting construction, builders are advised to burn all tree stumps, roots old boards, logs, or other material on the site which may furnish food and shelter to termites.

COTTON

Exports of United States cotton in March amounted to 97,000 bales valued at \$5,813,000 as compared with 434,000 bales

valued at \$25,719,000 in the same month a year ago.

CATTLE

Dewey Wallin of Marshall, Route 3, believes more clear profit can be received from beef cattle by raising and fattening steers at home, reports P. R. Elam, farm agent of Madison County.

A Word For It

Here's a good business hint: Advertise. You're no exception.

This is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.

Self-control is a virtue that individuals recommend for their friends.

Now that Japan has a pact

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