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A PROFITABLE LIFE

This week the Carolina Times pauses to pay tribute to Prof. Charles Montgomery Eppes of Greenville, North Carolina, for 65 years of service in the educational system of the state.

Not that Prof. Eppes shows any sign of shuffling off this mortal coil—for he is very much alive, active and hearty—do we honor him with this week's issue of The Carolina Times, but because he has labored for so long a time and labored so well, are we glad to give this bow of honor to him.

The Carolina Times does not always agree with all the methods used by some of our race leaders, but we trust the time will never come when this newspaper will be so blind, so narrow in its conception that it cannot see the good a man has done and pay tribute to him for doing it.

One thing is certain, Prof. Eppes gets things done, and that is important. He has been able to work out a philosophy of life that at the age of 83 years gives him "a peace that passeth all understanding."

At this commencement time when thousands of young men and women are being turned out of our schools and colleges it might be well that they look toward Greenville, North Carolina, where lives a man who has spent nearly a century in a vigorous and profitable life, and ask the question—How did he do it?

Prof. Eppes went to Greenville when few white people believed in education for Negroes. His was a difficult task to educate white people on the education of Negroes and at the same time educate Negroes. Apparently the late Governor Jarvis saw in him a diplomat and a wise counselor of his race, and sent him to do a most difficult task in a difficult time. How well Prof. Eppes has succeeded may be seen in the many testimonials appearing in this week's issue of this newspaper. So we join with others in felicitating a grand old man who has done a grand job. May he live many, many more years, and continue to serve his race, state and nation.

BRITISH RACE HATRED

There is something more than significant in the report appearing in the daily papers this week that the British empire has turned down an offer of the Jews of Jerusalem to organize an army to help the British fight the Germans.

Whether the action of the British comes from fear, pride, or hatred of the Jews will not be discussed here in toto. We are only calling the attention of our readers to the fact that even though Great Britain is fighting for her very life, from somewhere has come the audacity to refuse help from a people for no other apparent reason than that they are Jews.

The report will create no increased sympathy for the British among Negroes of the United States, who are already not too enthusiastic at the aid to Great Britain program, because of her treatment of her Negro colonials. American Negroes know too well that hatred cannot be confined to one race, but eventually will engulf them as well.

We do not agree with those who say that the Jews are ruthless money grabbers and must be kept in subjection to prevent them from controlling the purse strings of the world. We believe there are good Jews and bad Jews, good Negroes and bad Negroes, good Gentiles and bad Gentiles. To castigate a whole race because some of its members are crooks is unfair and without foundation.

It appears that in spite of England's awful predicament she is still the greatest exponent of race hatred in the world today. It may be that it is within the divine plan of God to rid once and for all the world of this most destructive force. Germany and Great Britain may both whip each other until both are so weak neither will possess race hatred.

WELCOME ELKS

The Carolina Times with all of Durham is welcoming to this city the North Carolina Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. It is our hope that their three days stay here will prove most beneficial.

Durham is always glad to act as host to persons and organizations laboring for the elevation of the race. Thus all of Durham opens its arms to extend a hearty welcome to the Negro Elks of North Carolina.

GREENVILLE CITY SCHOOLS

Junius H. Rose, Superintendent

Greenville, North Carolina May 26, 1941

Mr. C. A. Irvin, Public Relations Director, The Carolina Times, Durham, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

I am glad to know that you are dedicating one issue of your paper to Professor C. M. Eppes of this city.

When I came to Greenville as principal of the high school in 1919, Professor Eppes was in charge of the Negro school. The following year, 1920, I became Superintendent, and during these past twenty-one years of my superintendency it has been my pleasure to recommend to the Board of Trustees of the Greenville City Schools each year the re-election of C. M. Eppes as supervising principal of the Negro schools in Greenville.

His work has been characterized by loyalty and efficiency—loyalty to the white race and loyalty to the Negro race, loyalty to the School Board and Superintendent and loyalty to the Negro boys and girls.

When the Greenville schools started their building program in 1924, the first building built was the Fleming Street School. That modern school building for Negroes was built before a single new school for whites was built. I am quite sure that the faith of the School Board and the citizenship in Professor C. M. Eppes made such a thing possible.

Professor Eppes has always fought for the rights of Negroes, but he has fought in such a fine manner that he has not made enemies among the white race in so doing, and today numbers of the things which he fought for year ago, are now being incorporated into the State school program for Negroes.

Sincerely yours,

J. H. Rose, Superintendent.

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Greenville, N. C. May 26, 1941

Mr. C. A. Irvin, Public Relations Director, The Carolina Times, Durham, North Carolina.

Dear Sir:

The people of Greenville are delighted to know that you expect to dedicate the May issue of the Carolina Times to Professor C. M. Eppes of Greenville. I have known Professor Eppes for more than a quarter of a century and have found him to be outstanding among his race, and also a leader of marked ability. You probably could not choose one of his race more deserving of this honor.

Very truly yours,

LEON R. MEADOWS, President. LRM:B

Human beings include two classes: (1) those who want to see their names in print, and (2) those who must see it on the society page.

Britain promotes younger generals to important commands generals to important commands

Bronx woman strangles two daughters, attacks son, tries suicide.

Admiral Byrd envisions defense base in Antarctic.

The people of this country will soon give up the worship of wealth, either through the grace of God or the power of Herr Hitler.

Nazis say United States aid to Britain may prolong the war.

NEGRO ENEMIES

BY HENRY CLAY DAVIS

Among the many VICIOUS enemies incurred by American Negroes since Emancipation, the most relentlessly destructive is our flagrant lack of confidence and interest in each other. Each day of our lives we feed this insatiable monster with conceit, duplicity, and greed on the one hand and rancor and resentment on the other, and each time we subscribe to such a hellish indulgence we are all drawn inexorably closer to an ultimate doom from which only merciful death can serve as a welcome deliverance.

No race so disgustingly divided as we are has yet been known to master the rigors of survival and freedom and there is nothing at all inculcate in us the hope of ever being able to do so. With all the evidence before us of what inner racial treachery and selfish ambitions have done to races far more independent than we, we continue with appalling and deplorable apathy to jeopardize our heritage and hasten our own end through our worst than inhuman treatment of each other.

For many years America has sat in severe judgment over us, definitely establishing our political, economic, and social status as being unalterably inferior to that of all other Americans, and decreeing that what is ascribed to one Negro is applicable to all

Negroes, which means that Negroes in high estate and Negroes in low estate are all just Negroes. And many of us who lay claim to intelligence are stupid enough to deny this very manifest truth. The time has long since passed for us to realize that, according to America's tacit decree, the highest among us is no higher than the least among us and that the salvation of the entire race depends entirely upon our willingness and ability to elevate the lowest among us to the same level as that claimed by the so-called highest among us for himself.

There are those among us throughout the country who have been either remarkably successful or fortunate and who by very tokens have come to imagine themselves greatly superior to our general average in spite of white America's decree. Such over-worked and under-cultured imaginations are unquestionably one of the chief contributors to our unenviable predicament.

There can never be much conviction in our contention that other American groups are our enemies and oppressors so long as we oppress and malign each other with impunity and without a vestige of compunction but there could be but for our lack of collaboration in solidarity among us which could easily become a

potent factor in the American way of life.

If American industrialists and manufacturers are closing the doors of opportunity in our faces today when there is such an urgent demand for increased production, how much worse will things be for us when the occasion for such a demand no longer exist?

Who can be expected to be concerned over what happens to us when we, ourselves, do not seem to care?

The Negro in high estate who is great in only his own estimation and who assays to compel deference and belief in his importance from subordinates is an enemy of the race and a definite menace to the safety of our institutions and the preservation of our morals. Insincerity, dishonesty, immorality, and degeneracy, are mortal enemies because they have already destroyed many of our great institutions and because they wield too great an influence over the present generation. Po-

verty, ignorance, and disease are our enemies because they are man's natural enemies and because the conditions under which we have to live render us more groups.

The defusion that we have made exceptional progress in the eighty years of our so-called freedom is our enemy because it is so unnecessarily misleading. The progress we have actually made is analogous only to the forced progress made by ordinary objects caught in the path of a tornado. They just couldn't resist being swept along.

There is an imperative need for us to subdue and silence these enemies NOW if we would survive the hardships just around the corner. The task does not belong to one Negro or one group of Negroes, but rather to all Negroes everywhere. America has decreed that all Negroes are just Negroes and that fact alone is a foundation upon which we can build a mighty race if we will. It is an inescapable challenge to all of us who are not ashamed to be Negroes.

German base in Antarctic area is reported by Admiral Byrd.

Women Easily Beat Men As Safest Pedestrians

That ever-recurring point of domestic contention about whether men or women are safer drivers may never be settled, but old man statistics has proved in no uncertain figures that the fair sex certainly are safer walkers.

The National Conservation Bureau, accident prevention division of the Association of Casualty and Surety Executives, announces that official analyses of accident records and their causes agree unanimously that three out of every four pedestrians killed by automobiles are men.

A fireplace may prove almost useless if poorly built, or an inadequate chimney draft may cause unsatisfactory operation. The house may be "windy," the heating temperamental and costly in fuel consumption, and water supply may be inadequate. All of these ills may be traceable to poor construction or installation. The necessity for continuous repairs may make maintenance costs excessive, and inefficient equipment may result in high operating costs.

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GOOD CITIZEN

Mr. C. A. Irvin, Public Relations Director, The Carolina Times, Durham, N. C.

Dear Sir:

I have had occasion to observe the fine work being done by Professor C. M. Eppes for the past fifteen years and I know of no one whose work has brought about a more harmonious and enduring relation between his and our race.

Professor Eppes has not only been a most valuable citizen to the town of Greenville but to the State and Nation as a whole and particularly to his race.

Very truly yours,

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