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The Ultimate Victory Of Civil Rights

The effort of the North Carolina Conference of NAACP Branches to sponsor a one-day conference in Raleigh on registering and voting should receive the unanimous approval and support of Negro leaders everywhere. The past record shows that there is entirely too much lethargy among Negroes on the matter of exercising their political rights.

be done if every nook and corner of the State is going to be aroused to the point of registering and voting in large enough numbers to be effective.

One unlimited source of workers the NAACP should tap in this State is that to be found in our high schools and colleges. Although many students in both are not yet old enough to vote themselves they are old enough to help get others to the polls. We think the experience they would receive in such matters would be well worth the sacrifice in time and energy.

Even in the major cities of the State like Charlotte, Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Durham and Raleigh, there is entirely too little vote action. In the last state-wide election only Durham, Greensboro and Raleigh showed even a semblance of voting strength, to say nothing of cities like Asheville, Wilmington, Fayetteville, Wilson and Rocky Mount. Instead of an expected crowd of 500, at least 1,500 persons should put in their appearance at the Raleigh meeting. This must

The CAROLINA TIMES hopes that all Negro men and women will lend their support to the efforts of the NAACP to register and vote more Negroes in North Carolina. We urge every one to go to Raleigh on next Saturday and do what he can to make the meeting a success.

The Durham Business Chain's New Program

The Durham Business and Professional Chain should be encouraged by all citizens of Durham in its effort to assist Negro merchants and business firms in rendering better service to the public. In spite of Durham's acknowledged leadership in business there is decidedly much room for improvement, especially among the small businesses.

One phase of the program which we think is worthy of careful consideration from all its members is that of boosting Negro businesses instead of knocking them. In the past there has been a tendency on the part of competitors to knock each other which is far out of line with maintaining the proper ethics. The new program calls for boosting each other instead of knocking each other. We think that if the merchants will do this themselves it will do much to encourage others to do so.

The Chain promises to not only encourage improvement in all Negro businesses, but to hold from time to time institutes on management, salesmanship, advertising, etc., to help them improve.

In addition to this very progressive program, officers of the group announced this week that the organization is anxious to receive criticisms and suggestions from Mrs. Housewife and other interested persons on how to improve Negro business.

The CAROLINA TIMES wishes to extend its congratulations to the DBPC and it is our sincere hope that the merchants and professional people of the Durham business will appreciate the organization to the extent that they will join it and support its program.

Clark's Oats Are Not Votes

When Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia announced that he was a candidate for president of the United States, we thought that was about the biggest joke of all time. We had hardly recovered from horse-laughing at Russell's shenanigans before we were again forced to grab our sides to keep them from splitting over the announcement of John W. Clark, notorious reactionary and Negro hater of Greensboro, that he is seriously considering running for governor of North Carolina.

wish to see a man governor of this State who is approximately 50 years behind in his thinking. Of course Mr. Clark is sure to receive a large number of votes from persons of his own thinking both in eastern and western North Carolina. We don't believe, however, that he will be able to make a creditable showing even against candidates Umstead or Olive.

Evidently Mr. Clark has a super amount of self esteem if he actually thinks he has a ghost of a chance of becoming governor of North Carolina against even the type of opposition afforded him in candidates William B. Umstead and Hubert Olive. As it now stands the voters of the State have no choice between Umstead and Olive as both have about the same philosophy. However, if and when Mr. Clark enters the race it would be necessary for them to make a choice between one of the lesser evils and the greatest evil.

About the only thing Mr. Clark has that equips him for a successful gubernatorial race is money. The power of his money is probably causing him to feel his oats which he has mistaken as being votes. It might be a good idea for him to enter the race and settle, once and for all, as he suggests, whether this State wishes to pursue a course of rank reaction or a course of middle-of-the-road on the matter of segregation. Otherwise we believe his candidacy to be as great a farce as that of Senator Russell. For this simple reason we cannot bring ourselves around to the point of imagining enough voters in North Carolina being so stupid as to get this State back 50 years or more by trusting such a man as Clark with the high office of governor.

As stupid as some of our white folks are in eastern North Carolina, we don't believe they are so much so that even they would

The Conference On Registering And Voting

Failure of the special three-judge Federal court to rule against segregated schools in South Carolina should in no wise discourage those who are fighting to put an end to this notorious disgrace. In fact it should serve to give impetus to the efforts already being made to destroy this evil that is being used so effectively to defeat the nation's effort to sell democracy to other peoples of the world.

The time is not far away when the United States is going to have to decide whether or not it is going to have its cake or eat it. It cannot do both.

The common belief of some people, especially in the South, that it is possible for America to sell democracy to Asiatic and European nations while maintaining a most



notorious type of undemocratic program against minorities within its own borders is playing havoc with this country's attempt to halt the spread of communism in the world. Southern demagogues, in and out of Congress, who oppose every effort of President Truman and other far-seeing statesmen of our times, to bring equality to all men, are doing more to undermine this nation's stand against the Reds than all of the communists can do here at home.

This nation cannot forever endure extending full democracy to some of its citizens and denying it to others. Sooner or later it must come to that point in its existence when it must choose between being hot or cold on this most important issue or ultimately not being at all. It cannot forever remain lukewarm, it cannot forever wear the cloak of hypocrisy by taking what some claim is a middle-of-the-road stand. These days demand definite and positive action of governments on such issues.

The challenge of purify little men like Senators Richard B. Russell of Georgia, Clyde R. Hoey, Willis Smith of North Carolina and others whose minds are too small to comprehend the bigness of their task is not alone a challenge to President Truman or able ruling. Whatever its final verdict it

the ideals of civil rights for which he is fighting in this country. It is a challenge to the overwhelming millions of dark skin peoples of the earth to obtain the equality which the Constitution of the United States, and the United Nations' Declaration of Human Rights claim is due all men.

History will someday declare the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, that is in the forefront of these civil rights cases, as the one organization that stood in the path of the Dixiecrats and the Ku Klux Klan to prevent the decline and overthrow of democracy by demanding that this nation practice what it preaches about democracy.

From all indications the NAACP intends to appeal the case to the Supreme Court, a course it has had to pursue in other civil rights cases before it could secure a favorable verdict. There is even a higher court than that of the Supreme Court of the United States before which an appeal may be made and that is the consciences of righteous people. It was this court that rendered a dissenting verdict in the notorious Dred Scott decision which the United States Supreme Court handed down in 1857, that ultimately became the prevailing opinion.

Spiritual Insight

"Sanity For An Insane World"
By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND
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"When they reached Jesus they saw the lunatic, clothed in his sober senses..."

Mark 5:15.
JESUS HAS RIGHTLY been called the only sane person to

live in an intensely insane world. The madness of our world is forcing us to this conclusion. We are losing our reason. We see increased childlike behavior in a world that demands well-balanced maturity. This madness has our leaders confused.

EVERYWHERE WE LOOK there is a state of insane jitters. This is the state and the mood in the mind and the soul of the man among the madmen. We are not told the cause of his mental and soul-sickness. We do see a man in a state of insanity or madness. We see a sick man torn, twisted and distorted in his inmost nature. We do see a man who is off the beam, driven by unreasoning madness. We do know that he has lost whatever it is that makes a human being happy, peaceful and sane.

THIS MAN IS a fitting symbol of the growing madness and insanity of our times. In the fury of his madness he cuts and wounds himself. No man could tame him! It took the transforming power of God in Christ to restore him to sanity.

Isn't this a key to the growing madness of our times? At the height of the man's insanity Jesus appears on the coast. He saw something in Jesus: Understanding, compassion, acceptance and love. God's redeeming love is the greatest power in the world. This magnetic power of the Christ brought this mad creature on bending knees at the feet of Jesus. God's redeeming love brought peace and calmness to his insanely troubled soul.

God's power can perform wonder in a world of growing madness. The raging madman Only God's redeeming love can bring man's sinful and troubled was changed into peaceful calmness at the feet of the master.

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

Readers often inquire "Is State Secretary Acheson attacked everywhere because he works against small business, or because of partisan politics?"

It's a fair question, but difficult to answer directly because Acheson is a master in evading direct questions.

Therefore, the only way the readers' question can be answered is to state facts, and let conclusions be drawn. Some Washington scholars say "The Roman Empire had its Brutus, Italy had its Machiavelli, the last Imperial Russian government had its Rasputin."

They then ask "will future historians say the American Republic had its Acheson?" Their meaning is that history is replete with men who while not the head of government, wielded mysterious powers that eventually destroyed the government.

A strong viewpoint, but no stronger than that voiced recently by Sen. Homer Ferguson of Michigan, who states the lack of copper for all business in this country is due directly to a worldwide trust set up by Acheson.

Sen. Ferguson states that American use of copper, is controlled by the International Materials Conference, a world organization set up by Acheson without Congressional authority.

He further stated that while any American copper user could be jailed for paying more than 2 1/2 cents per pound for copper, the U.S. government is giving

ing foreign nations American tax money to buy copper for as much as 80 cents per pound.

The Senator also stated there is no policy of how this material is used; it is possible part of it goes behind the Iron Curtain. Therefore he states, "The International Materials Conference is in reality an International Raw Materials Trust operated by Dean Acheson with the connivance and support of foreign countries with their hands in the American taxpayer's pockets."

Last week the column told how Churchill worked out a deal in Washington giving British monopoly control over U.S. tin supplies at increased prices.

Now the Marshall Plan with a new name, announces that 700,000 dollars worth of tinplate is being sent to French North Africa, another quarter million dollars worth of South American tin ore is being sent to Germany.

So while the American taxpayer is being bled white and the OPI is prosecuting small business while prices soar, and shortages plague business, everything is glossed over with a slogan that all this is necessary for world security.

The retort is now "Secure for whom... free enterprise in the American tradition or for worldwide monopoly?"

It is possible for a man's intentions to be misunderstood. But it seems more than mere coincidence that practically every move Acheson takes tends to build bigger and bigger trusts and monopolies, while American free enterprise suffers. Sen. Ferguson should now find out why he and other Congressmen permit their authority to be usurped.

BY INCH OF CANDLE

BY ROSE BUTLER BROWNE

Next week we are beginning a course in Science for Elementary School Teachers. One of the questions to which we plan to give some thought is, "what shall we teach our children about the atomic bomb?" Whether we should bring into the school anything that might add to the already insecure feeling of many young children is something that we must decide. Another thing to which we must give thought is whether we wish even young children to remain uninformed concerning this great force that has such unbelievable potentialities for destroying as well as for improving our living.

David Lillenthal, former Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, made the following statement, "In a democracy, atomic energy must belong to the people; and the people will have to make the decisions that govern its use. If their decisions are to be wise ones, they must be based on knowledge of what atomic energy is and what it can do." If we accept the validity of Lillenthal's statement, our task is crystal clear. The children in our elementary schools now will soon be the 'people' to whom Lillenthal refers. They will have the responsibility for determining how atomic energy is to be used. If their decisions are to be wise, they must be based on knowledge and belief.

Since the public school is society's agent, provided by society to do anything that society wants done that is not being adequately cared for by any other agency, it may be that attitudes and beliefs concerning atomic energy as a part of the science curriculum of the public schools are justified. Whether we need to teach atomic energy as a form of energy when we present and discuss other forms of energy is not the only reason for thinking about it in a Graduate course. Teachers are people,

a very special kind of people. By virtue of their position in society they should be aware of social trends. This form of energy and our use of it may determine the direction of life on the top side of the planet earth. It may determine whether we shall have large cities, whether we shall add atomic drills as a part of the school's offerings as they do in most of the cities of the North and East. Whether we become informed in this area for the cultural purposes or for professional reasons, we should study about atomic energy and its uses.

Where can the teacher find materials written for the layman, to say nothing of materials written for children? There are many sources for teachers; two of the best, in my opinion, are Burnett, R., *Atomic Energy—Double Edged Sword of Science*, O. Merritt, 1949 and Camobell, J. W., *The Atomic Story*, Holt, 1947. For children of all ages there are picture books and story books. Meyer, J., *Picture Book of Molecules and Atoms*, Lothrop, 1947; Musial, J. *Dagwood splits the Atom*, Educational Division, King Features Syndicate, Inc.; 235 East 45th St., New York, 17, N. Y. Lewellen, John, *You and Atomic Energy and its Wonderful Uses*, Chicago, Children's Press, 1949; Potter, Robert D., *Young People's Book of Atomic Energy*, McBride, 1948; Schneider, Herman and Scheider Nina, *How Big is Big?* Scott, 1948.

The fact that so much material is available for both teachers and children is evidence that many people believe that knowledge and understanding of the potentialities of atomic energy should become a part of the education of children. If we are to keep abreast of contemporary thought we must be thinking about a possible answer to the question, "What shall we tell our children about the atomic bomb?"

CALVIN'S DIGEST

BY L. BAYNARD WHITNEY (FOR CALVIN NEWS SERVICE)

CALL FOR TITANS

J. Finley Wilson, one of the titans of the race, passed from the Stage of Life just before the climax of the great interracial drama in America. Among Negroes he was truly the representative of "the man in the street"; his remarkable accomplishments were comparable to making a silk purse out of a sow's ear, or producing wheat from chaff.

Within three decades Wilson increased the Elks fraternal order from a few thousand in membership to a half-million with 900 lodges, international in scope and politically powerful. He was among the strongest leaders in the battle for civil rights, and contributed a far-reaching program for raising educational standards among his race.

This was made possible because of his grand passion for people. His rulership eventually drew into the fraternity of many of the best minds and leadership talent in Negro America.

The present crisis in the battle for civil rights demands leadership, especially at the level of the common man. The achievements of the late Grand Exalted Ruler constitute a legacy of leadership, and a mass organization of effective power. And her title shall arise from it, and to his shall fall a crushing responsibility.

Let us hope that before and during the mad scramble for the lucrative office of "The Grand" next June, the candidates and their followers will realize they shall be called upon to face issues, solve problems and wield great power in behalf of 17-million colored Americans. This realization should predominate over office seeking and petty argument over policy.

HOTTEST ISSUE

Walter White of the NAACP told an Oakland, California audience recently that just prior to the Civil Rights Leadership Conference in Washington, D. C., a prominent newspaperman told him that in Congress the civil rights issue was "deadlier than a doornail." White said that after the conference, civil rights was the hottest issue in the Capital.

Why? Because 800 delegates from 35 states, representing 52 national, church, labor fraternal, civic and minority groups registered their determination to wage a relentless civil rights fight in the Nation's 400-odd election districts. Never before in American history has the Negro brought such pressure to bear upon members of Congress.

The tightly organized group of powerful delegates urged the Senate to curb filibusters by simple majority rule. Incidentally, Georgia's Senator Walter George was visibly shocked when he saw that the delegation from his state was interracial in membership.

While the conference was in progress, civil wrongs were still outraging U. S. democracy: the Klan was burning crosses (even at Harvard), beating, flagging, bombing both Negro and white citizens, forcing the FBI to crack down in the Carolinas; hundreds of Negroes were being beaten and terrorized in Florida because of the Groveland case but these instances were not published, said Walter White; the majority of white hospitals, North and South, continued to bar Negro patients, although thousands hold membership in various hospital plans.

Washington high army brass continued to jim crow Negro troops in Europe, proved journalist Claude A. Barnett; although the high court has outlawed segregated in interstate travel, the ICC ruled Negroes may be segregated on Southern dining cars; and "there still are far too many instances of police violence, forced confessions, and application of a double-standard based on race," reported the Southern Regional Council at Chattanooga.

Along with job discrimination, these are the main reasons why civil rights are, and will continue to be, the HOTTEST ISSUE in Congress and throughout the United States.

nature under control. Christ, and Christ alone, can bring sanity to a world of madness. What a beautiful picture we see here: The mad and insane man sitting peacefully and calmly at the master's... "Clothed in his sober senses..."

THE LOVE OF God in Christ is man's only avenue of escape from his dark wilderness of madness and insanity. It offered an escape for this man. The Christ was in our hope of escape from our madness. Our madness awaits the healing touch of the senses... (Please turn to Page Seven)