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## THE SOLID NEGRO VOTE VS. THE SOLID SOUTH

WALTER WHITE of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People has warned the leaders of the Democratic Party that they may as well kiss the Negro vote goodbye if a southerner of Senator Richard B. Russell's ilk is nominated for president of the United States. For fear that the party leaders might feel that Mr. White spoke only for northern Negro democrats we would like to inform them that the warning of the NAACP secretary includes the Negro voters of the South as well.

Here in North Carolina where the ever increasing Negro vote has become principally identified with the Democratic Party it is going to be distressingly embarrassing for Negroes to continue as Democrats if a man like Senator Russell becomes the standard bearer of the party. We think the same goes for the growing Negro vote in Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia and other southern states.

The Negro voters might wink at a southerner like Senator Estes Kefauver, but North or South, they will never swallow Senator Russell, because of his anti-civil rights stand. On a national scale this can be a deciding factor in the election of a president. Certain-

ly it can be more so than the southern vote in 1948 when Truman was elected without the solid South.

If the Democratic Party is smart and hopes to prolong its stay in the White House it will take cognizance of these facts and write in to the 1952 Party Convention Platform a civil rights plank. If it does not we agree with Walter White that it can kiss the Negro vote goodbye.

The belief of many that Negro voters will have no choice in the matter if the Republicans nominate Senator Robert A. Taft will not hold water. For Negro leaders are of the unanimous opinion that the worst Republican can never be as bad as a bad Democrat.

So, the Democratic Party must eventually make the momentous decision as to whether it prefers to incur the ill will of the solid South or the ill will of a solid national Negro vote. For let there be no mistake about it, the Negro may split on many issues and men but if and when a southerner is nominated as the standard bearer of the Democratic Party the ranks will be as close as it is humanly possible for them to be.

## THE SHRINERS GALA DAY CELEBRATION

LAST WEEK DURHAM was host to the gala Day Celebration of the Nobles and Daughters of Isis of the Mystic Shrine and the 43rd annual session of the North Carolina Federated Women's Clubs. While the latter organization was composed entirely of women, the Shriners brought to Durham over 1,000 men and women visitors who are supposed to represent the sporting element of the Masonic order.

Be that as it may, Durham was indeed proud to have as its guests the Shriners, as well as the Federated Women's Clubs. For a finer group of men and women have never met in convention here than those who took part in the Gala Day Celebration.

The two-day meeting reached its climax in the parade which took place Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. It must have been a pleasant surprise to many that in-

stead of the usual conduct expected in a gala day celebration of any group of men, the very highest type of gentlemanly deportment was observed. We think is highly commendable when the same is compared with similar organizations that have met in convention here.

All of Durham will agree that the Shriners parade was one of the best ever witnessed here and without the slightest evidence of anyone being intoxicated. Every man and woman appeared to be on his or her dignity. The Shriners set a fine example for similar organizations that seem to take delight in seeing how ridiculous they can act on occasions of this kind.

Durham is proud to have been selected as the host city for the 1952 Gala Celebration of the Shriners and it is our sincere hope that they will soon return here again.

## NEGRO MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

ELSEWHERE IN THIS WEEK'S issue of the CAROLINA TIMES we have published an article disclosing that the Weaver McLean Post No. 175, Negro branch of the American Legion of Durham, intends to have nothing to do with the annual state convention of the organization, scheduled to meet in Durham June 7-10. The local Negro post is taking this stand because it has not been called on in plans for entertaining the convention, and because its officers have reasons to believe that the members of the white post do not want Negroes participating in the convention, except through the back door.

We think the Weaver McLean Post has good and sound reasons for not being willing to participate in the American Legion convention except on an equal basis. The CAROLINA TIMES has watched the discriminatory practice and biased policy of the American Legion for the past several years with the hope that there would eventually come into power an administration capable of accepting a man on the basis of his worth instead of the color of his skin.

We had hoped that some day the white members of the American Legion would realize that real Americanism, real Democracy, and above all, real Christianity are not concerned with the color of a man's skin any more than bullets or fragments from a shell of an enemy's gun on a battlefield. This newspaper takes the position that if Negro soldiers are good enough to give their lives for their country on a for-

ign battlefield, they are too good to be asked to accept an inferior place in the American Legion or any other place in American life.

The American Legion may not know it, but when they refuse to accept a comrade on an equal basis, solely because his skin is of a different color, they are not only doing an unAmerican act, but they are furnishing ammunition for the communists propaganda guns. The one billion or more colored people in India, China, Africa, and other countries will wonder what Democracy can mean to them if it cannot mean equality to former American Negro soldiers in their own country.

The leaders in the American Legion must not be led into believing that the inferior position Negroes have always had in its ranks is satisfactory, merely because one or two Negroes who are on the payroll happen to so inform them. The inferior position was winked at by veterans of World War I, but the tendency on the part of veterans of World War II, and especially those of the Korean War, to overlook this unfair practice has about reached the breaking point.

We think the American Legion ought to do the honest thing and come out point blankly and inform the Negro veterans that they will not be accepted as equals in the organization or that they are not wanted. This would certainly be better than giving the Negro veterans the run around that has been demonstrated by its present officials.

## AND REMEMBER, THE AFRICANS HAVE PLANS TOO



## Spiritual Insight

### "Freedom From Anxieties"

By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND  
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"The present phase of things is passing away. I want you to be free from all anxieties." I Cor. 7:32.

Paul calls upon those who have faith in God to be free from anxieties. How can one be free from anxiety amid these fears, stresses, strains, shocks, pressures, cares and burdens involved in the business of living? How can I be free from anxieties in a world where life won't stay put. What happens? When I figure I have everything all in hand—there comes pain, sickness, disappointment, loss of job, suffering, war and death to shatter my longed sought for dream of peace and contentment. One tragic moment shatters my little world of peace and security. What a foolhardy thing for the man of God to call for freedom from anxiety. I know it's a great ideal but is it practical in a cold realistic world like this.

Yes, I think it is practical. His request rests upon the undeniable truth of the physical universe—"The present phase of things is passing..." Nothing, he says, in the physical and visible scene is permanent: It all will fade and pass away. The greatest anxiety is suffered by those

who put their trust and anchor themselves in these fading, perishable things. To accept this great truth is to achieve a measure of freedom from undue anxiety. We anchor in these fading things and we find they cannot satisfy: The result is that we suffer frustration, disappointment and anxiety.

The key is that we stand for a brief period in a passing scene. Time swiftly marches on. Before we get rooted we must be transplanted. Before we know how to live its time to die! He who trusts solely in the fading glories must suffer the pangs of ravaging anxiety. To be free from anxiety your trust must be in him who changeth not: Him who stands unchangeable above and beyond this passing scene. Trust in him who is...

"The same yesterday, today and forever..." Thus to be free from anxieties you must take your stand on the source of eternal power: GOD. It is the assurance of the undergirding power of the everlasting arms that keeps us from anxieties.

This has been called an "Age Of Anxiety". Yes, our anxieties have been intensified by ten years of wars and rumors of wars. We have refined the in-

struments of suffering and death—germ warfare, guided missiles and atomic energy. We have unravelled the laws of nature but we have not learned God's blessed Law of Love. The caveman with his war club had his anxieties. And we with our Jet-powered instruments of ruin and devastation have our anxieties. God has been and is now the answer for the intensified anxieties of our times. Physical power fails to give security and freedom from anxieties. Why? Paul gives the answer: "The present phase of things is passing away."

The word of God assures us in an "Age of Anxieties" that there are some unshakable and some things that will not pass. Eternal securities. There are some things that will not pass away. There is a King and a Kingdom that is everlasting and shall not be destroyed. This Kingdom rests upon the Eternal attributes of God himself—love, justice, righteousness, compassion and mercy. When you find and build upon these principles you can achieve "Freedom From Anxiety". Let us remember that: "The grass withers... the flower fades... but the word of God shall stand forever..."

## BY INCH OF CANDLE

By ROSE BUTLER BROWNE

For this week's column I had planned a synthesis of the published reviews of William Frank Buckley's book, *God and Man at Yale*. This book gives the other side of the Question. The Carolina Times published the report of the faculty committee which answered Buckley's charge that he found "the general temper of the University anti-religious," as if the Ivey League professors were leading their students in continuous prayer, while the cornfield Ph. D.'s were leading their students in riotous living. Since the students of Yale have made the front pages of all of the metropolitan dailies because of their fervor, they have spoken more eloquently than I can, so I yield. However, from what I read in the papers, fifteen hurrahs for the cornfield!

When fewer than half of the people in any community are enough to spend half an hour a year to vote, it is a sad commentary on the effect of our training for citizenship at home and at school. Now, we are on the eve of an election, every good citizen in our community should make it his first concern. It is important that for us this should not be a "fewer than half" year. If it is to be an all-out year, each of us must devote his best effort to making it so. Unless every eligible voter in Durham comes out and votes the results of our election will be false. A limited vote places great power in the hands of small groups. Small elections make the votes of the corrupt and incompetent too decisive. If we are to have an all-out vote this year, we must get in a hurry. First, we must become acquainted with the party organization in our own precinct. Offer to help wherever we

can. What can you do? Poor little you! You can ring doorbells until you have twenty-four more voters with you. Hold them together through registration, primary, and the election. Your ability to get out the vote is one measure of your status in the community. My father said that many a man who thinks he is a leader is taking a walk by himself. No one is all leader unless when he looks over his left shoulder he sees somebody coming on behind, by choice. Try to get out the vote, see how you stand as a community leader.

Our election in Durham is more important than the local issues involved. Each local election in America is democracy before the world. We are spending fabulous sums abroad to bolster democracy while we sit at home and fail to help democracy work. If we believe in democracy as an ideal of government, if we ever think of the business of being free men in a free society, let us now translate our belief into action.

In 1639 Stephen Daye, an early settler wrote his Oath of a Free Man, which read "I do Solemnly bind myself in the sight of God that when such matters of this state in which free men are to deal, I will give my vote and suffrage as I shall judge in my own conscience may best conduce and tend to the public weal of the body, without respect of person, or favor of man."

Everyman should choose how he shall vote, but free men who wish to remain free, may not choose whether or not they will vote. We cannot be a "fewer than half" community and build a bigger and better Durham. Let's have an all-out vote!

## CALVIN'S DIGEST

By L. BAYNARD WHITNEY  
(FOR CALVIN NEWS SERVICE)

### Intermarriage

July 6 will mark the third anniversary of one of the most famous interracial marriage since Frederick Douglass married Helen Pitts sixty-eight years ago. The very popular and talented Poppy Cannon, wife of the internationally famous Walter (NAACP) White, writes most fascinatingly of their mixed marriage and its aftermaths in a national magazine article.

The most encouraging thing about her story is the fact that, after three years, the circumstantial structure of their lives did not collapse after the first tremor. In certain respects, their foundations are stronger than ever. Mrs. White is still a successful advertising executive and food editor of *Mademoiselle*. Mr. White is at the zenith of his amazing career as executive secretary of the NAACP. But three years ago they both thought that crossing racial lines

at the altar would probably end their individual careers.

Now the facts show (1) that the great majority of mixed marriages work out very well; (2) that personal and social courage are indispensable, as well as a certain mental and emotional audacity; (3) that there are unique compensations along the way and some friendship and personal relationships will remain firm regardless; and that (4) racial integration through intermarriage is very much on the increase, at home and abroad, taking the Negro firmly over "the last frontier to be crossed in breaking down racial taboos."

Granting that true love is the firmest foundation for marriage, a mixed marriage can be the most thrilling and illuminating experience to come to persons of any race.

### "BIG AND LITTLE"

Interesting thoughts on how honest and how big is a lie, is the subject of a bulletin message by Harold K. Shelley, minister of First Unitarian Church of San Jose. Their cogency tempts us to quote it in part...

"How honest is honest?" At first glance it may not seem to be the same question. We have always been told we are honest or dishonest....

"Some Psychologists say that we are honest in one situation and not in another. Many conclude, therefore, that honesty is relative to the situation. But this is an error, for a dog is not small or big by himself, but only in comparison with a man or an ant.

"From one situation to another what changes is not honesty but the importance of honesty. Importance increases as the situation becomes more complex and involves more people.

"As children we were told not to lie. Today advertising, business, politics, diplomacy are filled with half-truths which have the effect of lies. These are told by people who were told not to lie. As we move from situations in which we are admonished to 'Tell Mother the truth' to situations in which we have to tell about what is happening in America, we are not released from truth telling but required by the increased importance of the truth to tell it more rigorously.

"Honesty is relative to the moral fibre of the individual. Moral fibre develops as an individual is honest in more important situations."

## Wilmington Pastor And Harvard Educator To Headline Finals At Central High School In Whiteville

WHITEVILLE Board of Education will be on hand to deliver diplomas and awards and honors to the graduates. Baccalaureate exercises at Central High School will be held on Sunday May 18, at 3:30 P.M., at which time the graduates and their friends were addressed by the Reverend Clarence Thomas, resident pastor of Wilmington.

Rev. Thomas, a graduate of the Williston High School at Wilmington and Oakland College of Alabama has been serving the Wilmington community for more than 12 years. A very busy and noted speaker, he promised to add to the joy of graduation for the graduates and friends.

At 8:00 P.M. May 23, the graduates and friends will be addressed by Dr. Rose Butler Brown, nationally known educator. Dr. Brown, at present serves as Chairman of the Graduate School of Elementary Education at N. C. College at Durham. Dr. Brown obtained the MA degree at Rhode Island State University and the Doctorate degree at Harvard University. Since graduation, Dr. Brown has had the honorary degree of Ed. D. conferred upon her by her Alma Mater, Rhode Island State. This degree is given yearly to the alumnus of the college making the most noted contribution on a national level in the field of education.

Supt. L. A. Bruton, along with Attorney W. H. Powell, Chairman of Whiteville City Schools,

## WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

The hue and cry over the Presidential seizure of the strike-bound steel industry caused the major issue involved to be overlooked.

Demands for a presidential impeachment, of course, are expected in an election year on any pretext.

However, election year hysteria is a poor excuse for ignoring the basic cause of the steel situation. It is also dangerous for President Truman to seize anything, even a peanut stand, to be tolerated.

Yet, on clear analysis, all the furor and fuss has so far failed to outline a solution to a problem that will occur again and again to plague the nation until adequate enforcement of anti-trust laws solves the problem.

Steel numbers among its members, U. S. Steel, which while disclaiming a monopoly, does control an estimated 40% of the nation's production. There are less than 700,000 stockholders in all the nation's steel companies, and the largest number are in U. S. Steel, created a half century ago by J. P. Morgan. The entire steel industry takes its cue from U. S. Steel because it is not considered politic to run contrary to the decisions reached in its august heights.

And on the other side are about 850,000 steel workers, organized in one huge labor monopoly.

Then there are on a third side some 4,000,000 independent business, largely dependent on steel in some form, plus about 150 million American consumers.

It seems fantastic that any nation can stand idly while a steel monopoly and a labor monopoly go into a prolonged stalemate.

So the question that anyone should ask themselves is briefly "If I were President of the United States, just how would I handle a similar situation?"

And thereby is posed the strange paradox of modern American life that can lead to Socialism or Communism by constant government intervention into the disputes between monopoly industry and monopoly labor.

No president seems to have been able to cope with the problems of enforcing the anti-trust laws which would prevent these situations.

Franklin D. Roosevelt attacked the problem of monopoly business by encouraging the organization of monopoly labor organizations; comparable to burning down the houses to get rid of the mice.

Yet, Herbert Hoover was also ineffectual in solving the problem, and his ineffectiveness is made all the more contrasting by his post-depression statement "Our real depression troubles began with the building up of a kind of economic autocracy."

The entire situation again emphasizes a long neglected fact. The only solution to the greatest of all national problems since the founding of the Republic is adequate anti-trust law enforcement.

This in turn, emphasizes the need for Congressmen who understand and appreciate what vigorous enforcement of these measures means to national freedom and security.