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Senator Russell's Bid For The Presidency

Before this is read the Democratic National Convention will very likely have selected its candidate for president of the United States. However, this newspaper wagers its reputation that it will not be Senator Richard B. Russell of Georgia. That a man of Senator Russell's training and experience in government affairs should be denied even a chance to run for the presidency of his country for no other reason than he is a southerner is no fault of others but of Senator Russell and men and women leaders of the South like him.

This plight of a man who many declare is one of the ablest in the United States Senate, has caused him in the final hours of his bid for the presidency to resort to what appears to be questionable maneuvering to impress upon labor organizations and others outside of the South that although he voted for the Taft-Hartley law that he is now opposed to it.

This sudden about face of Senator Russell will fool none of those who have to do with influencing the strong labor vote nor will it fool those who have to do with influencing the Negro vote. For without the combined support of these two there is little hope of anyone becoming president of the United States in a national election.

An Associated Press wirephoto, carried in the Sunday daily papers, shows Senator Russell surrounded by a gang of southern "hatesmen" (not statesmen) whose eternal and sole claim to national note is that are against civil rights legislation and for white supremacy which in the final analysis means that they are against the 15 million Negro citizens of this country having their full measure of citizenship.

This beam in the eyes of the average white southerner is so big that he cannot see himself as others see him. Blinded by it until he is practically a moron on the race question, he actually believes that a majority of the people in this nation are fools enough to trust him to guide its destiny and furnish the leadership for all the other democracies of the world.

The Curse Of Denominationalism

The most damnable curse of the Protestant church, especially its Negro churches, is denominationalism. Such a curse on any major branch of Christianity would in the end result in a curse on Christianity itself. There was a time when the instigators of this cancerous sore on Protestantism were its ignorant ministers and laymen. This is not entirely so in this day and generation as a casual observation of some of the asinine antics of some of our so-called big shots in our leading denominations will disclose.

There are many highly trained Negro ministers who are more concerned about whether a person is a Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian or what have you than they are about him being a Christian. To say that this in the end weakens the whole effort of the church to present a solid front against the world is putting it lightly.

The root of all this hellishness is the love of money, the desire to gather under one's domain as many followers as possible. The greater the number the greater the fishes and loaves. While all this is going on our homes are breaking down and filling divorce courts, morality in our schools and colleges has reached its lowest depths and the sports, theatrical and musical words are doing more to lead the way to a broader concept of universal brotherhood than the one institution established by God for that purpose—the Christian church.

There are so-called ministers of the gospel who will turn hell upside down to promote

So, instead of great enthusiasm for his candidacy, from other than his fellow southerners, we find the door closed in the face of one of the South's most capable men, Senator Russell of Georgia. For inspite of his capability when an aspirant for the presidency of the United States starts hobnobbing with men like Talmadge of Georgia, White of Mississippi, Byrd of Virginia, Long of Louisiana, there is no hope that he can ever obtain the labor, Negro and other minority votes on a national scale.

Until southern leaders realize this and change their attitude on the civil rights issue, which is a direct indication of their attitude toward the billion or more non-whites all over the world, every white mother of the South may as well declare from the housetop that, I didn't birth my son to be president of the United States.

This newspaper is a southern institution, which under ordinary circumstances would make us lean toward the candidacy of a southerner being honored with the highest office which the nation has to bestow upon one of its citizens. We cannot, however, place our approval on any candidate for the presidency, north or south, whose every word, deed and action have labeled him as being opposed to equality for all men in this country and in the world.

So we shall continue to oppose to the last breath those of our own section of the country whose philosophy of life makes them unfit for world leadership, as the presidency of the United States demands. If and when such a man is nominated on the ticket of either party, we shall extend ourselves to the limit to call Negroes from the farms, the classrooms, the cook kitchens, the offices, the factories and everywhere else to rise up and solemnly cast their vote against him.

In taking such a stand we feel that we will be doing the greatest act of preserving this nation as the capstone of democracy rather than encouraging it to become the laughing stock of free people the world over.

denominationalism who can't organize and conduct a first-class revival in their own church. They will discourage any movement of the laymen of their churches to practice brotherhood with a designing eye on the fact that one dollar used for the promotion of such a program might miss ending up in their pockets.

This newspaper has hesitated to write this editorial because it wanted to make such of its ground. An attack on the church or ministers is always an unpleasant task. But when such an attack is made solely for the purpose of aiding in the preservation of the church, we will not hesitate to take up the cudgel.

This eternal preaching of denominationalism not only serves to weaken and make less effective the church, but it rears its ugly head in our schools, employment and elsewhere. So much so that efficiency is not always the grounds for obtaining work and promotions, but denominations. In the end it is the entire Negro race, that becomes the victims of being divided when there ought to be the closest kind of cooperation and harmony.

The CAROLINA TIMES hates denominationalism. If we had the power we would destroy it all and put in its place one universal church whose ministers would have one aim, the salvation of men and not the gathering of every dollar they can for their own selfish purposes.

The Negro Voter Is Getting Tired Of This Act



Spiritual Insight

"Confession: Healing Operation"

By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND

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"Sirs . . . I believe God . . . Acts 29:25.

Do you really believe God? What words are these for man the weak, sinful and mortal creature; To be able to speak these three words with sincerity makes a great difference in a world like this. Confidence in self is worthy and commendable.

A belief in home, mother and father is very essential it is the foundation and bedrock of the social structure—life loses much of its richness and beauty without this. It is worthwhile to believe in the moral integrity of the business leadership of the banking and business of the community. Without this there would be chaos in the community. Thousands of homes are crashing into ruins each year because men and women cannot say: I BELIEVE IN MY HOME. Corruption is robbing the nation of moral vitality and men can no longer say: I BELIEVE IN MY GOVERNMENT. Life sinks down into a dark night of disorder and confusion unless we can say I BELIEVE GOD! Paul rose triumphantly above circumstance of a storm-swept sea to rekindle the spark of hope in the darkest hour of the storm.

Those who are anchored in

God can always stand above every circumstance when all hope seems lost. On that ship all hope was lost as the storm raged for fourteen days. The captain and his officers had given up all hope of rescue or salvation. They had done everything in their power. Listen to the agonizing cry of despair: "No that we should be saved was then taken away . . ." As they saw it there was no hope for the ship and there seemed no hope for the more than two hundred persons aboard ship. How strange that God's light of hope somehow breaks through in the darkest hour and we are saved, our goal is reached and our hopes are realized. God worked through the man that was bound in chains as a prisoner on that ship: PAUL SPEAKS A MESSAGE OF HOPE IN THE DARKEST HOUR. "I will believe the hand that never fails—for seeming evil worketh good for me . . ."

Very often man's darkest hour becomes God's greatest opportunity. I have seen it happen so many times in the lives of the faithful children of God. Many times when all seem lost the light of God's care and blessed providence breaks upon the

dark pathway. There are many times when it seems as if Satan and his forces will win the day and rout the forces of truth and righteousness. I know for I have seen it happen many times in a brief ministry for God in a world of sin and evil. God's power in a critical moment breaks through the roadblock thrown up by Satan to hinder and impede the progress of the work of the Kingdom. In such critical hours when the outcome hangs in the balance we ought remember the Divine promise: . . . "Fear not thou art mine. . . When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee and through the rivers they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee . . ."

What blessed assurance is yours if you can say in the darkest hour: "I BELIEVE GOD . . ."

Friends Wanted For Young TB Patient

Last week you read the story of a woman who is a patient at the local tuberculosis Sanatorium. You were told of her needs and desires in hopes that your church group or club—or you as an individual—would answer her appeal by sponsoring her under the Patient Friendship Program, a project of the local Tuberculosis and Health Association.

This week let's consider the case of a young girl of 15 who we'll refer to as M. E. She was born in Hamlet, N. C. but has lived in Durham most of her life. She has been in the sanatorium 7 months and has been sick for a great deal longer than that. Year before last on the first day of school she was taken sick and the doctor thought she had polio. When she went to the Health Department for an examination and was fluoroscoped, she was advised by the doctor to go to bed for three or four months. The following year she started back to school and around Christmas she felt so badly that she had to miss three or four days each week. She went again to the doctor, who had been checking her regularly, and she was told that she had tuberculosis and had to go to the Sanatorium.

M. E. was attending Whitted School. You can imagine how hard it was for her to leave school, interrupt her education, and leave her friends to go to a sanatorium. But she hasn't let that get the best of her. She utilizes her time by listening to the radio, she likes music. Also she crochets a great deal, embroiders and has learned to weave chairback sets since she has been in the Sanatorium. (Continued On Page Seven)

BY INCH OF CANDLE

By ROSE BUTLER BROWNE

At two different times in my life I have set out earnestly to work with children who had developed behavior that was not acceptable. In the first instance, it was youngsters who were unaware of the social amenities. Boys walked into the classrooms with their hats on; boys and girls talked in loud boisterous tone, and walked through doors without looking to see whether or not anyone was near enough to make holding the door a necessity. After earnest effort on the part of the faculty and staff of that school and the workers in the Department of Education, in one school year the patterns of behavior of those young people, in school, had changed. Within two years, the bus drivers and merchants in the community were commenting on the fine attitudes expressed in gentlemanly and ladylike behavior.

The first year of our Children's Church someone was always reporting the loss of money. Within six months every article lost in that Church was returned. Whenever a loss is reported the money or article is recovered in that same service, by merely announcing the loss and soliciting the cooperation of all of the children. Not only do they respond to announcements but they immediately turn in articles and money that is left in lavatories, choir rooms and elsewhere.

This kind of change requires unremitting consistent effort. It is based on respect for the person seeking the change, until understanding of the better way is born, and a value is chosen with which the better behavior is consistent. If I did not believe

in the improbability of human beings, my life's work would be futile and unrewarding.

As I listen to the political speakers I am convinced that those of us who believe that people can be improved have expended too great a proportion of our efforts on intellectual development and not enough on moral development. When I listen to the great statesmen of a great nation threaten to withdraw support from any candidate who declares his intention to uphold the constitution of the United States of America, including all of its amendments, I shudder. When I hear men of high scholastic training who stand in places that call for wisdom, declare that to permit every man a fair chance to eat bread by the sweat of his own brow through the work of his own hands and mind, is offensive to them, I am challenged. When I hear them call on God to support their contentions, I am frightened.

That so large a segment of our nation has grown up in purportedly Christian homes, has gone through school and college, and grown to manhood and womanhood without an understanding of the immutable character of right and wrong is serious. That these unimpaired persons could be elevated to positions of trust without revealing their lack of strength, is a tragedy.

The lack of understanding is not confined to either political party. A leading contender for nomination in one party stated in this city that he feared that civil rights established by law would lead to a deluge of law suits. It seemed not to occur to (Continued On Page Seven)

Wilson District Church School

Wilson — The recent three days session of the Church School Convention of Christian Education, of the Wilson District, Cape Fear Conference, A. M. E. Zion Church, was a great success from every angle. It was under the general supervision of the Rev. A. B. Moseley, Presiding Elder of the Wilson District and senior Presiding Elder of the Cape Fear conference.

Presiding Elder Moseley who had been very sick during the preceding three months was present each day, along with his gracious and affectionate wife, Mrs. Cora E. Moseley, thus giving to the convention a beautiful picture of God's love for humanity and man's faithfulness to God.

The sessions were held in the commodious invitation church located six miles west of Snow Hill, on a spacious green lawn surrounded by a beautiful grove which provided a grand setting for the making and studying of reports and for discussing methods of Christian Education work. The Rev. W. R. Fryar was the Host-Minister.

The Theme of the convention was, "Forward With Christ". The motto was "Lifting As We Climb". The officers of the convention were, The Rev. A. B. Moseley, Presiding Elder; Mr. Frank Edwards, Director of Adults; Mrs. Ruth Everette, Director of Youth; Mrs. Cora E. Moseley, Director of Children; Mrs. A. M. Hobbs, Chief Sec'y. Miss Pernice Artis, Recording Sec'y. The Finance Committee The Revs. A. Moseley, K. Mele-

vin Taylor, W. R. Fryar, J. W. Little and Mr. Frank Edwards. Courtesy Committee The Rev. A. G. Dunston Mr. Jack Brit, Mrs. Gaynell Outlaw, Miss Bettie G. Baker and Miss Dorothy Autry. Reporter to the Papers, Rev. R. R. Pearsall.

Presiding Elder Moseley delivering the opening address, after thanking the ministers and laymen of the district for carrying forward the work and for being so nice to him during his illness, speaking from the theme, declared that "Going Forward With God", 1. Made men different. 2. Made Men Brothers. 3. Made a Better Community. 4. Made a Better World and 5. Would Bring us to a Glorious End.

The Key-note Message was delivered by the Rev. R. R. Pearsall, Minister of St. Matthews Church Goldsboro on the subject, "Working With God". Other sermons were delivered by Revs. K. Malvin Taylor, Minister of St. John Church, Wilson Subject, "Life Has No Bargain Counters" Rev. Lubbe Matthis, Minister Jacksons Chapel Church Best Station, Subject, "Strain Your Spiritual Eye That Tomorrow May Be Better". The Rev. G. A. Thompson Minister of Pauls Chapel and Little Wesley Churches, Subject, "Working Together With Christ", and the Rev. Daniel Pridgen, Minister of Bethel and Lovicks Chapel Churches, Subject, "The Presence of God".

Music for the convention was furnished by the Invitation Juniors. (Continued On Page Seven)

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

As this column enters its third year in the weekly newspapers of America, recent Congressional actions reveal the influence wielded by weekly newspapers and their readers.

Events also prove if Americans are given facts, they will act to correct existent evils. So far the independent weekly newspapers of America have stood alone in bringing forth undisclosed facts, letting C. W. Harder fall where they may.

Significantly Congress did far more than stop government power to control consumer credit, and to cut down the powers of the OPS or Office Plenty Screw. Unmolested, Congress took an even more important step.

Congress at the same time passed a measure to aid and encourage American newspaper production. An attempt will now be made to combat the foreign monopoly squeezing the life-blood out of independent newspapers.

Action was taken despite previous protests by State Secretary Dean Acheson that nothing should be done to antagonize Canadian newspaper producers despite constant price increases totalling more than 150%.

In Washington leaders of independent business have long urged Congressmen to protect the free American press from monopoly exploitation. This need has been pointed out time and time as the first bulwark in the defense of American liberty. The Senate Small Business Committee, headed by Sen. John Sparkman, Ala., launched still another probe of the situation.

But in recent months, facts not covered by the big dailies have been brought to small cities and towns of America.

These facts, without adornment, caused readers of weekly newspapers across the nation to protest to their Congressmen. After all, in the big cities, there are people who can be persuaded that whatever soun's silly is really not silly.

But high flown theories do not ring true in the smaller cities and towns of the nation.

In these regions where the vote is controlled, nonsense is still looked upon as nonsense.

Sincere Congressmen of both parties voice pleasure over receiving so many expressions of opinions from the solid people who read weekly newspapers.

Typical comment: "We had a feeling that many things, if they were known, would not set too well with these people, but until we had something concrete to go on, it's hard to disprove the theory boys."

Many Congressmen give the weekly newspapers full credit for recent acts curtailing the power of the government to meddle in private business and lives.

Many Congressmen feel this situation is healthy, are prepared to act to aid weekly newspapers by newspaper on a competitive market.

Naturally bureaucrats who have lost power, or position because of this reaction, will oppose such action.

So organized independent business is preparing to battle on this issue. The results of the past two weeks show that such a battle can be won.

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