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IF YOU CAN'T LICK 'EM "JINE" 'EM

This newspaper is not going to join those who want to hold a parade in honor of Attorney General Harry McMullan of North Carolina because he joined counsel for the defendant in the Mack Ingram case by requesting that the record be scrutinized most carefully to determine whether the judge erred in finding as a fact that the jury was properly selected. The Carolina Times has watched the Attorney General fight too long and too hard to uphold the status quo of the Negro in this state, for it to become excited over what some are attempting to interpret as a gesture of liberality on his part.

What Mr. McMullan is doing is adhering to the advice of any good politician which says, "if you can't lick 'em, jine 'em." He has encountered attorneys for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on more than one occasion and knows from the past record that they don't appeal a case for the fun of doing so. Rather than be caught on the side of the losers he is taking refuge in one point on appeal that he is quite sure the higher courts will be compelled to reverse and that is that members of juries may be selected from the registration list of voters. The Attorney General is saving his own hide from the humiliation that always comes to one in his position with a reversal from a higher court.

It must not be forgotten that the attorneys for the defendant contended that the statute under which Ingram was tried was too vague to justify a trial, that after the case had been tried there was not enough evidence to take it to the jury, that the judge

erred in admitting evidence and charging the jury, and that the jury was improperly drawn. Likewise it must be remembered that the Attorney General's office contends in its brief that the status WAS adequate, that there WAS sufficient evidence to support the verdict and that only once did the judge err and that was in finding as a fact that the jury was properly selected. It did not agree with counsel for the defense that Negroes in Caswell County are not allowed proper representation on juries.

We would like to feel that North Carolina has at least produced an Attorney General that is capable of becoming so incoined at a verdict of a lower court involving the rights of Negroes, that he would not feel it his duty to uphold such unless that verdict demanded that they remain as second-class citizens. Such an Attorney General would heighten the respect of all people for state courts and greatly increase the almost extinguished flame of faith in the Negro that there is any such thing as justice for him in a southern court.

The Attorney General has stood by the lower courts in their contention that Negro schools in North Carolina were equal to white. He has opposed every effort of Negro students to gain admission to the University of North Carolina. In not a single case before that of Mack Ingram, in which the right of Negroes were at stake, has he taken a stand in their behalf. Either there is a dead cat up the line somewhere, the Attorney General has got religion or he is "jining" 'em because he can't lick 'em.

THE "BIG LIE" TECHNIQUE

One of the most pernicious pieces of misinformation to appear recently on the issue of segregation and public schools was printed in the Thursday, January 22 issue of the DURHAM MORNING HERALD, under the grossly misleading headline: "Who Foots the Bill in North Carolina If Segregation Ended? Legislators Don't Know." The story carried the ASSOCIATED PRESS byline and it can be assumed that it was printed in a majority of the Tar Heel dailies.

In simple terms, the story wonders who would pay for public school education if segregation was ruled invalid, surveyed the views of some state officials and legislators on the issue and ends with the implication that segregation, or a dual system, is cheaper than integrated education, a single system.

For fear that the above paragraph is an over condensation of the story, we are printing below the complete story as it appeared in the January 22 MORNING HERALD. Dated Raleigh, January 21, it reads as follows:

A big question that has been kicking silently around the General Assembly was given voice today.
Who foots the bill in North Carolina if school segregation is ruled out?
There was no answer when the question was posed at a meeting of the joint finance committee.
Then a post script was added by a legislator who said, "may we not hope and pray" that segregation will be maintained.
With that, the matter dropped. It likely will not arise again during this Assembly session unless the U. S. Supreme Court rules segregation is invalid.
The question came from Rep. E. I. Satterfield of Person while Dave Coltrane, assistant director of the budget, was explaining the revenue bill to the joint committee.
"We have a school segregation suit in my county," said Satterfield. "If the suit is upheld, it will take one million dollars to equalize the schools."
The constitution fixes Person's debt limit at \$600,000, Satterfield explained. "We could do everything constitutionally possible," he said, "and still we would be \$400,000 short."
"Who would be responsible for the \$400,000?"
Coltrane said nothing. Co-chairman W. B. Rodman of Beaufort broke the silence.
"May we not hope and pray that the court will give us a favorable response to your question?" Rodman said.
Several suits similar to the one in Person have been filed by Negroes in various parts

of North Carolina. All of the suits ask equal schools for Negroes.
These suits now are marking time, pending the U. S. Supreme Court decision on a school segregation suit now before the court.

It becomes quite clear that the writer means discrimination when he uses segregation. If this were simply a matter of careless attention to matters of diction, the story would certainly not command this much comment. But, there is much more concerned here than mere choice of words. The story then, by its substitution of segregation for discrimination, is misleading. It is dangerous and malicious, dangerous because it creates more confusion about an already confused issue and malicious because it deliberately is misleading and thereby seeks to create confusion.

We say it is deliberately misleading because, knowing the size and importance of the Associated Press, we cannot bring ourselves to believe that it would suffer a writer or copy editor to commit such an obvious mistake as to substitute segregation for discrimination. It must have been deliberate.

Being a deliberate attempt at misleading and creating confusion, the story then must fall into the category of those things which use the "Big Lie" technique, a technique often denounced by the MORNING HERALD, especially in reference to Sen. McCarthy. It does, or seeks to do, all the things the "Big Lie" technique would accomplish. It substitutes a false meaning for a true one, seeks to create discord between two groups, finally tries to shift the blame for a problem situation to a group which is merely the victim of the problem situation.

The substitution of meanings in the story, i. e., use of segregation for discrimination is apparent. The story tends to create disharmony between groups in that it creates a false situation in which the people of North Carolina would seem to be put to an undue strain in attempting to satisfy the needs of a special group—a group comprised largely of Negroes who are seeking to have Negro public schools equalized. It attempts to define two groups with opposing interests. The

"Abolishing Segregation In The Nation's Capitol, Is The First Step"



story also attempts to further alienate the two groups by shifting the mantle of blame for the problem which now faces many school boards in the state—the problem of how to get enough money to equalize the Negro schools—to those who are striving to get equal schools for Negroes.
It would be superfluous to add here that the Negroes did not create the problem but merely became victims of the situation. Those who are responsible for the lop-sided ad-

ministration of school funds in the past were certainly not Negroes.
A short answer to the question posed by this misleading story: "Who Foots the Bill . . . if Segregation Ended . . ." is, of course, the people. It requires less than an Einstein to figure out that a State can support with much more ease one, integrated system of education than it can a dual, segregated system. If the Legislators can't figure this out, how did they get into the Assembly?

Spiritual Insight

"Founded Upon A Rock"

By REV. HAROLD ROLAND
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"The flood arose and could not shake it . . . it was founded upon a rock . . ."
—LUKE 6:49

Jesus revealed the essential wisdom of the path of Eternal truth. We cut straight through to the rock of Eternal truth. In our stupidity we have failed to recognize and apply this truth to our lives and relationships.

Each day we must realize more and more that Jesus is indeed . . . "THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE . . ." Jesus has gotten down to the bedrock of spiritual and moral truth. He has given the principles by which we can build enduringly for time and Eternity. His principles repre-

sent the ROCK—and the one sure foundation upon which individuals and nations can build. Truth, right, justice, love and faith are foundations of spiritual and moral reality.
Apart from Christ we build on the shifting sands. In him we are indeed . . . "FOUNDED UPON A ROCK . . ." In Christ life becomes something beautiful. Apart from Christ life becomes something sour and bitter.

We have seen children building sand houses. But when the winds and the storms come they are washed away down the street or the gutter. How can you build for endurance apart from the love and compassion of Christ? We cannot build on a lie for it will not stand. We

must build on the truth as revealed by Christ. Apart from Christ they who build the house . . . BUILD IN VAIN. . . The violence of the sword is not enduring . . . "for he who lives by the sword will perish by the sword . . ."

Why will almost a million homes fail this year? Too many homes are not founded upon the ROCK OF SPIRITUAL TRUTH. The foundation and the superstructure are false. If you are not founded upon the rock the floods and the winds of life will blow you away.

"If you are to endure the raging storms of life, you must have a good foundation. Make Christ and his teachings your foundation and you can stand."

Life is not all sunshine. Dark clouds and storms arise in life. Too many are unprepared for the stormy scenes of life. Many of us are fixed for a lie of continuous sunshine. We are unprepared for the storms. How can I find this stormy-weather POWER? Hear and obey Christ's word. Anchor in him and then you can stand the mighty winds and the raging storms of life. In Christ you can say with Moses in that dark hour as Israel faced the seemingly unsurmountable barrier of the Red Sea. "Fear not, stand still and see the salvation of Jehovah . . ." In Christ you can be calm in the raging storm. Why? I am . . . "FOUNDED UPON A ROCK . . ."

Too many of us are ready to run as soon as the storm strikes. We wail in the face of the enemy. We fall with the first blow. We lack the power of endurance. What is it that gives toughness and durability to the human spirit? This power comes from the great spiritual truths revealed by Christ.

We must have a great purpose, a great faith, a great hope, and a great love spent to advance a cause for the glory of God and the service of mankind. These spiritual powers make men strong to endure the storms of life!

Christ endured all — temptations, insults, rejection, resentments, pain, agony, suffering and even death itself—because he took God at his word. He stood on the rock of Eternal truth! Take him at his word and you too will be founded upon a rock.
Where are you at this hour?

WITHIN And AMONG

Alfred F. Andersen

Dear fellow seekers—

Why is it that in these days when the genuine desire for peace is on the hearts and minds of multitudes there still continues perpetual war? Why is it that sincere people at all levels of economic and political status can realize the present dangers of (and moral depravity of) modern war—and yet participate in the various modern military states, finance their armies, and accept the call to do a share of the bloody violence? Why is it that even an organization like the Fellowship of Reconciliation will denounce militarism in its voluminous literature while serving as an agent of the military state in collecting taxes of its employees to finance the largely military program? The latter might be understandable regarding the employees who wanted such taxes withheld and could pay it with a clear conscience. But employees have had to leave the F. O. R. employ because they carried the F. O. R. principles to their logical conclusion of refusing to pay taxes for war.

This dilemma of our times, the dilemma of desperately wanting a peaceful association with fellow humans while still feeling it a realistic necessity to compromise the principles upon which such peace must ultimately rest . . . this dilemma is to be found on all levels of human association, from the richest to the poorest, from the most nominal pacifist to the most nominal militarist. Some of the most profound statements regarding the road to peace have come from modern generals; and some of the most insensitive and irresponsible statements (which carried to their logical conclusion would lead to the worst kind of confusion and violence) have come from active present-day pacifists.

Roughly it is the Biblical problem of how to be "as wise as serpents and as gentle as doves". The militarists are right in saying that we cannot morally appease and condone the wrongdoer, that there is the evil tendency in man and that we have the responsibility to discipline and control these evil tendencies in one another; that, as a matter of fact, the evil cannot be completely identified as such even by the evil-doer except in so far as it is disciplined by his

associates. Only then does it attain the reality of objectivity: the evidence that it is producing unhappy consequences. . . . And the pacifist is right that something is wrong, radically wrong, with the instrument of modern war and with its planned and organized use.

What could be more obvious than that man was not meant to live in the state of fear and distrust that characterizes the world today? "Something is wrong," says the pacifist; "war is the major wrong, and I am not going to add my fuel to the flames."

This is a real dilemma, as we all well know. The approach to its solution that will be pursued here will not be to attempt to solve this particular dilemma directly (yet indirectly). Our approach, rather, will be to consider the more general problem of how dilemmas are met as such regardless of its particular nature. That is, what has life taught us about the treatment of dilemmas as such, as they arise in everyday life? What do we rightly do when we find ourselves in a state of confusion and indecision, or frustration and paradox? Some modern theologians, apologists for modern militarism to boot, would have us believe that life was meant to be that way, that the most we can do is to accept and be resigned to "the depravity of man" not even trying to follow the example of men like Jesus or "be perfect as your Father in Heaven is perfect". The cynical liberal is pretty close to this position. It is the road to callousness and numbness of conscience, thus numbness of life itself; in short it is the way of suicide, the most dishonorable kind of suicide.

These last statements are, of course, thrown in without adequate demonstration as to how they follow from the stated position. But the hope is that the reader will recognize them as nevertheless true consequences; sufficiently so that he joins the writer in rejecting said candidate for the right response to dilemma in life. What we are seeking here, in any case, is a genuine way out of dilemma not a resignation to it as the essence of life. And it is to this that we shall turn afresh (God willing) next week.

NAACP Sponsors Workshop For Training Of Leaders Of Youth And College Chapters In Ala.

The Southeastern Regional Office of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People announced today that the 1st Annual Regional Leadership Training Conference for branches, youth councils and college chapters will be held here, February 20-22.

The theme for the conference is "No Compromise with Segregation or Discrimination" and symbolizes the underlying policy of the Association in its continued fight for the right of all Americans to enjoy full citizenship.

In issuing the Call for the conference and responsibilities, Mrs. Ruby Hurley, Regional Secretary said, "We believe that a majority of people in the South want to see the end of segregation and discrimination, in spite of the rantings and ravings to the contrary by such individuals as Talmadge and Byrnes and the pronouncements of a number of Negroes who have been misguided into believing that our program is being intensified to implement the Supreme

Court decisions in the fields of "separate but equal."

"Hundreds of Negro students are attending graduate schools which were closed to them in southern and border states a few years ago. We have not had a single report that any one of the buildings in which they find themselves has fallen down. Therefore, it is logical to assume that there will be no catastrophes in Alabama, Florida, Georgia Mississippi or South Carolina when Negroes begin to study in those states' Universities."

graduate education and interstate transportation; to increase the number of qualified, registered voters, to eliminate racial discrimination in employment and to eliminate segregation and discrimination in housing, recreation facilities and places of public accommodation.
"This conference is the first step toward putting this program into operation."

Conference headquarters will be the 18th Street Branch, YMCA, 326 South 18th Street.

Red Cross To Start Volunteer Nurse Training Program Here

The American Red Cross will begin its Volunteer Nurse's Aid Course here at the A. B. Duke Nurse's Home on Linwood Ave., Tuesday, Feb. 24, and will be offered each Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m., the course is complete.

The course, which will be taught by Mrs. Gredine G. Butler, is a special service of the

American Red Cross. It's objective is to provide trained volunteers to serve as assistants to graduate nurses in hospitals and clinics, health agencies, and emergency medical field units.
If you are between the ages of 18 and 55, and a high school graduate, you are asked to go to the Red Cross office Wed. Feb. 18, between 12 and 2 P.M., or the A. B. Duke Nurse's Home, between 7 and 9 P. M. for an interview.

The course will be divided into two units consisting of lectures and demonstrations, and supervised practice in hospitals.

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

Another great Prime Minister of England, Disraeli, once said, "Lather a man before you shave him." There is a great deal of evidence that this advice has remained as British policy.

And at the present time, it points up one of the most serious situations facing the new Administration.

That situation is briefly this:
In Canada, C. W. Harder, United States High Commissioner, is being discriminated. This condition is even reflected in the cost of newspaper.

In the meantime, in the new Congress, members of the majority party cannot decide among themselves on the merits of scrapping controls, reducing taxes. Despite ample evidence government controls, plus high taxes, have done great injury to the progress of independent business.

Before the election, there was strong agreement that control, high taxes should end now.

Then the British Prime Minister arrives in this nation, has secret conferences.

It may be sheer coincidence, but immediately after these visits, some leaders of the majority party in Congress express themselves that perhaps too much haste should not be exercised in cutting taxes, ending controls.

There are also these facts.

Although the United Kingdom is receiving half of the aid given Europe, supposedly as a measure to help in the common defense, with Russia supposedly the nation that defense against is

needed, British business with Russia is increasing.

In 1952 Britain exported manufactured goods worth \$10 million to Russia, and in the first ten months of the year, British exports of rubber to Russia amount to \$84.5 million versus only \$5 million in 1950.

Now it is understood that Britain will sell even more rubber to Russia directly through London, instead of through Singapore.

In the meantime, MSA continues to ship scarce materials to the United Kingdom. MSA Bulletin No. 215 reports on a recent day that copper bought in Canada was given to the U. K.

But in Canada, the American dollar is now being discriminated.

On the following day, MSA sends a big shipment of the U. S. supplies of tin plates to Tito's Communist Yugoslavia.

This action was taken just a short time after the National Production Authority virtually put out of business a small independent packer of dog foods in San Francisco because it had used more tin to meet the demand for the company products than NPA had allocated.

Today, in Washington there is wavering, even among those who were the loudest opponents of controls, of high taxes, other evils.

It doesn't seem possible that a visit from an elderly politician from England could cause this wavering. In Washington there is a strong sentiment for appointment of a committee to investigate and reveal the extent of foreign influence in government in much the same way that the Communists plans in America are being exposed.