

GOVERNOR BYRNES SHOULD BE JAILED

The attempt of notorious Governor James F. Byrnes of South Carolina to besmirch the name of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by charging that the organization is similar to that of the Ku Klux Klan will get nowhere with intelligent white people in this country. Likewise the charges will make not one semblance of a dent in the faith Negroes have in the NAACP. On the contrary it will react just to the opposite and will probably be worth thousands of dollars to the treasury of the organization.

The charge was such a notorious lie that we feel the NAACP should have ignored Byrnes' attack by refusing to dignify it with an answer. Since the NAACP's secretary, Walter White, has seen fit to reply to Byrnes, we feel, however, that the organization ought to follow through with

a suit for criminal libel. Any man who has held as many high offices in the federal government as Byrnes, including that of a seat on the U. S. Supreme Court, and continues to be a jackass is entirely to loathsome to be considered worthwhile by intelligent persons. His case just goes to show that even the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, considered by the world as one of the greatest leaders of all times, could not lead Byrnes out of the depths of race hatred to which he has descended and lived all of his life.

The NAACP has done more to uphold our democratic form of government and to impress upon the complacent elements in both races in this country that "eternal vigilance is the price of freedom," than any other force we know of. It has been the watchdog of the rights of white people

as well as Negroes. For let there be no mistake about it those who would destroy democracy, first get under the cloak of upholding the supremacy of the majority race and attack the minority. In the end these same persons will attack the freedom of the weak in the majority. Then we shall have anarchy when the freedom and the rights of no man will be safe who dares to raise his head in protest, even in his own defense.

Governor Byrnes is a representative of such an element. His insistence that it is possible to set up a system of inequality under a democratic form of government has done more to destroy faith in America and our form of government than all the Communists could do in years. He should be jailed as one of the nation's most dangerous subversives.

WELCOME MASONS TO DURHAM

The Carolina Times is happy to extend a word of welcome on behalf of all the Negro citizens of Durham to the Free and Accepted Masons, Prince Hall Affiliation, Jurisdiction of North Carolina, to Durham on the occasion of the dedication of their temple located at 314 Pettigrew Street. All Durham is proud to have the temple located here and we believe in time that every Mason in the state will discover that what Durham has to offer is by far greater than that to be found in any other city of the state.

We wish also to congratulate the Grand Lodge officials on the progress the order has made under the leadership of Dr. G. D. Carnes. His administration has really revived the faith Negroes had in fraternal organizations, especially the Masonic order, and we see no reason why the next few years will not see North Carolina Masons among the leading of the nation in a financial and numerical strength.

According to last week's release, published in the Carolina Times, in 1947 the order had only \$4,057.22 cash on

hand. Its 1953 report showed that it had on hand a total net balance of \$99,037.11, which is strong evidence of the order's phenomenal growth during the past six years.

In addition to the financial gains the order is making rapid progress in rebuilding the numerical strength of its membership. Certainly its present administration deserves great praise for such progress and we are sure that wherever and whenever it is possible Durham will do everything in its power to help the organization continue its growth.

THE GROWING SEGMENT OF GREAT SOUTHERN LEADERS

The intelligent and courageous editor of the NEWS AND OBSERVER, Jonathan Daniels, assured the nation in a recent speech, delivered to the National Urban League's fourth annual dinner in New York that the South will accept the verdict of the U. S. Supreme Court in the school segregation suits now before it. The pronouncement of the OBSERVER's editor will probably meet with much disapproval of the white supremacists in North Carolina and the rest of the South, who are endeavoring to hold the line against abolishing segregation by insisting that if the Supreme Court strikes it down a reign of terror will follow.

Whether for better or worse, a large segment of people are just naturally against a change of any kind. They are the people who always stand in the way of progress but are the first to enjoy its benefits once the change is perfected and progress is being made.

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DON'T SQUAWK SO MUCH-ACT

We have watched with a degree of interest the apparent attempt of the New York Yankee baseball team to avoid using Negro players. Frankly we have had little or no sympathy for Negroes in New York and elsewhere who have squawked about the matter instead of doing something about it other than squawking.

According to reports we have received from New York, the Negro attendance at Yankee games is about the same, if not greater, than that of the Brooklyn Dodgers and the New York Giants that have no bars on the racial identity of a person. If such is the case Negroes in New York have no one to blame for the Yankees not playing members of their race but themselves.

The northern business man is not such an avowed racist that he has lost his sense of

profit and loss to the extent that he will continue to uphold a policy that stops the turnstiles from clicking or the cash register from ringing. If Yankee baseball officials continue to use prejudice in the selection of players, Negro fans in New York ought to have enough race pride to stay away from the Yankee stadium.

Sometimes we wonder if the little freedom that Negroes are supposed to have above the Mason and Dixon Line hasn't lulled them to sleep in many areas as to the real problems facing their race in this country on the matter of economic development. The employment of Negroes in any field, whether it be sports or industry, should be of major importance to any sensible member of the race, North or South, to the extent

that he or she would not deliberately spend their money where they can't work for an item they don't have to have.

Negroes who patronize the Yankee baseball team, the same as they do that of the Dodgers and Giants, are simply lessening job opportunities for their group that are sadly needed in New York as well as any southern city. Because race prejudice in the North is sinister and suave, it must be watched with more alertness than in the South where the laws, signs and customs are plainly in evidence.

In the end the result is the same with the Negro always standing on the outside looking in when the payroll envelopes are handed out. What Negroes in New York need is to become conscious of this fact and stop spending their money for baseball entertainment where they can't play.

WE CAN'T EAT OUR CAKE AND HAVE IT TOO

Secretary of State Dulles, this week, called on the free world to unite to save Indochina and all Southeast Asia. Saving these two important slices of the earth means saving them from communism, so far as the free world is concerned.

Says Mr. Dulles, "This might involve serious risks. But these risks are far less than those that will face us a few years from now."

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American citizen. We think, however, that the Secretary of State has overlooked one small but most significant item, and that is that the people in Indochina and Southeast Asia are for the most part colored. It is going to be ex-

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ceeding hard for the United States to impress these people that democracy will mean more to them than communism with numskulls like Governor Talmadge of Georgia declaring that blood will flow in his state if the United States Supreme Court declares that Negroes are entitled to unsegregated educational opportunities in the South and in the very country that is offering them Democracy."

We ought to stop kidding ourselves here in this country that we can have our segregation cake and eat too, the same we did when radio, television and modern newspaper

did not blaze America's acts of white supremacy around the globe in a few hot minutes after they were committed.

What Mr. Dulles needs to do is to call on the free world to save America and the world from white supremacy in the South. Unless that is done, the time, energy and money spent in trying to court Indochina and Southeast Asia will mean nothing. As bad as the menace of communism is, it is not half as bad as a citizen of this country, who will cling to the idea that only white makes

UNITED NATIONS NOTES

By JAMES R. LAWSON
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UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. This reporter learned from the Mayor's Reception Committee and the State Department's Chief of Protocol that Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia will arrive in New York City, Saturday evening, May 29, after a visit to Princeton University. Since the Memorial Day celebration will take place on Monday, May 31, the city's official reception for the Emperor will be held June 1.

The Committee in charge of arrangements to honor the Emperor will give a dinner for him Sunday May 30 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The Committee also announced the addition of two more members. They are Spyros Skouras, head of Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation, and Jay Lovestone of the A. F. of L. Free Trade Union Committee.

It has received from organizations as a result of a request from UN Secretary Dag Hammarskjold for suggestions on ways in which women can achieve equal political rights with men. The emphasis of the replies was on voting, several of which suggest that nations institute compulsory voting laws. Several organizations suggest that women can best attain equality through education and membership in political parties and international organizations. One group suggests that the need to educate men in the essentials of citizenship is just as great.

WOMEN - The United Nations made public some of the replies

SOUTH AFRICA - The African National Congress has launched a boycott of all newspapers that refer to South Africans as anything other than Africans. It was stated that they are especially opposed to the use of the terms "native" or "Negro."

GETTING ALONG

By LAUREN WHITE
NEW YORK

People get in trouble when they overdo. People are likely to choke when they bite off more than they can chew. It seems Senator Joseph R. McCarthy of Wisconsin has done both. In his wild scramble to gain power and prestige for himself, and if possible rid the nation of Communists, he has been slightly irresponsible.

Senator McCarthy has done a job. He has alerted the American public to the dangers of Communism in American life. He has exposed some Communists. He has gained the attention and respect of thinking Americans. But, like many ambitious men, he had to overdo. It is only when the Senator sees a Communist behind every tree, in every closet and under every bed that he excites the wrath of the American public. Most Americans are patriotic, law abiding citizens. They appreciate our way of life and want it preserved. The last thing they want is regimentation. They know that when democracy works, people have more freedom, while under Communism, people have less freedom. Americans want freedom and the individual who contributes toward preserving and maintaining their freedom has

their allegiance. The individual who threatens that freedom whether he is a Communist exterminator or a Communist will be attacked. Many Americans feel that McCarthy threatens our freedom.

The Army is not a haven for the Russian agents, even if a left winger is found in the Army occasionally. Those who oppose McCarthy are not trying to tear down the props of our nation, and most newspapers that resent McCarthy tactics are not left wing organs as the Senator has accused them of being. Senator McCarthy's thirst for blood has made him take on the Army, the entire Democrat party, about one half of the Republican party, and most of the newspapers that didn't agree with his tactics.

It is unbelievable that one man can crush all the opposition McCarthy has. When an individual arouses the ire of the Army, one entire political party, one half of the other major political party, most of the major newspapers and the American public generally, he has a job on his hands.

As of this writing McCarthy is still a powerful man. He can still bite, but there are a lot of people busy filing the edges from his teeth.

"A Civil Rights Law Will Help Take The Profit Out Of Segregation"



Spiritual Insight

"THE PASSION: BETRAYAL"

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"He...prayed...Not what I will... but what thou wilt." Mark 14:35,36.

Amid the growing intensity of the agony of the Passion the master pauses in the path of the Cross to pray. How life would change for many of us if we knew the wisdom of this lesson of the Passion of the master. Many are fainting because they do not know how to pray. We do not know how to find and dig the matchless treasures of this spiritual mind. Let us pray more and faint less. Weighted with the burdened agony of a troubled soul Jesus prays. There is power in prayer! Jesus prayed as the disciples trembled with fear. He prays amid the treachery and schemes of the enemy. He prays as his friends go to sleep on him in his hour of greatest need.

We see the Son of God on bending knees under the very shadow of the Cross. He surrenders to his Heavenly Father as his earthly friends make ready to forsake him and leave him in the darkness of that night.

What is Gethsemane? It is a spiritual battlefield: AN INNER STRUGGLE OF THE SOUL THAT COMES WHEN ONE FACES A CROSS! In the final analysis it is a struggle in the soul between SIN AND RIGHTEOUSNESS. It is where we fight our final battles in the soul before we face and take up our crosses. It is here we get ready for our CROSSES ON BENDING KNEES.

How can you face your Calvary if you know nothing of a Gethsemane? There must be spiritual preparation for Calvary. Yes, for there is a Calvary for everyone who walks the path of righteousness. He who takes a stand for right will finally come to a CALVARY. Prayer makes you fit for your Calvary. There is a power also to help you endure your Calvary: THAT POWER IS FOUND ON BENDING KNEES. "God giveth grace to the humble." "In prayer there is..." "Help for a time of need..." The master made ready for Calvary in prayer. Prayer opens the gates of Divine power to our souls.

Surrender to God prepares us for our Crosses. How? By taking self out of the center and putting God in the center. Self is too cautious, fearful, anxious, and careful of its honor and exaltation. Self blocks the free flow of God's mighty power in the soul. In the great soul struggles of the Garden, self was removed and God given the first place. "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God...all other things will be added..." In the surrender to the Divine will Jesus is ready to take the final and the remaining steps in the high and the Holy way though there be a cross in that way.

Surrender to God gives us power to face and carry our crosses. He now arises from prayer to face the enemy and the Cross. Now he goes forth with the courage and calmness that comes with surrender.

In prayer, Christ faced and passed his test under the very shadow of the Cross. We too can face our dark hours and our Crosses in the power of prayerful surrender.

STRAIGHT AHEAD - By Olive A. Adams

NEW YORK About the meanest trick anybody can play is to "hope you won't make it" when you get ready for an important try at anything. You can grit your teeth all you want to and say you're determined not to let it get you, but the psychological effect of somebody betting against you is a powerful thing. When you have a tough job to do, there's nothing quite like a little support. And nothing is more discouraging than some kibitzer pulling against you.

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In his statement that "this apprehension could readily turn into fear" and that if it does, we are "in for a very serious time," Mr. McDonald recognizes that fear is a factor that can be controlled. Since this is the case, both he and Mr. Reuther, who are so influential with labor, have a responsibility in emphasizing for these workers the necessity for working together. A little statesmanship is called for

at this point, when large companies like General Motors and Chrysler who hire vast numbers of steel and auto workers, are launching extensive expansion programs.

Certainly nobody should close their eyes to the realities of the adjustment period through which we are not going, but there is nothing whatever to be gained by encouraging fear in the minds of workers and the country in general.

We've been reading about two such fellows recently. One is Walter Reuther, President of CIO and head of the United Auto Workers; and the other is David J. McDonald, President of CIO United Steelworkers. These fellows are going around saying the economic picture in this country doesn't look so good. There may be lights in it, but all they can see is the shadows. Both of them would like a little government activity, like a public works program, to "take up the unemployment slack" and they also want reduced taxation "for the little man."



Mr. Reuther says that, while things are "not catastrophic" economic "difficulties" are growing. Mr. McDonald says that in his judgment, the post-war recession predicted in 1946 is now upon us, though he is "not getting hysterical." "But a freezing up is developing" he says, "not only by individuals but by companies. I have been traveling around to steel plants across the country from Trenton to Los Angeles, and there's a tremendous feeling of apprehension among the men about the future. This apprehension could readily turn into fear and if it

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WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS" By C. WILSON HARDER

Whenever the subject of money or credit arises, many profess these subjects are clothed in great mystery.

Yet both money and credit are a basic commodity even more basic than corn, wheat, hogs, iron, or any other commodity, because few individuals, no business, no farm, can long operate without access to money and credit.

This is a basic concept which has long plagued this nation. In early U. S. history President Andrew Jackson recognized the problem when he scuttled the chartered but privately owned Bank of the United States by placing Federal funds in various state banks to bolster falling local economies.

Problem is again approached by pending bills in Congress, known as Capahart bill in Senate, Muller bill in House.

Under present laws a bank cannot operate branches in more than one state; or operate non-banking business enterprises.

But under a loophole in present law, holding companies own controlling interest in banking institutions and evade that law.

The proposed legislation would stop this.

The proposed law would also make bank holding corporations subject to the same regulation as independent banks which requires permission from appropriate Federal or State authority to acquire another bank either as a branch or as a merger.

Independent banks are also prohibited from acquiring branches across state lines. The

proposed new law would place the same regulation in force on bank holding companies. There are several points to bear in mind during coming debates.

One is the subject of fairness. Limitations imposed on independent banks should undoubtedly prevail for all.

There is also need for strong independent local banks to insure local economic health by serving with an understanding of community needs at the grass roots level. This point will be discussed later as most important phase of this issue is this.

Concentration of money and credit in a few hands now under way via bank holding corporation system, can, unless stopped, dominate entire American scene, economically and politically.

With corporations owning vast banking resources, as well as non-banking business operations, there is great temptation to use power of amassed cash and credit to knock out independent competition by holding corporation owned firms.

In addition all banks hold as a substantial part of their assets government securities. Therefore, two or three bank holding corporations could own majority interest in U. S. government.

In addition these few corporations holding bulk of U. S. cash and credit, could, through cartel agreements set up international controls over the world.

Many historians claim that without the House of Rothschild, no nation in Europe would have been able to carry on the long bloody years of the Napoleonic Wars. And today in America, a few vast holding corporations have already acquired more power than the Rothschilds ever held. That is the crux of issue now before Congress.

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