

UNITED FUND VS. INDIVIDUAL CAMPAIGNS

The refusal of some national organizations to accept money contributed through the United Fund by people of Durham and many other cities is beginning to cause many public spirited persons to become disgusted with the whole matter of contributing money for charity. The arrogant manner in which some of the national organizations refuse the money forces us to wonder if a thorough investigation is not needed into why the public that has nothing to do with the selection of those who form the policies of these organizations should be expected to continue to pour money into them.

The United Fund was designed to relieve financial drives that continuously hound the citizens of the average American city. It appears to us that the various organizations should be willing to cooperate with the plan instead of demanding that they be allowed to stage their campaigns separate and apart from the United Fund efforts.

Until a satisfactory explanation is made, we feel that the several communities should each organize ways and means to take care of emergencies outside the framework of the national organizations and refuse to contribute other than through the United Fund.

If these organizations have only one answer and that is a perpetual hounding of the public month in and month out, then we feel they ought to be forced to accept contributions from the United Fund or prohibited from resorting to the present methods they are using.

THE DELINQUENT TAX LIST BID

For over 30 years the Carolina Times has operated in Durham as a newspaper, endeavoring to furnish for members of the Negro race a means by which they could herald their achievements and good deeds as well as their bad. During those 30 years we have asked no quarter and given none in our efforts to give a true and honest picture of how the Negro feels, thinks and what he wants in matters that vitally concern his welfare and his future. Our position on that question needs no defense here or now by us or any one else. It is well-known to our thousands upon thousands of readers flung from one side of the nation to the other.

It has been our good fortune to gain somewhat of an editorial prowess throughout the nation. In years gone by we have either favorably or unfavorably evoked the editorial comment of many of the leading newspapers and magazines of the nation. In our own state we have either been "cussed" or discussed by such newspapers as the Raleigh News and Observer, The Charlotte Observer, The Greensboro Daily News, The Wilmington Star, the Fayetteville Observer and many others. Last week we finally reached the topmost round in our journalistic career and received an editorial note from the offensive end of the Herald-Sun papers, The Durham Sun, Well, Well! Well!

May we assure the Sun that until integration becomes more of a reality than at present and our circulation warrants it that it has no need to be afraid of the Carolina Times bidding on the delinquent tax list in Durham, either segregated or unsegregated. The letter which we addressed to the purchasing agent for the city of Durham was merely written for the purpose of showing that the city of Raleigh at least endeavored to be consistent with the "separate but equal" philosophy of awarding the tax list.

The Carolina Times is not so stupid as to believe it would be awarded the tax list segregated or unsegregated, even if its bid was five cents per inch. The County, the City the merchants and all the poor struggling weekly newspapers of Durham are all hamstrung by its Siamese twin daily newspapers who, like Mike and Ike, they look, think and act alike.

Knowing this we wrote the purchasing agent of the City of Durham that we did not think it fair for us to bid on the entire delinquent tax list because we did not feel that we had sufficient circulation among white citizens to warrant it. We jestingly suggested in bidding on the Negro delinquents, knowing at the time that the City would certainly find some way to wiggle out of the suggestion in our case if it can wiggle out of awarding the contract to the lowest bidding white weekly.

Frankly, we think it is useless for any newspaper in Durham to bid on the tax list in any shape, form or fashion, other than the Herald-Sun papers.

PROTECTION FOR PRISON INMATES

The questionable death of a woman prisoner in the State Penitentiary in Raleigh should be investigated to the fullest extent by authorities of North Carolina. The people of the state are entitled to know the truth, regardless of what it will reveal. It is only in this manner that they will be satisfied that it is the purpose of state officials to operate the penitentiary above reproach. If it is revealed in the investigation that the woman died of negligence on the part

of prison authorities, those responsible should be punished in a manner consistent with that negligence.

Unlike many other states, North Carolina has had very little trouble with prison rioting and if the facts reveal that it was justified in this particular case, further and more violent rioting can be halted now by taking swift and definite action.

This newspaper does not endorse the pampering of

prisoners and we are aware that discipline in a prison is absolutely necessary. On the other hand, we would look with disfavor on the use of brutality or negligence that would endanger the health, life or limbs of the vilest human being under bonds. That Solicitor W. Y. Bickett has asked the SBI to make an investigation of the woman's death is as it should be and we trust that no stone will be left unturned to get at the bottom of this most unfortunate incident.

NOTHING FOR NEGRO DURHAM TO WORRY ABOUT

This newspaper has been informed from reliable sources that Durham is soon to have a store that will cater exclusively to white people. Several inquiries to this office by our readers have prompted us to investigate the matter and as soon as we get the facts Negro Durham may rest assured that we will certainly inform the public as to this particular store's policy.

If and when such a store is opened in Durham it will be the first in this city and self-respecting Negroes will certainly not have to become worried about trading there since heretofore they have been existing without the store and should be able to keep on doing so. In order that none of Durham's Negro population is worried by being told that their patronage is not wanted, the Carolina Times intends to print the facts as they are in plenty of time so our readers will

know what to expect if they frequent the new store.

In the meantime we are happy to inform our readers that Durham Negroes do not have to become excited over a store opening here that will not cater to them. Already the city has many fine stores that are appreciative of Negro trade and there is no need for the most fastidious woman of the race to not be able to find in stores already located here any item she wants.

Good old Durham stores that have their foundation in the grass roots of this city and our state will continue to take care of Negro Durham like they have always done. Stores like Ellis Stone, Baldwin's Belks, Robbins, Fashion, Efrid's, Style Shop, Ruth Gordon Fashions, Sharyn-Lynn, My Shop and the others are amply stocked in the very best quality goods and will make it unnecessary for the Negro citizens of Durham to

take the chance of being told that they are not wanted.

Many of the owners and operators of these stores have grown up with Durham and North Carolina. They know the worth of their Negro customers and have watch them advance educationally and economically. Many of these owners and operators have gone out of their way to encourage Durham Negro citizens in their efforts to achieve and to build a lasting foundation. As a result Negro Durham is well out in front in home ownership, large business enterprises and educational institutions. Intelligent white people of Durham will probably scorn the idea of a store not catering to Negroes more than Negroes themselves. It is our candid opinion that such a store, if and when it does open in Durham will have tough sailing here.

Echo From Puerto Rico

By ELGIVA BALL

(Miss Ball is in Puerto Rico with a group of American teachers, studying the country with a view to helping their Puerto Rican students in their adjustment to American life.)

SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO, (GLOBAL)—What do you do on a field workshop tour? You tour! The trips are interesting and educational. Take, for instance, our recent tour to Barranquitas.

It was a day of Fiesta (festival) in honor of Luis Munoz Rivera, the father of Luis Munoz Martin, the present and first elected governor of Puerto Rico. Senor Luis Munoz Rivera was the leader instrumental in obtaining from Spain the charter of Autonomy in 1897 which gave Puerto dominion status.

We arrived at Barranquitas by a long, narrow winding road up the mountain, just in time to hear the Governor's speech from the balcony of la Alcaldia (City Hall). Then, even though it was raining, he came down and stood in the square while several bands took turns playing. He smiled and shook hands with the crowd, and graciously gave us his autograph.

Following the music, children from the school in Gaguas presented several Spanish dances and no one seemed to mind the rain.

At this point, we departed for the home of a Senator and joined in a pig roast. Jibaros (peasants) furnished the music there, and the highlight of the day was when the Governor danced with the Mayoress. We met the Presi-

dent of the House of Representatives and many top government officials.

All in all, we have found the people very friendly and always willing to help. Even on our first night meanderings we had no fears! The fact that one cannot speak Spanish is of little concern, for nearly all of the Islanders speak English. The children begin learning it in the third or fourth grades, after they have first learned to read in Spanish.

Looking around us, seeing the breath-takingly beautiful scenery, and getting to know some of the wonderful and friendly people, it is difficult to imagine how some people back in the States could have been so discouraging about the trip. We wish it were possible for these people to come with us and spend a little time in the atmosphere we have enjoyed these past few weeks. It would give them a much better understanding of the Puerto Rican people and their country.

When we speak of our adventures and experiences here, it may sound to many like a pure pleasure trip. Of course, all of it is a pleasure, but it is an easy way also to learn history and come to know people.

Someone once said, "traveling is for the rich." Of course we think they were wrong. Traveling on a limited budget throws one into contact with all sorts of people and makes for much richer experiences. It gives one a better understanding of people, and brings about the realization that all people have much in common.

A Golden Era Dawns.

By JUNE L'RHUE

NEW YORK

The President's news conference of August 8th was especially important for the reason that his words to the press were so prophetic — full of hope and faith. He said, "As I see it, the free world has a better chance than ever before to use its brain, its intelligence, its wealth to build up a structure that will really be impervious to the Communist assault. . . . I believe if we do this there will be no more war."

Coming from the man who is perched on a point at the top of the world, this positively expressed outlook has reliability it might not have if issued by one in any other position we can think of. The President has to work or think hard on every aspect of every national and global incidence. But extra load on the mind of a good President who first of all is a good man, is highly compensatory. His insights and intuitions are pretty accurate and can be trusted. So, when he passes on to use the

good word of the golden era which looms before him, it is heartening.

We are reminded of his tidings as we read the research announcement in the Sunday New York Times of August 15th. "Scientists of Many Nations Set to Study Planetary Forces in Combined Effort," is the subtitle to the article, and it lends notable support to Mr. Eisenhower's post-war sensitivity.

As the article goes on to point out, scientists all over the world are preparing for a combined, all-out research undertaking which involves a year of observation of this good old earth of ours.

Many unanswered questions pertinent to our general well-being, techniques for more abundant living, but too big for science to answer right now, will get attention.

We have only to look around for other examples of constructive changes that coincide with the Eisenhower view.

WASHINGTON AND "SMALL BUSINESS"

By C. WILSON HARDER

Current Federal Trade Commission investigations into coupon practices, brings up interesting question which may require Justice Department action.

The question: "Are big corporations using coupons to wreck independent manufacturers, violating laws regarding issuance of money?"

The U.S. Constitution is specific on this matter, some claim.

Section 8 provides Congress shall have power to coin money, to regulate value, and to regulate value of foreign coins. Section 10 prohibits states from coining money, or making anything but gold and silver legal tender.

In other words, no sovereign state can demand, for example, its citizens to accept shoe buttons or any other item, in exchange for goods and services. It must be in legal tender prescribed by Congress.

Thus it now appears to many that some corporations are operating as super-sovereignty exceeding power of any state.

While coupons are not claimed to be currency but merely an offer to pay, it is being found in actual practice they have the full force and effect of currency.

A housewife receives a coupon that tells her to take it to her grocer, buy the product being pushed, and the grocer will knock ten cents or some other amount off the price.

The grocer can legally refuse to honor the coupon. If he refuses a genuine U. S. dime for the power to compel redemption by the issuing corporation.

refusal to accept the coupon will not deprive him of his liberty, it will deprive him of patronage.

But law interpretation is often based on actual practice as well as technical wording. In this case, through actual practice, coupon issuing corporations are exercising right of printing currency, which is restricted to Congress.

Many housewives do not read or understand fine print on coupons. Many save coupons until they have around a dollars worth, and on their next trip to the grocer, use them as currency, because in their minds they accept in good faith that coupons have a definite monetary value.

So with all good conscience, and with good faith, the housewife literally blackjacks the independent grocer into accepting these coupons, regardless of whether he handles some of the products, or whether or not the coupons have expired. He cannot afford to antagonize customers, so same compulsion exists as if grocer were handed lawful currency, even though he never collects from the corporation.

The chains do not have this problem. If coupons are obsolete, or for any other reason not acceptable to the corporation, it turned in by an independent grocer, a big chain, by virtue of its mass buying from the corporation, compels the corporation to accept coupons. Again, element of compulsion enters.

So coupons, which from a technical legalistic standpoint are bogus currency, become through the element of practice and compulsion, as valid as legal tender. The only difference is that while independent grocers are compelled to accept them as offered in good faith, they lack the power to compel redemption by the issuing corporation.

"LET JUSTICE BEGIN AT HOME, BY REMOVING HIM FROM ALL TRAINS"



Spiritual Insight

"THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT"

BY REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND
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"The spirit produces in human life fruits. . . Love, joy, peace. . ." Gal. 5:22.

The spirit of God changes man's sinful nature to produce a rich harvest of spiritual fruits. You see this spiritual law at work all around you on every hand. You can bear testimony as to its truthfulness in your own life. The evil word of deed in your own life has produced painful and agonizing fruits.

The fruits of evil are seen in tears, sickness, and broken homes. The fruits of evil are seen in broken hearts and broken lives and shattered dreams of hopeful lives. And then there are other lives which are shining with the radiance of blessed fruits of the spirit in the form of the "LOVE, JOY AND PEACE" THAT THE MASTER CAME TO BRING US!

Every last human being knows from experience that inner struggle and warfare in our souls between our HIGHER AND OUR LOWER NATURES. We know the tragic struggle between nature and grace for the mastery of our souls.

In surrendering our lives to

God we receive a power which enables each one of us to stand victorious over our sinful natures: THE HOLY SPIRIT! Without this soul changing power we remain forever as helpless victims.

The seed of the Holy Spirit planted in the soil of the soul brings a rich harvest of spiritual fruits. The soil of the soul is made ready for the seed of the spirit. If the soil is cleared, the seed planted, we have a right to expect a harvest of spiritual fruits. . . . "The spirit produces in human life the fruits of . . . LOVE, JOY AND PEACE. . ."

How? The spirit sanctifies the soul and leads to a life of righteousness. A life of Holiness will produce the fruits of . . . "LOVE, JOY AND PEACE. . ." The seed sown and cultivated will produce fruits!

"The Spirit produces love. . ."

Love as a fruit of the spirit graciously bears its burdens sacrificially. Love builds up where others tear down. Love heals where there is sickness. Love brings joy where there is sorrow. I always remember the man who faced death in electric chair several years ago.

He wanted his wife and children in his last lonely days but he ran away from the burdens of love when all was going well.

God's spirit in man produces the joyous fruit of love.

"The Spirit produces JOY. . ." Deep, abiding joy is promised those who are redeemed and walk by the spirit of God. Let the spirit come into our souls. Let the spirit have its way and we can taste the sweet fruits of joy.

Joy is not freedom from agony and tribulation but it is the power of God in the soul that gives joy in spite of cares, burdens and tribulations. It was joy, the fruit of the Spirit that gave Paul a song of triumph in a Roman prison.

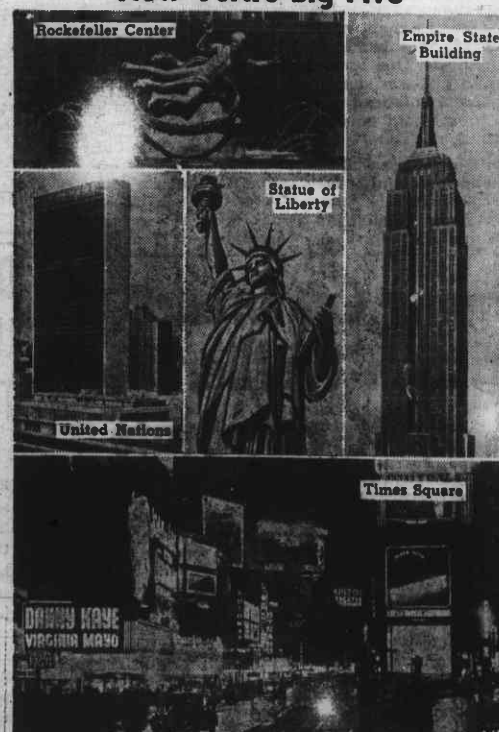
"The spirit produces in human life . . . PEACE. . ."

Truly the spirit of God offers inner peace and calmness even in the midst of the turmoil, conflict and warfare of this life. It gives peace amid intense battles and the raging storms of life.

STRAIGHT AHEAD

By Olive A. Adams

New York's Big Five



HOLIDAY TIME IS NEVER OVER in the big city. From the Labor Day Weekend through Indian Summer, as the new schedule of events and activities takes shape, big town excursions more than ever make for exciting holidays. New York's Visitors Bureau, which plans to welcome thousands of visitors during this period, announced its recent survey showed that the top five most popular sightseeing attractions are the Statue of Liberty, Rockefeller Center, the United Nations, the Empire State Building and Times Square.

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