

CUTTING OFF ITS NOSE TO SPITE ITS FACE

In his appearance before the special session of the General Assembly of North Carolina, J. H. Wheeler, as spokesman for a group of representative Negro citizens of North Carolina, warned members of the legislature that the effect of the Pearsall Plan upon the economy of North Carolina would be disastrous if it ever becomes law in that it would add further to the economic plight of this state which now ranks 48th "in average weekly earnings paid manufacturing employees."

Because of the segregated policy in North Carolina, many manufacturing plants that once looked on this state and the South as desirable locations "have stated frankly their reluctance to construct additional plant facilities in those southern states where local conditions prevent them from following the same non-discriminatory employment policies followed by their plants elsewhere in the United States."

Said he further:

"By inquiry from other sources we learn that numerous gigantic corporations in the fields of paper manufacturing, electrical manufacturing, chemicals, roof-

ing, shoes, etc., have halted their consideration of plans for new southern plants. One of these companies is reported to be extremely unhappy over four large plants which are now being built in North Carolina and Virginia. Another concern is now constructing in Omaha, Nebraska a plant designed to employ four thousand persons. This plant was originally planned for one of the cities in the Piedmont section of North Carolina but was moved to Omaha because of local customs and restrictions on the employment policies used by the company in its other plants. In addition, usually reliable sources of information have verified for us the contents of a recent article by Miss Sylvia F. Porter, well-known financial writer, who stated that one of the reputable Factory Locating Services in New York City has been told by approximately twenty of its large industrial clients that they are no longer interested in locating new plants in those southern states which are trying to hold to a pattern of racial segregation in their schools and in indus-

try. It should be evident, therefore, that the pattern which we follow in respect to our schools leads also to economic suicide for the entire state. Not only are our prospects poor for obtaining new industries but we stand to lose some of the industry which is already located in our state."

Thus it appears to spite its face, North Carolina is cutting off its nose. One thing is certain: for the economic level of its white citizens as well as its Negroes is being kept at the very bottom of the ladder by a policy bent on preserving white supremacy which, in the past and present, makes neither white nor black supreme.

It is certain North Carolina and other southern states cannot have their cake and eat it too; they cannot have both segregation and economic independence. Either they must abolish the policy of segregation that makes impotent the great reservoir of Negro labor whereby it is unable to shoulder its tax load and other responsibilities of citizenship or they must forever remain the beggars of the American economy.

THE FORTUNE TELLING RACKET

For the past several months the Carolina Times has been fairly hounded by fortune tellers and representatives of fortune tellers, mind readers and the like, requesting advertising space in its columns. This makes us believe that instead of decreasing, these leeches or bloodsuckers of society, who prey upon the ignorant and poverty stricken, are increasing. One prospective advertiser of this nature called this week from Danville, Virginia and demanded space in this newspaper with the remark that he was paying a large amount for license to operate and that he saw no reason why he should not be allowed to purchase advertising space in the Carolina Times or any other newspaper.

The long established policy of this newspaper is to refuse advertising space to all persons or firms that attempt to earn a living by other than honest methods. Those who live by hook or crook without working for a living will get no encouragement from this newspaper through advertising space purchased at any price.

These same people who claim that they can bring good luck and prosperity to others seem unable to bring the same to themselves and hence resort to cheap trickery or questionable methods to make a living. In other words, they are like the poor devils upon whom they prey or trying to get something for nothing. They remind us of the rabbit whose left hind leg

if carried in the pocket is supposed to bring good luck. Erer Rabbitt has never been able to give a satisfactory answer to the question as to why he lost the leg if it was so darn lucky. They are also like those who sell numbers to poor fools who play the numbers while charging the buyer for the number in order to earn a living when all they need to do is play it themselves.

We warn our readers to not become suckers for such crooks. The best way to obtain good luck is at honest, hard work at a task that has as its objective the betterment of all humanity. Those who pursue this latter course are sure in the end to come out more than conqueror.

THE SUEZ CANAL IMBROGLIO

You will need to watch prayerfully and with more than passing concern developments in the Suez Canal imbroglios. The turn of events there may determine whether or not the world will have another blood bath that may be its final. The British who have most always lived off the blood, sweat and energy of others, including our own country, have for many years had designs on the Suez Canal, which is rightfully the property of the Egyptians and will stop at nothing to get possession or control of it. Great Britain, like hyenas, usually lurks in the background after setting the stage for a struggle to the death or to exhaustion of other nations. She intends to grab the spoils after they are prostrate and confiscate them as her own. This has always been her role. Our own country and India, appearing for the moment to

not be influenced by British desires, have both asked for some kind of international control of the canal. Both the United States and India may awaken ere it is too late to find that they have been maneuvered, by the British, into doing exactly what they want them to do. British statesmen are pastmasters at crooked maneuvers.

Behind all the Suez Canal trouble is the one philosophy that has caused most of the world's ills and that is that only white is right, and consequently so important a waterway must not be controlled or owned by any other than a white nation or a combine of white nations. Thus Great Britain, lurking in the background and having designs on Egypt "long before the Suez Canal came into being," has not only violated the neutrality of the canal from time to time but resorted to

all kinds of trickery" intrigues, instigations and various incidents" as an excuse to invade and occupy Egypt as far back as 1882.

It therefore is no wonder that Egypt should be suspicious of any claim to honest intentions of outside nations to set up international control of the Suez Canal by such nations to set up international control of the Suez Canal by such nations as the United States, France and Great Britain.

For the safety of future generations and that civilization might survive in a race to produce more and more destructive weapons, we cry out aloud for the abandonment of the idea of a master race—white, black, yellow or brown—but for an abiding faith, hope and love for men of all races without which we walk with destiny the road to certain death and destruction.

NO CURE YET FOR CANCER

The United States Government has issued a definite warning to all sufferers of internal cancer that the Hoxsey treatment for the disease now being offered at the Hoxsey Cancer Clinics at Dallas, Texas and Portage, Pennsylvania is worthless and may even be dangerous to those who reply upon it.

Neither the medical profession nor the Federal Food and

Drug Administration of the U. S. Government has yet put approval on any known cure-all for cancer and sufferers from the disease are warned not to be taken in by any person or persons claiming to have such. Treatment for the disease even in its early stages is only effective when administered by a physician.

As far back as July, 1952 the Federal Government, on appeal from a lower court de-

cision, sought and secured an injunction against the use and distribution of the Hoxsey treatment and it now warns the people of this country not to be misled into becoming victims of it. A copy of that warning, as issued by the U. S. Government, is published on the front page of this issue of the Carolina Times and we trust it will be heeded by our readers.

FACING THE ISSUE

By DR. A. H. GORDON



THERE IS NEED FOR — Debunking Southern "Statesmen"

In this column last week we pointed out the great need for "debunking" Southern History. This week we propose to call attention to the fact there is perhaps just as great need for debunking Southern so-called statesmen. Before the southerners can ever properly appraise themselves and their chances of ever becoming leaders in the nation, electing a president of the United States from one of the Southern states for example, they must face the issue of presenting to the world, and appreciating themselves, the poor showing the South has been making in producing real statesmen ever since the Civil War and, indeed, for some years prior to that contest.

The South can never achieve its proper place in the production of national leaders until it is willing to admit that most of the leaders it has claimed were real statesmen were nothing more than demagogues and "peanut" politicians. The South needs to admit, for example, that General Robert E. Lee was in no sense a true patriot of the United States but was rather a traitor to the country and its army. The South should admit and teach its youth that the famous General of the Confederacy lacked the moral courage to stand up and be counted on the side of freedom when he had to face the issue of whether to remain loyal to the United States and its army or desert and become a leader of the secessionist forces determined to perpetuate slavery and destroy the government in whose army he had sworn to serve.

Young Southern white students, and those not in school, are taught that Jefferson Davis was a great statesman who was willing to destroy the Federal Government of the United States and build another government which would support slavery and oppose freedom for any but white people. The South should admit and teach

its youth that Jefferson Davis was a selfish traitor willing to risk destroying his country to preserve the evil institution of slavery. Most of its leaders since the Civil War have not been statesmen but rather small and narrow politicians trying to maintain "white supremacy" thereby destroying real and true democracy here in the South.

Some may ask: "But what about the contemporary leaders of the South who are called statesmen?" The answer is that they all fall far short of really being statesmen. Such politicians as Lyndon Johnson of Texas, Walter George of Georgia, and Luther Hodges of North Carolina are certainly not statesmen. At the recent National Democratic Convention the Governor of Georgia revealed how far he is from being a statesman by making a foolish speech before the convention supporting segregation and defying the federal government and our Supreme Court. All the contemporary leaders of the South fall far short of being statesmen. Even the so-called liberals of the South such as the editor of the Atlanta Constitution are really just a little beyond the reactionaries of other sections and fall below the standards set for the true statesman.

Before the South can produce real statesmen it must debunk those who are falsely so classified, and let those who aspire for leadership in this section know that one of the basic requirements for statesmanship is that a leader have vision to see that segregation is wrong and the courage to stand up and be counted for equal opportunities for all citizens without regard to race, color or previous condition. The South must face the issue of debunking its present so-called Statesmen and thereby challenge its young men to higher levels and so achieve true statesmanship.

ONLY WHEN THE UGLY STAINS ARE REMOVED CAN THEY BE COMPLETELY LINKED.



Spiritual Insight

"RISE, TAKE UP YOUR BED"

By REVEREND HAROLD ROLAND
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"Rise, take up your bed and go home . . ."—Matt. 9:16.

The miraculous power of faith is beautifully, dramatically shown in the paralyzed man brought to Jesus. His friends had faith in the healing power of Christ. They would let nothing hinder them. Yes, they overcame all difficulties and brought the sick, handicapped man to be healed. Jesus saw their great faith and said . . . "Take heart thy sins are forgiven. . ." Sin seemed to be the root cause of his sickness and handicap? Many of our difficulties and ailments still are due to selfishness and sinfulness. Faith in Christ brought sicknesses. Too many of us are lying upon some bed afflicted with a grave spiritual sickness.

And we need by a great act of faith in the power of the Christ to heed his call to us . . . "Rise, take up your bed and walk. . ." Some of us need to rise in

faith from our unrelenting beds of fear. Why would you continue to lie there and live in weakness. Fear weakens you and robs you of your God given right of rich abundant life. Fear will take the joy as well as the punch out of your life. Fear cancels out your God given powers. Fear cuts the vital nerve of creative action. How long will you remain a slave of fear? The Christ calls you today as he did of old . . . "RISE, TAKE UP YOUR BED AND WALK. . ." If I were you I would heed the master and shake off those paralyzing fears. Rise and be clothed in Divine power. Rise and walk in the newness of life.

Some of us need to rise from our beds of an unforgiving spirit. In our pride we have permitted an unforgiving spirit to make us abject slaves. How long will we live in the weakness of an unforgiving spirit. Christ calls you, too, as he did of old. And what is he saying

to you? He is saying . . . "Your sins are forgiven, rise and walk. . ." God has forgiven you. And you in turn are to forgive others. Yes, forgive that unkind word or deed that you may find the richness and beauty of spiritual power. If you have an unforgiving spirit, then arise take up your bed and walk.

Then some are stranded on the twin beds of hatred and resentment. The master calls to us to rise. How long will you remain the slaves of these two spiritual robbers? Free yourself by hearing the master's call to healing. The Christ calls you today . . . "Arise take up your bed and go home. . ."

Yes, to the many who are prostrate upon their varied beds of mental, moral and spiritual sickness the Christ calls you to healing and health . . . "ARISE TAKE YOUR BED AND WALK. . ."

VINOBA BHAVE: A DISCIPLE OF GANDHI

BY MARY MILLS

Vinoba Bhave joined Gandhi and his experiment of non-violence at the age of twenty. Although, twenty-five years younger than Gandhi, Gandhi had regarded him as a teacher than as a pupil.

Vinoba was born September 11, 1895 of a Brahmin family of Maharashtra. Maharashtra Brahmans are usually among the most orthodox of Hindu castes. Gandhi's assassin came from this community. The author of India's Walking Saint compares Vinoba's life to a seamless garment.

His father was not orthodox but a textile expert and a stern devotee to Western science and education. He helped to produce khaki cloth. He had wanted his sons to go to England to study.

His mother was a serene, pious soul. On feast days she would encourage her sons to take portions of specially prepared meals, for the occasion, before eating themselves, to

their neighbors. Once when a beggar came to the door asking for food and Vinoba had said to his mother "— he is plump and strong, mother — to give him food would be encourage laziness." His mother replied, "The beggar who is come may be God himself. Who are we to distinguish between the deserving and the undeserving."

Vinoba adopted the outlook of his mother. From an early age he wished to be a wandering hermit but of a new kind — one who would give up everything for his country. For this reason he took a vow of chastity at the age of twelve; this influenced his two younger brothers to follow him. He was impatient with stupidity, devoted nationalist and, political literature and adored the biography of Mazzini, Italy's nationalist leader. He was a gifted and original adolescent. He was consistently first in his class; he had an affection for

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Capital Close Up . . .

By CONSTANCE DANIEL

THE CHIPS GO DOWN AT CHICAGO

As we were saying before the balloting at Chicago, after the Stevenson primary losses in New Hampshire and the Midwest, and before the Stevenson victories in California and the South, the 1956 Presidential contest will be between Eisenhower and Stevenson, both "charged" with being moderates.

This because political honesty on civil rights has come from no other candidates. The rest, and we persist in looking without blinders, has been sound, furry, furtive back-dooring and insincerity.

Early in February, this column began calling the turns on the candidates. Kefauver had just sparked a widely announced switch of buttons by West Coast civil righters more emotional than discerning, following a report huddle with Negro delegates at a California nominating convention — and with the GOP meeting at the Cow Palace, some of the huddlers should be speaking up.

Kefauver's Washington office played up the button switch, but flatly repudiated the "huddle" reports, and could produce nothing to account for the switch, other than a pledge to support the Constitution and Supreme Court decision, without suggesting how. In Florida, Candidate Kefauver made a statement saying that both races seemed to have good schools!

Stevenson, more specific, said, publicly, that he was in favor of desegregation, but that this must be accomplished "without troops or bayonets." This would seem to be a superfluous statement, but because some of us have attempted to fight demagoguery with more demagoguery, it is not. "Inactive Candidate" Harri-

man, said, at the time, that civil rights and school desegregation were "all in the hands of the courts." In July, Active Candidate Harriman, a good Governor of New York State — a vastly different deal from President of the United States — went down to Asheville, North Carolina, where he addressed the Dinner of North Carolina Young Democrat Clubs (which has dry-run all its party's candidates.) There, he declared that "even to raise the question" of using troops to guarantee Negro rights in the South was "irresponsible" and "the way of a dictator."

HARRIMAN HUDDLES
Column's Marquis Childs last week charged that Harriman had gone so far "as to call prominent Southerners to strictly private conferences to try to assure them that he was less radical than Stevenson on the race issue." We were unable to reach either Mr. Harriman or Mr. Sapio to verify this charge. The erstwhile candidate, unlike the others, had no headquarters, here, and, of course, was not in New York.

DISASTER VIA TRUMAN
In Chicago, Harriman-to-the ends, rallied by Mr. Truman, marched through the Coliseum with placards reading "Harriman — adviser to 'FDR-HST'—while Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt quietly folded her late husband's "mantle" and put it away, with the succinct comment that New Deal and Fair Deal were over, and new and more timely programs in orders.

ALL SHOULD THANK HER
No Republicans and few Democrats, other than Mr. Truman, are apt to dispute her on that. In fact, they all have reason to be grateful to her. President Eisenhower is assured, at least, of a worthy adversary, even though "an a-

mazing number of leading Democrats are credited with the view that, in spite of Mr. Stevenson's first-ballot nomination, he has less than a snowball's chance in the nether regions to win against the President.

His heaviest selling point, it is believed, is his repudiation of Truman distasteful, Truman advice and True "rip-snorting," issue-thumping and dust-raising."

BOSS TRUMAN
We have been in disfavor in many places for many years, because of our extremely dim view of Mr. Truman, his motives and his methods . . . which was quite all right. Now that he has satisfied himself by attempting to dictate the nomination of a weak and vacillating candidate who would take his orders, it may be that "the greatest President since Lincoln" chant will cease. Many fine people joined that chorus — apparently thinking they "owed" him allegiance for going down the line for civil rights measures when there was no other place to go — and have a chance of winning.

Even so, along with "FDR" who accomplished much, and also did some "selling down the river," he was politician, first of all.

COULD STEVENSON HOLD THE FORT?
The question now, for those, who most unfortunately, be over-preoccupied with civil rights for many years to come, is "Could Stevenson, as President, hold the fort? Could he control the Southern bloc in Congress?"

We are convinced that this answer is "NO."
NEXT WEEK: "Democratic Claims and Civil Rights — an Inside Picture"



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