

A Surrender To Forces Of Lawlessness

The federal district court order granting Prince Edward County of Virginia a seven-year delay in complying with a federal court desegregation order is a deliberate surrender to the forces of lawlessness in Virginia and the South. If the order meant that at the termination of the seven-year period the white people of Prince Edward County would be in the least more constrained to accept integration, we would be willing to await that hour. Negroes in the South have waited nearly 100 years for full citizenship and seven more years would ordinarily be of little consequence.

The end of the seven-year period will see the same organized resistance, the same defiance of the highest court of the land and the same determination on the part of segregationists to keep democracy and the philosophy of the brotherhood of man "for whites only." The court's surrender to the demands of the lawless element of Prince Edward County may give what some are prone to call a "breathing period," but it also encour-

ages to the lawless element to believe that it is possible to subvert the federal courts and bend them to the will of evil men.

The decision is a legal tragedy which, if permitted to stand, will be the beginning of the end of respect for all higher courts of the land, so far as the South is concerned. The decision is a surrender to the Ku Klux Klan, the White Citizens Council and all other hoodlum gangs in the South. Instead of weakening their position they will become stronger, in that other criminal elements and individuals will feel free to take up the cause of defiance.

The pleasure expressed by Senators Harry F. Byrd and A. Willis Robertson in the decision will not make them any less determined seven years from now to keep Negroes of this country in a position of second class citizenship. On the contrary, it will make them more determined to continue their nefarious practice of defying the highest court of the land.

The Question Of Escheat Funds

Negro citizens of the state should thank the North Carolina Teachers Association for again bringing to light the unfairness in the escheat policy of the state. Back in the air-tight segregation days when Negro students were entirely barred from attending the University of North Carolina we called attention to the viciousness of this policy that permitted the University of North Carolina to have Negro escheat funds instead of Negro educational institutions of the state.

Now that Negroes are attending all branches of UNC the policy could not exactly be termed vicious. We do not think, however, along with Professor James T. Taylor, spokesman for the Teachers Association, that it is, to say the least, unfair to other state educational institutions that are more often forced to do with less than UNC which

always gets the lion's share of educational appropriations.

There are several smaller white state colleges that need scholarship funds as well as the Negro state educational institutions. Certainly a more acceptable policy would be a distribution of the escheat funds on a proportionate if not an equal basis.

Just how many white youths have received their education at the hands of Negro escheat money will probably never be known. We do know, however, that so far as escheat funds are concerned no Negro has ever received an education in like manner. The funds ought to be made available for all state institutions of higher learning, and they ought to be made available for all citizens without regard to race, creed or color.

ENCOURAGED BY THE VOTE FROM ARKANSAS



Spiritual Insight

"COME DOWN"

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"As he journeyed... suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him..." Acts 9:3.

With a heavenly flash, a man was signalled by God almighty to come down in his wild, violent career. Time runs out on us in our wild careers. The wheel of time catches up with us. The clock of time strikes our hour. The trail is ended; we must come down. It happened to the dashing, passionate young Saul of Tarsus. And the pattern still prevails. In God's eternal plans we must come down. "Suddenly a light from heaven flashed about him" it was God's signal for the young man to come down.

When God's signal flashes, we must come down. Yes, strangely and mysteriously we are brought down in the execution of our ideas which are against the will of God. The young man of Tarsus was abusing and misusing his great God-given gifts. He had made

the wrong connection of his gifts. His great passionate genius was being used negatively and destructively. God confronts him in his wild career. He was out to hinder God's plan of redemption. The flash of heavenly light was a signal and call for him to come down. If you are working against God there is a flash. It is a call to come down. Our struggles against God's signal are in vain. The young man had fought against the signal for a long time. There was an intense inner struggle in his soul against the divine signal or call. His resistance was weakening all the time. The blinding flash of spiritual light brought him down short of his evil, ungodly destination. God has a way of frustrating our evil plans. The flash came and he had to come down short of his destination. Think, ponder in your wild career and come down and

give yourself to God and his blessed plans. Why fight and struggle any longer against the voice of conscience? Why continue the vain, futile fight against those nobler impulses within? They are God's signals for you to come down.

What you receive when you come down, it is more blessed than what you gave up. Christ gives salvation to the spiritually enslaved. He gives rich, full and beautiful life. He gives peace for inner conflict. He gives light for darkness. He gives healing for sickness. He gives righteousness to the sinful. He gives hope for despair. He gives love for hatred and bitterness. And above all he gives the hope of life abundant and eternal.

God's signal still flashes in the highways and byways that men travel. For the righteous it says full speed ahead. But for the sinful it is a signal to come down, give your self to God in Holy surrender.

McCarthyism Is Revived In Georgia

(Editorial In The Southern Pines Pilot)

One of the most extraordinary documents that has come to our desk in a long time is a booklet titled, "Communism and the NAACP" which arrived with a covering letter on the stationery of the Georgia Commission on Education (complete with a reproduction of the seal of the State of Georgia thereon). The letter states flatly that in the booklet — the second such one that has been sent out — is listed "the Communist affiliations of the national leadership of the NAACP." This material is said to have come from the Florida Legislation Investigation Committee. The letter concludes, somewhat mysteriously, "These materials should further contribute to your understanding of racial problems."

In the 101-page booklet, without a single word of explanation or documentation other than the brief citing of various letter-heads, magazine articles and other such items, are listed more than 50 persons, most of them white, who have some connection with the NAACP, largely members of the organization's advisory "Committee of 100."

The persons listed include Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt; Archibald Macleish, poet and former Librarian of Congress; Dr. Frank P. Graham, former U. S. Senator and longtime president of the University of North Carolina; Van Wyck Brooks, literary critic and historian; such nationally known and respected clergymen as Harry Emerson Fosdick and Methodist Bishop G. Bramley Oxner; Max Lerner, columnist and professor; and other distinguished and unquestionably

loyal American citizens. Beneath the names of these persons are listed what the booklet calls "incidents"—organizations they have belonged to, articles they have written and so forth, during the past 30 years. There is no evidence whatever that the organizations or articles had anything to do with Communism. They are simply cited, like a criminal record, and would be meaningless, in themselves, to the great majority of persons who might read the booklet.

The booklet is full of the type of smear that was used against Dr. Graham in the Smith-Graham Senatorial primary campaign of 1950, to the everlasting disgrace of North Carolina. One of the 37 "incidents" listed under Dr. Graham's name is "Communism and the NAACP" is, for instance, the fact that in 1938 he signed a letter for the Committee of Boycott Against the Japanese Aggression—certainly a thoroughly patriotic act—but the letter happened to appear in the Communist newspaper, "The Daily Worker." Dr. Graham is or was a member of the NAACP's "Committee of 100" as were or are many fine American citizens—but the fact that he signed a letter that was published in "The Daily Worker" in 1938 goes into the Georgia Commission on Education's booklet in 1958 as illustrating a link between Communism and the NAACP!

Here are McCarthyism and "guilt by association" at their worst, revived and dressed in all their fraudulent finery, in the name of "understanding of racial problems," and by an official agency of the State of Georgia. What a terrible disservice

such a project as this which Georgia has undertaken does to genuine racial understanding and to the South! One expects to find ignorance and bigotry at the KKK level, but not, of all places, in the office of a State Commission on Education.

The letter accompanying this booklet bears the names of the Governor of Georgia, the Attorney General, the Chairman of the State Board of Education, the State Superintendent, the Chancellor of the University System, 10 Congressional District representatives on the Commission on Education and other state officials.

"Communism and the NAACP" is a sorry comment on leadership in Georgia today.

Mourned

NEW YORK

Roy Wilkins, executive secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, has died. Dr. J. E. Walker, Memphis insurance leader, as "an outstanding citizen of the nation and a pioneer in building the economic strength of his people," in a telegram of condolence to the slain man's son, A. Maaco Walker.

Dr. Walker, chairman of the board of directors of the Universal Life Insurance Company and president of the Tri-State Bank of Memphis, was shot to death on July 28 by a long time associate allegedly because of a grudge. He was a life member of the NAACP and a supporter of the Association's branch in Memphis.

In his telegram, Wilkins extended "deepest sympathy" on behalf of the NAACP.



United Golfers Task Force At Dayton - Association To Sponsor Nationals

DAYTON, OHIO. The biggest of gold—United Golfers Association leaders, headed by UGA proxy Franklin T. Lett, Detroit—were here last week and big doings were the talk of the day, when the task force assembled at the beautiful, suburban home of William D. Jones, UGA treasurer, for a five-hour summit on golf.

The meeting had been set by Howard Anderson, Toledo, who serves as chairman of the UGA's tournament planning committee, a body which has the task of guiding the nationwide golfers association in its move to sponsor its national tournament, beginning in Washington, D. C., in 1959. Top UGA leaders from all sections of the country were in Dayton for this important session.

UGA's decision to sponsor and promote its annual national tournament, a responsibility previously entrusted to local units of the association, is, according to President Lett, based upon a five-point premise. UGA wants to raise the caliber of play in the event, relieve host clubs of the great financial burden involved in the sponsorship, make the tourney a "testing ground," move the event freely across the nation, and develop new golfers.

Already, plans are in the making for the 1959 tournament to be played over Washington's new Langston course in the northeast section of the city, with other S. G. Leoffler Company-operated public links being available if needed. UGA played its 1957 tournament in Washington at which time it accepted a Leoffler invitation to return in 1959. Pittsburgh, August 25-29, is the site of the 1958 event, Yorkshire Golf Club, George Harris, prexy, serving as host.

In addition to Mr. Lett and Mr. Anderson, who is also a UGA veeep and president of the UGA's affiliate, Midwest District Golf Association, others present were Nathaniel Jordan, St. Louis, executive veeep of UGA and Central States Golf Association; Maxwell F. Lett, Detroit—were here last week and big doings were the talk of the day, when the task force assembled at the beautiful, suburban home of William D. Jones, UGA treasurer, for a five-hour summit on golf.

Further in the ladies' column, there was Chicago's Mrs. Mary Campbell, UGA secretary; Mrs. Ann Robinson, assistant tourney director, and Mrs. Lorraine Osborn, youth director. Other committee persons included A. D. V. Crosby, and Eugene Cartwright, Columbus, Ohio, and Jack Ferguson, Indianapolis. Not present were Miss Evelyn V. Williams, Washington, Marshall Johnson, Pittsburgh, and Art Bland, Dayton. The writer was there as a consultant.

While on the subject of golf, Dayton had a full week of it—was it planned? First, The Frontiers of America were in convention and through the "push" of Frontiersman of the Year, Lounner Pemberton, the servicemen's club tried a go in their annual tourney. But this rain closed down beautiful little Miami View and it was temporarily off. The Fairway Golf Club, with Myron Coleman in driver's seat, came across on the weekend in its annual tournament.

As you would expect, I just had to play—did nothing, but enjoyed touring Dayton's Marden Park in the company of Frank Lett, Howard Anderson and Max Stanford. They announce me as prexy of Kendrix Organization, so we had a presidential foursome. I promised to reduce the presidencies, ended up following Howard and Frank and tying Max. Both tournaments had fine turnouts.

Best of luck to kids in next week's Midwestern juniors at Miami View in Dayton. We'll be watching the future crop.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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The CAROLINA TIMES

The Negro is at the crossroads, but why stand there gazing at the sky. How can he ever expect to get up there if he never tries now. This I believe—that it's time he entered into the field of manufacturing. I read about the Negro and the extent of his progress in many fields... The country, yes, the world, is offering a challenge to the Negro to enter the field of manufacturing. Will he take up this challenge or will he stay at the crossroad? The Negro's salvation lies in the above-mentioned field—he must become a producer. The one with the know-how and ambition and a strong desire. I believe there are many Negroes standing willing and ready to cast their lot in this direction with time and money. I believe the Negro has in the race, men of ability and clairvoyance to tackle this problem.

At this time of the year there are many young men and women who have left the many different colleges and universities and returned to their homes. There to ask themselves a very important question—where do I go from here? What place has been made for me and in what field? I believe the worth of a person is measured by how much he or she can produce. I believe that the Negro lacks in self-confidence. There never was a time before when persistent original force was so much in demand as now. The namby-pamby nerveless man has little show in the hustling, bustling world of today. Now one must push or be pushed.

UnAmerican Activities Hearing Opened By Segregationist Governor Griffin Of Georgia

ATLANTA, Ga. The House UnAmerican Activities hearing was opened today by a speech from segregationist Governor Griffin of Georgia. He defined Americanism as "states rights." Griffin was given a laudatory introduction by Committee Chairman Francis E. Walter (D-Pa.).

Other members of the Committee are Rep. Tuohy (D-Va.), who has been calling for "massive resistance" to the U. S. Supreme Court decision on school desegregation, and Rep. (D-La.) who has a consistent record of voting against all civil rights legislation and who lauded Faubus last year.

These segregationists subpoenaed 15 Southern white integrationists to question them on their "Americanism." The witnesses consistently denounced the hear-

Witness Perry Cartwright. (Please turn to page seven)

Freedom Of The Press Is Freedom Of The People

This newspaper is compelled to endorse the editorial of the Durham Morning Herald of Wednesday, August 6, which condemns the City Council's invitation to circumvent or muzzle the press at closed sessions. If this and state of affairs ever becomes an accepted policy there will be no need of the press as we know it here in America. Instead it will become a pawn, a tool in the hands of the favored and the powerful. When that hour comes not only will freedom of the press become a thing of the past but freedom of the common people.

Says the Herald in part:

The press has no relation with the Council except to report publicly the proceedings of this official body. By perverting itself from a reporter of the public's business into a hand maiden for those who would decide how much of the public's business the public should know about, the press would destroy public confidence in all its reporting.

Such an agreement would also make it possible for virtually every meeting

to be partially closed. For if it were once accepted that public officials held the power of self-censorship over their remarks on public business, how could any limitation be placed on their exercise of this power?

This is not the first group of public officials in Durham that has attempted to bar the press from its meetings. Several years ago the City Board of Education closed its doors to newspapers at one of its meetings. When a Herald reporter and a representative of this newspaper attempted to gain entrance to the place of meeting the former ended up with a torn raincoat at the hands of the business manager of the City Schools who had been placed on guard duty at the door.

If not directly, certainly indirectly, it was the beginning of the end of the then superintendent of schools. It might be a good idea for the voters of Durham to begin to think about some badly needed changes in its City Council. Certainly changes are needed when any group begins to get the notion that it has the right to secretly meet and make decisions about the people's affairs.

Are They Birds Of The Same Feather?

It is a strange kind of person, who while professing to be a believer in the doctrine of Christianity, can find some way in his heart to support a way of life that labels one group of God's children inferior to the other. It is even more disturbing when the son of a Bishop in the Episcopal Church is willing to openly cast his lot with the Patriots of North Carolina, the Ku Klux Klan, the White Citizens Council or other lawless groups. Such action, we think, is at least a reflection on all that a true bishop of the Christian faith should stand for.

Thoughtful Negro citizens of the South like to feel that underneath all the squabbling, turmoil and strife over the question of

segregation that there is even in the deep South a growing group of decent white people who are in heart, soul and mind at least fair in their thinking if they cannot at all times be fair in their actions towards the Negro.

What we are trying to get over was more clearly stated in an article by movie theatre director Joshua Logan, commonly appearing in LOOK Magazine which says, "All decent Southerners feel a guilty agony about their treatment of Negroes." It is this guilty agony; this pricking of conscience that is the hope of the South. Without it only darkness and chaos lie ahead.

Negroes are not afraid of the Ku Klux Klan, White Citizens Councils, mobs and other lawless elements. Their faith in the ultimate triumph of right is steadfast and irremovable. It is only when young intelligent, well-bred, well educated, and well seared southern whites begin to cast their lot with hoodlum gangs do they lose hope.

When James Webb Cheshire, the son of the late Bishop Joseph Blount Cheshire, is willing to cast his lot with the Patriots and defy the teachings of Christianity in his church, we think it is time for all decent citizens of this state to become greatly disturbed. We are wondering if he is a bird of the same feather.

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