

Raising the Economic Level of Both Races

The launching of a selective buying campaign by the Negroes of Elizabeth City in an effort to secure better job opportunities for members of the race is understandable and to be expected. Any person who has visited Elizabeth City within the past ten years knows that it is about 50 years behind when it comes to honest understanding between the races. Under such conditions, Negroes have been the greatest sufferers along with the white merchants and other business men who have been forced to depend for the most part on support from the white population when the low economic level of the Negroes prohibited them from carrying their part of the consumer goods load.

part of the load unless they can enjoy gainful employment. The seven stores of Elizabeth City that have already hired Negroes should be backed to the limit by members of both races as actually promoting the progress of the citizenry as a whole as well as that of the Negroes. Instead of being fearful or opposing of the activities of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and other organizations that are fighting for Negro equal rights the white leaders of Elizabeth City should throw their arms around their officials and members and declare a holiday in their honor.



SPRITUAL INSIGHT

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God Visted the North-South Football Classic

The sports world taught the so-called Christian world of the South a lesson in interracial goodwill, brotherhood and American democracy in the North-South college all-star football game played in Miami last Saturday. With only 37 seconds to play and the North leading by a score of 14-7 it was Willie Richardson, a Negro from Mississippi, who saved the day for the South by scoring on an 80-yard pass play. Richardson earlier in the game helped to tie the score 7-7 when he grabbed a 48-yard pass deflected into his hands and raced 20 yards for the South's first touchdown.

member Belshazzar's feast? Thus the sports world in Miami did in football what the Christian world has not been able to do in worshipping God, and that is find a common ground or level where race or the color of one's skin is not an important factor.

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"Saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up... Isiah 6:1.

all need a vision of God in these times if we would live and carry on in the best possible manner from day to day. With God in view we can move on to face the great unknown facts and events of this New Year. Led by a heart warming and encouraging vision of Almighty God we can walk this way knowing that God will be as he has promised to be our shepherd, guide and leader. And then we can face all that may come our way with confidence.

sickness but I want to have to face these things alone. I may face loss and bereavement but I am not alone. Trials and troubles may be my lot but I don't have to face and endure them alone. I am led by a vision of God as I face this unknown future of the New Year.

And, finally, in being led by vision of the Almighty God during this New Year I know that God and man make an unbeatable combination. The God-supported and anchored man can stand. Yet

Why did it have to be a Negro upon whose back the South rode to victory in the classic? Above all why did fate decree that he should come from, of all states, Mississippi? Or was it the hand of God that floated across the stadium to write a message on the wall of the South that its system of segregation has been "weighed in the balances and found wanting"? These are questions over which you will be pondering seriously as you read the breath-taking finish of the North-South college all-star game in Miami. God sometimes visits peculiar places to reveal his wonders and teach lessons of truth to mankind. His hand has been seen in a banquet hall in the midst of wine drinking and revelry. Re-

So we think God did visit the North-South College all-star game in Miami but has never been inside many of our white southern churches. When Jesus founded His church on the rock of faith as exhibited by Peter and declared to the world and the ages that the gates of hell should not prevail against it, He must have had the same in mind. Only an institution with such a foundation could withstand the hypocrisy and the race hatred that exists in the average white Christian church of the South.

present. Let us have faith in God, the sustainer of such a vision as we move into this New Year.

In keeping God in your view for the New Year we can face it with confidence. What are you trying to say preacher? I am saying you through faith ought to bring God the sovereign power of this universe into focus and keep him there. And then you can move through this year with trustful confidence. We

made more than conquerors in all of life's critical battles. Do you have dreams, hopes, aspirations and plans for the New Year? Then surrender to God and be led on by a vision of the Sovereign God of heaven and you will succeed. Thus including God in your business you will be assured of a most happy, successful and satisfying New Year. Happy New Year, and may God's richest blessings attend you throughout this year.

No Room In The Inn and The South

It was nearly 2,000 years ago that a peasant couple, the wife being great with child, knocked at the door of an inn in the little town of Bethlehem in search of shelter or a place where she might be delivered. The inn keeper in response to their knock, opened the door, quickly observed that the man and woman seeking a lodging place were of the peasant class then routinely stated that he had no room and slammed the door in their faces.

So, during this Christmas season celebration of His birth in a manger nearly 2,000 years ago the church bells will toll in their segregated church towers, the choirs will sing anthems about Jesus in their segregated lofts, the members will listen in segregated pews and go home as spiritually hungry as they were before they went, all because there is no room in the southern states for Christ.

The Political Realignment In The South

Back in the days when the Minnesota delegations to the Democratic National Convention were leading the battle for strong civil rights planks, they had a good answer to those who feared this might "alienate the South and drive the Dixiecrats into the arms of the Republicans."

"So what?" was their answer. "The Dixiecrats are nothing but a hindrance and an embarrassment to us, and we'd be better off without them. Let the Republicans have them and see how much good it will do them."

Nevertheless, the new line-ups will widen the area of choice for the American voters, and thus make future elections more meaningful. We happen to believe that when the choice is clear, the American voters will be on the side of liberalism.

When the liberals gain, the whole country gains.

—The Minneapolis Spokesman
HALF THE TIME, so they tell me, I am reasonable, but what I do about the other half is your speculation.

Letter to the Editor

By ARTHUR J. STANLEY, Sr.

So, we as members of organized labor and citizens of Durham, stop and consider how we will celebrate this day, and why God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son that whoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Love is the most powerful dynamic in life. It leads to the reconstruction of one's inner life and at the same time is the most powerful motive for helpful service.

Love is not satisfied and certainly is not complete until it has expressed itself not merely in words and thoughts but in action and deeds. It is through love that we are led to serve each other. Love in the family leads to a concern for and service on the behalf of the other members of the family. Love is the explanation of all deeds of genuine kindness and sympathetic consideration. If the spirit of love, dominates our lives we will go about doing good.

Why does love influence so vitally the outer life? Is it not because of its great influence on the inner life of the individual? In First Corinthians Paul suggests some of the characteristics of love or some of its fruits in the life of a Christian. Here are some ingredients of love:

- Patience — "Love suffereth long"
- Kindness — "And is kind"
- Generosity — "Love envieth not"
- Humility — "Love vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up."

Courtesy — "Doth not behave itself unseemly."

Unselfishness — "Seeketh not her own."

Good Temper — "Is not easily provoked."

Guilelessness — "Thinketh no evil."

Sincerity — "Rejoiceth in the truth."

What a change would be made in our lives, both inside and outside, if they were dominated by such a "love."

Yes, We All Talk

When it comes to learning a language, we think of two ways. The usual one, in the case of a person's mother tongue, is through hearing it spoken continuously and by imitation. However, there is another way of learning a language, and a more scientific method, is through a detailed study of each sound in the language, the grammar and syntax.

Because deaf people can't hear, or their hearing acuity is reduced, they do not learn to speak, or they experience much difficulty in learning to speak.

Parents who have hard of hearing children, or deaf children, should enroll them in a preschool class for the deaf. There are, however, hundreds of cities and towns that do not have such classes or centers for the instruction of the deaf child. For parents of these child

ren, I recommend a book, Language for the Preschool Deaf Child, by Grace Lassman, published by Grune and Stratton, New York City. This book costs \$5.95.

READERS: For my free pamphlet on public speaking, send two stamps and a self-addressed, long business envelope to Dr. M. H. Boulware, Box 310-A, Florida A. and M. University, Tallahassee, Fla.

Questions and Answers for Vets

Here are authoritative answers by the Veterans Administration to questions from former servicemen and their families:

Q—Who is entitled to Veterans Administration guardianship service?

A—The VA provides guardianship service for minor children of deceased veterans, for incompetent veterans, and for certain other veterans, dependents who are not capable of managing their own affairs. During fiscal year 1962, more than 510,000 persons received this guardianship service. Their combined estates amounted to more than \$757 million.

Q—Are World War II veterans able to apply for insurance from the Veterans Administration?

A—No. Bills introduced to permit World War II veterans to apply for NSLI insurance for a period of one year did not pass the 87th Congress. Q—Is it true that a married girl can qualify under the War Orphans Education pro-

Quarterly Meet Held at Bethel

GREENSBORO — The First Quarterly Conference for the year 1962-'63 was held December 16, 17 at Bethel AME Church, with the President Elder, Dr. G. S. Gant, in charge.

During the business session on Monday night, December 17, all clubs and boards of the church made their reports. More than \$135.00 was collected.

The Minister at Bethel, Dr. P. Bernard Walker, presented members of the Stewards Board and Trustee Boards, who had been previously elected to serve for the year, to be confirmed by the Conference. They are as follows: Steward Board — C. R. Craig, F. E. Davis (Dr.), O. K. Dorsett, Mrs. Goldie Hargett, B. W. Harris, J. C. Harrison, J. D. Henry, Q. H. Holt, Charles Jones, Harvey Keck, Whit Manley, Vernoid Pope, M. G. Reid, J. L. Slappy, Mack Stradford, R. L. Summers, P. P. Thompson, R. Johnson, F. G. Hamilton, Branton Peterson and Mrs. Sarah Herbin.

Trustee Boards — No. 1: C. U. DeBerry (Dr.), B. L. Mitchell, Comey Enzlow, E. E. Nance, M. R. Snipes, N. E. Hargett, Jr., Warren Dorsett, J. S. Bell, W. T. Wilkins (Dr.), B. W. Harris, Mrs. Goldie Hargett, and Mrs. Bessie Avery.

Lorenzo Anderson, Douglas Arledge, M. V. Cooke, C. O. Gill, W. A. Kesler, H. H. Long, Stroud Thompson, Paul T. Banks, Mrs. Mae Sue Henry and Mrs. Katie Dorsett. All persons listed were confirmed by the conference.

Ex-Tarheel Directs W. Va. Health Unit

CHARLESTON, W. Va. — Dr. Mildred Mitchell Bateman, a Negro physician who studied in North Carolina, has been appointed director of the West Virginia Department of Mental Health.

Dr. Bateman has been serving since last July 24, as acting director. She was named on a temporary basis to the \$20,000 a year job after the death of Dr. Charles A. Zeller.

The Woman doctor is a graduate of Barber Scotia College, Concord, N. C.; Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte; and the Women's Medical College of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia. She received her medical degree in 1946.

Honor Roll Students Listed At Gumberry

GUMBERRY — Students earning places on the second six weeks honor roll in junior and senior high at Gumberry consolidated were listed by school officials this week.

They are as follows: Jacqueline Johnson, Jacqueline Johnson, Goldie Anderson, Shirley Boone, Linnie Brooks, Odessa DeHaven, Thelma Harris, Leroy Hardv, Theodore Johnson, Benjamin Ransom, Martha Sweett, Linda Walden, Thomas Weaver, Wayne Williams, Inez Brown, Beatha Caldwell, Yvonne Cross, Ruth Davis, Patricia Garner, Thomas High, Delois Iashley, Jacqueline Manley, Lucy Moody, Clarence Ransom, Ronald Rice, Frederick Webb, And Janet Allen, Vernice Belfield, Elaine Bell, Linda Bell, Jean Bell, Betty Jean Boone, Cynthia Edmondson, Annie Garner, Atlas Garner, Woodrow Harding, Jr., Carol Jean Kelly, Audrey Williams, Helen Ingram, James King, Annette Owens, Marie Park, Rosa Peebles, Mazell Pernell, Elizabeth Robinson, Jacqueline Scott, Evelyn Sweett, Ellen Piffman, Lillian Avent, Mildred Boone. Also, George Bracy, Jr., James Buffalo, Frances DeLoach, James DeLoach, Mary Hughes, Phyllis Manley, Lois Parker, Gail King, Dorothy Robinson, Robert Ransom, Shirley Williams, Barbara McCoy and Larry Saunders.

Modern Xmas Tableaux Shown

LEICESTER, England — A crib was unveiled outside the Methodist Church here Monday with Joseph, Mary and Jesus depicted as colored people.

And the traditional three wise men were: An American getting out of a fur lined car to represent wealth.

A Russian, arriving by rocket, to present the benefits of science. A Nigerian, to represent tradition.

The crib was designed by Frederick Reeves, a nephew of the Rev. Ambrose Reeves, former bishop of Johannesburg who was forced to leave South Africa because of his stand against apartheid (segregation).

The Rev. Arthur Kirkby, press officer for the Leicester Free Church Council, commented: "This crib will show people out of their cosy ideas about Christmas."

Deltas Give Xmas Relief In Albany

NEW YORK — Delta Sigma Theta, a National Sorority of Negro college women, devoted its energy this Christmas towards the relief of Negro families in Albany, Georgia, whose means of income have been cut off due to their efforts to obtain the right to vote.

Over 1,100 citizens of Albany have been arrested for such offenses as sitting in the front of a bus, entering a restaurant, and seeking to attend a church service.

The head of the Delta chapter in Albany, Marion King, was knocked to the ground and kicked by an officer when she brought food to teenagers who were incarcerated for marching peacefully, on the City Hall. She was six months pregnant at the time and lost her baby.

teran whose death resulted from service connected causes. They generally must be between the ages of 18 and 35 but there are occasional ex-

Food Survey Is Made In Chowan

(Items this week from Chowan Wake and Johnston Counties.)

COMMUNITY SURVEY Home Demonstration Club members in Chowan County are conducting a survey to determine the food production, conservation and consumption situation in the county.

Mrs. Onnie Charlton, home economics agent, says the club members are making a map of their community and pin pointing each family home. The club members are each taking information.

HOUSING DOLLARS

Housing in North Carolina has improved in recent years and Mrs. Mary Graham, associate home economics agent in Wake County, says this has been due partly to the interest of Home Demonstration Club members. Club members in Wake County have been studying the value of the housing dollar and how homes may be improved through better financial plans.

WISER MEAL PLANNING

Do you know how to get more food from your dollar? With increasing food cost, Home Demonstration Club members in Johnston County have been studying ways of getting more food for their money. Mrs. Lucy O. Toole, home economics agent, says the club members have been using the basic food group chart for wise meal planning and marketing.

Salvation Army Supplies 550 Needy Families

On Monday, December 24, packages were distributed to some 550 needy families by the Salvation Army at the Central Civic Center. The packages were packed by members of the American Legion Women's Auxiliary.

In addition the Salvation Army distributed Christmas baskets to some 390 families, approximately 140 of the families receiving baskets were "adopted" by various local church and civic groups who agreed to provide finances for the baskets. The remaining baskets were financed by Salvation Army funds.

Major W. A. Perry, commander stated that Salvation Army kettle stations downtown will be open from 11 a. m. until 2 p. m. daily through New Years Eve. These stations are being manned by members of local civic clubs.

gram if otherwise eligible?

A—Yes. Marriage is not a barrier. Educational rights are open to all children of a deceased war or peacetime ve-