

A Solution to the Race Problem

In simple but forceful language, a letter written to the editor of the Durham Morning Herald by Mrs. Virginia Robinson and published in its Sunday, October 10 issue, deals a most devastating blow at the Ku Klux Klan, the Black Muslims, the White Citizens Council and all other organizations and individuals possessed with the silly notion that a program of hate is the one and only solution to the race problem in this country.

With humble apologies to both Mrs. Robinson and the Durham Morning Herald we are publishing below the letter in its entirety with the hope that at least some of that element in both races who advocate racial hatred and animosity may likewise become freed from their fetters and enjoy the feeling that can only come when one loves his fellowmen regardless of race creed or color.

"My son is in Chu Lai, Viet Nam, fighting for his God and his country. Before he left North Carolina he was a Ku Klux. I didn't want him to join. I have nothing against the Negro, they don't bother me. He has a Negro sergeant from Chester, S. C. Johnnie did not like him at first but he likes him now. Three weeks ago when Johnnie's knee was hit but a bullet the Negro sergeant carried him so the Communists would not get him. It was dangerous, the bullets were flying. But this Negro sergeant helped him. When no white boy would, I have nothing against the Negroes but I have never eaten with one. I would eat with one now, and my son says he would like to kick himself for being in the Ku Klux. I think the Negro leaders cause unnecessary trouble, which the average Negroes do not want. But I owe my son's life to one and I pray God will never let me hurt a Negro's feelings.

One other thing Johnnie said that I want to tell you. He didn't go to college but he wants to when he gets home. He says in the letter I got yesterday, 'Mamma, I really hope too they will let Communists talk at the university, I think it will help us. In all of the so-called

towns I have gone to (none are as big as Stem) the people are happy to see us. They have heard Communist baloney till it runs out their eyes. I sure wish the General Assembly could see these people. They are as skinny as a rail, most of them. The legislature ought to learn that nothing hurts a Commie as much as his own mouth does."

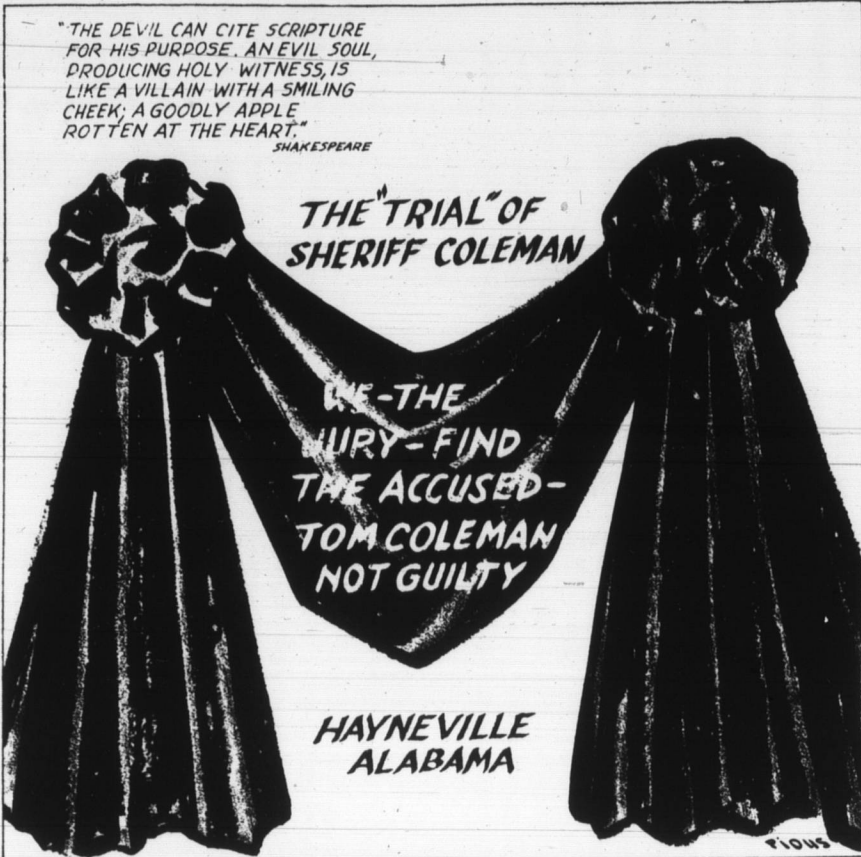
I don't guess you will print this letter because I am not a good writer. But my son has taught me a lot and I pray the Lord would let me tell it to others. I always thought I was doing God's will but I was a hypocrite until my son taught me better. We need to love one another.

Neither that sergeant nor his fellow people didn't owe my son a thing, but he saved his life anyway. No Negro has ever done me any harm. At last, the Lord has seen fit to clean the hate from my heart, and I thank Him for it.

MRS. VIRGINIA M. ROBINSON

When one reads or hears words such as those expressed by Mrs. Robinson in the above letter to the editor of the Herald, he is forced to wonder just what kind of sermons white ministers preach to their congregations? We think it is a serious indictment on any church when one of its members has to discover the love of Christ in Viet Nam, or some other far away place instead of here in America where the gospel is supposed to be preached Sunday after Sunday.

The name of the Negro sergeant who saved Mrs. Robinson's wounded son, by carrying him on his back or in his arms, may never be made known. We think, however, that every member of his race who hears or reads about his courageous and Christian act will feel proud of him. This is the kind of love and brotherhood that will save America and the world. Neither can be saved by the damnable gospel of hate advocated by such organizations as the Ku Klux Klan, the Black Muslims, the White Citizens Councils and others of their kind.



SPIRITUAL INSIGHT

By REV. HAROLD ROLAND



Twice-Born Souls are Promised The Gift of the Holy Spirit

"All who are moved by the Spirit of God are the Sons of God." Rom. 8:14

How are men to know that we are the Sons of the Children of God? The Spirit of God in us is the unmistakable mark or sign of our sonship. Naturally and spiritually, the children must bear some signs or marks of the father. The signs must be present visibly or invisibly. Thus the world should most certainly know that we are the children of God by the presence and power of God's Spirit in our lives. When God's Spirit is in us that is indeed a sure, tell-tale sign. Yes, all who are basically moved or motivated by God's Spirit can indeed be called the children of God.

God's Spirit is a gift to those who have known the new birth of regeneration. Every twice-born soul is promised the gift of the Holy Spirit. So without this presence of the Spirit's power we have no real right to claim Christ as redeemer and God as our Father. And the Spirit's power will tell in

our lives. The Spirit's power is seen in our actions and reactions. Yes, it comes out, finally, in our vital interpersonal relations. It tells in the home where we live in close vital relations with others near and dear to us. It tells in the Church, the Community of the redeemed. It tells in your daily relations on your job. It will tell among your friends and neighbors. The Spirit of God in us is the sign of our sonship. God's spirit in us will produce certain visible fruits. God's children ought to be known by the fruits the Spirit may produce in us. The Spirit comes from God and then it produces a rich harvest of fruits. What, then, are the fruits of the spirit? What fruits might a Spirit-indwelt child of God be expected to grow as a spiritual harvest? Having been redeemed and indwelt by God's Spirit, we may reasonably expect the fruits of love, peace, joy, kindness, forbearance, generosity and self control. These spiritual fruits

should let the world know that we are children of our heavenly Father. God is Spirit—and His children should show the fruits of the spirit.

The lives of God's children should be characterized by a rare kind of happiness. And this happiness should arise from their union and communion with God. When a soul is truly in Christ the inevitable result is inward serenity. When the branch is connected with the vine there is nothing but growth and fruitfulness—and this brings a rare degree of peace and happiness. As that beautiful hymn puts it, we must know true happiness when there is nothing between the soul and the Savior. In Christ—in God—we really know peace, joy and happiness. Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount gives us the key to happiness which is the gift of God's children.

The world can see the signs of our sonship through the Holy Spirit which dwells in our souls.

Observance for 1965 will be the late Oscar Brent Womack. Mr. Womack, the son of the late George and Zilphia Womack was born and reared in Pittsboro. He was married to the former Miss Minerva Synaker of Durham.

For a long number of years Womack was a member of St. Joseph's where he served on the Steward Board and as a class leader until declining health prevented him from doing so.

Surviving members of the family all of whom now live in Durham are Mrs. Minerva W. Evans, Mrs. Rosetta Southerland, Mrs. Annetta Barnes, 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

--Law School

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Commenting further, he says, "We plan to make our law school program as complete as possible, and in this respect we plan to produce our first annual law review this semester under the auspices of Professor Brown Payne, a new member of the faculty."

--Kittrell

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Headquarters for the Foundation will be set up at 814 Fayetteville Street, in Durham in the Union Insurance Building. The plans call for a full time executive secretary with other office personnel sufficient to circularize every member of the church and interested friends in the Second Episcopal District.

--Weaver

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(now Roosevelt University) and Howard University Law School. On July 21, 1961, Weaver was appointed Assistant Secretary of Labor by President John F. Kennedy, the position as he now holds. He also serves as the U.S. Government representative on the Governing Body of the International Labor Organizations and chairman of the U.S. Delegation to the ILO Conference at Geneva, Switzerland. Honoree for the Men's Day

--Sombeek

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large city, there were Baha'i groups working and living together. Mrs. Van Sombeek attended an International Esperanto Congress in Vienna, Austria, where she met friends from three Iron Curtain countries; conference schools in Austria and France, and observed in the various countries young people participating in projects centered on laying the foundation for a united world. She said they saw this work as an opportunity and a responsibility, finding inspiration from these words from the Baha'i Literature:

"Let your vision be world-embracing, rather than confined to yourselves."

"That one indeed is a man who today dedicateth himself to the service of the entire human race."

She declared, "This is a challenge offering a worthwhile goal."

--Dropouts

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who returned to school was due to a "back to school" NYC campaign by field supervisors during their counseling with enrollees during the summer. Elated over the success of the campaign, both officials pointed out that getting enrollees who are high school dropouts to either return to public school or to continue their education some other way in order to become more job-qualified is one of the chief goals of the Neighborhood Youth Corps. The 209 high school dropouts enrolled in the program, known as the "out-of-school" group, are only part of the total enrollment of approximately 400 boys and girls be-

Opportunity to Increase Voting Strength

Already the registration books have been open for more than a week for the \$300 million bond issue to be decided on November 2. Reports from over the state are to the effect that very little interest in registering has been shown so far as an increase of new registrants is concerned. Especially is this true of Negro citizens, who have exhibited practically no indication whatsoever as to whether or not they are interested in the bond issue or the Constitutional Amendment soon to be decided by the voters of this state.

So far as the position of Negro citizens is concerned, whether it be for or against the bond issue or the other measure, we think the opportunity to increase their voting strength should be used to the fullest extent. With the registration books being open for over three weeks, it is a reflection on the leadership of the NAACP, CORE and other organizations interested in the civil rights of the Negro that not one of them has

put forth any worthwhile effort to organize a register and vote campaign for the November 2 election.

Likewise, we would like to call the attention of our ministers, teachers, businessmen and women, as well as those in other positions of leadership, that until every Negro in North Carolina is able to vote the registration of Negroes should be everybody's business. It is our feeling that when a minister takes a few moments during his services on Sunday morning or at other times to remind his congregation about registering and voting, he is preaching a gospel that is only surpassed by that of soul saving.

Again we urge and we call upon those in every position of leadership, the young men and young women in our high schools and colleges to best themselves and organize an intensive effort that will result in every Negro citizen who has not done so becoming registered during the next two weeks.

Things You Should Know

Will Marion COOK...

1869—1944 BORN IN



WASHINGTON, D.C., HE STUDIED MUSICAL

COMPOSITION ABROAD WITH ANTON

DVORAK, IN 1898 HE COMPOSED HIS FIRST FAMOUS MUSICAL

SHOW, "CLORINDY," WITH WORDS BY PAUL LAURENCE DUNBAR,

COOK WORKED YEARS ON B'WAY AND TOURED EUROPE!

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To Be Equal

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG JR.

Racism Hurts Abroad

THE American press is giving Europeans a distorted view of our racial picture. One expects to find the front pages of Pravda and Izvestia crowded with tales of racial violence and little else. But it is disarming to read only the crime side of our story in the European editions of our American newspapers and in the wire service accounts purchased by foreign language dailies.

To be sure our American media do occasionally portray the progress and the promise of our gains toward a truly democratic society. All in all, however, Europeans know

only about the riots, marches, murders, and other spectacular events. On my recent trip to Western Europe I found that those to whom I spoke lacked this information:

- The passage of a voting rights act.
- Gains by Negroes in employment, particularly among big corporations and by the Federal Government.
- The revolution brought about by the public accommodations plank of the 1964 Civil Rights Act.



MR. YOUNG

"What about Malcolm X?" I was asked.

Negative Bias Reflected

In London, this negative bias was reflected in the questions thrown at me by a panel of newsmen on International TV.

I tried to counter this impression by urging Europeans having some contact with American institutions to use their eyes and ears to gain first-hand impressions.

Those who met me at the airport might have noticed, for example, that Pan American Airways employs Negro personnel. They might have surmised an upsurge in the economic and educational status of Negroes by pondering the growing number of Negro students traveling in their countries.

But the real failure must be laid at the door of the American press. A press which trafficks only in sensationalism is as bad as one which panders to cheerful government propaganda. To have the right to print both sides of a story and then to forfeit that right by default, is nothing less than an incredible blunder.

It's all well and good for a press to be quick, alert, and tireless in its role of exposing others. But it must also turn its inquiring eye upon its own blind spots and shortcomings.

Not Big Enough To Admit Error

There are some editors* just not big enough to admit even an obvious mistake—although such confessions tend to improve a newspaper's believability because readers can identify with an institution capable to human error like all the rest of us. On one occasion, one of this country's leading newspapers, erroneously played up an "exclusive" story of a Negro gang in one ghetto sworn to kill white men. The tale proved to be a hoax. Yet, the newspaper never apologized although the story was carried internationally and did incalculable damage to the struggles of Negro citizens.

Some papers, like this one, make a greater effort to assay the gains as well as the pains of a nation in mid-passage from segregation to a loftier condition, but they are not nearly numerous as those whose creed is to sell papers at all costs.

Integration is working in America and equality is coming. Yet, at home and abroad and particularly overseas, the whole picture, the full story, is not being told.

Looking Around

WITH SID HATHAWAY

The town council of Faversham, England, spent so much time studying reports of efficiency experts on how to speed up their work that they got six months behind.

Seven dogs and a car belonging to Princess Ashraf, sister of the Shah of Iran, recently occupied two first-class seats on a Paris to Teheran airliner at a cost of \$800.

Impossible Limited is the name of an organization that makes travel arrangements that are almost impossible. With its main office in London, Mrs. Sherri Richards says, we can do almost anything but get you a date to have tea with the Queen.

The British government has just deported Dutch seaman Bernardus Nieuwenhuizen, 28, for the third time. He keeps going to England to see his sweetheart and would save authorities a lot of trouble if he would just get a passport.

Since Bill Slova of Tampa allowed the chimpanzee that he was training to drive his car, Florida has changed its law on unauthorized use of a motor vehicle to "driver" instead of "person."

Manager Herman Franks of the San Francisco Giants went to the mound during a ball game to talk with his Japanese pitcher, Masanori Murakami, who listened and then said to the manager "Take a walk." Someone had told the pitcher that the term meant "Yes, sir."

Mrs. Dorothy Mason of Hutchinson, Kansas, not only redecorates her own home, she has just built on a 14 by 15 foot kitchen, done everything but the plumbing herself, and would have done that if the law had allowed it.

Judge, a police dog in Nairobi, Kenya, has 500 arrests to his credit. Recently he was bitten by a man he was looking for. The man got 15 months for "unlawfully wounding a police dog while in the execution of its duty."

Amy Kelly is only 15 but she goes to all of the Rotary Club meetings in Stettler, Alberta, Canada, with her father, who is a deaf mute. She tells him, in sign language, what is being said, and speaks for him when he tells her in sign language to say something.

There is no divorce in Italy, but authorities are having some trouble with Aldo Donati who was arrested marrying his 12th bride. When she learned about the other 11 she fainted.