

The Big Job Facing Negro Voters

Again Negro voters of Durham have no one to blame but themselves for not being able to emerge victorious in the Democratic Primary last Saturday. The unofficial tally of Attorney M. Hugh Thompson discloses that he needed only 94 additional votes to have nailed down the nomination for District judge. A casual glance at the vote tabulation will also reveal that each predominantly Negro precinct failed to vote even near its full strength.

In spite of the appeal made to Negro voters from the pulpit, the press and other means, many of them failed to show up at the ballot box thus forcing their candidates into a possible run-off primary in which he will have even a lesser chance of coming out victorious. We think every Negro who failed to vote on last Saturday should hang his head in shame for miffing such an easy opportunity to nominate one of their own race for District Judge.

In spite of the fact that the going will be tougher in the run-off on June 2, the post can be won if Negro voters will rally in support of their candidate by doubling the vote they cast in the May 28 Primary. By so doing they will be able to off-set some of

the usual lack of interest that follows in the wake of a run-off contest when the lines are certain to be more tightly drawn.

It is our feeling that there is a growing number of fairminded white voters who feel that Negroes are, in the very nature of the case, entitled to one of the three district judge posts. Should they vote their support equally as well as in the May 28 Primary, Attorney Thompson will have a good chance of emerging as the first of his race to win such a high post since Reconstruction.

Whatever develops between now and June 25, when the Primary will be held, we urge Negro voters to begin preparing now for a do or die effort. It is absolutely necessary for each one of them to realize that the ball will have to be carried, for the most part, by Negroes if Attorney Thompson is to emerge the winner.

Talk, stickers on cars and more talk, will mean little if Negroes fail to vote. The victory will go to the candidate whose supporters are willing to do their talking with ballots on June 25. Again we would remind Negroes everywhere that "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People."

A Negro in N. C. Highway Patrol

The more than one million Negro citizens of North Carolina are probably not yet aware of it but they are being handed one of the rawest deals by the State Department of Motor Vehicles that it is possible to heap upon a group of taxpayers. An article on the front page of this week's issue of the Carolina Times relates the grim fact that 35 young men (all white) began on May 22 at the State Highway Patrol basic schools at Chapel Hill "14 weeks of intensive training," in preparation for employment as state troopers. Another 35 will begin the same training on July 3.

A telephone call by the Carolina Times this week to the office of the N. C. Motor Vehicles Department reveals that not a single Negro is employed as a highway patrolman nor is there one of them in training with the first group of 35 neither will there be one in the second group of 35. When asked why this situation prevailed we were told that no Negro has yet been able to qualify for training as a highway patrolman.

In short, of the 750 men employed as patrolmen not one is a Negro and state officials of North Carolina wish to convey the idea that the reason such a state of affairs exist is because no Negro has been able to qualify even for training in the de-

partment, to say nothing about being employed as such.

We are unable, at present, to say how many Negroes if any have ever attempted to secure employment as a highway patrolman in North Carolina. Our greatest concern now is that Negro leaders are apparently asleep at the switch in that they have permitted the patrol to operate for over 35 years without a single Negro ever being employed in it or without a determined effort being made to integrate the department.

We think the time has come when a serious effort should be made to determine just what is so difficult and mysterious about the State Highway Patrol that no Negro has been able to qualify even for training. We also think the time has come to force the issue and prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that whatever the requirements Negroes can meet them the same as other citizens of the state.

With this in mind, we would like to urge some of our young men to come forth and make themselves available for employment as highway patrolmen in North Carolina. In doing so, we would urge our leaders to prepare to back them to the limit even if it calls for a statewide meeting and the raising of funds for action in the courts.

Former 'Stepchild' Comes Of Age

The growth of the Durham Children's Museum, the rapid and enterprising expansion of its activities, and the extent of public approval and acceptance of this facility are among the city's brighter phenomena of the past few years.

Little more than a decade ago, the Children's Museum was strictly that—a children's museum. The name now has come to be something of a misnomer. Many adults seem to enjoy Sunday and holiday visits to the museum area as much as the youngsters do.

As a matter of fact, the museum now is vying with many older and more traditional "points of interest" in and around the city as an attractive place to visit and spend an hour or so. Many Durham families have put the Children's Museum on their special lists of places to take visiting relatives and friends from out of town as a part of their entertainment of "company."

The museum's value as a community facility is not limited, however, to its natural scenic beauty or its animal attractions. Many of the community's younger people are learning many new things about nature, about animal and plant life and other natural wonders, through special programs conducted by the museum's staff.

A new program, to provide new knowledge and new pleasure for youngsters during the coming weeks of summer, has just been announced. A series of field

classes in natural history will be conducted, with the 100-acre forest across from the museum grounds to be the "classroom."

One of the "schools" will begin June 21, the other on July 19. Class sessions will be held for youngsters aged seven through 13 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays of each of the four-week "schools." The "curriculum" of the field classes will include studies of trees, plants, insects, mammals and reptiles that are native to the Durham area, along with some study of rocks and the use of maps and the compass. Museum director Freeman Mobley will be assisted in conducting the classes by William Prizer, a former camp counselor.

On the days designated for the field classes, children aged seven through nine will attend from 10 a.m. to noon, while older children—ages 10 through 13—will attend classes from 2 to 5 p.m.

Other summer programs will include the showing of natural history movies on Fridays, at 4 p.m., and on Saturday at 10:15 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Yes, the Children's Museum has come into its own. Once a rather neglected "stepchild" which a relatively small group of Durham citizens desperately nursed through several infantile "illnesses," the Museum has survived and grown into a strong, lusty member of the community's family of more attractive and worthwhile facilities.

Pitch In...It's Your Problem, Too!



SPIRITUAL INSIGHT

By REV. HAROLD ROLAND



God Being Supreme, His Will And Purpose Must Triumph

"God, supreme above all, be blessed forever." Rom. 9:5.

The idea of the supremacy of God should give heart-warming comfort to all believing souls. What is this concept? It is that God stands supreme over all things in the infinite vastness of the creation. This idea needs a reaffirmation in these times of growing confusion in spiritual and theological thinking. Some would exalt science to a place of supremacy in these times when we have fathomed and organized the great power of God's handiwork in nature. So man flushed by his power in the midst of God's creation is tempted to make other things supreme.

But God still rules and reigns in the awesome majesty of His supremacy. God is supreme over all the world's of his hands. And being supreme God's will and purpose must triumph.

God being supreme in the creation then no human scheme can ultimately frustrate nor defeat his purposes. Greedy, blind and prideful men have attempted to defeat God's eternal purposes. God's supremacy, therefore, tells us that these feeble efforts of men must fail.

Nations made their futile attempts but God's supremacy prevailed in the end. The Church itself, in its two thousand year history, is a dramatic reminder of the supremacy of God and his righteousness. They have burned the churches. Men have persecuted and martyred the saints. But the church committed to the fulfillment of God's purposes has weathered every storm of persecution and baptism of blood. The Church backed by God's supremacy has prevailed over the very gates of hell. "God, supreme above all, be blessed forever."

Man in his weakness has fought vainly and futilely to subvert God's supremacy. Job was right in that great spiritual insight which emerged from sufferings and tribulations said: "I know that thou canst do everything, and that no thought of thine can be hindered." Men in pride and sin never learn this great truth. And thus knowing God's supremacy we can rest securely in the will and the way of the Eternal God. Let men rave and rant

but let us as believers put our trust in this God who is supreme in the midst of his creation. You can never go wrong in putting your trust in the God who is supreme in the heavens and the earth. Let us follow the admonition of the Psalmist. Be still and know that I am God."

There is real security in this God who is supreme amid things visible and invisible. True security is to be found in the absolute and universal supremacy of God. All other so-called securities will fail us. Here is real insurance amid the fading things of time and space. Both will eat your clothes. Time and terms will destroy your house. Your beauty and charms will fade. But only in the God who is supreme will we be able to find security for life and death. In him there is a sure resting place for your soul and your eternal destiny. For he shall live and reign forever and ever.

Then let us anchor our hopes in this God who hath in Christ come to us as redeeming love to give us the victory over sin and death.

-Miller

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dent. Dr. Miller's appointment therefore opens up a challenging era of cooperative action directed at the best interests of the student body and the community-at-large.

Bennett College, founded in 1873, is one of the 33 colleges and universities affiliated with the United Negro College Fund. The Fund's 1966 appeal will assist the institution in its efforts to expand faculty and to provide scholarship and other financial aid to more than half of the students attending the College.

-Degrees

Continued from front page right direction, Brice said, asserting that the 88th and 89th congresses have passed more educational legislation in the past five years "than we had in the previous 100 years."

NCC Business Manager William Jones, chairman of the interim committee administering the affairs of the college, awarded 474 undergraduate, graduates, and professional degrees to candidates from the college's four schools. Included were 355 various bachelor's degrees, 107 master's degrees, seven Master of Library Science degrees, five Bachelor of Laws degrees, and two six-year certificates.

Dr. Albert L. Turner, who retired in 1965 as dean of the college's School of Law, was cited for "distinguished service" and was designated dean emeritus of the law school.

Receiving highest undergraduate honors, Summa Cum Laude were Linda F. Wilson, Burlington, and Richard A. Cagle, Pine-

hurst. Eleven students were graduated Magna Cum Laude, and 38 were Cum Laude.

-Decision

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Music was furnished by the Union Baptist Church Male Chorus, the Pilgrim Wonders of the Orange Grove Baptist Church, and the Gospel Chorus of St. Mark AME Zion Church.

Memberships of all classes were requested and obtained. A highlight of the meeting was the completion of the payment on a life membership by Dr. R. P. Randolph, a Durham physician. He was presented a certificate of membership by Mr. Current.

Dr. Mary Suggs, Professor of Commerce at North Carolina College, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, and Orange Grove Baptist Church made substantial payments on a life membership.

Mrs. Olivia Copeland John J. Holloway are co-chairmen of the life membership committee.

Rev. A. D. Moseley is the pastor of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church.

-Pastor

Continued from front page was present, said:

"Before the meeting I was told that I could not hold the election and that if it were held I would be taken out bodily. I also received a phone call from one of the members saying he would not attend the meeting because there would be trouble."

Rev. Speaks said he told the trustees: "If you promise me the

meeting will be orderly, I will dismiss the police officer." He said they made the promise; the officer was dismissed, but after that it took a while to call the meeting to order to continue business.

The controversy had its beginning some time ago when the minister revealed plans to the board for a renovation of the church to cost some \$300,000. A proposal was also made involving control of the church's finances in which three signatures, those of the pastor, the chairman of the trustee board, and the treasurer would be required for checks drawn on the church's account. Several trustees opposed the financial arrangement which Rev. Speaks said had been approved by Bishop Herbert Bell Shaw.

After unsuccessful efforts to change the views of the opposing officers the pastor allegedly refused to nominate them. Meanwhile, another group arising out of the church calling itself "The Committee of Concerned Members," drafted a petition urging Rev. Speaks' services be terminated. The committee has also sent a letter and a telegram to Bishop Shaw asking "prompt action to avoid contemplated court and/or connexional action."

-Trooper

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at Camp Glenn near Morehead City when the patrol was founded in 1929. The 33 who were graduated that year were assigned to motorcycles. Now the troopers use high speed specially equipped automobiles.

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To Be Equal

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG JR.

Pointing The Way

WHEN friction recently developed between French and American businessmen over joint economic and national concerns, a high-level group consisting of a former Secretary of the Treasury and the heads of eight of the largest corporations in America flew to Paris to meet with their peers in French industry to try to work out their common problems.

This was a case where the two groups realized that their problems could not be settled satisfactorily without a direct confrontation of the most influential business leaders, aided by their technical experts.

The approach is a good one and I feel that business leaders here should take it as an example of an enlightened attack on current problems. There is no reason why, for example, a similar group of high-level businessmen should not join in a conference with their peers in the Negro business community, to deal with common problems.

With Negroes knocking on the doors of MR. YOUNG industry for more and better jobs, with the Negro market for consumer goods approaching the \$30 billion per year level, with the civil rights movement making its influence felt in every corner of the land, there is every reason for business leaders in both communities to meet and discuss what their roles must be. Representatives from the Urban League or similar organizations can be of hand for technical advice and assistance. It seems to me that that such a meeting can be as fruitful as the one with the French, and conceivably more important to U. S. industry as well.

Imperative For The Future

In fact, the future course of the movement to achieve equal rights for all our citizens makes it imperative that Americans of all walks of life meet and bring their particular gifts of knowledge and interest to bear on this great problem area of American life. This was one of the most important aspects of the White House Conference on Civil Rights, June 1 and 2.

When President Johnson gave his famous speech at Howard University last year, pledging the federal government to secure equal rights for all, he said: "I intend to call a White House Conference of scholars, and experts, and outstanding Negro leaders—men of both races—and officials of government at every level... the theme will be 'To Fulfill These Rights.'"

And so, 2500 people from all walks of life met in Washington to take steps to implement the goals and ideals which move men to greatness. This unique conference was convened to secure for Negroes the rights and advantages long denied them because of race prejudice.

A preliminary conference was held last November and since then task force groups of business and other experts have been preparing proposals on economic security and welfare, education, housing, and the administration of justice. These proposals are far ranging in their potential effect and hold promise of a far brighter future.

--Rights

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Among the other participants, serving as committee moderators are: Ambassador James Nabrit, U.S. Deputy Director to the UN; State Representative Carl B. Stokes of Cleveland; Dr. Benjamin Mays, President of Morehouse College; G. William Miller, President, Textron, Inc.; Dr. Kenneth B. Clark, New York author-educator; Dr. Louis Polak, Dean, Yale Law School; State Assemblyman Percy E. Sutton of New York; Federal District Judge A. Leon Higginbotham of Philadelphia, and John Wheeler, President, Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Durham.

A. Phillip Randolph, dean of the civil rights leaders and Honorary Chairman of the Conference, said the objective of the White House Conference "makes it one of the most important held to seek a solution

to the Negro problem since the Civil War."

--Holloway

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Other participants scheduled to appear during the final rites include: Dr. Grady Davis, pastor of Union Baptist Church; scripture and prayer; R. Kelley Brynart of N. C. Mutual, acknowledgements; and the Reverend W. M. Fuller, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Doris Holloway Mack of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Mrs. Johnetta Holloway George of Durham; one son, John L. Holloway, Jr., Charlotte, one sister, Mrs. Roxie Rowland of Durham, three grandchildren, Regina Johnetta George of Durham, Jesselyn Menet Mack, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and Regina Cornelius George, II of Durham, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Interment will be held at Beechwood cemetery.

Do's And Don'ts



Let Others Enjoy The Trip, Too

Negroes' Increase 24,000

RALPH--(UPI)--North Carolina has lost 64,294 white voters and gained 24,644 Negroes on county registration books since last year.

Alex Brock, executive secretary of the State Board of Elections, reported Thursday a total drop in registered voters of 39,650, with 21,915,388 now on the books.

NEGRO REGISTRATION totaled 289,228 and Brock cited this as part of his argument against the voting rights laws' application in North Carolina.

This drop in white registration and sharp rise in Negro voters reflected purging and updating of registration books, Brock said, and Negro voter registration drives.