

New Jersey's "Mother of the Year"

In selecting Olive Bond Polk for the honor of its "Mother of the Year," for 1967, the state of New Jersey honors itself. We trust, however, Olive's own native state of North Carolina will not let pass, unnoticed, the singular distinction that has come to one of its own native daughters. We trust, instead, that North Carolina will insist that New Jersey move over in order that this state may take its stand beside its sister state in honoring one of America's most noble women.

We have known Olive for well over a half century. To say that she is the quintessence of the best this nation has to offer in the highest ideal of womanhood is putting it lightly. From humble birth, her struggle through the early part of her life to get an education is concrete evidence that it can be done if one has the determination, the character and the faith.

In these critical times when every basic ideal of manhood and womanhood is being assailed from all sides as being out of date, old fashioned

even stupid, it brings great hope to see glittering in the midst of the muck and mire of the conflict a jewel of humanity in the form of a great and noble woman who is still unscathed and unmoved by it all.

Elsewhere in this week's issue we have published the first installment of a short sketch of the life of Olive Bond Polk. In spite of the fact that the full story of this noble woman cannot be told in such limited space we invite and we implore the young men and young women, especially in our schools and colleges, to read the story of Olive Bond Polk.

We think some day before the curtain is rung down on those who would destroy the age-old ideals of character, they will discover ere it is too late that, "Times change and conditions change but the price of doing wrong never changes." Thus it is our sincere hope that our young people who read the sketch of "New Jersey's Mother of the Year," will find hope and determination to endure and survive the critical times in which we are now living.

Irresponsible Student Gov't Leadership

We had long wondered about the student government leadership at North Carolina College and if it understood the heritage of a distinguished North Carolinian, Dr. James E. Shepard. Well, it is now known. A dark day in North Carolina College's history occurred on April 21, 1967, when Samuel Thomas, president of N. C. College student body, stated on a Durham television program that he preferred or recommended a white president for the College. This television appearance was the culminating activity after two nights of student unrest manifesting itself in two demonstrations accompanied by a panty-raid. The leaders of student government by their news releases, which have been deposited in our office, have used the most vitriolic language as though their courses in English composition meant nothing.

What the North Carolina College students call a "panty-raid" had serious repercussions. Our office has been informed that two House Directresses suffered traumatic shocks because of the invasion of the women's dormitories by young men parading on all floors. One House Directress had to be taken to a local hospital by ambulance, and another resigned from the Institution immediately.

So the President of the Student Government made the television appearance and through his mumbo-jumbo mutterings attempted to pour venom on the present administration of the College, cast aspersions on the President-Elect, who will take his seat on July 1, and indicated or recommended a change which this newspaper and loyal alumni bow their heads in shame even to quote.

It will be a sad day throughout the nation when governors, legislators, and boards of trustees of state-supported institutions turn to student government leadership, as demonstrated at North Carolina College, for advice on the administration of a college. It has come to our atten-

tion that the President of the Student Government Association is from New York City and the Vice President, from Los Angeles. It could be that the colleges of New York and California would better suit their purposes, and it is our opinion that a student government leadership that cannot support the best interest of North Carolina College or any college for that matter, should be shipped out. The taxpayers of North Carolina and the N. C. College Alumni Association do not make appropriations and contributions, respectively, for this kind of leadership in the name of academic freedom, free press, and the right to dissent. We, therefore, repeat that a student government leadership which cannot support the best interest of the College should be shipped out.

We think the Interim Committee of N. C. College has taken a forthright stand in its position. President James Nabrit of Howard University took a forthright stand with Howard's students when they broke up a formal program when General Hershey was the speaker. General Westmoreland of the Vietnam war stated recently that some of the college students of this country who are in campus leadership roles and find adequate time to create disturbances should be put out. It is high time that college administrators speak out against the rash of student movements to take over the administration of their colleges. Enough is enough!

It is this newspaper's hope that the North Carolina College Administration meant what it said in its statement to the press, that it will not tolerate looting, damaging property, assault upon young women, defacing statues, sit-ins in buildings carrying on business purposes, etc. We would also like to suggest that North Carolina College could very well carry its non-tolerance pledge to faculty members who lend active encouragement to such disturbances from the side lines.

Time for Positive Action

It now appears that the recent statement made by Drew Pearson in his Merry-Go-Round Column in reference to the cases involving the sins of Senator Tom Dodd and Adam Clayton Powell to the effect that, "what the House of Representatives will have to decide when Adam Jr. stands before its bar seeking admission again is whether there shall be one sauce for the white goose from Connecticut, another sauce for the black gander from Harlem," contains a bit of prophecy.

In the face of the multiple of sins committed by Senator Dodd it is hard to understand just how the Senate Ethics Committee could recommend punishment for Dodd that stops at censure. If the Senate accepts the recommendation and Dodd is seated it is certain to raise the suspicion that Congress, as Drew Pearson has suggested, is deliberately using "one sauce for the white goose from Connecticut and another sauce for the black gander from Harlem."

There is also strong evidence that there has been entirely too much slackness in the handling of funds by several members of both houses in Congress. We think there is great need for a strong hand to take over

and let the chips fall where they may. If Senator Dodd is guilty of the multiple of sins, which outweigh those committed by Congressman Powell, it is hard to understand just how Congress can end its punishment of Dodd with merely censure.

Certainly the people of this nation have a right to expect more of their representatives in Congress than conduct becoming gangsters and thieves. We think the time has arrived for positive action, either by Congress itself or the president. It is going to be hard for the 22 million Negroes of the nation to believe that race did not enter the picture if Senator Dodd is allowed to escape with merely censure for his sins, in the matter of spending the taxpayers money, which outweigh by far those committed by Congressman Powell.

We find it impossible to understand why anybody can take credit for what was done by an ancestor.

Waiting for somebody to arrive, when you know they are probably not going to arrive, is one of life's most tiresome businesses.

A National Disgrace!



SPIRITUAL INSIGHT

By REV. HAROLD ROLAND



Apart from God the Sustaining Root, Man Will Wither and Die

"The root sustains you"

—Romans 11:18
Man, estranged from God the root, can have no life. God in His power sustains the life of man. So man detached from God is rootless and descends into utter meaninglessness. Here is a great lesson needed in these times of the affluent society. And man surrounded by so many of God's rich blessings may in his pride and arrogance begin to feel sufficient, and consequently has no need of God the very ground of his being. This is one of the great spiritual perils of the affluent society. Many are stumbling over the rock of truth into the dark depths of human self-sufficiency—into a life of futility and emptiness. Apart from the sustaining root, God, this will be the tragic, heart-rending end.

Man, forgetting the sustaining root, may in an affluent society begin to suffer from a bad case of Spiritual Affluence. What is Spiritual Affluence? It is man giving an undue reliance on the material and forgetting to put his trust in

God. Yes, here we have the spiritual-moral peril of affluence. Affluence has a tendency to lead man to self-sufficiency. Man is quick to feel that he does not need God. But this is a fatal error on the part of man. There can, in reality, be no conceivable state of affairs in which man does not need God. But man intoxicated by affluence may worship at the shrine of Affluence; and forget God the Root That Sustains. Here is the great spiritual danger of our nation in these times. Every Christian must fight incessantly against this perilous temptation. Lest we get lost in affluence and cut ourselves off from the sustaining root: God.

God in His goodness has given us life and all things richly to enjoy. The Bible is right. God is the Creator and Giver of all things. God is the ground of human life and all life. Then how can we ever, in fact, really become independent and self-sufficient? "The root that sustains you is God." This can never be changed. It must, therefore, remain eternally true.

Man is thinking and acting dangerously when he would deceive himself that he can live and thrive apart from God. God in His goodness has provided all things for us. "In the beginning God create the heaven and the earth." God gives the necessities — food, clothes and shelter. "In him we live and move and have our being." Only failure and disaster can be our sure lot if we persist in the folly of self-sufficiency.

So we must guard against the spiritual dangers of the delusion of human self-sufficiency. There is no such thing as human self-sufficiency whether it is in the affluent society of America or the poverty-stricken conditions of the millions of India. God the root sustains you. We are by nature, highly dependent creatures. There is no doing in us. Power, all power, belongs to God. Then let us rest our destiny in the sustaining roots of the things of the spirit of God. Then, and then only can we miss the pitfalls of spiritual degradation.

-Tobacco

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terrestrial which is responsible for the corporation's activities outside the USA, and Philip Morris Industrial which operates the corporation's flexible packaging interests, specialty paper business, and its specialty adhesive and textile chemicals company.

-Agents

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executives serving on the committee include: B. V. Gregory of Chicago, associate superintendent of combination operations, Supreme Life Insurance Co. of America; Octave Lilly, Jr. of New Orleans, agency director, People's Life Insurance Co. of Louisiana; E. B. Payne of Memphis, agency director of Union Protective Life Insurance Co.; Ernest Shell, CLU of Los Angeles, agency director of Golden State Mutual Life Insurance Co., and Forrest Strickland of Detroit, agency director of Wright Mutual Ins. Co.

-Shipbuilding

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pervisory jobs immediately.
• 65 Negro employees are on promotional lists for supervisory positions as soon as vacancies occur. Before the agreement, the yard had only 32 Negro supervisory employees.
• 42 Negro employees have entered the apprenticeship program, compared with six previously in the 81-year history of the company.
• 785 Negroes have entered other formal educational and training programs to improve their chances for promotion.
• The apprenticeship school has added two full-time Negro teachers and the apprenticeship

selection committee is now integrated.

• Transfer and promotional opportunities are now posted in the yard to enable all employees to bid on the basis of seniority and ability.

• Locker, shower and toilet facilities have been fully integrated.

The Department of Labor determined last year that the firm was not in compliance with Executive Order No. 112-46. This regulation on equal employment opportunity is administered by the agency's Office of Federal Contract Compliance.

-Crest

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the former Annabelle Little, four sons, Hubert, III, Julian, George and Daniel, two daughters, Alice and Anita and one sister, Mrs. Mable Crest Moss. Active pall bearers were: O. H. Leake, Glendell and Norman Brooks, J. J. Jones, Leroy Blanton, and Dr. O. E. Tillman. Honorary pall bearers were members of the National Guardsmen, The Old North State Medical Society and the Union Medical Society.

-Wallace

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speech" issue. He said his organization objected to the honor being conferred on a racist. More than a dozen dignitaries, including Pittsburgh Mayor Joseph M. Barr, boycotted the dinner after major groups had protested Mr. Wallace's appearance.
Whoever becomes imbued with a noble idea kindles a flame from which other torches are lit, and influences those with whom he comes in contact, be they few or many.
—Henry George

-Contest

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test may yet develop into a battle royal between Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Oneida McGhee of Durham, Mrs. Aline Baldwin of Chapel Hill and Mrs. Rosa O. Bass of Rougemont.

Other contestants who also showed signs of renewed awakening are Mrs. Pearlina Lennon and Miss Iola Allen both of Durham.

Relative standing of contestants for this week are as follows:

This Week In Negro History

Twenty-one years ago (1946) on Monday of this week the first Negro in America was named "Mother of the Year." She was Mrs. E. C. Clement, wife of Bishop George C. Clement, president of Atlanta University.

Other events of historical interest this week are as follows:
May 2—Elijah McCoy (1844-1928), noted inventor was born.

May 3—The U. S. Supreme Court in 1948 declared racial covenants or private real estate agreements to set up race discrimination in home areas, can not be enforced in court.

May 4—North Carolina legislature in 1784 answered petition of Edward Griffin, Negro Revolutionary War soldier, commended him for his service and set him free.

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Standings of Contestants

Mrs. J. A. Carter, Durham	2,754,000
Mrs. Oneida McGhee, Durham	2,568,000
Mrs. Aline Baldwin, Chapel Hill	1,916,000
Mrs. Rosa O. Bass, Rougemont	1,187,000
Mrs. Delois Boyd, High Point	808,000
Miss Geraldine Alston, Chapel Hill	612,000
Mrs. J. L. Connor, Concord	412,000
Benjamin Williams, Oxford	392,000
Mrs. Willie B. Chapman, Grifton	277,000
Mrs. Doris J. Hopkins, Kinston	185,000
Mrs. Pearlina Lennon, Durham	172,000
Miss Iola Allen, Durham	168,000
Paul Mason, Durham	94,000
Mrs. Daisy Kizie, Durham	45,000
Mrs. Mary H. Clifton, Winston-Salem	30,000
Mrs. Ruth Worley, Greensboro	30,000
Miss Mary Curry, Smithfield	30,000
Mrs. Nancy G. Wilson, Rocky Mount	15,000
Mrs. Agnes Lee, Burlington	15,000
Mrs. Addie Turner, Statesville	15,000
Mrs. Mary Boddie, Tarboro	15,000
Mrs. Bradsher, Roxboro	15,000
Mrs. Fannie Dunlap, Winston-Salem	15,000
Mrs. Hattie Wilkerson, Virgilina, Va.	15,000

To Be Equal

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG JR.

Vietnam And Rights

THE FIGHTING in Vietnam has resulted in a war of words here at home between the "hawks," who favor stronger military action, the "doves," who favor a negotiated settlement of the war, the sooner the better.

Caught between these groups is the struggle for civil rights for all Americans. Both the hawks and the doves, for different reasons, say we can't fight a war in Vietnam and carry on a war against poverty here at home.

Both sides are wrong in this matter. Many hawks seem to feel that the war must get top priority and that domestic issues ending poverty will have to wait, since we can't afford the costs of both wars. But we can. The federal programs labeled "war on poverty" are costing less than the farm subsidy program, the proposed supersonic airplane, or the space program. For every dollar spent to help someone out of poverty, we spend almost \$4 to put a man on the moon.

MR. YOUNG: So we can afford both wars if we spend more wisely on those programs which will pay off by getting people jobs and helping them become tax producers instead of tax consumers, instead of spending on programs which should have lower priority because they are less important.

Resources To Raise More

Besides, we have the resources to raise money for necessary programs. Nobody likes to have his taxes raised, but sometimes it is essential for the good of all. Americans are taxed less than any other industrial country.

The doves would probably agree with this, but many of them say that the war on poverty could get the money now spent on the war in Vietnam, estimated at \$24 billion this year. This is unrealistic. There is no guarantee that this money would go to the war on poverty, in fact, judging from recent experience, it is highly unlikely.

Ending the war in Vietnam won't mean that the money won't be spent on other foreign needs. Billions will have to go to Vietnam to repair the damage done to that war-torn country and billions more will have to go toward bolstering the poor nations of Asia, Africa, and Latin-America to help end conditions which make vulnerable to social upheavals. Like it or not, America is the prime power in the world today and it must bear the costs which go with the responsibilities of its position. It is highly unrealistic to expect this situation to change in the near future or to expect national priorities to shift overnight.

But why do both sides put so much stress on money? This nation can do much to advance the civil rights of its citizens without spending one cent.

Look at the current civil rights proposals to end discrimination in housing. An open occupancy policy would give Negroes the right to live wherever their incomes and desires take them, and it would be a giant step toward the current practice of forcing Negro citizens into overcrowded ghettos. This is not a spending proposal, it is a human rights proposal. This does not cost money.

Existing Civil Rights Laws

The same holds true for proposals to end the intimidation of Negro citizens attempting to exercise their rights as citizens, or the proposal to end discrimination in choosing juries. The federal government could drastically improve opportunities available to Negro citizens simply by enforcement of existing civil rights laws.

None of this costs money, so the statement that the costs of the war automatically stop further civil rights progress is false. Both the doves and the hawks who spend so much time and energy talking about costs and money should spend their time fighting for these important civil rights steps which are getting lost in their debate.

Whatever our personal feelings about the war in Vietnam may be, we have to recognize reality. It does no good to say to the nation: Civil rights or international security—choose.

Reality indicates what the nation's choice would be. That is why civil rights should be kept separate and apart from questions like Vietnam.

Do's And Don'ts



Protect His Health. Give Him Regular Medical Check-Ups