

Men, Not Women Are To Blame

A Labor Department man has reportedly published a report labeling women collectively as the cause of all the problems of mankind. Such blatant ignorance is hardly worth mentioning if it were not for the fact that many men of his ilk applaud such silliness.

The facts are that men are to blame for all the problems they are faced with in this world, especially the problems they are having with women. Women did not undermine men; men abdicated to women. A brief peek into history proves this.

From the very beginning man was assigned the position of top governing authority on the earth. Woman, as his assistant, was naturally subordinate to her husband. But what happened? Following her being deceived by a fast-talking traveling salesman, Eve brought the dangerous product to Adam. And Adam voluntarily gave in. Eve was deceived according to the Bible, but Adam was not? (I Tim. 2:14). Who, then, is to blame?

They refer to Helen, the wife of Menelaus of Sparta, as having the face that launched a thousand ships. But did Helen actually start the Tro-

jan War? No. Men did? It was Paris, an emissary from Troy who betrayed the equities of the day by seducing his host's wife and running off with her. It was her husband who sacrificed the lives of many for the life of one unfaithful woman. Who caused it?

Even today, the trend continues. Men have transformed themselves into weak, spineless little nothings, ruled over by domineering women. Many of the problems of this world can be traced to man's refusal to face and carry out his responsibilities to rule. Women are leaving the homes in droves, farming out children to day care centers, and refusing to fulfill the role of wife and mother. Why? All because men have allowed this by their own ineptitude at handling these affairs of running the home.

Men might not want to admit it, but their refusal to wear the pants and exert authority in this world is a direct transgression of an all encompassing edict from God. For He said: "... have dominion over ... every living thing that moves upon the earth."

Open The Doors Earlier

So far each of the steps in the much talked about long range plan of the city government aimed, they say at development of Durham has met with a lot of criticism from the Black community. Some of the criticism, we admit, has been nothing more than refusal to change, and yet some has been very well founded, and deserving of consideration. Hardly ever though is this done because by the time the plan is shown to the public, the wheels of "progress" are moving right along.

We feel the entire Durham community could be served by a less-closed mouthed attitude from our government. That is, why not show various steps of the long-range plan months before work starts on it? Why not toss it out for the community to look at, consider, attack even, but most important to get use to? If the plan is as good as the city claims, then no harm can come from exposing it to investigation early.

N. C. Negro Political Interest Dragging

The apparent lack of interest among Negro citizens, and especially Negro voters of North Carolina in the off-year primary to be held May 2, should be disturbing if not distressing to those concerned about the future of the race in this country. Add to the above the general lack of Negro candidates for the various public offices that will be at stake, from that of legislative offices down to town constable in many of the cities and counties of the state, and you have some conception as to the sad state of affairs of North Carolina Negroes from a political standpoint.

Here in Durham where the race has the questionable reputation of having achieved so greatly in business, the primary of May 2 will find only one Negro as a candidate for

Much good, however, could result.

There are many intelligence forces in the Black community who are able to make good decisions about this development plan, particularly when it affects their everyday lives. Given a chance, they will offer some good points to it and more than like agree with most of it. But when overlooked, these same forces are able to get together a lot of resistance to any attempt by the city to change the face of our community. This only leads to trouble because then both sides get stubborn.

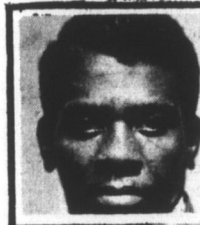
It would definitely be a step in the right direction if the city government would immediately start using the open door policy so to speak. Let us in on our destinies at the planning stage. Now is the time for the city to show whether it serves the interests of its people, or the awesome power and interests of the almighty dollar.

public office, Asa T. Spaulding, for re-election to the Board of County Commissioners. Certainly if the Negroes of Durham are the great business leaders they claim to be they will sooner or later awaken to the realization that they will need the power of the ballot as well as the power of the dollar.

The Carolina Times hopes and prays that the primary of May 2 will find a greater interest among Negro voters and citizens than is presently in evidence. Certainly Asa Spaulding deserves the enthusiastic support of all worthwhile voters of both races of Durham and we urge that leaders in all areas begin now to prepare to vote in the May 2 primary and the General Election that will follow in November.

Don't Become A "Missing" Black American!

THIS CENSUS IS IMPORTANT TO US. BLACK FAMILIES SHOULD MAKE AN EFFORT TO COMPLETE THE CENSUS FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND SEE THAT OTHER FAMILIES DO THE SAME. THIS WILL HELP US TO KNOW HOW MANY BLACK PEOPLE WE HAVE IN THIS COUNTRY. THEN BLACK PEOPLE WILL KNOW THEIR STRENGTH. WE'RE TOLD THAT THE GOVERNMENT MISSED TWO MILLION BLACK PEOPLE IN THE 1960 CENSUS.



The View From Here

By MILTON JORDAN Times Staff Writer

This week, in taking first things first, it is appropriate to answer the five questions put before our readers last week in regards to marriage. Let me note first, however, that I am sure many of you will not agree with some of the answers and I offer but one caution: remember, truth is not subject to either circumstances or acceptance.

The first question was "who or what is the originator of marriage?" Marriage though totally a physically institution is divinely inspired and was created, authored and originated by God. The second question was: "is marriage a 50-50 proposition?" No it isn't. The fifty-fifty fallacy says that ideally each partner should meet the other one halfway. But for such a situation to work there must be a neutral third party included to judge the midway point. It is obvious that there will be times that the husband feels he is doing his part if not more whereas the wife, on the other hand, feels he is being derelict in his duty and she is having to do it all. This is where marital breakdowns have their beginnings. Marriage is more basically a 100-100 proposition if we must assign it a numerical designation. This situation will find each member of the marriage team giving their all-100% all the time to the other half of the team. The third question was: who is the top authority in this home?" The husband is chief executive of the home government and as such should exercise the authority invested in him. Sadly to say, however, many homes today have a topsy-turvy governmental system. The fourth question was: "can marriage be outlawed?" Despite the rumblings of so-called experts in the field, marriage is here to stay. It can no more be outlawed than can the law of gravity or inertia. It is just as binding as any of the physical, chemical laws of the universe. The fifth question was: "is divorce a solution to otherwise insoluble problems." Decidedly not! In the first place, there is no such thing as an insoluble problem. The very existence of a problem proves the existence of a companion solution because everything has its opposite. Secondly, divorce is nothing more than a public admission of failure.

There are the answers. Most if not all of these questions will be expanded upon in much more detail later in this series. But I deem that what has been indicated thus far is that most people do not know what they think they do about marriage. It is easily evident that a majority of couples who marry do not know what they think they do about it. Read the divorce statistics. But the basic question we are concerned with here now is being prepared for marriage. In essence being prepared for marriage is knowing what it is, knowing the responsibilities of it and being capable of facing and discharging them. Being prepared for marriage is either knowing the answers, or knowing to what source to look for the answers. Consider the hypothetical situation mentioned last week whereas the husband came home late after the wife had toiled all day preparing a special dinner. Naturally, she is angry, and as he trudged through the door she wails: "Where in the world have you been? I've had dinner ready since 5:30 and here you are showing up at 8:00! Don't you know how to keep your word? You promised me you would be home on time today." "As she pauses to catch her breath, the husband usually

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mumbles some lame excuse like well, "I uh, stopped off with some of the fellows to have a beer and uh forgot the time." "Well, couldn't you call?" "I forgot to," he continues to mumble, but slowly getting angry now. So as she continues to vent her hurt feelings, his anger swells and usually the end result of this is a knockdown dragout fight. This can be avoided merely by the husband taking charge initially. Without getting angry, he should simply admit that he was wrong by not calling and tell his wife that her railing and yelling will not make any difference at this point and also show her that she is in violation of her marital vows by doing so. And if nothing wise, take her out to dinner. Basically, the entire thing boils down to taking charge. The husband should be the ruler of his home, not a tyrant now, but a wise, benevolent ruler. Next week -- When is a Woman Prepared?

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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THE CHURCH'S LIFE AS WITNESS

Scripture: Acts 2:43-47; 4:13-22

43. And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.
44. And all that believed were together, and had all things common;
45. And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.
46. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart.
47. Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.
13. Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men, they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus.
14. And beholding the man which was healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.
15. But when they had commanded them to go aside out

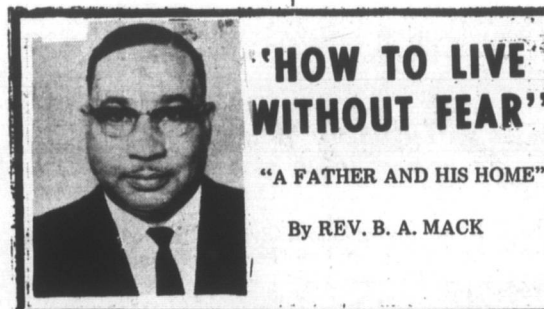
of the council, they conferred among themselves.

16. Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them in manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it.
17. But that it spread no further among the people, let us straitly threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.
18. And they called them, and commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.
19. But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.
20. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.
21. So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, because of the people: for all men glorified God for that which was done.
22. For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

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'HOW TO LIVE WITHOUT FEAR'

"A FATHER AND HIS HOME"

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The just man walketh in his integrity; his children are blessed after him. Proverbs 20:7

A father and his son walked into a cafe and seated themselves at one of the tables. In a few moments the waitress came and asked for their order. She looked at the boy, and he said shyly: I will take what my Dad takes.

No father may forget that this is how it is with sons. They become what their fathers are. A few weeks ago I wrote an article on two things no home should have; a son who acts like a fool, and a wife who constantly nags. But a father sometimes brings more grief and trouble upon his

home by one careless act than can be lived down in a decade.

Our verse speaks of a man being a blessing to his home, that the grand possibility when a man lives in Christ, and by the power of Christ wins over his temptations and lives a godly life.

Its a tremendous responsibility to be a father and husband. When a man marries, he takes a girl out of her father's care and makes himself her master, in a sense. He owes her a godly home. If he loves her he will do everything he can to make her home a foretaste of heaven.

The word of God is a wonderful help in this. It takes more than human wisdom to keep a home godly.



To Be EQUAL

By WHITNEY M. YOUNG

Police And Community

The police are a favorite target for black complaints of unfair treatment, and that's because all too many policemen abuse their authority and show their prejudices in black communities.

But cries of "pig" or other epithets aren't going to change this kind of behavior. They only make it worse. Call a man a pig and he'll act like one. We have enough polarization and bitterness in our society without adding to it.

Change in unjust behavior by policemen can only come about through firm leadership that respects the legitimate needs of the black community.

During a recent visit to Philadelphia, I was impressed by the way at least one police department is conscious of black interests.

One of the big problems is that there aren't enough black police officers, and I saw much progress made on that count during my visit.

The department conducts a vigorous recruitment campaign. Leaflets showing a team of black and white patrolmen on the cover are distributed. Ads, announcements, and recruiting brochures go to central places in the black ghetto and black schools.

They even send a Recruitmobile around, giving walk-in tests at all hours of the day and night to prospective recruits.

Investigators Integrated

All patrol and investigative teams are integrated, blacks and whites are matched in pairs whenever possible.

Twenty-two Police Community Workshops operate with citizen co-chairmen and civilian steering committees. This kind of police-citizen exchange is basic to having police provide crime-prevention services to the community; without it, the man in uniform is alienated from the people he's supposed to be protecting.

I was most impressed by what they call "radio quips," really little commercials broadcast over the police radio. Sitting in a patrol car, I heard the usual crackling announcements of a robbery here or a fire somewhere else.

Then, I suddenly heard "Use your head, not your gun." And: "Your gun is a police tool to be used only within legal limitations."

When so many police departments are ignorant of the need to keep from being trigger-happy, it was impressive to hear Philadelphia's police radio warning:

"The use of your gun is always a matter of life or death only justified by a life and death situation."

"A stolen auto is not a heinous crime. Do not use your gun, use your often."

Policemen Often Arrogant

And when so many people, especially black people rightly complain that policemen are often arrogant, it was impressive to hear the police radio say:

"Treat all citizens the same way you would want yourself and your family treated."

"The thinking policeman makes friends for himself and the Department on all his assignments. Respond quickly, be concerned, and leave friendly."

These messages are broadcast every 15 minutes, and can't help but reinforce among policemen the idea that their chiefs insist on fair play for all.

Philadelphia's is a tough department and vigorous in enforcement. It's far from perfect, and, as in any other city, there is some mistrust between the men in blue and the ghetto.

But that mistrust will never be breached unless a vigorous effort is mounted, like that I saw in Philadelphia, to build bridges of good faith and understanding between the man on the beat and the people he serves.

Do's And Don'ts



FACTS ABOUT THE NEGRO

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ONLY KNOWN NEGRO DOCTOR PERMITTED TO SERVE IN THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR. A NATIVE OF RALEIGH, N.C., GRADUATE OF LINCOLN UNIV. AND UNIV. OF MICHIGAN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. AT THE OUTBREAK OF THE WAR IN 1898, HE VOLUNTEERED AS A DOCTOR BUT WAS REFUSED ON ACCOUNT OF COLOR. GOING TO WASHINGTON HE PERSISTED UNTIL HE WAS FINALLY SENT TO THE 10TH CAVALRY IN CUBA.



TYPICAL BUSHMAN OR PIGMY-TYPE, BLACK MAN. PERHAPS THE OLDEST VARIETY OF THE HUMAN RACE AND ORIGINATORS OF CIVILIZATION. THEIR DRAWINGS OF ANIMALS WHICH HAVE BEEN FOUND IN CAVES AND ON ROCKS FROM EUROPE TO SOUTH AFRICA HAVE NEVER BEEN SURPASSED.

CAST BRONZE HEAD OF A GIRL FROM BENIN CITY. DONE IN THE 18TH OR 19TH CENTURIES, IT IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE FINEST EXAMPLES OF ITS KIND IN EXISTENCE. BENIN CARVINGS OF TUSKS OF ELEPHANTS EQUAL THE BEST IN CHINESE AND JAPANESE ART. MUCH OF THIS ART WAS DESTROYED IN THE WAR WITH THE BRITISH IN 1897. (ORIGINAL IN THE BRITISH MUSEUM)

