

# EDITORIALS & COMMENT

## Let The Heathens Rave

In an editorial last week the RALEIGH TIMES of Raleigh, hurled a most devastating bomb at a speech recently delivered by Justice I. Beverly Lake of the State Supreme Court. Complete text of the editorial is published elsewhere on this page of this week's issue of The Carolina Times, to which we invite our readers to read closely and thoughtfully.

We join the RALEIGH TIMES in deprecating the fact that Dr. Lake is continuing the same attacks he made on the federal laws of this country during his two past unsuccessful campaigns for governor. That this state now has on its highest court a member of such caliber is enough to make all its respectable citizens bow their heads in shame.

As we attempted to bring out in an editorial of our last week's issue concerning a similar speech made re-

cently by Editor Edward Fields of the "Thunderbolt" publication, such people are only helping to defeat their own purpose and cause when they make such scurrilous remarks and attacks on the federal courts, laws and minority groups of this nation. We are satisfied that North Carolina has already reached the position where a majority of its citizens will no longer be led or influenced by hate mongers and racists of the Edward Fields and Beverly Lake type.

So, we say, "Let the Heathens Rave," let them continue to have their say and preach their gospel of race hatred. We say again that we are satisfied that North Carolina is truly on its way to become a state in which all its citizens, irrespective of race, creed or color, will enjoy the full rights of citizenship.

## Saturday's Election For Sheriff

We take this opportunity to remind Negro voters of Durham that the election of a sheriff for this county will take place Saturday, June 30. We urge them to bestir themselves and go to the polls and vote. Unless they do so they may awaken Sunday morning to discover that they have permitted the kind of sheriff that will conduct his office in an unpleasing manner to black citizens of both city and county.

We trust that in spite of the lack of a strong organized campaign effort that our leading black citizens will awaken themselves and help arouse every black voter in the city and county of Durham to go to the polls and vote for the selected candidate for sheriff. We likewise call upon the young people in our public schools, many of whom are yet too

young to vote, to urge their parents, relatives and friends of voting age not to fail to cast their ballot in Saturday's election for sheriff.

We would like to suggest those who own cars to volunteer them for one or more hours at least, if not all day to aid in getting people to the polls who are unable to walk, or reside a long distance from their voting place. In addition, we would also like to suggest a telephone marathon or program by the young people to aid in getting out the vote.

Certainly the election of a sheriff for the county is important enough for every black citizen to become concerned about who will occupy such an important office. We, therefore, again plead with every black voter in Durham to exercise his use of the ballot in Saturday's election.

## Police Brutality of Highway Patrolmen

The office of The Carolina Times has been bombarded for the past two weeks with letters, telephone calls and personal visits by black citizens of this state, complaining about police brutality of local officers of the law in various cities and towns along with brutality committed against blacks by highway patrolmen.

We have before us an account of a recent ungodly and brutal beating administered Carlon Clifton Lee, a black man of Moncure, by highway patrolmen that should serve as a warning to all black citizens of this and other states who have an occasion to use the public highways in

automobiles to be on their guard and take care they do not encounter a member of the North Carolina Highway patrol.

A full account of the Lee travesty is being published on the front page of this week's issue of The Carolina Times in order that our black readers may know and be forewarned about the North Carolina patrolmen when driving over the public highways of this state. Especially do we warn black citizens who live in or near small towns like Moncure, where blacks have no organization to go to their defense when such attacks of police brutality occur.

## Colleges: 1970

NORTH CAROLINA has taken a step which promises to be a fine example for other southern states in the approach to desegregation in higher education. The U. S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare has been pushing the new "unitary" concept of school desegregation, and the proposal is a source of worry for some predominantly Negro institutions of higher learning. They don't want to be "phased out," because they have students and staff members who want to be secure in the future.

There is some light from North Carolina to help in this vexing problem. The State Board of Higher Education has proposed that North Carolina State University at Raleigh transfer the administration of its extension program at Fort Bragg and that this project be given to Fayetteville State University, a predominantly Negro institution which is only a few miles from the important military base.

This was a wise proposal, we think, and it would be in the interest of both races if arrangements can be made in the desegregation program which would divide the responsibilities in every case possible between the institutions of higher learning. It is ethically important that black and white colleges and universities share equally in the burdens of desegregation. Manifestly, it is unjust to shift most of the phaseout, cut-backs and related problems to the predominantly black schools.

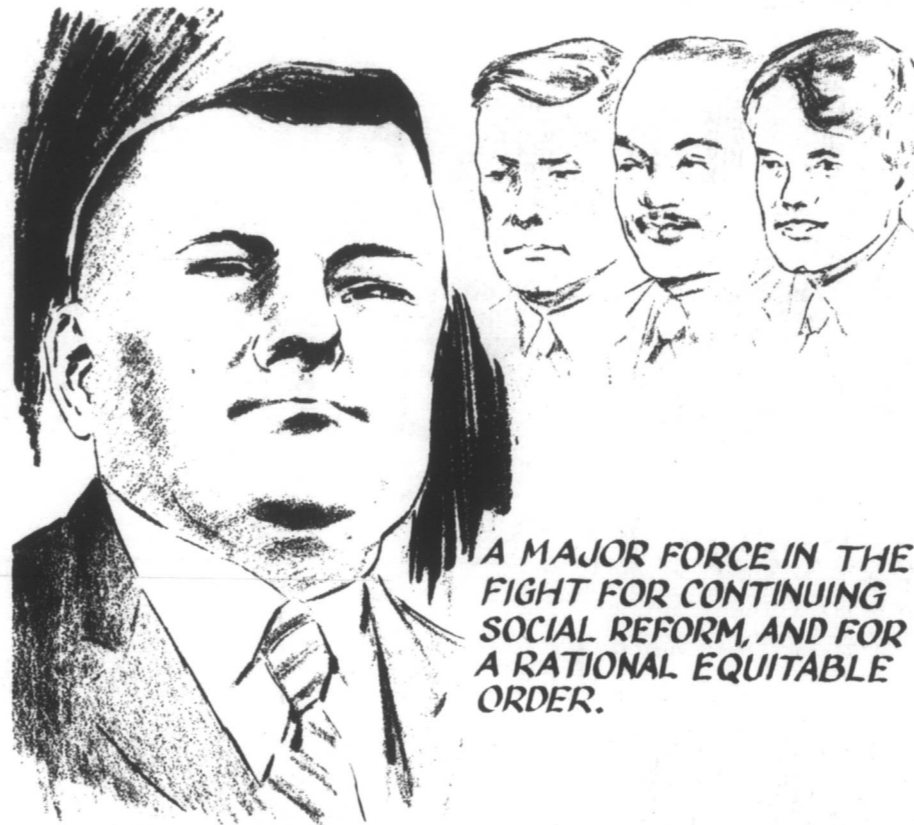
Our colleges today are struggling with many problems which have their roots in a century of segregation. At the same time, these institutions must devise programs relevant to the new era of rapid and, at times, tumultuous change. On top of all this is the ancient problem of budget which has multiplied during the past decade. College administrators are valiantly striving to meet these challenges of the seventies. They deserve commendations and full support from the people, who—in the final analysis—are the chief beneficiaries of the universal effort toward higher learning.

The North Carolina State Board's proposal to turn over the administration of the Fort Bragg program to Fayetteville State University is certainly a heartening and progressive move which represents a reversal of the vengeful Dixie trend of downgrading state institutions attended by mostly black students. The Fort Bragg program is bound to strengthen Fayetteville State and upgrade its stature and importance in the community of colleges. At the same time, the loss of the program does not affect in the least the standing of North Carolina State University.

Commendations are due the North Carolina Board of Higher Education for its progressive step, coming as it does at a time when the predominantly black institutions need all of the help and encouragement they can get.

JOURNAL AND GUIDE

## Lost... Another Friend!



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### WEEKLY SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

YOUR BIBLE IS YOUR MAJOR TEXTBOOK: STUDY IT For May 31, 1970 GOD'S NEW COVENANT Scripture: Hebrews 8:6-13

6. But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

7. For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

8. For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

9. Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

10. For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts; and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

11. And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

12. For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

13. In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

GOLDEN TEXT: For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people. Hebrews 8:10.

FOREWORD: "But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry," than the high priests of the Jewish Church. The vital point of this Scripture is that our

Lord's ministry is much better than the priests of the old Church, as the new covenant is better than the old, and the new covenant is better than the old because it has been enacted upon better promises. And, in this instance, it is good to see the way in which this ministry of our Mediator is superior to that of the Jewish high priests.

The ministry of the Jewish high priests was exercised for the Jews only, and for those who had become proselytes to their religion. But the ministry of Jesus Christ is for all mankind. "He tasted death for all mankind." He is "Mediator between God and men" of every ethnic group upon the face of the earth. The results of the ministry of the Aaronic priesthood, like its functions, were to a great extent symbolic and shadowy rather than essential and real. But through the ministry of Christ, our benefits are real and eternal. Through Him, we have reconciliation with God and man, and forgiveness of our sins.

LESSON OUTLINED: I. Introducing the New Covenant: Vss. 6-10. II. The Inscription of the New Covenant. Vss. 11-13.

CENTRAL THOUGHT: Under the old dispensation, the priests offered animal sacrifices and material gifts, but Christ, our Mediator presents oblations of redeemed followers.

COMMENTS ON LESSON:

I. Introducing the New Covenant: In the introduction of the New Covenant, we see the suitability of the Lord Jesus to be engaged in the administration of a higher and nobler covenant than that which was established with Israel at Sinai. There were promises attached to the observance of the Mosaic which related to temporal blessings, such as harvests, vintage, and the peace and quiet of the land.

The better covenant is founded upon better promises, and requires a mediator whose character corresponds to the higher institution of Divine grace. And

there was the unsatisfactory result of the former covenant. It was good in itself, and was, as everything which corresponds to the higher purpose of God. But, under this old dispensation there was frequent idolatry, desecration of the temple, injustice, and prevalent corruption. Jeremiah lived to see the carrying away to Babylon, which proved the Divine displeasure against people whose history began with a sublime act of redemption from the bondage and miseries of Egypt. This act should have been an abiding cause of grateful and persevering obedience to him who by signs and wonders had released them from subjection to a cruel power, and exalted them to the dignity of a nation which "was born in a day." While Jeremiah saw the sin and punishment of his people, he found in the promise of a new and better covenant the consolation which sustained his soul, and provided encouragement for many others. The new covenant contains blessings of highest value. Jer. 31: 31-34.

II. The Inscription of the New Covenant: Ewald, a great historian, remarks that in Egyptian temples there were arks, or sacred chests, into which the priests put everything they deemed of the highest value. Jehovah had nothing more precious than his Law, which, being the expression of his righteous will, and for the good of Israel, was placed in the ark of the covenant. While the Law was in the sacred place, the people forgot its claims, worshipped false gods, and were guilty of many transgressions.

The new covenant places the Law in the heart, and thus life becomes a scene of obedience, a cause of sincerity in worship, and by its constant presence preserves believers from offending God, and produces the fruits of righteousness. Paul said, "With the mind I serve the Law of God: and the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death." The relationship which

## The Sadness Of Dr. Lakes Speech

There is something sad in the speech Justice Beverly Lake of the State Supreme Court made to the spring banquet of the Wake Christian Academy. It is sad because it rested on the same foundations of fear and hate and backward looks which marked Dr. Lake's campaign for Governor 10 years ago and six years ago.

Of course, he said the things his audience wanted to hear. He told them that what they are doing in their segregated academy is the right thing, the thing which will "offer to our State her best hope for safe passage through those perils."

Dr. Lake has a perfect right to make such a speech. No one really expected that he would cease it when he took office as a justice of the State Supreme Court, though a good many Tar Hills did hope that his undeniable talents would be spent in better causes once he had donned the robes of the judiciary.

It is instructive to hear what Dr. Lake told the Christian Academy people:

"It has not been easy for you to find the money with which to build and operate your academy in these days of inflation and steadily rising tax burdens. It was far harder to gather together the sheer courage to go ahead with it in the face of the sneers of the press, national television commentators, and professional bureaucrats and, too often occupants of the pulpit... The day is not presently foreseeable when you can send your child to the public schools of North Carolina with the same confidence

and freedom from fear for their physical, mental, moral and spiritual safety with which your parents sent you there. We long for, and shall strive to bring again to North Carolina, public schools to which parents can commit their children's training with such confidence.

"In city after city, the blackboard jungle has replaced the institution of learning, and the undisciplined products of those jungles are now at large upon college and university campuses, disrupting and destroying that which they do not have the knowledge or the intellectual maturity to understand and evaluate."

Dr. Lake named no blackboard jungles in our State. Neither did he remind his audience that the great campuses of this State remained open during the unrest of recent days. Neither did he remark on the undeniable fact that during the past decade North Carolina has made great strides toward providing better education for all the children of this State, not just for some of those children. Neither did he remind his listeners that this vast change has been accomplished by the large in peace and in decency, despite the opposition stirred and fomented by such as he.

Only a return to the days of Jim Crow would truly please those who applaud loudest the Dr. Lakes of our time. North Carolina has come a long way from Jim Crow, and North Carolina should continue in a decent and steady march away from those tragic days.

## Do's And Don'ts



subsists between God and His covenanted people, is suggestive of king and subjects. He, as King, is the glory of the true Israel. He can defend them from assault, can supply all their needs "according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." So, that we can rejoice in him who is our covenant God. We must reveal the character of the government under which we live, and serve the high purposes of God.

We would ask you to consider the immense testimony of the human spirit in all ages, and, in particular, the unmistakable impact of Jesus Christ. We must agree, at the outset that, the Christian Gospel has secular meaning. The Bible is, in one sense, a thoroughly secular book. It is not full of abstract phrases concerning a world of spirit, but of concrete facts and living people of the secular world. But from beginning to end it insists that this secular world that it takes so seriously is the creation of, and is completely dependent upon, a living God. The secular is the vehicle of the sacred. In, beyond, and through this world we know, we reach the world of the holy, the transcendent world of God. And, in the New Testament, the Word from the divine becomes flesh, so that men here and now "behold his glory." That, we must know, is still the radiant possibility for which we stand.

### SIDELIGHTS ON LESSON:

Christ And His Word  
Against the backdrop of our secularistic society, we would ask you to consider the immense testimony of men who have entered into the spirit and practice of Christ's "New Commandment," the edict of love, that sets a new norm for brotherly relations, and tends to bring men into a vital and helpful embrace that can lead them into the Kingdom of God.

## Things You Should Know

Gabriel PROSSER



... THE SLAVE FROM VA. WHO FELT A "DIVINE CALL" TO DELIVER HIS PEOPLE. WITH HIS BROTHER MARTIN AND JACK BOWLER, HE ORGANIZED ALMOST 40,000 SLAVES TO REBEL AND ATTACK RICHMOND ON AUG. 30, 1800! ONE SLAVE FOLLOWER BETRAYED HIM & THE PLAN FAILED; MANY WERE HANGED ON THE SPOT. HE WAS CAUGHT LATER & PUBLICLY HANGED ON OCTOBER 3rd OF THAT YEAR.

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