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THE MILITANT FUNDAMENTALISTS

(From the Charlotte News)

The only lamentable phase of the announcement that the Fundamentalist movement is to become vocalized and made more militant in the State, with the launching here May 4th of a campaign throughout the State, to "preserve the integrity of the Christian Bible," is the assumption that such a campaign is necessary.

Any war is justified only according to the extent and dimension of the evil which precipitates it.

The battle of the Fundamentalists will, likewise, become vindicated because it has been pitched for the elimination of what is popularly conceded to be the modern Goliath in the world of religion—the attempt to geologize and botanize this thing of Christian conviction and faith.

Able churchmen of North Carolina have concluded that the rearing of this evil of unbelief in the State is so conspicuous at this time that a crusade against it is not only timely, but imperative.

They would be moral as well as religious cowards if believing this to be the case, they should sit supinely by and watch the spread of a sinister contagion.

We have no fault to find with them. They shall have whatever feeble support this newspaper is able to afford them to the end that their strivings, so long as they are conducted in sanity and tolerance and good judgment, are directed against what must be commonly conceived to be about the most destructive and vitiating device that could be conceived in the councils of hell for the destruction not merely of the religious concepts of the people, but their social moorings and their morals as well.

If there is any one thing that will hold a people, a government, together, it is faith in the fact of God. If there is one thing, above the many others, that will tear down the whole structure of our government, bring to naught all that has ever been done to promote the cause of morality and leave a world religionless, it is to divest a man of his faith in the responsibility of God for this world of ours.

That gone, and everything else packs up and goes with it.

The Fundamentalist movement that is arising at this time is directed, specifically, at the teaching in the colleges of the State of any theory that is out of conformity with the inspired claims of the Word of God having to do either with the calling of creation into order or with the destinies of the human soul.

Evidently, the place to attack the wave of this new unbelief, or this old unbelief that is breaking forth with new venom in these days, is in the seats of learning. It is here that it gets in its most diabolic work and does its greatest piece of destruction.

Certainly, in a State like North Carolina, a non-Christian college is incongruous and intolerable.

Therefore, it is wise and imperative that we set out with a clear notion as to what it is that constitutes a Christian college and strive that those in this State should measure up to these commonly accepted standards.

And the first requisite of a Christian college—we are not talking about a Church college, nor any school that goes through the motion merely of living up to a Christian profession, either in curricula or in personnel of instructors—but the first requisite of a Christian

college is to assume God as the basic concept of all its teaching. "In the beginning, God." That is the way the Bible sets out and that is the way education in a Christian college must set it out without quivering or squirming.

And no college can qualify as being Christian that does not attempt to find Truth from between the lids of the Holy Book, rather than in rocks and trees and in the laboratories.

Whatever else an institution must do or must not do in order to qualify as Christian, it must not rock the boat of Revelation. And the folks of North Carolina are not going to stand for any other sort of an institution of learning that is not, primarily and fundamentally, Christian.

JIM CROW LAW ATTACKED

Inter-Racial Commission Director Causes Stir in Convention.

Birmingham, Ala., April 17.—Jim crow laws of the South are unjust and should be repealed in the opinion of Dr. Will Alexander, of Atlanta, Ga., expressed today before the Interdenominational Young Men's Conference, in session here.

Dr. Alexander declared it was unjust for the white majority to discriminate against the Negro minority, and called attention to the "inconvenience experienced by Negro travelers who do not have smoking car and Pullman privileges, and who are forced to ride in such dangerous places as the front coaches of trains afford."

Dr. Alexander said that Negroes were ruled against not only in matters of travel, but also in education, housing conditions, in the courts and social affairs.

"The courts of the South," said the speaker, "do not find white men guilty of crime upon the testimony of Negroes." He added:

"A country which does not protect every individual by law will ultimately become an unsafe country in which to live.

"Every person, regardless of race," he said, "should have every opportunity for advancement of powers which are within them."

Dr. Alexander said that Richmond's population was 32 per cent Negro, "and yet only 5 per cent of the territory of that city was allotted to the race."

Statistics were quoted at length purporting to show that many States were discriminating against the Negro in the distribution of public school funds.

Dr. Alexander is director of the Commission on Interracial Co-Operation.

"Do you believe in the repeal of the Jim Crow Law?" asked some one in the audience when Dr. Alexander had concluded.

"I believe in the repeal of unjust laws, and it is unjust," replied Dr. Alexander.

Another question asked: "Do you think that educated Negroes are more hostile to whites than uneducated Negroes?"

Dr. Alexander replied: "Naturally, as the mind is cultivated one sees more clearly the injustice done."

"Do you believe in segregation?" another asked.

"My time is up, I shall answer that later," said the speaker.

Dr. Alexander said that he did not advocate intermarriage. "That is not necessary to a Christian solution of the problem," he declared.

"Jesus taught respect for personality," Dr. Alexander asserted.

Continuing, he said: "The

final rule by which personality will be judged is not by race, but by character. That race will be supreme which is most capable of being Christlike. Being a true Christian is to wish every race to have the fullest possible advancement of which it is possible."

CALVARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, WILSON.

Fifty Members Added During Past Year and \$3600 Raised.

The Calvary Presbyterian church, Wilson, closed a very successful year April 1st. At the beginning of the year certain goals were set. The members have worked with unremitting toil to push forward the program of the church. It is gratifying to note that the goals have been attained. All departments of the church have functioned well and bid fair to exceed the record this new year.

The record shows that there were 56 additions during the year. Thirty-two of these belong to the younger group. There were 24 baptisms.

The church contributed for all purposes more than \$3600. Of this amount the Sunday school, under the leadership of Prof. S. H. Vick, contributed \$330, and the Missionary Society, under the leadership of Mrs. O. N. Freeman, contributed \$899. More than the benevolent quota has been paid to the various boards.

THE SCRIBE.

LAURA STREET CHURCH, NOTES JACKSONVILLE.

By Mrs. B. S. Harris.

Sunday morning, April 11th, we listened to a very interesting sermon by our pastor, Dr. E. J. Gregg, from St. John 2:7, subject: "Jesus' First Miracle." As Jesus said, Fill the waterpots, and they were filled to the brim, so must every Christian life be filled to its capacity. All capacities are not alike. God created us to be filled up to our capacity. If you sow sparingly, you shall reap sparingly; half-full of love, half full of service, and half full of giving. The Communion of the Lord's Supper was administered.

On Wednesday, the 74th inst., we held our congregational meeting. Almost every member of the church was present. The first half hour was spent in praise service.

The pastor spoke for a short while from I Cor. 12:12, subject, "Union in the Church and Sympathy One for the Other."

The business of the church followed. There were reports of the different boards and auxiliaries of the church. Each showed an advancement over the last year's report.

After the business meetings a delicious salad course was served, followed by an ice course in pink, white and chocolate.

Our delegate to the meeting of Presbytery at Ft. Pierce, Fla., gave a very interesting and encouraging report. Goodwill Second is doing excellent work. Our pastor, Dr. E. J. Gregg, is the ministerial delegate from Presbytery to the General Assembly.

Our Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. F. M. Morton, Thursday 8. The subject was "Prayer." Three interesting papers were read and discussed by the members. A delicious salad course was served, followed by cream and cake.

Rev. S. Q. Mitchell, of Selden Institute, Brunswick, Ga., spent a while enroute to Presbytery at Ft. Pierce, Fla., with Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Harris, 1775 Evergreen Ave.

NEGRO'S NATIONAL PROBLEMS TO BE DISCUSSED AT N. A. A. C. P. CHICAGO CONFERENCE.

National problems affecting every phase of the Negro's life in America will be discussed at the 17th Annual Conference in Chicago, this June, of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, it was announced today. James Weldon Johnson, N. A. A. C. P. Secretary, in outlining the Conference plans, said:

"Each successive Conference of the N. A. A. C. P. in past years has shown an increase in significance and in the influence exerted on public opinion. The Conference began with small groups which could hardly get a public hearing. The last two Spring Conferences of the N. A. A. C. P., in Philadelphia and Denver, were fully reported by the local newspapers which gave between thirty and fifty feet of news space to each Conference. And the chief news gathering agencies, especially the Associated Press, sent reports of the proceedings throughout the country.

"Chicago is in every respect an ideal convention city. It is accessible to colored people from every part of the United States, especially to those from the Mississippi Valley States. We hope to make the Chicago Conference of the N. A. A. C. P. an event that will impress the whole country. We hope to show not only the increasing solidarity of sentiment and of power among Negroes; but we shall proclaim the Negro's cultural contributions to American life and emphasize his achievement in the presentation of the Spingarn Medal.

"The main aim of the N. A. A. C. P. Conference will be, of course, the fundamental citizenship rights of the Negro. Segregation, which is being fought on many fronts, in many cities, will be thoroughly discussed both by delegates and by attorneys nationally famous, like Clarence Darrow. Moreover, mob violence, lynching, denial of court justice, deprivation of the right to vote will again be called firmly to the attention of the entire nation.

"The N. A. A. C. P. hopes that everyone who can possibly come, will attend the Chicago Conference from June 23 to 30. The local Committee are making preparations for the comfort and entertainment of all delegates and visitors. Those planning to come should communicate at the earliest opportunity with Walter White, Assistant Secretary, N. A. A. C. P., 69 Fifth Avenue, New York."

FEE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE DOINGS.

By Lena Mae Guess, '27

Principal McNair, Rev. Hyde, Mrs. McNair, Mrs. Hyde and Miss Nina Mae Henry, of the Second Year Normal class, have just returned from the meeting of Lincoln Presbytery in Louisville, and report a grand meeting.

Principal H. W. McNair, Miss Kinchlow, our music teacher, and the Quartet made a flying trip to Lancaster, Ky., on Tuesday, where the Quartet sang before Transylvania Presbytery. The Quartet under Miss Kinchlow made a good showing and the members of the Transylvania Presbytery were elated with the splendid singing of the Quartet. The floor above was reserved for colored people. So well did our girls sing that the ministers present from Berea College made an engagement with the Quartet to sing at Berea College. The address made by Rev. McNair was

asked to be put in writing that the students of Berea College in Sociology might use the material.

The girls have divided themselves into squads known as "The Campus Cleaning Band." Each squad has been given a certain part of the campus to keep sanitary. Much rivalry is being demonstrated.

Fee has more applicants on the waiting list than she has ever had before.

The speakers for the Junior Prize are busy preparing to compete for the annual medal. The speakers are Misses Lena Mae Guess, Eddie Mae Harris, Mary F. Mitchell, Winston Miller, Cleo Ramseur and Ida Belle West. From all indications Fee will soon take her place as one of the progressive schools of the Church. There is no city as proud of its Negro school as Nicholasville is of Fee. This applies to both races.

Nicholasville will have free mail delivery after the first of May. Fee helped to bring this condition about. The city fathers have changed our Street from Harrodsburg to Maple. Our school is now located on East Maple.

NEGROES LAUNCH SHARP PROTEST.

Appeal Made to Interracial Committee at Greensboro.

(From The Charlotte Observer)

Greensboro, April 20.—Negroes attending the meeting here today of the North Carolina Inter-Racial Committee, vigorously protested against facilities of transportation for Negroes in the State. They launched specific objection against alleged lack of separate toilet facilities for the men and women at times; use of wooden coaches for women; practice of white men riding in Negro coaches and using them for smoking cars, thus depriving Negroes of seats in crowded cars; practice of white employees of railroads making use of seats in Negro coaches.

The Negroes in the committee meeting rose in a sort of "experience meeting" when the report of the committee on transportation was given. Among those testifying to alleged bad transportation conditions was a woman.

A committee was appointed to take the matter up with the railroad officials and see what can be done about it. This committee wants the practices corrected, wants busses to provide seats for Negroes and wants Negroes promptly waited on when they purchase tickets. It was stated that in some cases Negroes were left at the stations because they could not purchase tickets in time.

Dr. W. C. Jackson, Vice-President of North Carolina College for Women, was elected chairman of the committee for the ensuing year. E. D. Yoht, Greensboro, was elected secretary-treasurer; W. D. Robinson, Salisbury, assistant secretary-treasurer; and Miss Clara Cox, High Point, Vice-chairman.

Reports were made today on health work, a representative of the State Board of Health telling of examination of Negro school children and declaring that the board will carry the health service of the State to the Negro population. If the death rate among Negroes is higher than among whites it is because of economic conditions, it was said.

Dr. W. L. Poteat, President of Wake Forest College, presided over the session, which adjourned this afternoon.

Miss Kate Burr Johnson,

State Commissioner of Public Welfare and Charities, told of the work done for Negroes, spoke of better conditions but of great need of improvement. The committee on housing reported and said an appeal is necessary to the business interests in order to secure relief.

ST. JAMES CHURCH GREENSBORO

By Mrs. S. W. Carter.

Sunday morning, Rev. H. C. Miller spoke from Luke 23:39-43, subject, "The Three Crosses." The speaker told of the Cross of Bitterness; the Cross of Repentance; the Cross of Sacrifice, etc. There were three accessions and four baptisms at the conclusion of the sermon.

The Sunday school was back to normal yesterday, all officers and teachers being at their posts. Up and Doing Class retains the financial banner, while Earnest Workers' Class holds the banner for number present.

Mrs. H. C. Miller motored to Charlotte Saturday in company with Rev. J. E. McMillan and Mrs. John R. Baker.

The attendance at the Hannah church Sunday afternoon was unusually large. Communion was administered and the congregation voted to ordain Mr. J. L. McLean, an elder, and Mr. Fowlkes a deacon the 3rd Sabbath in May.

Mrs. J. H. Clement was a visitor at the church and Sunday school yesterday.

Now that the Presbytery is over St. James turns her attention to the installation of pews. These are to arrive in a few weeks together with a pulpit outfit.

Rev. L. B. West and Dr. C. J. Baker were visitors to Yadkin Presbytery.

Rev. L. A. Yates has worked up a new church at Burlington with forty odd persons to be in the organization. Rev. Yates is an energetic worker who puts things over. More is to be written about this organization.

WORK SCARCE IN THE NORTH.

Urban League Sounds Warning

New York City, April 17th.—The Industrial Relations Department of the National Urban League acting on reports from local secretaries and advisors throughout the country, calls attention to the scarcity of work in the North. Here and there may be found, small cities in which the colored man or woman may find employment, but both the large and small cities to which Negroes have been accustomed to go are plentifully supplied with laborers. Especially is this true of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, St. Louis, Kansas City, Youngstown, Buffalo, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Newark, and Hartford, Conn.

The general unsettled labor conditions in the East are aggravated by strikes which cause more unemployment than is usual at this time of year. It is estimated that in New York City alone 250,000 men and women are on strike.

To those who are planning to come North at this period of the year when newcomers usually leave their homes in the South, the League advises careful selection in order not to be disappointed in securing work. This suggestion seems wise in view of the number of applicants from the South seeking work above the Mason-Dixon line.