



James Horne: "Some people are blind mentally and spiritually. We need to be more intellectual."

## Chronicle Profile

### Blind Man Says

#### "Why See It"

James A. Horne is blind but he is not handicapped. He is, in his words, an amateur philosopher, historian, poet and world analyst. He reads from 20 to 40 books per month. His pen name is Flavius Totellus Antianinus and he is a very colorful man.

Horne moves around in his dark environment with a great deal of ease. He can do this, he said, because of facial vision. "This is a blind man's way of telling how far away or close he is to something," he said. It comes naturally but must be developed. "You develop it as you go along."

Horne reads braille but most of his reading is done by means of talking books. "It's like a long playing record," he said. "Someone reads to us and we have everything from Mickey Spillane to the Bible."

His real love is ancient history. That's how he picked up his pen name. His favorite people were the ancient Romans. The name comes from three historical persons. Flavius was a general who fought at the battle of Massada in Judea. Totellus was governor of Judea in A.D. 62 and Antianinus was Marcus Aurelius Antianinus, emperor of truth, Horne explained.

From studying such philosophers as Socrates, Plato and Plutarch, he developed his philosophies. One of which is "Seek ye first that which is intellectual and you will be able to enjoy other things better." He uses as an example love and lust.

"Love is devoting one's heart & mind to another," he said quite emphatically. "While lust is simply looking at the flesh...looking with the eyes and not the mind."

Horne likens America's lifestyle to that of the ancient Romans. "Our government, from federal to local, has been contaminated by the disease of lust." He cites the recent sex scandals on capitol hill and the current alleged activities of the local police department as supporting evidence.

"It's a serious problem," Horne warns. "Unless we change we are going to destroy ourselves like the Romans did. In that day as in this one, pleasure is foremost in our minds." The answer? "Go back to God."

Although this 34-year-old native of Winston-Salem is blind he says it is not difficult to see what is really happening in the world today. He claims to be a world analyst. "I can analyze and interpret all world happenings," he claims rather assuredly. "Take the Olympic games for example."

"The African nations pulled out. This means that the Third World nations are going to buck. They're saying that they're tired of being pushed around. They are going to buck with their natural resources such as gold, diamonds and oil. The darker worlds are coming to the forefront and there is going to be a battle for these resources."

Horne argues that some people are blind physically like himself, but there are some who are blind mentally. "They are blind mentally and spiritually," he said. "I see with my mind's eye." In addition he says he really does not want to see the world from a physical standpoint.

"I hear of the cruelty, hate, degradation and violence...Why see it?"

## Dear Liz'

### Try Just Being Yourself

Dear Liz,

I am sixteen years of age and I have lived the life of a thirty year old lady. I have done everything and now I feel as if I have nothing to look forward to in my life. How can I get a new hold on life?

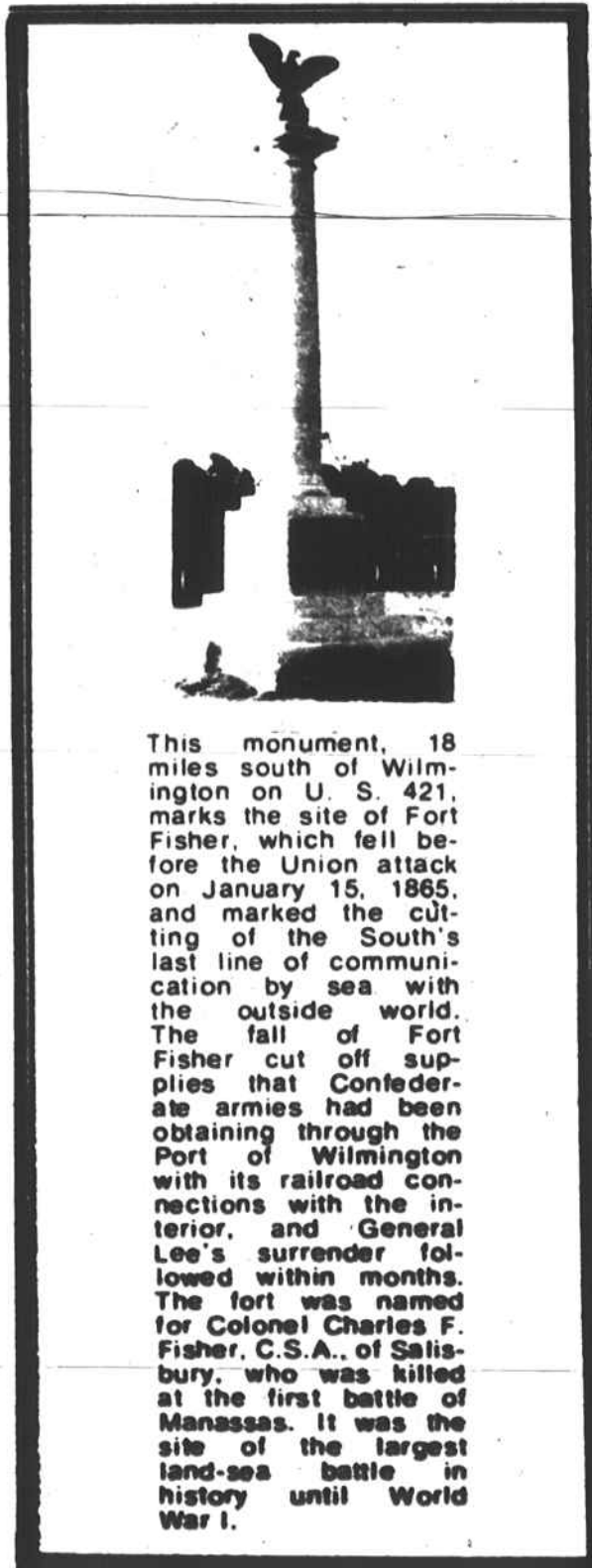
Help Needed

Dear Needed,

Try living the life you have never lived before, your age. You might enjoy it.

Dear Liz,

I lead a double life. I am one



This monument, 18 miles south of Wilmington on U. S. 421, marks the site of Fort Fisher, which fell before the Union attack on January 15, 1865, and marked the cutting of the South's last line of communication by sea with the outside world. The fall of Fort Fisher cut off supplies that Confederate armies had been obtaining through the Port of Wilmington with its railroad connections with the interior, and General Lee's surrender followed within months. The fort was named for Colonel Charles F. Fisher, C.S.A., of Salisbury, who was killed at the first battle of Manassas. It was the site of the largest land-sea battle in history until World War I.

way in the presence of one girl and another in the presence of my lover. I am tired of this type of life. How can I change it?

Disgusted

Dear Disgusted,

Try just being yourself.

Dear Liz,

I am pregnant for the tenth (10th) time and I have never been married. I hate birth

control pills because they make me sick but I love sex. How do I get the will power to stop having sex.

Frustrated

Dear Frustrated,

Check with your doctor about some other method of birth control. You might even consider a hysterectomy since you have had enough children for four (4) families.

## ASTRO-DESTINY

<b>ARIES</b> Mar. 21 - Apr. 19	Great things can be done. Don't be overly cautious when it comes to voicing your opinion.
<b>TAURUS</b> Apr. 20 - May 20	You'll be noticed by those who matter. Keep your best foot forward, and you can go far.
<b>GEMINI</b> May 21 - June 20	You're in need of advice this week. Older folks will be of help, you have to give them a chance.
<b>CANCER</b> June 21 - July 22	Make the most of this week. Read that book you have wanted to; see that movie, but don't vegetate.
<b>LEO</b> July 23 - Aug. 22	The time has come to clean up the loose ends in your life. A clean sweep can do wonders.
<b>VIRGO</b> Aug. 23 - Sept. 22	You deserve some time to yourself, even if it's only a walk around the block. Clear the cobwebs.
<b>LIBRA</b> Sept. 23 - Oct. 22	It's pretty much of the same thing this week. No unusual events, but that in itself is a relief.
<b>SCORPIO</b> Oct. 23 - Nov. 21	Real estate transactions seem a bit heavy now. Are you thinking about a new location?
<b>SAGITTARIUS</b> Nov. 22 - Dec. 21	Always doing things your way can bring about dis-sension among fellow workers. Don't insist on it.
<b>CAPRICORN</b> Dec. 22 - Jan. 19	A good deal of thought should go into your future plans. A crossroad is coming up and a decision will be required.
<b>AQUARIUS</b> Jan. 20 - Feb. 18	If you have the time and the money, it would be an excellent time to get away for a short trip.
<b>PISCES</b> Feb. 19 - Mar. 20	It's possible that you have caused some hard feelings unknowingly. Don't hesitate to make amends.

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