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Students Win Honors

Both the publication of a newspaper and Warren County can be frustrating at times, but both have their bright moments. One of these bright moments comes with announcements of honors won by Warren County school children.

An unusual high honor came to Warren County schools last Saturday when students took top honors in the district science fair held at Durham. Sixteen counties are in this district and the Warren schools won more awards than any other county represented.

Education is much more than the acquiring of knowledge. Of prime importance is the ability to apply knowledge. The exhibits in four white schools of the county during the recent science fairs show that parti-

cipating students have learned much about the scientific facts of the world and more important have learned to apply this knowledge.

Older citizens of the county who attended the schools of the past must have been deeply impressed by the scope of teaching and the ability of the students as they witnessed the biological and physical science exhibits. Had the students won no district honors their participation in the local school fairs reflected credit upon themselves and their schools and the cause of quality education. That they won in district competition is an added credit.

The students, their parents and their schools can take just pride in a job well done and we offer them all our sincere congratulations.

Another Opponent

In a recent article by Virginius Dabney, editor of The Richmond Times Dispatch, in Harper's Magazine he listed the six outstanding universities of the South. They are Tulane, the University of Virginia, Vanderbilt, The University of Texas, Duke University and the University of North Carolina. We should take pride that two of the six are in North Carolina.

Dabney sketched pertinent facts about each of the universities. In his sketch about the University of North Carolina he commented that it was ironic that the Legislature had inflicted upon the University a "Pernicious" gag law. Thus this distinguished man of letters joins a growing list of distinguished men condemning this law.

A few days ago we talked with an honor student of Duke Univer-

sity. We were naturally flattered to learn from him that a recent editorial concerning the cooperation between Duke and Carolina had won a place of honor on the main bulletin board of that school. We were even more pleased to learn that our editorial efforts to have the Gag Law repealed met with his commendation.

Duke as a private school is not affected by the Gag Law and the President of that great institution has stated that he wanted Duke students to be exposed to all shades of opinions. Evidently he has more confidence in the youth of North Carolina than has the North Carolina Legislature. We know that students of the University of North Carolina feel a sense of shame that their school is afflicted by this law and that educators know the school is being damaged. To learn that Duke students also oppose this law and its implications gives hope that ultimately this truly pernicious law will be removed from our statute books.

NEWS OF FIVE, TEN, 25 YEARS AGO

Looking Backward Into The Record

April 1, 1960

Bill Humphries, agricultural editor of The News and Observer, will be the guest speaker at a meeting of the Inez Community Club Monday night.

Linda Stegall was chosen as the Norlina FFA Chapter Sweetheart in a recent run-off election with Ann Edwards.

Clearing of the reservoir for Gaston Lake will start in May, VEPCO officials announced this week.

Dr. Sam H. Massey, Warrenton dentist, has filed for a seat on the Warren County Board of Education.

April 1, 1955

B. G. White, former Warren County Service Officer, has been appointed chairman of the American Cancer Crusade for Warren County.

A map of a proposed new route for Highway 1 has been posted by the Highway Commission on the bulletin board in the Warren County Courthouse.

The engagement of Miss Clara Lena Bruiser to Dr. Wesley Dayton of St. Louis, Mo., has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bruiser.

A Civil Air Patrol Air Show will be held at Henderson on Sunday afternoon, A. C. Fair, CAP Lt. Commander, announced yesterday.

March 29, 1940

The John Graham High School Band and Glee Club will compete in a district music contest in Raleigh today.

Lee Gravelly of Rocky Mount, candidate for Governor, will address the members of the Norlina Junior Order on Monday night.

Master Owen Robertson, Jr., celebrated his fourth birthday at a party on Tuesday afternoon.

Lady golfers of Warrenton will oppose Wilson here next Wednesday afternoon in the first league match of the season.

Good Advice From Negro College President

The Smithfield Herald
The right of people to assemble and demonstrate peacefully—in protest against social, economic, or political conditions—is one of the fundamental rights guaranteed by the U. S. Constitution. And Negroes have made effective use of demonstrations in their struggle to become full citizens, free from the enslaving racial discriminations. But demonstrations alone will not make the Negro free and equal "in reality" as well as "in proclamation," as the president of Shaw University emphasized in a profoundly significant speech before a Johnston County Negro organization in Smithfield Monday night.

The brilliant young Shaw president, Dr. James E. Cheek, expressed some views which are not popular among many Negro protest leaders and followers. He spoke of the responsibilities which Negroes themselves have in overcoming low aims, rising above mediocrity, and attaining standards of excellence in various areas of living.

When a white segregationist admonishes the Negro to become more responsible and improve himself, the motivation behind the admonition is suspect. Negroes protesting against discrimination understandably resent advice about "responsibility" from persons who have no sympathy for their aspiring to full citizenship. But no Negro who honestly promotes the "Negro cause" should resent the advice which Dr. Cheek has given. The president of Shaw rejoices in the gains which Negroes have made in their struggle for civil rights. Still, the president of Shaw is a wise leader who sees that neither the Civil Rights Act of 1964 nor the proposed Voting Rights Act of 1965 will make the Negro free "in reality."

In his Smithfield address, Dr. Cheek sought to inspire Negroes to harness their economic resources and make contributions to the development of business and industry in their communities. He challenged Johnston County Negroes to make better use of their educational opportunities, to be intelligent in their exercise of the suffrage right, to transform their churches into institutions that teach "self-improvement, child care, self-respect, self-dignity, industriousness, thrift—rather than some sentimental interpretation of the Gospel with its sights on heaven and none on earth."

The worst of the tragic effects of segregation and discrimination, Dr. Cheek said, "has been the development in us of a sense of inferiority. We have been told so long that we are inferior that we believed it ourselves." Then Dr. Cheek chided: "Feeling that we don't count for very much, we don't accept standards of mediocrity for standards of excellence. We have contented ourselves with getting by rather than achieving."

Let no white person misinterpret what Dr. Cheek has emphasized. The irresponsibility or the mediocrity of many Negroes does not justify racial discrimination—the withholding of citizenship rights from the Negro race. If this is the test, citizenship rights would have to be withheld from the white race also, for many members of the white race are guilty to irresponsibility and mediocrity.

But the Negro people just now will greatly help their civil rights struggle along if they heed the advice which Dr. Cheek has given. Demonstrations will never be an adequate substitute for industriousness, genuine

learning, and high ambition in both moral and material realms. Without these virtues no members of any race can achieve the good life, no matter how many constitutional guarantees are proclaimed and enforced for human benefit.

Beginners Day To Be Held At Mariam Boyd

Beginners Day for Students who will be in the first grade at Mariam Boyd School next year is scheduled for Monday, April 5, Kenneth Brinson, John Graham principal, announced yesterday.

Brinson said that children who will start school next year and their parents are requested to come to Mariam Boyd School at 9 a. m. that day. First grade teachers will care for the children while school officials help the parents register the beginners.

Parents should bring the following information:

1. Child's birth certificate if the child was not born in Warren County. (In order to begin school next year, the child must be six years of age or before Oct. 16, 1965).

2. Immunization Record — Child must have had inoculations for Whooping Cough, Diphtheria, Tetanus, Poliomyelitis, and Smallpox. These are required by law. If you have a complete record, please bring

it with you. If you do not have this record, please check with your doctor. Inoculations will be provided at the Health Center on May 19.

3. Record of Physical Examination—Each child should have a physical examination. Your doctor has the necessary forms for you to bring to the school. These forms will be given to you at the Beginners Day meeting if you have not acquired them by that time.

The Pre-School Clinic will be held at the Warren County Health Center on May 19. Inoculations and Physical Examinations will be given at that time. The Health Center can accommodate only a few children. It is requested that parents have these services provided by their family doctors if at all possible.

sible. Brinson said it is hoped that parents of all school beginners will attend the Beginners Day with their children. A visit to the school by the beginning school child will be helpful to the child, he said. Also, the early registration of students will eliminate problems for students, parents, and teachers on the first day of school next fall. "Please pass this information on to any parent who has a child who should enter Mariam Boyd School next year," Brinson said. "We need the names of all children, their parents' names, and their addresses prior to April 5. Please send this information to the school as soon as possible. We would appreciate any information that you could send us concerning other children who should attend this program."

The first grade classes of the 1964-65 school year will not attend school on April 5 in order that their teachers may be free to work with the Beginners Day program.

When the office efficiency expert died, six of his employees were asked to serve as pallbearers. That night, one dreamed that as they carried the casket down the aisle, the deceased suddenly sat up. When the man related his dream to the others, one asked: "Did he say anything?" "He sure did!" exclaimed the dreamer. "He said that if we'd put rollers on the casket, he could have fired five men!"



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Rude Awakening

The Chapel Hill Weekly
For those in Chapel Hill and elsewhere who have been coasting along on the assumption that the new network of community colleges will soon ease the enrollment bind in the Consolidated University, there seems to be a rude shock in store.

Ralph E. Fadum, Dean of Engineering of N. C. State, believes that instead of lightening UNC's load, the community colleges will make the Consolidated University's enrollment problem all the greater.

"Let us not deceive ourselves," Dr. Fadum said last week, "into thinking that the community college will take the enrollment burdens off the University." Instead, he predicted, the community colleges will interest "Many young people in getting degrees who never would have sought degrees before."

Most of those who enroll in community colleges and complete two years of higher education will not be content to stop there. They will be looking for places to continue, and considerably more than half of them will be looking straight at the branches of the Consolidated University.

Unless a vast expansion program in the Consolidated University is begun now, most of those coming out of community colleges will find themselves banging vainly on closed doors.

In light of present conditions and what is in store, it seems almost inconceivable that the Legislature would refuse to take significant action.

A Little Child Shall Teach Them

N. C. Education Magazine

A mother heard her 5-year-old boy screaming in the playground and when she ran in, she found the baby pulling her son's hair.

"Never mind," she tried to comfort the small boy, "Your baby sister doesn't understand that it hurts you."

The mother hadn't been out of the room but a minute when more shrieks sent her running back. This time the baby was crying.

"What's the matter with the baby?" she asked the boy.

"Nothing much," he replied calmly. "Only now she knows."

Follow me know put down an area code instead of a zip code. His letter was delivered to a phone booth. —Chasing Times.



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