

HE LIKES LAKE, SAYS NEGROES DO, TOO!

To the Editor:

I am sure that your wonderful intellect and remarkable abilities have placed you in the forefront of those who are defending the individual rights of the majority of the people of the county and the state, and that you have followed through by casting your support to Dr. I. Beverly Lake in his campaign for the governor's chair.

Good!

But, I would appreciate the opportunity of expressing to you why I, vastly more limited than yourself, am supporting him.

He has been the only one of the candidates who has made open and positive statements as to his positions on the many controversial issues facing the state.

This is challenged by some. The statement stands, for the others have qualified their statements to allow them to change at a moment's notice to the other side of the political fence. Not Mr. Lake. He is committed . . . win, lose or draw.

This Christian, Biblically-sound, American leader has been honest enough to face all the issues that are important to the people of the state. That is: the working man and woman whose taxes keep The Spenders going.

I appreciate the changing attitude of the colored people in this section of the state, also. The mature colored person is thinking for himself and will vote accordingly. I don't agree with those out-of-state "managers" who have stated they will deliver the colored "bloc" vote to the candidate featured in pictures and posters before a "red" background.

They may have the colored people so brain-washed in other sections. But, these around here are not. Other than the young, immature gangs following any group for the "kicks" and excitement, I think, more and more, they are going to vote as individuals.

The swell of Dr. Lake's popularity among the colored should not surprise anyone. Everyone appreciates a man who is clear and to the point about his convictions. Then all know they will be able to depend upon him. They will have the confidence that they will know where he will stand on all issues which relate to our posture before the nations of the world.

Finally, I appreciate the stand Dr. Lake has taken on the so-called "Speaker Ban Law." I understand that there are some over your way who think it should be repealed. Anything to that?

There are other reasons. I'll tell them to you later. In the meantime it is good to know you and I think alike on the matter.

Sincerely yours,
E. T. Iseley

Route 2, Mebane

(Editor's Note: Mr. Iseley's tribute to the intellect and ability of this un-worthy and un-deserving editor are nonetheless humbly appreciated. Mr. Iseley's eloquent statement in behalf of candidate Lake, however, does not speak for the editor. However well-intentioned may be Mr. Iseley's comments, he is, unfortunately too presumptuous and in error in declaring that the Editor of The News supports the candidacy of Lake. The News has, in fact, editorialized in the past in opposition to candidate Lake on certain issues.)

Notepad

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lost in the last few days. Watch Lake, they warn, especially in the last period before balloting on May 30. That's when the red herrings and race-baiting and "Blood on the Old Well" can be expected, they say.

Preyer intends to win the nomination in the first primary and he's got a good leg toward this goal, it is agreed. But nary an editor would give him the real expectation of doing this. And they harkened back warily to the 1950 Graham-Smith senate campaign which Graham lost after leading Smith 50,000 votes in the first primary.

MOORE, PREYER IN RUN-OFF . . .

The talk on this score flowed freely and the logic went this way: Opinion was near unanimous that Moore and Preyer would be in a second primary, and that Moore would get most of the Lake votes. One minority opinion voiced suggestion that Preyer could get these Lake votes because the Lakers would want to vote for a "winner" and that those who didn't would be apathetic in the wake of their candidate's demise.

There you have the essence of it all—an un-paralleled view of the future. If results bear it out the brilliance of the seers will be vindicated. If they don't you'll no doubt not hear another word about it.

Politicians and textbooks

(Editorial in The Greensboro Daily News)

Dr. I. Beverly Lake is again advocating the "re-examination" of public school textbooks, which leaves him open to two pertinent questions:

Does the good doctor know that the N. C. Textbook Commission is constantly "re-examining" the state's public school textbooks?

Is he advocating that individuals other than qualified educators—that is, politicians—should take over the job of textbook selection?

Greensboro's School Superintendent Phil Weaver is currently chairman of the N. C. Textbook Commission. Among its membership are similarly conscientious educators from all parts of North Carolina. They take their responsibility seriously.

The philosophy that textbook selection should be snatched from the hands of professional educators and made the tool of politicians

is as old as history. It is dangerous, too, because if one politician wants history slanted one way, the next one may want it slanted another. We have seen too much of this recently in totalitarian governments.

Textbook selection is best left to those who have no political motivation and whose dedication responds to other principles.

Face up to civil rights issue

(Editorial in The Smithfield Herald)

"You can't legislate morals" is an old saying that has a great deal of validity. Just now we are hearing the phrase repeated by opponents of the Civil Rights Bill before Congress.

The old saying really is not relevant to the Civil Rights issue. The case for the Civil Rights Bill does not rest upon any belief that its passage will somehow make us all good Christians or humanitarians or morally sound creatures who wouldn't dare discriminate against any person on account of his race or color.

But this is not to say that the Civil Rights Bill now pending should be passed without amendments.

The bill should be debated thoroughly and honestly. Advocates should be given ample time in which to argue and clarify the case for the legislation. Opponents should be given equal time to state their objections to all or parts of the bill. Of course, deliberate debate is in order—but not filibuster. Within a reasonable time, this spring, debate should end. Congress should come to the moment of decision. And the people of the nation should abide by the decision, as long as it remains the will of Congress and the law of the land.



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for the purpose of electing a precinct committee of five (5) and delegates to the County Convention

Precincts will meet at the following hours:

1:30 P.M.—Caldwell, Carr, Cedar Grove, Cole's Store, Orange Grove, Patterson, St. Mary's, Tolar's and White Cross.

3:00 P.M. — Cameron Park, Carrboro Northside, Carrboro Southside, Cheeks, Country Club, Dogwood Acres, East Franklin, Efland, Estes Hills, Glenwood, Hillsboro, Kings Mill, Northside, University, West Hillsboro and Westwood.

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