

Kinston's 4th Bank Opens Last Thursday



"Miss North Carolina" looks on as M. F. Allen Jr. recounts history of gold-handled shears which have been used at ribbon-cutting ceremonies for 25 branches of First National Bank of Eastern North Carolina, including Pollockville in 1964. Allen is president of the \$80-million bank which last Thursday opened its 25th branch with ceremonies in Kinston. At left is Ronald G. Hodge, former assistant manager of the Jacksonville office, who will manage the new Kinston operation.

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DAILY OKLAHOMAN

Government by Decree

One possible explanation for the people's deepening sense of frustration is their realization that the federal government increasingly is falling into the hands of the elective process and therefore not responsive to it.

The people now are governed not so much by enacted statutes as by directives and regulations flowing in ever-widening torrents from federal administrative agencies operating under broad grants of authority conferred on them by Congress.

Government by decree has reached a point at which a complete turnover of elected officials, including Congress and the White House, doesn't necessarily entail a significant change in the federal government's direction.

To borrow the words of Rep. James Utt of California, "you are governed more and more by people for whom you have never voted, for whom you never will vote, whom you have never seen and whom you cannot recall by your vote."

Government by administrative decree is nothing new, of course. It began to evolve almost as soon as Congress started enacting laws that called for federal supervision and enforcement. Its explosive growth began with the massive federal interventions of the New Deal era. But it has taken a particularly sinister turn lately with the increasing use of federal income tax money to bribe or bulldoze the states and localities into acceptance of the sociological "reforms" favored by the central bureaucrats.

Money is power, and the federal taxing power threatens to

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Do As She Says, Not As She Does

"Don't do as I do, do as I say," it would appear, is the philosophy of a Hertford County home-school coordinator whose job is counseling low-income families. Her testimony last Thursday rocked legal circles when she took the witness box in Superior Court in Winton. Involved was her fight to obtain support for the child her civil suit charged belonged to a man other than her husband.

During the testimony she admitted to sexual relations with at least five other men besides both the man to whom she was married and the man whom she charged fathered her child. She identified herself as an employee of the Hertford County ESEC, which is supported by federal funds, describing her job as counseling low-income families.

Several attorneys in the courtroom were heard commenting on her testimony in right startled fashion after the presiding judge denied support for the child. The denial was predicated on the fact that at the time she gave birth to the disputed child, she was still married, with the husband presumed to be the father.

The testimony not only raised startled eyebrows on the part of those in legal circles but also among some of the "low-income" who receive counseling, to whom the Seventh Commandment still stands as a moral precept that should not be flouted. Hearing the testimony, one wonders just how those responsible can justify sending this type of an individual into a home as a "counselor."

ECU Theater Cuts Prices as Summer Attendance Sags

The East Carolina University Summer Theater has announced that ticket prices for all remaining plays have been reduced to \$3 for evenings and \$2 for matinees. This special offer is made possible by larger-than-usual supplies of single performance tickets left by this year's small season ticket sale.

"Guys and Dolls" runs through Saturday night, August 3. The last two productions of the summer will be "The Desert Song," running the week of August 5, and "The Odd Couple," running the week of August 12.

The nightly performances are in McGinnis Auditorium on the ECU campus. Curtain time is 8:15 for all evening performances. All seats are reserved and ticket reservations may be made by phoning the box office, Greenville, 752-7565.

New Bern Native, John Tolson, to Command Ft. Bragg

General John J. Tolson III, who was born in New Bern and attended the University of North Carolina was named Commanding General of the XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg and promoted to Lieutenant General this week in ceremonies at the Corps headquarters at Fort Bragg.

Lieutenant General Tolson has served in the army since 1937. He has just returned from a tour of duty in Vietnam where he was commanding general of the 1st Air Cavalry Division.

Tolson is married to the former Margaret Jordan Young of Wilson and they have three children.

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ing to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

For failing to stop at a stop sign, Stephen Jacob Phillips of Maysville was fined \$13.

J. B. Blackmond of Maysville was fined \$26 for driving without a valid operators license.

For having no inspection certificate Tony Leary Washington was fined \$13.

become the vehicle for the central government's ultimate detailed direction of the entire economy.

A Wise Negro And His Idea

JOHN J. SYNOR

If our lords and masters are looking for a way out of the race troubles they have created I would suggest they lend an ear to a black neurosurgeon named Thomas W. Matthew. Dr. Matthew seems to have something.

Some time ago, there came into being an outfit known as NEGRO. Dr. Matthew is its president.

Hear him, as reported by the U. S. News and World Report. Dr. Matthew was asked the purpose of his organization. He replied: "The basic concept is that our people — the black people in America — have no social cohesiveness other than their blackness and in order for them to compete in the free-enterprise system in America, it is necessary that the Negro people develop some cohesive social structure that has economic implications."

All of which is an up-town way of saying Negroes must form their own society, establish their own businesses, live their own lives. Then, and only then, will they be in a legitimate position to knock on the door marked integration. So says Dr. Matthew.

"We cannot have real integration until we have integration of equals."

I buy that.

It will never happen, of course, — integration of equals — because the Negro, an alien to White culture, can never compete on equal terms with those who are native to the culture. No matter. Negroes can, with self respect and great dignity, compete among themselves. From such competition would evolve a subculture within our land which we might all be proud.

I read with great interest the

interview U. S. News (July 22) had with this man. Dr. Matthew is not only smart, he is wise. And this effort of his is something more than a toddler; already NEGRO has assets of \$3,000,000 invested in 15 industries.

The only thing in the interview I would fault — and that is a minor thing — is the reason Dr. Matthew gives for the Negro's present plight.

"As a result of slavery and generations of welfare dependency," he said, "too many Negroes do not have the proper attitude toward work."

Come, now, Dr. Matthew. "As a result of slavery?"

But let it go. Dr. Matthew is up against it; he has to give some reason for their attitude. And that he puts the blame on others is forgivable. Forgivable, that is, so long as his ultimate end is to help his people earn — repeat, earn — their way to equal economic status.

Moreover, I believe his concept is the wave of the race future.

Why? Because there is no other way compatible with a free society. The only thing that has ever worked, that can work, is voluntarism; government by the consent of the governed.

And though I have no way of knowing, I am confident this wise man is more in tune with the American Negro than, say Roy Wilkins of NAACP. That outfit doesn't relate to the Negro and his problems; it relates to the anti-Arabs. What is more, the colored people are coming to know that to be the fact.

If Dr. Matthew's concept seems familiar, it should. It is the traditional Southern philosophy, all dressed up with some place to go, equal but separate. And I am for it.

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