

EDITORIALS

'You're A Part Of The Solution, Or You're A Part Of The Problem'

THE VIEWS OF THE WRITER'S ARE NOT ALWAYS THOSE OF THE PAPER'S



The Point Is...

by Albert A. Campbell

Thanks For The Memory

We, THE TRIBUNAL AID newspaper management and staff, wish to take this opportunity to give our "Thank You" to all who aided us in our efforts to publish a memorial to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (January 14, 1976 edition)

To all who advertised in our special edition: Thank you. It was your support that allowed us to publish what we consider to be one of our better efforts.

To President Ford: Thank you for your telegram. It was received with great excitement.

To Vice President Rockefeller: Thank you for your personal letter to our readers. We regret that we received it too late for last week's edition; however, we are publishing it in this week's paper.

To Mrs. Coretta King and Mrs. Frances S. Thomas, The Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Social Change; Senator Hubert H. Humphrey; Congressman Walter E. Fauntroy; Mr. Floyd B. McKissick, President of the Soul City Company; Sargent Shriver -- Thank you for your letters. They were received with great humility and with our sincerest gratitude.

To Representative Julian Bond: Thank you for your correspondence expressing support of our efforts to honor Dr. King.

To Senator Brook: Thank you for your letter, it, too, was received too late for last week's edition and is being published in this week's paper.

To the Rev. William D. Turner, Salisbury, N.C.: Thank you for the poem, "A Tribute to Dr. M.L. King, Jr."

To Mr. Heager L. Hill, Birmingham, Ala.: Thank you for your "On-The-Scene-Summation-Alabama".

To the Rev. James Campbell, Gary, Ind.: Thank you for your expressions on "What Dr. King Meant to Me".

To Dr. Lewis C. Dowdy, Chancellor, A&T State University: Thank you for your "In Memoriam Comments".

We hope that we have not been remiss in thanking everyone who contributed to our efforts to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: but, in the event that we have, we're adding a special "Thank You" just for you.

We have received telephone calls and have been stopped on the streets by people expressing how much they enjoyed last week's edition because of the originality of the material. To these persons, we say "Thank You". However, we must keep in mind the man of whom last week's edition was in memoriam of, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. A man who led the kind of life and committed the kinds of acts that made such an issue possible.

"The press is not only free, it is powerful. That power is ours. It is the proudest that man can enjoy."

-BENJAMIN DISRAELI

ALTHOUGH THE EDITORIALS WRITTEN IN THIS NEWSPAPER ARE NOT INTENDED TO BE THE ONLY ANSWERS TO THE PROBLEMS AND CONDITIONS EXPRESSED, SOME PERSONS MAY STILL DISAGREE WITH THESE THOUGHTS, BECAUSE OF THIS, THE NEWSPAPER EXTENDS AN INVITATION TO ANY RESPONSIBLE PERSON WHO WISHES TO REFUTE THESE EXPRESSIONS TO DO SO, AND FREE AND EQUAL SPACE WILL BE PROVIDED.

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BLACK HISTORY

"A RACE IS LIKE A MAN UNTIL IT USES ITS OWN TALENTS, TAKES PRIDE IN ITS OWN HISTORY, AND LOVES ITS OWN MEMORIES. IT CAN NEVER FULFILL ITSELF COMPLETELY."

JOHN W. VANDERCOOK



N.C. Department Of Human Resources

Most of us receive at least one phone call or knock on our door per week from someone wanting us to contribute money for some so-called "worthy" cause. Quite often we make a contribution just to get them off of our backs only to discover a few days later that the organization soliciting money was fraudulent. This is money down the drain, but there is something you can do about it.

Ed Edgerton, special assistance for licensing in the Department of Human Resources, said, "If you are confronted by door-to-door or telephone sales and doubt the sincerity of the organization or the salesman, start asking questions. Find out where the sponsoring organization is located, what specific charitable group the money is going to, how much the charitable group will be receiving and where the salesman is from," stated Edgerton. "Do not be fooled by T-shirts with emblems or an ID card with the salesman's name printed in magic marker. Be particularly suspicious if the soliciting agent is a small child or a handicapped person. Organizations sometimes use such agents as a sympathy appeal," cautioned Edgerton.

According to Edgerton, solicitation by and for charitable organizations is the third largest industry in the United States. It is a \$25 billion operation in the nation and \$347 million business in North Carolina.

The Council of Better Business Bureaus indicated that about 10 percent of the organizations are rip-offs. Half of the remaining organizations are deficient in their accountability and the remainder are operating within the limits prescribed by law.

North Carolina has had a law regulating the licensing of organizations seeking funds for charitable purposes since 1939. The 1975 General Assembly passed another law tightening controls on these organizations even more. This law provides for more accountability and public disclosure of facts, tightens

enforcement procedures, prevents deceptive and dishonest statements and conduct in an organization's solicitation of funds, and eliminates many of the organizations previously exempted from the law. It also defines and regulates more stringently the professional fund raising counsel and the professional solicitor.

A professional fund raising counsel primarily consults, works on a flat fee basis and does not participate in the actual solicitation. A professional solicitor works on a percentage basis and does participate in the actual solicitation. To be licensed, professionals must post a \$5,000 bond and have all contracts with charitable organizations approved in writing. A professional solicitor's percentage is limited to 15 percent of the gross amount collected through his solicitation after cost of goods and services are deducted.

Those organizations needing to apply for solicitation licenses include:

1. Nonexempt charitable organizations which seek to raise more than \$2,000 for religious, cultural, educational, scientific, eleemosynary (supported by charity) and other charitable purposes.

2. Religious organizations which solicit outside of their own membership or seek to raise money for secular purposes such as food, clothing, shelter, education, medical and disaster relief.

Exempt status is forfeited when professional fund raising counsels or professional solicitors are used.

The 1975 law passed by the General Assembly also designated that Solicitation Licensing be served by an advisory committee appointed by the governor.

Any inquiries concerning the licensing of an organization seeking funds for charitable purposes and the legitimacy of such an organization should be directed to Mr. Ed Edgerton, Division of Facility Services, Post Office Box 12200, Raleigh, North Carolina 27605, 919/829-4510.

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four-month-old consultant, security firm presently employs ten security officers and has handled such large contracts as Food World, Columbia Food Market, High Point Mall. The Mahasco (Furniture) Company and has done seasonal work at the Southern Furniture Market Center.

Mr. Graves, himself has put together all of his 22 years of law enforcement and trained his security people. Strict requirements dealing with temperance, behavioral patterns, attitude, honesty, drinking habits, with special emphasis on neatness, are closely checked out. Each morning before any one of the security guards goes to work he is inspected; and periodically, each security guard is observed while on assignment. The supervisory part of Security Consultants is carried out by Lt. Frank Watley, a retired Air Force officer. The consulting aspects of the company are handled by Mr. Graves, himself.

Mr. Graves has won awards from the

Carl Chavis Y.M.C.A., Membership Award; Policeman of the Month, High Point Police Department; and the Certificate of Achievement from the American Legion. He is a member of Memorial United Methodist Church, High Point; a member of the Masons; and President of the Collective Civitans, the only all-Black Civitan organization in the world. He enjoys hunting, fishing, rock hunting, dog training and most building trade skills.

Mr. Graves feels that his company is giving the best service possible. And, to make the job easier, he asks for understanding from the public. For with this respect and understanding he feels that his company can prevent people from having needless law enforcement experiences.

Mr. Graves' concern for his community's safety makes him a good man to know. For the better we know him, THE BETTER WE KNOW US.



TO BE EQUAL

by Vernon E. Jordan, Jr.

Executive Director of the National Urban League

Failure Of U.S. Angolan Policy

Washington's efforts to intervene in Angola's civil war, through a massive infusion of arms, money and training support, is doomed to failure.

The reason lies not in the rights and wrongs of the contending factions but in a history of neglect of black Africa and indifference to its paramount concerns.

Our government has little influence in Africa today because it supported the European colonial powers up to the bitter end, and even today follows a conciliatory policy toward the the racist South African government that maintains an apartheid system and oppresses its black majority.

In Angola, despite putting some nationalist leaders on the CIA payroll, Washington poured military aid into the old Portuguese dictatorship, aid that was quickly funneled into Portugal's African colonies, including Angola, to fight rebels battling for independence.

What makes Angolan mess even worse is the presence of South African army fighting in support of the faction we are backing.

Yes, the Popular Movement forces are supplied with advanced Russian weapons, Russian advisors, Cuban combat troops, and, it is alleged, with white mercenaries from Katanga. None of these groups has any business being there.

But from the African point of view, bad as these outsiders may be, they can't compare with troops from a South African regime that condemns its black majority to sub-human living conditions and strips them of basic human rights.

So in Angola, the U.S. is allied with South Africa against a black movement that has been recognized by many nations while the side we support has very limited support.

The point Americans ought to consider is whether we want to be in a position in which we are allied with an internationally-abhorred country and intervening in an African civil war that could become another Vietnam.

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American impotence in Angola is that our historic neglect of African liberation movements and support for colonial powers has left us bereft of the natural reservoir of goodwill that should have been ours on the Continent. Many African leaders were educated here, and many more admire the principles of democracy. But that potential goodwill has been thrown away by one Administration after another that refused to recognize African rights to independence and necessary economic aid.

The Russian and Cuban intervention should be condemned too. It holds the threat of turning the African continent into a field of cold war rivalry, and African differences must be settled by Africans themselves, not by the new imperialists in Moscow or their hired guns.

The near-hysteria surrounding the prospects of Russian domination of Angola's resources if the Popular Movement wins is impractical from many points of view. The nationalist fervor that led freedom fighters to resist the Portuguese for so many years will also operate to frustrate the Russians in any power grab they may attempt.

An American policy of non-involvement, assistance to African groups seeking a political solution, disavowal of South African intervention, and open diplomacy to establish ties of mutual respect with the government that emerges from the fighting is bound to do us a lot more good in the long run than being drawn into an affair that is none of our business.

Such a policy would win respect for our country throughout the continent and is bound to result in a backlash effect that resents Russian intrusions. The Russians are ahead now simply because they've never been bogged down by supporting colonial powers, but that lead is of necessity short-lived.

The African policy of our government has been one of having no policy. The conflict in Angola points up the dangers of that stance. But it also provides us with an opportunity to construct a sound policy toward Africa, a Continent that is of growing importance and one that has no use for either the CIA or the KGB, but looks for understanding and friendship.

Things You Should Know

Manuel Carlos
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1782-1817

BORN IN CURAÇAO, DUTCH WEST INDIES, OF MIXED PARENTAGE; HE BECAME A WORLD-FAMOUS GENERAL, NOTED AS SIMON BOLIVAR'S GREATEST RIVAL / MOVING TO VENEZUELA IN 1810, HE BECAME A GENERAL AND DEFIED AUTHORITY BY FIGHTING FOR NEGRO RIGHTS / HE STIRRED NEGRO

OFFICERS AND MEN TO REBELLION -- FOR THIS BOLIVAR HAD HIM KILLED / BUT NOTHING COULD KILL THE MOVEMENT /

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