

Editorial Viewpoint

The CAROLINIAN'S

WORDS OF WORSHIP

We have all heard that old story put in these remarkable words: "Be gentle, don't hurt." More humanely put, "You can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar." It often takes a few more moments and a little added effort to be gentle and considerate, but it pays rich dividends. A

hasty sarcastic word, however, can quickly undo or offset many good advances toward good. Seldom is anybody won by being nagged, irritated or belittled. Hurting those most hostile to religion is one sure way of driving them away farther.

Give To Community Chest

Last week, in our Words of Worship, we made a few remarks about giving to the United Fund Community Chest. This week let us say a great deal more about a community project that may well be one of the tests of our character and integrity.

Everyone admires a community according to the image it projects by "going over the top" in its United Fund giving. The United Fund drive is one of the domestic affairs of Raleigh. It is our annual contribution to the ever-present business of lending a helping hand to those who need it and of providing needed services not otherwise available.

We are called upon to give whether we like it or not. One intensive drive to support two dozen or more agencies is better than giving to numerous separate campaigns.

Raleigh has always demonstrated its generous character. This is a prosperous city, blessed with abundant resources and a citizenry with energy, ambition, and pride. How well we respond to this system of combined charities is an accurate reflection of our concern for the less fortunate.

Judging by our performance in the past, the citizens of Raleigh will rally around the United Fund flag again this fall.

Nothing New To Us

The North Carolina Council of Human Relations charged recently that the State's 1955 Pupil Assignment Act is "being used to preserve segregation in the public schools of the State." Most every Negro in the state already knows that it was the intent of the so-called Pearsall Plan to maintain the status quo of segregation

in the schools of the state. In many instances when Negroes carried their cases to the courts the judge ruled that the parents had not exhausted all administrative remedies.

The application of this law has cost the state a tremendous amount of money and loss of time.

Bringing Culprits To Justice

We commend Governor Garrett H. Byrne of Massachusetts for ordering a crackdown on "slave dealer" employment agencies which have been importing Southern Negro girls to work as maids for as little as five dollars a week.

Byrne said that under the employment agencies' plan advertisements were placed in newspapers of Georgia, South Carolina and other Southern states offering employment at from \$36 to \$60 per week. Upon arrival the girls were required to sign contracts, and these called for paying the agencies up to \$190 for their jobs. The girls, until the agencies were paid their commission, received as little as five dollars during the first six weeks of employment.

The district attorney said he would seek "immediate cessation of these reprehensible practices. The dark days of compulsory labor

and involuntary servitude are over . . . These conditions approximate slavery."

One can readily see why authorities investigating these charges found that "several recently imported girls suddenly landed on the welfare department rolls." We have no way of knowing how many of these girls were led into the profession of call girls to earn subsistence.

Our schools must intensify their guidance programs and urge Negro girls to prepare themselves for some special vocation other than maids. The skilled person doesn't have to pay a commission to get a job. It is regrettable that so many young women must use the facilities of employment agencies to find employment.

The offending Massachusetts employment agencies should be brought before the courts and dealt with harshly and promptly. There should be no delay in bringing these culprits to justice.

Employment Scene

During the month of August, the Department of Labor reported that a total of 68,282,000 men were at work. And while there was 497,000 fewer employed than in July, there was an increase in the actual number of jobs—not including farm work, which normally declines in August.

There were 3,788,000 men unemployed in this country in August, a decrease of 207,000 from July. In September the decline went down to 3,500,000, and in October the nation expects the unemployment figure to drop down to 3,300,000.

Labor experts say that unemployment held up in August because of the lay-offs for an early change-over of automobile models and because steel production was still below normal.

Both these factors should be corrected this month and in November.

It must be kept in mind, however, that even with two basic industries such as steel and automobiles off, the employment statistics for August were the highest ever recorded for that month. Seymour Wolfbein, the Labor Department's chief authority on manpower statistics, says that this new high in employment can be traced to what he describes as "being at a very high plateau."

Let the facts be what they are, for who wants pre-election pessimism designed to create national economic alarm. This is no time for peddling a program of depression characteristic of the New Deal period when government pump-priming had to give hope to millions of unemployed men and women.

Ten Million New Registrants

The first nine states which have completed figures on the recent voter campaign lead the experts to estimate that we will have 10,000,000 new voters this year.

The edge in the cities is claimed by the Democrats, while the Republicans say they are leading in the rural sections.

Among this ten million new voter list are thousands of Negroes. Their votes, if cast, might decide the election. Independent voting may have its merits, but in order for votes to count the most they must be cast for one of

the two parties—Democrats or Republicans.

While we are encouraged by the increasingly large number of new registrants, we are also disturbed that it takes a special campaign to get some of our citizens to the precincts to register. There are some things a citizen must do without being persuaded and cajoled; registering and voting is one of them.

In less than a month, the national election will take place. Every man and woman who has registered should go to the polls and vote next month.

Florida A. & M. Eleven

An Associated Press football poll recently revealed the Florida A. & M. University eleven at Tallahassee is rated tenth among small college football teams in the nation.

Ohio University, located at Athens, is listed first. Lenoir Rhyne College of Hickory, N. C., is the only Tarheel team in the top ten.

That the Florida Rattlers earned one of these spots should be no surprise. When we peruse the list of their opponents, the Florida eleven meets only a few teams of formidable competition. This year, for example, A. & T. College at Greensboro, and Southern University at Baton Rouge will be their toughest opponents.

The Florida juggernaut ran away with Benedict College in the Tampa Classic two weeks ago by a large score of 68-0. Benedict was playing out of its class just as a number of small private colleges are playing out of their class in the CIAA.

The Florida A. & M. Rattlers have three units—Blood, Sweat, and Tears—of just about equal power. They can wear down a small college team with inadequate replacements

Then, too, FAMU can get the cream of the crop players from the state of Florida and elsewhere by reason of its scholarships—many of which are distributed to the Florida state universities from monies collected by the state from greyhound racing, a very profitable venture.

There needs to be a reorganization of athletic associations in order to assign college teams in the proper class. A new league composed of the following teams would make the competition more equal: Southern University, Texas Southern University, Tennessee A. & I. State University, Florida A. & M. University, A. & T. College at Greensboro, Virginia State, and the like.

Coach Jake Gaither has done a remarkable job with the Rattlers, and he is a coach par excellence. But what the big state university teams need is a schedule of more power teams.

It is regrettable that the Rattlers, because of segregation laws can not have the privilege of meeting some of the stronger teams in the South on an interracial basis. There is no doubt but that the Rattlers would hold their own.

Only Its Elimination Will Enable Us To Hold Our Leadership In The U. N.



SENTENCE SERMONS

BY REV. FRANK CLARENCE LOWERY For ANP

A MOTHER'S INTEGRITY

This meaningful word "Integrity" portrays a real MOTHER'S character with perfect clarity.

For she is the embodiment of virtues divine, and by Heaven held responsible if they fail to shine.

Charged is she, with absolute entirety, to give the world a

pattern of love and peace, and allowing them never to wane or cease.

A responsibility that demands Heaven's aid, and those of earth who would face their tasks squarely, must be courageous and not afraid.

Her "INTEGRITY" is the balancing force that keeps Satan at a safe distance, and well he

knows it would be futile to try to put up any resistance.

"HONESTY," another valuable smile, with faith and trust, though in the midst of guile, but a living example for any child.

Only for God's loving kindness, in allowing us to share real MOTHERS fineness is the world today a better place, for in nearness to her we can see HIS FACE.

What Other Editors Say

BROADEN AT HOME OR SHRINK ABROAD

And now, it ought to be apparent, even to the most confirmed traditionalist, that this is one world, that no nation can exist in isolation; that we are sustained as a nation by the mutual interdependencies of all the nations of the earth.

The convincing picture of the United Nations Assembly, which with the acceptance of the new inductees, represents at least a hundred nations who have come together because the leaders of these nations are cognizant of the fact that a peaceful world cannot be achieved without togetherness. This ought to move even the most rabid of the racists and the religious bigot to the realization that the position of special favors for special people is untenable.

From Miami, Florida to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and beyond, the hold-outs against the current campaign for unlimited services in restaurants, unlimited opportunities in industry, unrestricted opportunity to live in any area and unreserved acceptance within the framework of this economy's social order, ought to come alive to the naked truth that states this nation in the face, that it must either broaden its policies to include all its people in all areas or shrink in its power, influence and stature among the nations abroad.

By simple arithmetic we know that those who have reckoned themselves the majority in the past are now reduced to a conscious, fearful minority.

In recent months 14 African states have gained their independence and their membership established in the family of nations. The voice of one of its spokesmen has already made it clear that the African states do not come into their independence either expecting to be dealt with as an inferior or as a dependency, subject to some stronger nation. They expect to be treated as equals and from their new vantage point they are in a position to insist on this equality. If the western powers are reluctant, they can always repair to the alluring offers of aid from Russian Communism.

The die is cast. The world moves forward toward the liberation and enlightenment of the peoples of the world. The movement is destiny-born and an irresistible force toward world federation.

There is no alternative for any nation and our nation is no exception. She must broaden her national concept as it relates to its citizenry or shrink into nothingness in the world scheme abroad.

—THE OKLAHOMA EAGLE

THE GREAT ONE-SIDED DEBATE

The initial push of the Presidential campaign reached its

full momentum Monday night when Vice President Nixon and Senator John F. Kennedy met in a dramatic face-to-face television debate, with an invisible audience estimated in astronomical numbers.

The encounter was drastically limited to domestic issues, though some salient ones were omitted. Those dealt with were treated without hysteria or oratorical bombast. The one-hour discussion had for setting the Columbia Broadcasting System's freshly painted Studio One.

Not in modern political history have the Presidential nominees met in frontal debate during their campaign. The closest parallel was the unforgettable polemics between Abraham Lincoln and Senator Stephen A. Douglas exactly one hundred and two years ago this summer. Douglas won the Illinois Senatorial election of 1858. But in 1860 Lincoln beat him for the Presidency on the issue of slavery.

Though Monday night's debate provided no central theme, and no measuring yardstick by which to gauge the political strength of the two candidates, it afforded the viewers an opportunity to size up the Presidential contenders.

There is no question but that Senator Kennedy displayed a facility of language and an acquaintance with the supporting data of his major premises that amazed those who had fallen for the exaltation that swirled around Mr. Nixon's invincibility as an experienced and skilled debater.

Well, the Nixon legend that Republican chiefs had been peddling with such passion and gusto, simply did not stand up. The Vice President looked beaten, bewildered and at times dazed. He had to rely on hackneyed expressions and over-worked arguments to fulfill his end of the bargain. He was forever on the defensive from the very outset, and was never convincing in his attempted defense of the Administration's policy.

Even his most myopic followers will admit that their idol fell down miserably when he was unable to point to a specific instance in which his opinion was accepted by the Administration's high Council. He could cite none, for the obvious reason that there was none.

Yet a powerful legend has been built around Mr. Nixon as the one member of the President's cabinet who has helped shape the Administration's policy on countless high level matters. And this is one facet of Mr. Nixon's experience which has been inflated all out of proportion to its relation to reality. The Republicans have been articulating the Vice President's experiences in government affairs as a measure of his superior fitness to run the country. Maybe we have been looking at

the wrong end of the telescope. But of this we are certain when Senator Kennedy said that he was not satisfied "until every American enjoys his full constitutional rights," and when he alluded to the manifold handshakes of a Negro baby, Vice President Nixon countered with a resounding "No comment."

Since there are three more debates to follow, maybe Mr. Nixon will do better the next time if his knees hold up. —CHICAGO DAILY DEFENDER

THE AWFUL TRUTH

The truth hurts. Sometimes it strikes worse than a dagger plunged and then twisted into the heart. Premier Nikita Khrushchev hit upon America's one real vulnerable spot in his speech before the United Nations last week—racial prejudice within the U.S.A.

The pudgy premier suggested that the location of the UN be moved mainly for this reason. He stated in one part of his speech:

"The burden is very great for the United States, seeing to it that the many number of delegates of color are not embarrassed during their stay in America while attending UN sessions. Switzerland or Russia might well be such a place, for example."

"I can declare in all responsibility that if it should be considered expedient to house the UN headquarters in the Soviet Union, we guarantee the best possible conditions for its work, complete freedom and security for the representatives of all states irrespective of their political or religious convictions and of the color of their skin," he declared.

The majority of news commentators and reporters failed to comment on this part of Mr. Khrushchev's speech, neither did U. S. Ambassador James Wadsworth nor Secretary of State Christian Herter, speaking later in reply to the subject.

It is most unfortunate and frightening that America should have its infamous racial problem thrust into its face at this crucial time, but the truth will out. It can be ignored but never defeated.

As Rev. Martin Luther King suggests in all his talks, "Let us pray for those responsible." —THE OHIO SENTINEL

JUST FOR FUN

BY MARCUS H. BOULWAERE

The Rattlers

It's maddening and thrilling to see the famed Florida A&M University 132-piece all-male band perform at the opening and halftime of football games they play. Not only do they march trucking, but they swing their instruments either up and down, or clockwise and counterclockwise while the big bass horn rumble and bass drums boom.

The band's performance is a show by itself, and I would pay \$2.50 just to see these fellows perform.

Many of the readers of this newspaper have seen this aggregation perform at Greensboro, North Carolina, when the Rattlers played A&T College. Last week, FAM-U played Benedict College in Tampa, Fla., before 14,000 fans. The Rattlers beat Benedict 68 to 0.

Last Saturday I saw the Rattlers swamp Lincoln University of Jefferson City, Mo. While the Lincoln Tigers played a better game than Benedict, the Florida aggregation is just too powerful for their competition.

Some of you may not know it, but I am now employed at the Florida A&M University as professor of speech. My major duty is developing a speech and hearing clinic where we proposed to train speech correctionists. We are no wait-in for the room renovations to be completed and our first quarter's supply of equipment, materials, and supplies to arrive.

I have an enthusiastic group of young people majoring in speech correction, and for the past two years they have been neglected because they had no one to teach them. I'm working hard day and night trying to bridge the gap. (Hard work

makes me thrive; I'd go nuts if I had to loaf. Like one man said, "Let me wear out, instead of rusting out." That's my spirit to be sure.)

The Debate

Heard the Kennedy-Nixon Debate last week, and I was thrilled with the way these candidates landed those hard verbal rights to the jaw of their opponents. I felt that Kennedy was hitting the issues harder and smack in the eye.

Guess I was sort of biased. Kennedy actually caught my attention; it reminded me of that fire-side idol FDR, who gave our financial structure a shot in the arm. At that time, I was standing on the corner unemployed. Yes, I worked on the PWA.

The Words Count

In a Kansas town, motorists who ignored "No Parking" signs in front of a church refrained from parking there when the signs were changed to read, "Thou Shalt Not Park." They probably thought a new commandment had been added to the original ten.

You Don't Believe It?

Don Pulley, who operates a drug store in Miami, is certain that people are honest.

Just before Hurricane Donna came, he put away all the bills to keep them from water damage. There wasn't any water damage but the man forgot where he put them.

So he wrote letters to all his credit customers explaining what happened and asking that they let him know how much they owed at his store.

Within two weeks he received about \$500 from his 250 customers. The druggist says that he estimates he has been paid about 80 per cent of the total.

The letters were just a shoe in the dark, but they paid off.

Gordon B. Hancock's

BETWEEN THE LINES

HEROIZING KHURSHCHEV AND CASTRO

Just why the press of this country concentrated on heroizing Khrushchev and Castro, is just more than this writer can comprehend. Both came to the United Nations with the avowed intention of using the current meeting as a springboard for their boasting and threats and propaganda and our press played into their hands by handing them the first page and the screaming headlines.

The United Nations show belongs to Khrushchev and Castro, not because they stole it,

but because our press handed it to them on a platter—these high-handed bullies from Russia and Cuba, who flaunted insults and defiance and threats in the face of the world.

Think of Castro taking four hours to vilify and abuse and taunt the West was trying to observe decorum.

It was a case of gentlemen casting their diplomatic pearls before bullies who were, and are, determined to destroy the United Nations unless it serves their purpose of advancing communism in the world.

Even a casual observer must note that the West is on the defensive before the upsurge of communism and our current methods of handling it seem lacking in effectiveness.

One thing we have to hand to the communists and that is, they work according to a well-wrought strategy. Castro dramatically moved from a downtown hotel and put up at Harlem's noted Hotel Theresa, and thereby sought to capitalize on the bad state of race relations in this country, while Khrushchev hurled into the teeth of this country its record of discrimination and lynching.

Of course nobody knows how Negroes would fare under communism, but Khrushchev plays the prejudices and the vagaries thereof before the colored peoples of the world. Whatever advantage the communists may have in the moral struggle, they can thank the Negrophobes of the Old South, whose activities and machinations have placed this nation at a fearful disadvantage in the current struggle between communism and democracy.

The main point of the current United Nations sessions, is not that the press played up Castro with his four-hour harangue and Khrushchev with his fist-shaking and fist-pounding and his unbecoming behaviour in general before that August assembly, but whose is the advantage in the premise?

Chalmers Roberts of the Washington Post is of the opinion that the West has lost in exchanges of recent date.

He feels rather disturbed with the turn of events, for it seems obvious that we are on the defensive. He feels that Khrushchev's attempt to create a neutralist bloc to deal with the communist and Western bloc is bringing into the neutralist bloc strength for the communist cause.

He feels that the center of gravity of any neutralist bloc will move toward Khrushchev and his cause. We are amazed at the implication that the formation of Mexico, India, Ghana, Indonesia and the United Arab Republic into a neutralist group will mean more strength for the communist cause; for the bloc will lean more toward the communists than toward the Western bloc.

Roberts is abetted in his diagnosis of the situation by Kilpatrick of the Richmond News Leader. Says Kilpatrick, "These findings bode no good for the West."

They add little fuel to the argument of wishful thinkers who see in a "third force" the solution of world problems, and they lead inescapably to Mr. Roberts' own conclusion that once again the United States is on the defensive; that the change taking place in the world balance of power need not be fatal, but it is another step forward for the Communists, another step backward for the United States."

DRIVE SAFELY