

America's Responsibility
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My children are the children of America, and the latent abilities and dormant talents which each and every one of them possess in their minds or hands must be developed and brought out. This is America's responsibility—not only to include the poor, the helpless, but to see that all are given the chance to expend their God-given qualities to improve themselves, their children, and their country.

A simple idea, yet, how seemingly vast and complicated the problem appears. How is it possible to incorporate this discernible idea concerning the American responsibility toward the development of human talent with a successful plan of action which will accomplish what must be done?

The answer lies in our hearts, in our minds, and in our souls. The answer is charity from our hearts, to all the needy, the poor, and the bonded. We must wash the words from their fences and the filth from their sidewalks. But let us not give only to those in need. We must give our gifted as well, the means and the opportunity and chance to

improve themselves. The answer is dedication. We must dedicate our minds to development. We must enlighten our children with the hunger for progress, and the cultivation of talent. The answer is also spirit. We must continually provide the atmosphere which will encourage our youth to develop their talents, not only in body and mind, but also in the spirit of the soul. We must become a nation of high ideals and aspirations, not a nation of decay and unethical practices.

This is our problem and this is our solution. If we are to succeed we must waste no time in searching for talent in our masses and readily developing it. Our hope lies in the youth of our great, free land, and it is in our youth where we must kindle the spark of motivation and self-development.

This is my responsibility for I am an American—and this is the responsibility of all who plant now for their children, who wish to preserve the American way of life, and the responsibility of all those who call themselves Americans.

A Dirty Story

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stopped and listened. It was an old song that he had heard his mother sing!

"There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.
The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away."

"The dirty so-and-so grunted and staggered on back of the building. There he fell, chouched in a corner, and cried like a baby.

"O God," said he, "O God forgive me and save me."
"And God did."
"Fellows, that dirty guy was me. It's

the dirtiest story I know."

Nobody laughed or said a word. All the boys just walked away. When they left, I sneaked after Tom. He was back of the toolhouse alone.

Well, to make a long story short, he told me how to be saved. He said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved," and, "To as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name.

So, I accepted Christ, and boy, am I ever glad I did!"

"If we confess our sins he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
(Anonymous)

Hopping About Tarheelia

BY J. B. HARRIS
BRICKS - "Decisions for Progress" was the subject of a political action and anti-poverty program discussed at Franklin Center here last week under the guidance of the Rev. W. Judson King, president of the community-oriented church and rural counseling institution which is the "grandchild" of the Old Brick School founded in 1895 by the American Missionary Association (Congregational Church Organizations) with the late Thomas Sewell Inboden as its first and continuing principal for some thirty-five years.

Jack W. Faison, Northampton County (Seaboard, N. C.) mortician and NAACP and Elks leader, told how his people have organized 17 precincts; registered some 1300 Negroes in 1965; are this year to, again, run a few colored candidates and support the whites who show signs of being somewhat liberal in granting Negroes more of their rights.

L. H. Hilliard, who is the colored official in the Farmers Home Administration (FHA) outlined procedure for getting anti-poverty loans with long-term repayment and urged Negroes to avail themselves of the many, many opportunities to better their conditions in the rural areas. Some of these government poverty programs have been designed especially for Eastern Tarheelia where there has been so much displacement of Negro unskilled labor on the farms by machinery.

Negroes of the Rocky Mountain-Tarboro area have coveted opportunity to get in touch with Hilliard and his co-workers in the basement of the Tarboro post office building where individuals with reasonable credit ability can apply for loans to improve their homes or go into small business, if they cannot obtain funds elsewhere. Edgcombe Extension Agent T. C. Boyd urged farmers to forget about farming on a small scale and to begin to concentrate or specialize on crops which will yield them the most profit; and cotton is not one of them, he stated; nor is small hog production profitable, he said, because the big breeder is freezing out the small man. He had best raise and sell feeder pigs because of high feed costs. Some land will yield planted in pine seedlings, Boyd said.

Retired Major Lonzie McKelthen, deputy director of Manpower (employment) Program told how this Eastern Carolina program is training and transplanting (in some instances) unskilled farm tenants into areas of greater employment opportunities with much success. Many farmers, he said, are hostile towards this recruitment program, and frequently order Manpower workers off their land. A few poor whites are also aided by Manpower.

Other listed speakers included J. E. Batts, Phillips School principal; George H. Young, Eastman School principal; and John Taylor, each of whom talked on education opportunities through the Secondary Education program now being effected in the Coastal Plain communities, again, designed especially for the lagging Negro

children whose parents earn less than two thousand (\$2,000) yearly. In that connection, it has been reliably stated that some poor families have actually falsified about their earnings, pretending that they earned much more than they did, thus voiding their honest right to participate in the program which includes free lunches for school children.

Again, a word about FHA and EOA loans, which families can borrow up to \$2,500 with up to 15 years to pay less than five per cent interest. And if a cooperative of, say ten families (maybe less), they can borrow up to \$25,000 with up to 30 years to pay back, they build, buy or improve their farms with plenty of time to repay loans. This is the chance for Negro farmers to stay in business.

ROCKY MOUNT - Mrs. Edythe Robinson Tweedy, popular counselor at Washington High School here was reportedly involved in an auto wreck Sunday evening near Spring Hope which brought death to Ernest Whitley of Middlesex; serious injury to Arlie Lee Bisette; and injuries to Mrs. Tweedy which reportedly not too serious. Full details were not available.

Progress is noted on the Integration Front when the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) meeting in Charlotte recently, permitted a colored legionaire to participate with his date in the dance along with the whites. And to prove the point of progress, the March issue of "The VFW Leader" publication carried a photograph of the colored couple dancing with the whites in the background. (We have no knowledge of any swapping of partners, however.)

Livingstone Lodge No. 67, Knights of Pythias, the Rev. J. W. Wiley, Chancellor Commander, observed anniversary services at St. John AMFZ Church March 27, with the Rev. Eugene Moser, minister, delivering the sermon. He spoke on "Friendship" such as Damon and Pythias had for each other. Rev. Moser said: "If, through friendship my burdens are divided among my brothers, they become lighter."

Frank Cobb, vice chancellor, presided over the services which included a juvenile program conducted by Mrs. Maggie (John) Chase, worthy counselor of the Calantheans, C. T. Edwards extended the welcome which was responded to by Jarvis Nelson.

The Original Freewill Baptist Educational Officers held their first meeting of the year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Felix on Spaulding Dr. recently.

Those attending were Moderator Rev. W. H. Summerville of Goldsboro, Supervisor, Mrs. Mary D. Korngay of Mount Olive, Mrs. E. H. Dickerson of Fremont, Elder D. A. Alston, Mrs. Maggie Pitt and Mrs. Pitt, Mrs. Berline Myers, Miss Magaline Hall, Miss Marguerite Hall, Mrs. Margaret Kirby, and Mrs. Pearl Felix, all of Rocky Mount.

THE REALITIES of domestic life bear down pretty hard on a romantic girl.

WITHOUT firm expectation of the impossible, life would be more bearable for most of us.

Negro Heritage Library Begun By State Body

The Negro Heritage Library of North Carolina, Incorporated, has been organized by a group of North Carolina citizens to market an outstanding work entitled, "The Negro Heritage Library," published by Educational Heritage, Incorporated, of Yonkers, New York.

The initial Board of Directors of the corporation are J. J. Sansom, Jr., Millard R. Peebles, J. A. Abron Jr., and N. M. McMillan of Raleigh, North Carolina, and S. L. Hamlin of Winston-Salem. The corporation will maintain offices at 126-1/2 East Hargett Street, Suite "B."

Raleigh Attorney Romallus O. Murphy has been elected president of the corporation. The other officers are members of the Board of Directors. The position of executive sales director has been placed in the hands of a newcomer to Raleigh, Joe S. Davis, a native of the state of California.

The Negro Heritage Library has been proclaimed by educators and civil rights leaders as one of the sources necessary to right the wrongs of past centuries and provide factual information about the American Negro. The knowledge of this material will aid in providing the substance to make America a land where all, both black and white, can live and grow under circumstances conducive to self-respect and social dignity.

Open House will be held at the office, 126 1/2 E. Hargett St., Suite B, on Friday, April 1, from 1 to 6 p. m. The general public is invited to attend.

Mrs. Millie Veasey, president of the Raleigh Branch of the NAACP said, "This work is necessary to re-orientate our attitudes in order to bring about the fundamental changes necessary in our society." Attorney Samuel S. Mitchell said that, "This is a 'must' for the American Negro youth as they move toward a fully integrated society. It is only with a knowledge and appreciation of his own proud heritage that the Negro can achieve his full potential."

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sweet as honey. A country where my opportunity is the tune and individual development the dance. Where my liberty is not a political factor alone, but an economic and social right so meaningful and so clearly defined in our fluid society, that to question its existence is to question the sun itself."

He called for the change of many hearts, minds and souls so that charity would be the keynote of our society. He ended by saying, "This is my responsibility for I am an American—and this is the responsibility of all who plant now for their children, who wish to preserve the American way of life, and the responsibility of all those who call themselves Americans."

Miss Wood based her argument on human talent as the life blood of a nation. She said, "It is the substance by which a nation lives and grows. A nation will be large or small, progressive or backward in direct proportion to the human talent it possesses and uses,



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Fortunately, a nation can do much to insure the development of this precious commodity."

The closing statement by Miss Zurawski was, "Life was meant to be a bed of roses. But the thorns appear before the beauty of the flower blooms. And is it not worth waiting for? Likewise, we must strive to do our best, and to conquer all obstacles. Upon this foundation only can the beauty of our talents be manifested. It is worth waiting for—it fulfills a person, a neighbor and a nation."

NCTA Prexy

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tion of both associations to educational progress in the State and nation and their potential for the future.

2. Representation on the governing boards, committees and in offices charged with the responsibility of executing policy and providing leadership for the one association.

3. Re-organization of the two associations so as to provide for the most effective utilization of their human, professional and other resources in order to serve better the students and the people of the State in general.

Present trends, changes in attitudes and the increasing willingness of leaders in education to unite their co-workers for the good of the profession indicate that the time has arrived for the desirable merger of dual education associations, irrespective of the states in which they now exist. The North Carolina Education Association and the North Carolina Teachers Association occupy a most favorable position for merger as evidenced by the following: 1. The overall philosophy of the two associations grounded mainly in the improvement of education in the interest of the learner is practically mutual. 2. Both associations have operated in a State that has located for years of good race relations. 3. The associations are affiliates of the National Education Association. 4. Both associations are members of the United Forces for Education. 5. The names of the two associations are sufficiently similar to prevent any formidable obstacle to merger (NCEA and NCTA). 6. Liaison Committees of the associations have been meeting jointly for approximately three years considering integration, merger and other problems of mutual concern. 7. The Board of Directors of both associations have met in joint session to consider a plan of merger at the request of the Liaison Committees. 8. Resolution Number 12 instructed both associations to cooperatively formulate a plan of merger for presentation at its annual meeting in July 1966. 9. The schools will be increasingly integrated and merged, thereby increasing the need for one strong professional organization. 10. Teachers of both races are seriously discussing merger in their administrative units while they meet jointly in many situations to improve education as they have been advised.

On the basis of the above and the availability of leadership in both associations, at the State and local levels, we would urge both to move ahead rapidly toward merger.

The North Carolina Teachers Association voted for merger a year ago and is willing to continue its cooperation for its realization. It is not willing for the principle of piece-meal integration with its destructive effects to be substituted for the principle of merger. The latter is representative of the professional and spiritual strength

of a great association. It is very disturbing to face the possibility of both associations losing membership in NEA for a lost cause, and when dual associations in states below us have been utilizing their time in the formulation of plans of merger and followed by some implementation at the coming NEA Convention. It is disconcerting and disappointing to witness a time when unsegregated teachers teach, children learn and PTA's meet. The eyes of the Nation are upon us. The eyes of the South are upon us. And, truth, the eyes of the State are upon us. The leadership must no longer hold its peace and permit the future of education in North Carolina to be jeopardized without regard to the realities of today and the interest of all the children of all the people. To ignore the responsibility involved is to invite from other sources leadership for education rather than by it.

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tinus year is: "Resolved that the Federal Government should prohibit the Requirement of Union Membership as a condition of Employment."

The negative team consists of the following students: Bernard Davis, 1st negative speaker; Dorothea McNeil, 2nd negative speaker; and Gloria Hodge, summary and rebuttal. The affirmative team members are Gwendolyn Clarke, 1st affirmative speaker; Ethel Johnson, 2nd affirmative speaker; and Vivian Logan, summary and rebuttal.

In order to advance from local to the semi-finals, and then to the state finals, both the affirmative and negative teams must win in their arguments. If both teams are able to win in Greensboro, this is equivalent to or what is considered to be the State Championship in the area of debating. One member of the debating team, Bernard Davis, is also a participant in the drama festival which was in session last week. The Debate Coach is J. A. Abron, Jr., D. E. Coordinator.

Charge Two

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Officer Parker approached him on the sidewalk in front of the store and asked him for the credit card. Bailey then went to a 1964 Buick and entered the car, saying the card was inside the automobile.

Parker then asked him to return to the K-Mark with him. At that point, Benjamin Franklin Jones, 34, of 406 E. South

Street, told Officers Parker that Bailey "wasn't going anywhere with him."

Jones is then said to have driven off the K-Mart property at a high rate of speed.

Both were later arrested. Bailey was charged with fraudulent use of a credit card, and Jones faces charges of accessory after the fact of forgery.

Negro Baby

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Efforts were made twice Tuesday to contact Mrs. Nesmith, who is now recuperating at her home, but she was unavailable for comment. Her husband was reported as being out of the city.

Also named in a separate suit filed two days earlier was Wake Memorial Hospital, which was accused of discriminating against patients in the selection of hospital rooms for Negroes.

Administrator Barnes, of Rex, hastened to assure this writer that the hospital has, on previous occasions, cared for Negro children.

The answer to be filed by Rex and Wake Memorial Hospitals will be presented in next week's CAROLINIAN.

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Tabor City News

TABOR CITY - Services were held at Hawes Chapel Baptist Church, Atkinson, Sunday School began at 9:45. Worship service started at 11:30. Devotional service was turned over to the pastor and choir. A sermonette was given by the pastor. Offering afterward. The choir sang the messianic song. The pastor came forward with the message from I Cor. 11:24. Subject, "Communion and Personal Faith." Spirit was high. After services was communion service, then we ad-

ditioned for dinner. At 2:30, we communed at the Rest Home. There we enjoyed the spirit of the Lord again. 3:30 evening service began. The song service was rendered by the Baby choir with Mrs. Inez Ferrell at piano. The pastor came forward with the message. Subject, "What A Church Is," found in I Tim. 3:15. There we had another good time. The Mrs. V. S. Singletary and daughter, Perry worshipped with their home church in Tabor City.

Rev. V. S. Singletary along with the Mt. Pisgah Choir rendered services at Holy Light Holiness Church, Tabor City, on Wednesday night, March 23. Subject, "Two Mile Religion," Whosoever compel to go one mile, go with twain.

Services were held at St. Paul No. 2 near Hallsboro. There we had a glorious service. The pastor's message continued with "What A Church Is."

Nancy McCray Robinson is sick at home, Dessie Chestnut and Lloyd Gerald is still in the hospital, Mrs. Peggy Chestnut is also in the hospital and Mrs. Melvin is sick at home. We help them a speedy recovery.

A Fellowship Banquet was held at Central High School cafeteria. Mr. L. D. Best, was toast master. The invocation was given by Rev. V. S. Singletary. Mrs. R. Grayer Powell, principal of Central High School, Rev. A. R. Smith president Smith Funeral Home, Mr. A. J. Ward, Sec. 24th Masonic District, The honorable Horace Whitley, Mayor of Whiteville, N. C. Music-United Male Chorus. Remarks and introduction of speaker, by Mrs. Jodie R. Brewington, Grand District Deputy of the 24th Masonic District, Speaker Mr. William A. Clement from Durham, Mr. A. L. Williams, Benediction by Rev. V. S. Singletary.

This was enjoyed by the Masonics of Columbus County and adjoining counties and their friends.

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