

Words Of Worship

The self-righteous Pharisees, during the time when Jesus was on earth, never tired of criticizing the Master for His social contacts. They were shocked over His companions, but He was not. That He had condemned Himself according to their formula worried Him not a whit. His liking for folks overran all social boundaries; He just would not seem to remember that some peop...

ple, proper people, and some are not. Hence, He said to the Pharisees, "Won't you ever get over nagging at me because I eat with outsiders? Who needs the doctor most—they that are well or they that are sick?" Jesus soon added, "Do you suppose God cares for forms and creeds and occasions? Take that home and puzzle over it."

Editorial Viewpoint

Adam Clayton Powell: A Critique

We judge a man by his stewardship in whatever career he follows. It is on this basis that we venture to survey the influence of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. from Harlem, New York.

Back in the 1940's, when the Rev. Dr. Powell was elected to the U. S. Congress without a primary run-off, because he had in his vest pocket the votes of all parties, his pronouncements gave the Negro hope that the newly-elected man from Harlem would team up with Rep. William Dawson, from Illinois, in behalf of the Negro's cause.

Powell had demonstrated his social action ability by leading Negroes in a movement to get better jobs with the telephone and electric companies of the city. This swung him into the city council where he was influential.

We remember that Powell said in his first newspaper conference that he would not be a silent legislator, and that he would be vocal. To this promise, he has been true. When other Congressmen are drowned out in a bedlam of noise, the House will stop talking and listen to the Harlem representative—but, in many instances, they won't follow him. P. L. Prattis of the Pittsburgh Courier once said that Powell ought to be a leader of a team, but he isn't.

Powell has been criticized for his absenteeism from the sessions, for his jaunts around the world with female companions,

for his attempt to avoid paying a settlement in a libel suit he lost, and for his shedding of several wives—especially does this look bad for a preacher. Now the rumor is that he is looking for a fourth wife, Miss Corinne Huff, a member of his staff. The Fayetteville Observer, a Tarheel newspaper, in an editorial on 8, 1966, called attention to another disturbing fact, thusly:

The latest reminder of this fact (flagrant abuse of position) was his wife's complaint last week that checks in payment of the \$20,578 annual salary she has drawn from the public till since 1958 as a member of her husband's 'staff' aren't reaching her."

Mr. Powell may not be doing anymore than what numerous other Congressmen have done in the past. Certainly, they have taken jaunts around the world at the public expense. But this is no excuse for Mr. Powell.

The Harlem Congressman is in a responsible position where he can do much good, and we give him credit for checking on monies appropriated to Southern states by the introduction of various amendments.

However, his ethical appeal as a leader of a downtrodden race has much to be desired. The very nature of his role demands that he be a good example, and more important still: He must live above suspicion.

We Support Auto Safety Law

For the next six months, talk about requiring manufacturers of automobiles to meet certain safety rules has taken newspaper priority. Well, last week, President Johnson signed that landmark safety auto-highway package into law.

The President and his supporters hold that the legislation promises "to cure the highway disease" by requiring auto-makers to build safer cars and encouraging states to develop effective traffic safety programs. Mr. Johnson observed that over the past Labor Day weekend, 614 United States citizens died in automobile accidents, compared with 29 U. S. servicemen killed during the same period in the Viet Nam war.

President Johnson has focused attention on two prerequisites for increasing automobile safety, namely: (1) built-in safety features in future new automobiles and (2) the initiation of more intensive and effective traffic safety programs by the several states across the nation. If this is done, we are confident that there will be some reduction in highway deaths.

But this is not all that should be done, and we want to add a third factor—the development and encouragement of drivers with good and safe driving habits. The State of Florida, for example, has been emphasizing, through television and other

news media, the practice of "defensive auto driving." By this term is meant driving safely yourself, but most of all, looking out for the mistakes made by the careless and reckless driver.

No matter how many safety features are built in a new automobile, no matter how many traffic safety laws are enacted, we will still have more unnecessary deaths on our highways if drivers are careless and violate good traffic laws.

We support the three-pronged attack on unnecessary deaths on our highways. Let us repeat them for emphasis (1) production of safer cars, (2) initiation and enforcement of improved traffic laws, and (3) the increase of drivers who handle their cars defensively to avoid accidents and deaths.

It is hoped that when our automobile manufacturers make new cars with improved safety features, they will not increase the retail price. President Johnson has aptly stated, "Safety is no luxury item, no optional extra. It must be a normal cost of doing business."

The public must be trained to become safe drivers, and the law enforcement agencies must exercise justly and impartially administrative action in order to effect the desired safety.

Does Stokely Carmichael Talk Too Much?

The inexperienced Stokely Carmichael, CORE's "black power" leader, was recently bound over to a Grand Jury in Atlanta on charges of inciting to riot, and then he was returned to his jail cell. His bond is \$10,000.

We learn that Carmichael will remain in jail while his associates will take his cause to the federal courts in an effort to stop arrests of racial demonstrators.

"Mr. Carmichael is a political prisoner, captured by the Atlanta police and chooses to remain in jail," James Forman, acting chairman of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), pronounced (Snik), told a news conference.

The charge: "Inciting an outburst Tuesday in which 1,000 Negroes pelted police with rocks and bottles and toppled Mayor Ivan Allen, Jr., from a car when he tried to reason with them."

The Response: According to daily newspapers, these were the responses:

- 1. He (Carmichael) was denounced by his own people. (Negroes).
2. He was denounced on the floor of the U. S. Congress as an "anarchist."
3. His one-time associate, Julian Bond, the Negro representative-elect in the Georgia House, announced that he was pulling out of SNCC.
4. The Atlanta police arrested Stokely Carmichael.

The events recounted, and others which were not made public, transpired just as quickly as that.

Stokely Carmichael is now challenging the validity of five Georgia code sections on insurrection, inciting to riot, riot and unlawful assembly, Atlanta's disorderly conduct ordinance, on the grounds that he is being denied "the fundamental guarantee of free speech, press, assembly, and the right to petition the government for redress of grievances."

We admire the courage of Mr. Carmichael in going to jail and his decision to refuse bond for release, but in doing so he has shown no greater courage than thousands of other Negro youths who went to jail for their stand on the question of equal rights. Two or three years ago, the demonstration method was effective when applied at the right place and time, but even then

it was probably ineffective more times than it was effective.

The original idea of non-violent demonstration was that a few trained adherents would march to call attention to their grievances. This was perhaps a more positive approach, since all Negroes are not non-violent. The character of the present demonstrations erupts into violence.

While the Negro is militant, he must employ it with tact, wisdom, and persuasion. The small demonstration riots never amount to much in solving the Negro's problem, for they fail to win our enemies and make them our friends. SNCC leaders, in carrying out their doctrine of "black power", are actually weakening and undermining their sphere of influence. It is reported that SNCC is in financial straits, because its income is rapidly dwindling. The public, with funds, since SNCC is not economically independent, will call the tune to SNCC's dance. If you don't believe this, watch the turn of events during the next six months.

A lot of newspaper readers will take offense at this editorial, but the truth is that SNCC is too weak financially to call its dance tunes. And many of those persons, who may vilify us for speaking our mind, will find that we are right before the year has expired. SNCC's supporters may talk and rant, but how many of them are willing to dig deep into their pockets for \$1,000 annually to keep the organization in the black. It takes a lot of money to make "the SNCC gospel run."

The doctrine of "black power" has never appealed to an intelligent Negro, who is capable of thinking for himself. Our first-rate leaders (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Roy Wilkins, James Farmer, Whitney Young, A. Phillip Randolph) have been wise enough not to fall for this trap.

We think that maybe Stokely Carmichael talks too much, and his appearance at news conferences and on telecasts have blown up his ego. He is sometimes talking out of both sides of his mouth, some things which make no logical sense. And alas! Carmichael may find out too late that one will never be sorry for thinking before speaking, and for looking before leaping. Enough said! Finis!

Only In America

BY HARRY GOLDEN

A MURDER AND A DIVORCE

BY HARRY GOLDEN

He had lived outside of Pineville, N.C., all his life in a tarpaper shack growing a few acres of tobacco every year. Life was no picnic. He told her continuously and honestly if contentiously, "I don't want no stew meat and rice for dinner. I had stew meat and rice for breakfast yesterday, I had stew meat and rice for lunch, and stew meat and rice for dinner. This morning I had stew meat and rice for breakfast and I don't want no stew meat and rice for dinner."

With that, he jammed on his tattered Stetson and walked all the way to the Pineville courthouse to pay his kerosene and light bills. But when he got back, sure enough, there was stew meat and rice bubbling on the stove. It was like she couldn't speak English, he said later, "like she hadn't never come from Pineville. I told her I didn't want no stew meat and rice and by god that's what I meant. No stew meat and rice."

So he walked to the corner of the room, hoisted his shotgun and pulled the trigger. No one could ever say he hadn't told her. Of course, it is also true that when he gets stew meat and rice in the state penitentiary he's going to eat stew meat and rice and like it. This fussy eater isn't going to get it at home anymore.

Another fussy eater up in the suburbs puts in a very hard day. What with perusing the Wall Street Journal on the train in, consuming in the six martinis at luncheon and play-

ing bridge on the train back at a nickel a point, he'd like to indulge himself at dinner. So he asks her, "What do you have tonight?"

And she says, "I have a four-pound sirloin on the rotisserie." "No," he says. "What else?" "I could do the loin lamb chops."

He shakes his head. "Mock turtle soup?" she suggests. He settles for a soufflé garnished with delicious pineapple.

Well, he thinks, tomorrow is another day. When he troops home and asks, "What's for dinner?" she answers, "Pressed duck."

"No god!" he says, "I had coq-au-vin at the Pavilion this noon." "Mock Turtle?" she suggests timidly. That comes in cans.

"Take the veal cutlets out," he says. "I'd like veal parmigian."

Finally, of course, her temper gets the better of her. She tells him one night all she is that steak she put on the rotisserie six days ago. There not being a shotgun in the house, he takes her to dinner, a sacrifice on his part since she knows he hates to eat out twice in one day.

In the affidavit, he sulks, he's going to tell the judge what a lousy cook she really was. The American palate has ruined more marriages than all them painted wimmin down on the square ever thought of ruining.

Just For Fun

BY MARCUS H. BOULWARE

SEE, HOW THEY RUN

This past week, the life of Hannibal, the Carthaginian General, became my reading interest. The book that I read told how the Carthaginians crossed the Alps in Italy and swooped down on Rome while the citizens lounged in luxury.

I was tickled mightily with the strategy that Hannibal used to outwit the Roman legions that marched almost automatically to the commands of their officers. The manner in which Hannibal confused those "Old pros" was a thing of joy.

While in Italy, Hannibal had to depend upon the tribes he could persuade to his side. When the battles became too hot, some semi-civilized tribes deserted. However, when the fortunes changed, they returned to the main ranks to share in the glory.

Remember Gideon, who took 300 men and routed the Midianites. But Gideon started out with 32,000 men—many of whom went to the army to get away from their nagging wives.

Ah—ha!—the hot military affair was more to be feared than nagging wives.

Letter to the Editor

DON'T YOU CARE?

To The Editor: During the busy and fast times in which we are living, we seldom have time to observe the things that go on around us. How often have we traveled the streets of the city and noticed the human sufferings within our midst? I have often heard my pastor make this remark during church services: "Would a man rob God?"

I would like to ask this question of men: Don't you care that we still have Negro families, human beings who are still living in dwellings which are unfit for human habitation? We are living in a modern age now, and are supposedly civilized people, who walk, talk and discern. Can we truthfully say that we can pass these places every day on our way to and from work and our consciences do not bother us? Of course there are some of us who won't be affected or pretend not to be, for we are so smug and comfortable, living in our ivory towers with all the push button conveniences that we are not too concerned.

But we must be reminded that it hasn't been too long ago that some of us were living in homes without all the modern conveniences we have now at our disposal. The pot bellied stoves and back porch johns are still vivid in some of our memories.

The Bible says that we are our brothers' keeper, and these people are our brothers, whether we are willing to accept them or not. If we are not concerned, when we see some of our people living in these rat-infested places, we just aren't living right. One absolute truth that we all know is that we have been divided too long.

Call it envy, greed, jealousy, or by any other name, we still have it, and unless we learn to cooperate more fully with one another we're going to be struggling for a long time. We can't sit around and wait for The Great Society and the Poverty Program to do everything for us. We must make some effective moves ourselves. It will take a concentrated effort on the part of all of us to do what we can to help remedy some of these situations. Raleigh may not be Watts or Chicago, or Washington, but we still have our ghettoes here. The most amazing thing to me is the lack of interest shown by some of our local churches and organizations in these matters. If I went through this life without trying to help some one less fortunate than myself, I would think this life wasn't worth living.

Sincerely, WILBERT M. SANDERS, Raleigh, N. C.

Other Editors Say . .

AN ABSENTEE BALLOT COUNTS

In close elections, the absentee vote often decides the

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PRESISTING IN TRYING TO FOOL HER!



Altar Call

BY EMORY G. DAVIS, D. D. NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL

"WHEN WILL THEY SOBER UP?"

A Negro mother broke into tears as a white semimarian said prayers in memory of the woman's son who was beaten to death at the spot less than four months previous.

We wrote about the brutal slaying of this promising young man in this column. We told how one of his high school teachers, my wife, had seen unlimited potential in him. He had gone to the now infamous city of Cicero, a Chicago suburb, to look for a job.

The mother cried as she stood with several hundred marchers who demonstrated in Cicero the first Sunday of September. The marchers had stopped at the fatal spot to memorialize the son and call attention to the rank hatred resident in not only the four white youths indicted for his murder, but to the seemingly insurmountable wall of hatred white racial prejudice has built.

Flanked with Nazi flags and white supremacist's banners, amid the jeers, taunts and obscenities of hatemongers, the voice of God could scarcely be heard by people standing nearby.

Out of this mother's painful heart she said she'd "rather deal with a man drunk with whisky than one drunk with ignorance, because when he is sober you

can reason with him." What a text for a sermon, preacher! A night's sleep may cure a drunk, but what will it take to cure ignorance-bred hatred?

The father's comment symbolizes the attitude that we, the Negro, in spite of the urgings of those who would have us meet violence with violence, must take to end the stupor of ignorant hate.

"I grieve for my boy who was killed, but I also grieve for these people so full of hatred." Slow and disheartening as the process may be, there is only one alternative to hate, it is love. Love your enemies!

Biblical though it may sound, it will take a quality of love projected and actualized by oppressed Negroes to eradicate the hate in the hearts and souls of those who would, through ignorance of the essential meaning of life, hate other humans because they are different in color.

We cannot! We must not desert non-violence and love! It is the only power that will endure, when all other power has dissipated itself in the elements of its own self-destruction.

The Altar of Love knows no color. It's at the end of a trail of broken hearts. But, to it we must hasten.

Religion And Race

BY NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL

SURPRISE ELEVATION

CALABAR, Nigeria -- The Rev. Brian Davis Usanga, 37-year-old son of an Eastern Nigeria tribal chief, had to interrupt studies at Catholic University to return home to take up new duties within the church. The priest was learning toward a Ph.D. in anthropology when he learned he had been named auxiliary bishop of Calabar. That caused a temporary cancellation of his studies, which he hopes to complete sometime in the future.

LOS ANGELES - Cornerstone-laying ceremonies are to be held Oct. 2 for the Church of the Living God, the first religious edifice to be built in the south central (Watts) area of the city since the riots of August, 1965. Begun before the riots, the \$195,000 structure, now nearing completion, will seat 270 in the sanctuary and 235 in a fellowship hall. SERVE ALL

OIL SEARCH

CAPE TOWN - Temporarily setback because of the recent assassination of Premier Prime Minister Hendrik Verwoerd, the South African government is nonetheless going ahead with plans to thwart a new offensive by Afro-Asian nations against its apartheid-policies. Embarking upon a self-sufficiency program, the government has allocated \$7.7 million for the purchase of oil tankers, and has instituted an all-out search for oil deposits within its borders.

NEW SOUND

TUNIS - Stambell is the newest music race to come on the jazz scene. As yet confined to Tunis and the Mediterranean area, efforts are being made to introduce it to Europe and America. The stambell, executed by a four-man band playing three instruments - gombri (lute), shakshel (iron castanets) and banga (tom tom)- is a music form brought across the Sahara by black victims of Arab slave traders. Until a

WESTMINSTER, Md. -- Members of the all-white Organized Bible Class Association of Washington, meeting in annual conference last week were told "Followers of Christ cannot pick and choose those they serve, but must serve all, regardless of complexion." These words were spoken by Mrs. J. Warren Hasting, an ordained minister, and widow of the former minister of National City Christian church, Washington.

ALL JOIN IN PITTSBURGH -- A call to organize labor throughout Pennsylvania to "join organized religion in a united conscience crusade for social justice and civil rights for Negroes" was made at the eighth annual Labor Day Mass in Civic arena last week. The call was issued by Bishop John J. Wright, Pittsburgh Catholic diocese, who proposed the establishment of a human relations committee with other religious groups to implement the crusade.

World News Digest

BY NEGRO PRESS INTERNATIONAL

NAME CHARGES

KUALA LAMPUR - There have been some name changes made in the independent nation of Malaysia. Former British colonies of Sarawak and Sabah (North Borneo) have been renamed East Malaysia, while the one time federation of Malaysia became West Malaysia. The terms Malayan and Bornean are no longer to be used. HOT AND SALTY

NEW DELHI

For the odd facts department, scientists working with the International Indian Ocean expedition, have come up with these gems: The Indian Ocean has the fastest mid sea current and coldest surface water in the Tropics, as well as the hottest and saltiest waters. The fast current is the Somali current, running north past Africa and Arabia at speeds up to seven knots -- against four for the Gulf Stream, and Kuroshio in the Pacific.

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dence on Election Day, you owe it to yourself as a citizen to obtain an absentee ballot. The right to vote is the most fundamental of all our rights. Thousands of Negro citizens in the South are striving ceaselessly to exercise this right under threat of violence. The behavior and performance of officeholders, at every level of government, is dictated by the knowledge that periodically they must come before the bar of public opinion in the polling booths.

The caliber of men in public life is a direct reflection of the wisdom and judgment exercised by the voters. When it is time to vote, you are the only person in the booth. If you cannot be there personally, let the absentee ballot serve as your proxy. There are too many issues now at stake in the area of

civil rights and economic advancement to "let George do it."

—THE LOUISVILLE (Ky.) DEFENDER

MODERATES PREDOMINATE

North Carolina always has been a conservative state. It was next to the last to ratify the federal constitution, and it was next to the last to secede from the Union. Today, it is conceded to be the most progressive southern state.

During this era of racial turmoil, this state has kept its head. It is a land of equal opportunity for the qualified. About 1919, what was known as the "grandfather clause" expired and Negroes were given the ballot.

In contrast with Mississippi, North Carolina has taken social and educational changes in stride. A law is a

law, whether we like it or not, and good citizens will observe it.

Segregation, for example, is more angles than purely racial. There are some who believe that adolescents should attend separate schools. Whether it does now we do not know, but some years ago the city of Atlanta had separate high schools for girls and boys. Segregation is practiced by some social groups also.

North Carolina today is spending more on Negro education than it spent on all its educational institutions a few years ago. We continue to make progress along all lines—on what we think and how we translate thoughts into action. All of this because our leaders are moderates and not extremists.

—THE INDEPENDENT (Fuquay-Varina)