

Only In America

BY HARRY GOLDEN

Words Of Worship

THE WORLD LOOKS UPON UP and evaluates our stewardship. This is made very vivid by the Apostle Paul in one of his writings: "Wherefore we are encompassed by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight which may so easily beset us, and run the race with patience—looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our

faith." A lot of times, a man thinks he is pulling the wool over people's eyes, but he isn't. The public—our neighbors, associates, and fellow workmen on jobs—are like a stadium full of people watching a great sport and they can see the mistakes we make clearly.

Editorial Viewpoint

The Magnetism Of Antique Automobiles

Have you ever had the urge to own an antique automobile and begin an interesting hobby? If so, you are not alone, for we have a host of "antique car" fanciers throughout the country.

Recently, the gathering of antique car owners in Florida was magnificent. It was rewarding to the spirits of those individuals who get joy and vibrancy in life through the abstract.

Some 237 antique automobiles, with an estimated 500 persons, made the trip to Ocala. This is understandable when one recalls how the antique car craze took hold in this country a few years ago. Persons who want to restore an old car to running condition, and who have the desire to have a good time, qualify for membership into this group of hobbyists.

On the scene were a 1924 Dodge touring car, a 1931 Model A Ford (the age-old gem), a 1937 Buick, a 1919 Mercedes-Benz, a 1913 Ford "T" Speedster (called the Weeki Wachee Spring mermaid), and others. Any one of these vehicles merited a place in the parade of persons belonging to the Veteran Motor Car Club of America.

Well do we remember that dynamic "Model-T Ford" touring car, the car with that "go" in all kinds of weather and road conditions. Note how one pulled down the spark and gas levers to meet, throwing the car wide open for speed. It could be fixed by tying together parts with wire, and it seemed to be able to run with little water in the radiator. The best it could do on the highway was an average 45 miles per hour. (But some youth, souped up the

"ole gal", and she would get up to 50—in rare cases, 55).

Remember that old Dodge, with the gears shifting backward in comparison with the modern standard shift. The 1924 Buick had a stick shift laterally opposite that of the present standard shift. In those days, it took art to learn how to drive a car, with coordination of the feet in manipulating the accelerator and clutch. Drivers today can learn to operate a car with simple ease and move off like a breeze.

Think of the waterless "cooling" Franklin, and we believe it was electric powered (yet we could be wrong on this point about the power).

What about the curtains to ward off the rain in touring cars? As the "flivver" got old, the cold North Wind seeped in between the curtains that were made to keep out the rain and the cold. Not many people had car heaters in those days.

Then there were dray trucks with chains that revolved the rear wheels, and most often truck tires were made of solid rubber.

Many of the oldtime cars had to be hand-cranked. It was expected of all males—young and old—to turn the crank for all ladies who were ready to take off in their cars. A few men sprained their arms, and some had to go to the hospitals for broken limbs.

The antique cars have something that antique furniture does not have. They provide transportation, often slow, but nevertheless a form of riding. What a thrill the driver gets when folks turn around to catch a glimpse of the old roadster.

WHOWILL GET THERE FIRST?

New York is ending an exciting political campaign for the governorship.

Nelson A. Rockefeller is the nominee of the Republican party, running to succeed himself for a third term.

Frank D. O'Connor, president of the New York City Council, was nominated on the first ballot by the Democratic party state convention.

Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., accepted the nomination offered to him by the Liberal party a political organization of trade unionists which, on one or two occasions produced the decisive margin of victory for one of the major political parties.

Paul Adams, a college professor wore a button which read "I've had enough."

At least three of these candidates, Rockefeller, O'Connor and Roosevelt have been making a determined effort to get the most out of the usual blintzes-eating contest, and much depends on who gets to the kosher restaurant first.

Mr. Rockefeller proved this in 1958 when he upset the Democratic incumbent, Averell Harriman. Rockefeller walked through New York's Lower East Side eating cheese blintzes and corned sandwiches like mad.

Mr. Harriman, an athletic man who watches his weight, kept to the issues of the cam-

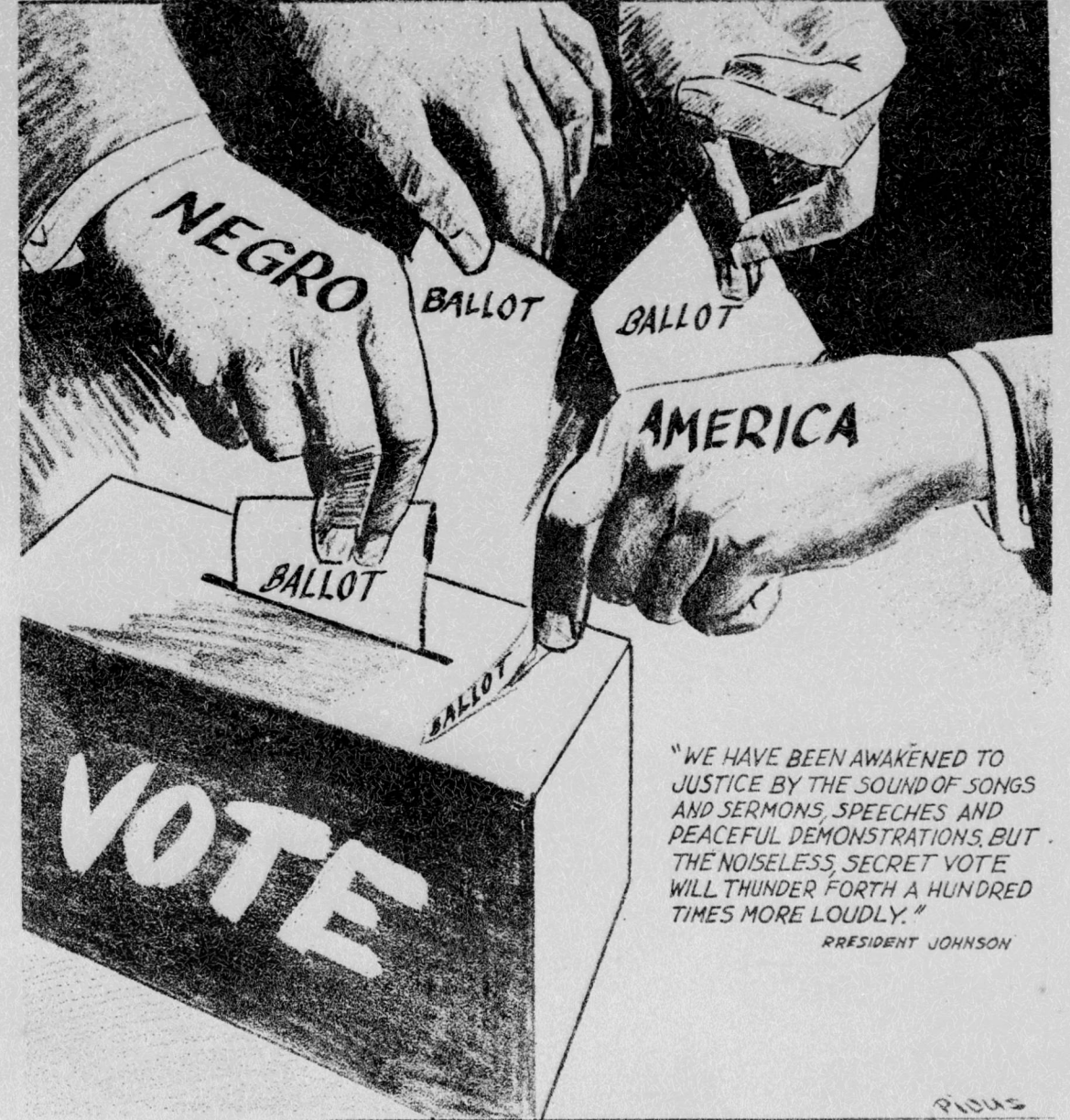
paign. By the time he woke up to the inroads Mr. Rockefeller was making with his gustatory campaigning, it was too late. Rockefeller squeezed cheese blintzes and all.

It should be a fair campaign all around because all four candidates can eat blintzes to their advantage. Basically this is the reason the Jewish candidates cannot get himself elected mayor of New York. The blintzes-syndrome is the real stumbling block. It is hardly news to see a news photo of a Goodstein, a Lefkowitz, or a Beame eating blintzes. It is no bargain. And the additional disadvantage is that the Jewish candidates cannot go into the other sectors and eat chitterlings or hog jowl. That would make matters worse.

The candidates this year are more or less evenly matched. Rockefeller has been there twice before, and O'Connor will undoubtedly eat blintzes, not only on the Lower East Side but in all five of New York's boroughs. Roosevelt has come by his blintzes-capacity by inheritance, his father invented the gambit way back in 1926 when F.D.R. first ran for governor of New York.

It will all depend on who gets there first with the most, Rockefeller, O'Connor, or Roosevelt as they discuss, between bites, the two perennial New York issues: bossism and budgets.

This Is Your Duty As A Good American Citizen!



"WE HAVE BEEN AWAKENED TO JUSTICE BY THE SOUND OF SONGS AND SERMONS, SPEECHES AND PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATIONS, BUT THE NOISELESS, SECRET VOTE WILL THUNDER FORTH A HUNDRED TIMES MORE LOUDLY."
RESIDENT JOHNSON

Just For Fun

NEVER RIDE A "HIKER"

Years ago I was way up in the mountains of Tennessee and North Carolina enroute east. I stopped at a stand by some applejuice, and then I was approached by a hitch-hiker to let him ride with me as far as Asheville. I declined the proposal in no uncertain terms since I was riding alone.

Through the years, I have continued this policy.

Last week, I read of a Florida Negro picking up a hitch-hiker. Later the "thumb-er" suggested that the motorist and he go to a bar and get some drinks (You know,

"buddy-buddy"). Before the trip was over, the "hiker" took an ice pick and held it to the throat of the motorist and lifted him of his car and \$204 and a wallet.

We admit that some "hikers" are all right, but you cannot afford to take the risk of being murdered. HAVE YOU HEARD?

This fall I read an article saying snoring has been the cause of murder and divorce. I have been trying to trace the truth of this statement for two months. Have you readers heard of such a case under the category of "incompatibility?"

Other Editors Say . .

ULTIMATE GOALS

The momentum of the civil rights revolution has been arrested; not because the revolution has spent its kinetic energy; not because all of the objectives sought have been obtained—but because of an ideological conflict as to the means to achieve the desired end at a quickening pace.

School desegregation which has meant token compliance at best, has virtually come to a standstill; public accommodations below the Mason and Dixon Line are a mirage; freedom of residence, so far, has been successfully obstructed; and, not enough federal registrars are dispatched to the rural areas in Dixie to prevent a large segment of Negro voters from being intimidated.

Clearly this is not backlash against demonstrations and riots. It is a well planned rebellion against concessions made by the Administration and against Congressional enactments which have tended to widen the scope of first class citizenship for the American Negro.

The rebellion is given a political coating because this is an election year. Politicians who are not too sure of victory are grabbing at anything that might lure the voters to their side. Open housing is the one aspect of civil rights on which the North and the South have complete identity of emotional reactions. It, therefore, becomes an easy target on which to rally inter-sectional support for massive resistance to further gains by Negroes in their quest for freedom and equality.

Just at the critical moment, when all the factions in the Black Revolution stand in need

of unity in order better to withstand the assault of the enemy, a schism, with unimaginable consequences, sets them apart, at the extreme ends of the poles of direct action.

It should be obvious to all Negroes of whatever persuasion that the struggle for freedom cannot be won through disunity born out of an indefensible desire for self-aggrandizement.

The proponents of Black Power committed the unpardonable error of allowing the concept to become synonymous with violence. Such a connotation is both irrelevant and impractical. Fundamentally, the concept of Black Power is a set of dynamics for the mobilization of all the resources within the grasp of the Negro masses, in such manner as to fashion on the anvil of racial cohesion the black man's economic and political destiny.

This is the thesis white America has been preaching all along. The Negro's final emancipation from economic oppression and social subjugation will come only through self help, self-determination and self-respect. The blessings of a free society will not be offered to him on a silver platter. He must earn them from the sweat of his own brow.

The advocates of Black Power have exhibited a shocking lack of intellectual capacity and directional sense to define the concept with persuasive intelligibility. Yet it is by far the brightest notion that has come out of the civil rights movement. It is one with which the ultimate destiny of the black masses is woven. The old historical assumption that the Negro is the white man's burden is no longer compatible with the profession of freedom and equality. Even in a democracy, a man must be able to "paddle his own canoe." Unless the Negro develops his own independence and power, the recognition and equity that he seeks today will long remain an unfulfilled dream. —THE CHICAGO DAILY DEFENDER.

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Altar Call

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"NO MAN'S LAND"

Startling statistics revealed by an eminent sociologist give some explanation for much that is happening to the negro in this period of his existence.

In 1910, 73 per cent of the nation's Negro population lived in the South with 60 per cent of these residing in rural areas. In 1960, 73 per cent of the US's Negro population lived in urban, metropolitan areas.

Considering the sub-standard educational facilities available to the children of these two generations, it is no wonder that our metropolitan school systems, formerly geared academically to a white middle-class population, have in recent years failed to educate a predominant Negro population now residing in the inner city. Education is not the only area making the problem so complex. It is utterly impossible to take any racial or ethnic group out of rural customs, traditions and mores and urbanize them in so short a span of time. And thus, for a large percentage of the 73 per cent Negro population now residing in our cities, other cultural lags are easily recognizable.

The proliferation of the Negro church in metropolitan areas is indicative of the fact that the

newcomers must find a church in which they feel more at home. At any metropolitan area, you can go down the Negro business streets and count two to six storefront churches in one block.

Closer investigation will reveal that many follow family or regional lines developing the membership. There are so many places and situations foreign to the newcomer that he is glad to find some consolation in being able to identify through his church affiliation with some of his past.

But what need, beyond familiar relationships, is being filled by the majority of the Negro's storefront churches?

I knew a Methodist and Baptist preacher, who nearly 40 years ago made it their ministry to meet trains coming from the South each day to a northern city. They would personally see that the newcomers had a place to live, a job, or money, food and lodging to tide them over until they got started.

Here's another Altar just waiting for the church...ministering to the newcomers, that they may adjust to urban life before unnecessary tragedy destroys them...The Altar of Meaningful Welcome.

Religion And Race

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CHURCH'S "BLACK POWER"

CHICAGO - Negro churches have a black power movement all their own, according to the Rev. Nicholas Hood, pastor, Plymouth United Church of Christ, Detroit. Speaking before a regional meeting of the denomination in LaSalle hotel, he said that Negro churches which have projects working for community change "are black power in the highest sense."

WASHINGTON - A plea to uproot all vestiges of racial discrimination within the United Church of Christ denomination was made by 48 ministers of both races during a conference at Plymouth Congregational church last week. The ministers voted to form a permanent watching committee to press for the end of racial bias in the 1.3 million religious body.

NEW YORK - A policy statement on integration issued by a group of Negro leaders received the commendation and endorsement of a committee representing major Jewish organizations last week. The resolution, adopted by the executive committee, National Community Relations Advisory Council, approved the content of the

"Crisis and Commitment" statement issued jointly by A. Philip Randolph, Roy Wilkins and Whitney M. Young. The council represents nine national Jewish organizations and 79 state and local Jewish councils.

WARNED ON RACIAL PROBLEMS
JACKSON, Miss. - A warning that white Methodist congregations throughout the south must be prepared to take "a positive lead" in solving racial problems, was made by Bishop Roy H. Short, Louisville, to the Southeastern Jurisdictional council. Noting that "If we do not think for ourselves, someone will do it for us," he added that white Methodists "need to keep these other Methodists (240,000 Negroes of the Central Jurisdictional) in mind as well as ourselves."

ALEXANDRIA, Va. - Approval of a bylaw establishing a "joint committee of cooperation" was registered last week by Negro and white officials of the Mount Vernon Baptist association meeting in First Baptist church. The committee is empowered to "nurture meaningful communication" between the association, and its Negro counterpart, the Northern Virginia Baptist association; as well as "explore avenues of mutual assistance and cooperation."

World News Digest

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FREEDOM DRIVES

VILLA CISNEROS, Spanish Sahara - The newest voices to take up cries for independence from colonial rule are the Spanish possessions in Africa--Rio Muni (Spanish Equatorial Guinea), Ifni, Fernando Po and Spanish Sahara. However, in two instances--Ifni and Spanish Sahara--Spain is reluctant to move quickly to grant freedom for fear that Morocco and Mauritania will seek to re-annex the territories which both claim originally were parts of their areas.

RISING COSTS

LUSAKA - The rise in the cost of living for the average consumer in Zambia is best indicated by the taxis and telephones. Taxi fares are now 54 cents for the first mile or fraction thereof. Effective Nov. 1, it will cost subscribers a minimum of \$5.50 a line for listing in the telephone directory, an increase of \$1.40.

SECESSION TALK

ENUGU - A disturbed Republic of Nigeria--ripped apart by bloody and bloodless coups, and sundries other violent changes in government leadership -- is now faced with the prospect of the secession of Eastern Nigeria from the federation. The withdrawal is based on the

recent "wanton fratricide" practiced against 7,000 Easterners by Northerners."

ANOTHER VIET NAM

JOHANNESBURG - Immediate reaction by South African newspapers to the 114-2 vote of the U. N. General assembly to end South Africa's control over the mandated territory of South West Africa, was the headlines in Die Burger, the Africans daily, of "Vietnam in Africa." The paper noted the "conclusion that South Africa had forfeited its right to administer South West Africa" leads to a "course which points directly to a clash with South Africa." The negative votes were cast by South Africa and Portugal, while Britain, France and Malawi were the absents.

ACCESS TO SEA

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA - Bolivia, surrounded by Brazil, Peru, Paraguay, Argentina and Chile, last week, won an agreement from neighboring Peru to construct a highway linking the capital with Peru's southern Pacific coast, at Ilo. Formerly Bolivia had to depend upon Chile for its route to the sea, but during the past four years a frontier dispute between the two countries disrupted traffic.

How does the purchaser know what was the original price? Fancy packaging also has its disadvantages. Sometimes the wrappers weigh more than the

contents, and they often are difficult to open. It should be remembered, however, that your grocer or supermarket operator is not responsible

for packaging foods. That is done by the manufacturers or processors. —THE FUQUAY-VARINA INDEPENDENT.

Adam Clayton Powell Is Wrong!

The leadership of Congressman Adam Clayton Powell (Harlem) has been let down another notch by his failure to comply with a lower court order in a long-standing libel judgment in connection with \$164,000 awarded a New York widow who was called a "bag woman" by the Congressman.

As yet, it appears that the lawmaker has not paid off. How is it possible for him to defy the court? Does he think he can wiggle off the book? No, indeed!

Powell, an ordained minister, for some unexplained reason, has ignored two previous orders for his arrest for civil contempt, but they do not specify sentences.

Powell is no fool, and he is aware that the appellate ruling said a Congressman "must respond to civil process and is liable for all consequences of disregarding the

same except that he cannot be subjected to arrest during a session of Congress." Powell has made it convenient to be away when Congress is adjourned.

When Mr. Powell was elected to Congress from Harlem in the 1940's Negroes rejoiced greatly that they had a "true and tried" leader. While the Harlem Representative has looked after the interest of Negroes, he has let them down in his "public image"—to wit: shedding of wives, allegedly cruising abroad with ladies, allegedly having his wife on the payroll, but which she denied receiving pay, and continued absences from his duties.

Powell can raise the cry that other Congressmen are doing worse things, but this does not excuse him one bit. Like Caesar said of his wife, she must live above suspicion. So must Mr. Powell!

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