

Bible Thought Of The Week

Some people hold that a superiority complex is ineradicable. This is not the case. True, for example, Saul was very much changed when he became St. Paul, but he still believed that women were not worthy of God's

Kingdom. He insisted that they could enter only as adjuncts of their husbands, so when they should be made in subjection. However, in spite of this belief, Paul was indeed a very much changed man.

Editorial Viewpoint

Vietnam: But We Have Another Commitment!

"This country has a commitment in Vietnam, and we mean to keep it," has become a common idiom in this country. When the Pueblo incident occurred, far too many legislators urged the President to give the "go ahead" for our military to throw its weight around.

Besides, harping on our Vietnam commitment, why can't we publicize our commitment with reference to resolving our domestic problems, most notably the slums and ghettos inhabited by hundreds of thousands of black citizens in this great land of plenty.

We have observed that, on a voluntary basis, our citizens appear to be more charitable than the municipal, state, and federal governments. Observe, if you please, their financial response to such drives as United Fund, cerebral palsy, Easter Seal, Heart Fund, and many more worthy causes.

Listening recently to a two-hour Public Laboratory Broadcast, a report on the an "examination of the ghetto and on the President's Advisory Commission's report on civil disorders, we were deeply moved. Our flashbacks at the solemn conclusion pounded upon our heart and rapped upon your head with the puzzling question still unanswered:

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Why and how have these ghettos so accumulated and remained? "Why has the United States which lends a hand and heart, an army and wealth abroad in response to a commitment, so turned a deaf ear and unseeing eye to the malignancies that so fester across the nation?"

Why are justice and humanity the fingers of a glove to be fitted only to those with ability to climb out and away from their environments? Must dignity be made available only to the white man, red man, yellow man, and black man who earns it? At this very hour, this answer is not yet acceptable, when we observe the despair, fraught with madness to action, "Burn Baby, Burn."

This is certainly no compliment for a powerful nation like ours. The components of the status quo, plus blind eye and deaf ear, plus the satisfaction that our nation is the total answer, equals our minus. Like a statement made by the Apostle Paul, "we are encompassed by so great a cloud witnesses," and before them we must really make America "the Beautiful," where now seething tenements and ghastly ghettos block, blacken and defile the image.

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Is Our March Reporting 'Journalistic Liar'

There is a well-worn cliché, "I know nothing but what I read in the newspapers..." But, alas and herein lies the danger!

For the last two years, we have listened to Vietnam War reports television and radio in several states. In contradistinction to the Will Rogers' cliché, the reporting carries us back to World War II and the Korean War. That news and what we are hearing from the TV media are so ridiculous that any person with a mentality of a 10-year-old child could not possibly believe it.

Listen to this typical situation: One telecast reported an incident in which our troops were engaged by about 400 Viet Cong near Saigon, who had 50 caliber machine

Only In America

BY HARRY G. ULEN

WHAT'S THE BIG TITTLE WITH NORTH CAROLINA?

I think North Carolina needs most, a change of attitudes, it needs a change of attitudes to enter the 20th century, bordering on the 21st century.

The Eastern part of the state is liberal on economics and rigid on race; whereas the Western part is liberal on race and rigid on economics. They'd make Walt in Luther King Mayor of Charlotte tomorrow if somehow he could promise no collective bargaining and laundry workers' would not receive a minimum wage.

We need to repeal the Right to Work law. This law reminds me of the day the French Chamber of Deputies voted themselves out of office and then got up and absconded their work. North Carolina loses \$728 million dollars a year in payrolls because of its non-union shops.

North Carolina needs an open housing law so that people can live where they please if they can pay the rent and perform the minimum requirements of a civilized society.

Did you know that in North Carolina five Negro women died in childbirth for every white woman who died in childbirth? Did you know that in North Carolina the infant mortality rate is five and a half times greater among the Negroes than among the whites? Did you know that in North Carolina tuberculosis, which is 14th as the cause of death among whites, is second as a cause of death among the Negroes?

What a waste of human resources this is! And this is a civilized state at the height of the greatest prosperity the world has ever seen.

This is not the result of any biology or science. To the eternal credit of the South, during all this controversy, not a single scientist, doctor, biologist, pathologist, has stepped out of the university and justified segregation on biological grounds.

Only the politicians have spoken, the politicians who have a vested interest in this thing to perpetuate themselves in office.

The deaths are the result of discrimination and segregation in ghetto life, and in poverty.

On the Lower East Side of New York in the days of the sweatshop many Jews contracted tuberculosis. It was

so endemic that we called it Jewish asthma, and established the National Jewish Hospital in Denver for asthmatics and the tuberculars. It is a disease of poverty, overcrowding, but mostly poverty.

We must change our attitude about federal government spending too much money. We hear that on all sides in North Carolina from all our politicians. "Cut government spending."

What they have in mind, of course, is that \$15.43 an unmarried Negro mother gets, that's what is worrying them. They certainly are not worried about the Social Security check or the old age pension.

As a matter of fact, North Carolina has been a Federal preserve for the last 20 years, like Yellowstone National Park except with people. We get checks from the government every day; cotton check, peanut check, ARA check, soil bank, Social Security, old-age pension checks, veterans checks, checks for airports, roads, farm subsidies, checks for army camps, checks for school children's lunches, and as we get each check we cash it and we say "the government's getting too big."

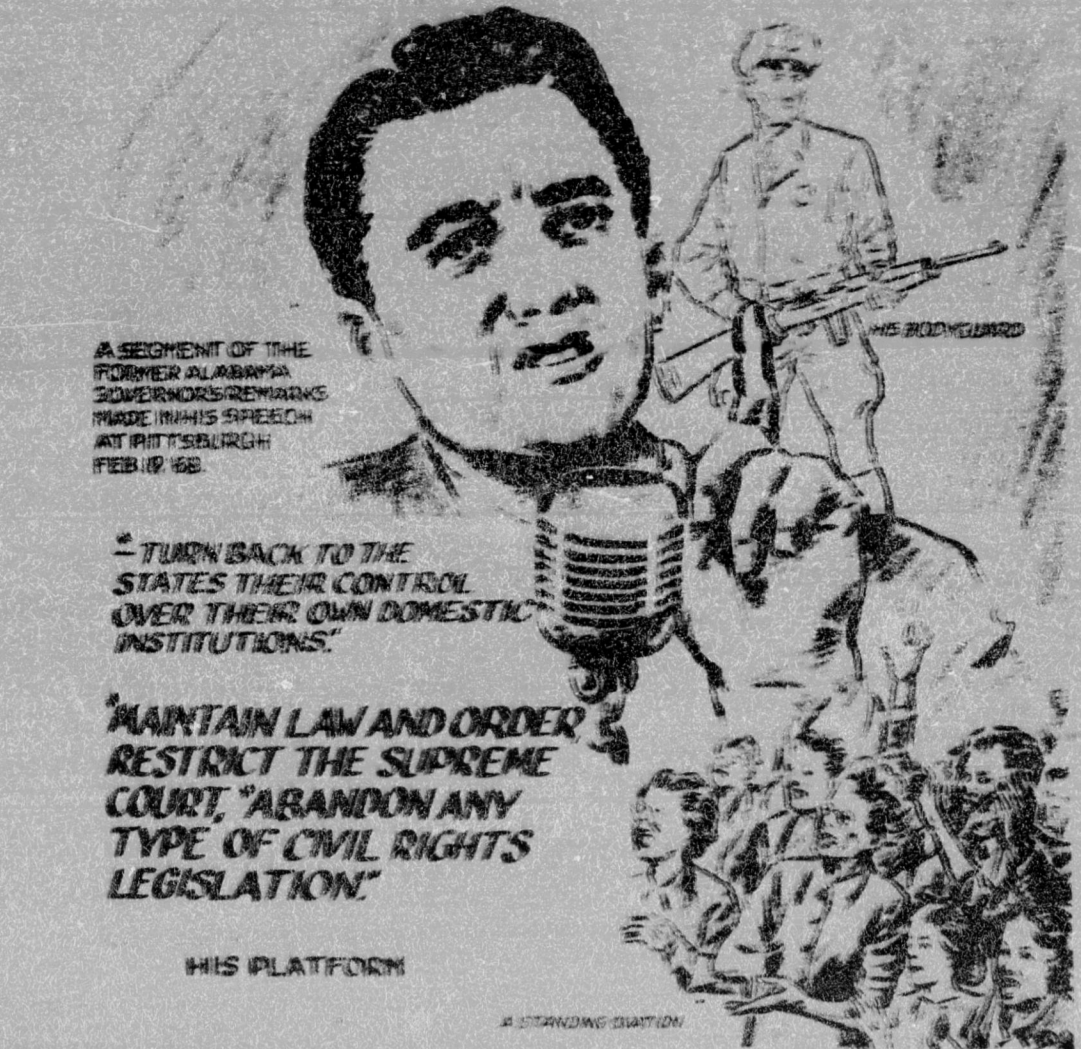
Only the Federal Government can handle these projects. The state government surrendered this sovereignty in 1789 when they signed the Constitution of the United States. There's no sovereignty state in America. The federal government is sovereign.

In the second half of the 20th century I'd like to see North Carolina change its attitudes on trade unionism and on race. We are building a great industrial state here and discrimination against the Negro could be somehow maintained in a plantation society but not in an industrial society. There was a time when the house stood on the hill with smoke coming out of the chimney at twilight and the Negro wait in the back door, but today there's no house on the hill and up the road at twilight and it doesn't care who drives it.

This is a great state with heavy responsibility because it has a great potential in the industrial civilization of our country.

Now that I've had my say, I wish to extend to my fellow Tar Heels my devotion and my affection to every last one of them.

Don't laugh him off... register and vote!



TURN BACK TO THE STATES THEIR CONTROL OVER THEIR OWN DOMESTIC INSTITUTIONS. MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER & RESTRICT THE SUPREME COURT, ABANDON ANY TYPE OF CIVIL RIGHTS LEGISLATION.

Whos Failing Students Or School?

Who is failing - the students or the school? Should one out of every ten school beginners be labeled failures? This year ten per cent of the first-graders are repeating the first grade. This has been true for each of the last six school years.

There is no way to estimate the real cost to the individual and to the State of the lost or damaged learning potential of these 1,336 students. To offer the first grade again to this ten per cent is costing the State \$4,659,096 during 1967-68. The cost during the last six years is at least a minimum of twenty-eight million dollars.

Let us suppose for a moment that a wiser use were made of both the child's time and the school's resources. What could have been done? The cost of kindergarten classes on a state-wide basis in terms of support now provided for grades one through twelve would have been about thirty million dollars during 1967-68.

At the average North Carolina salary, 831 teachers could have been employed or 1800 teacher - aides allotted to elementary schools. These teachers could permit further

reduction of class size. The purchase by the State of free textbooks, 1966-67, was \$6,055,477. State expenditures on instructional supplies that year was \$2,041,000. Students using the same books two years may be a minor expense item, but greatly increased supplies and books could have been provided from the saving of duplicate programs and facilities.

Funds for library books, allotted on the basis of one dollar per pupil or a total of \$1,336,000.00 in 1965-66, could be increased to \$4.00 per pupil. This means a new library book per child added to the shelves.

Each of the 161 school units could have been allotted \$28,987.00 for research into its early childhood education programs. Five centers in different areas of the state could have had nearly a million dollars each to research and test new instructional programs.

These data indicate that a change may be needed in the administration and organization of the primary grades. Perpetuation of a program in which ten per cent of its beginners fail each year should not be allowed. More realistic and practical planning for young children is in order.

freed in Salisbury, North Carolina, four weeks ago for their part in terrorism. These men were freed by Southern Conservatism or white power. Does anyone believe that they would have been freed had they been black men shooting into the homes of white men? History would not support North Carolina for those who would say "yes." Let us begin with a point of argument that woman within any degree of justice and right can deny. The Negro has paid the death penalty many times for acts committed against white people, but never has a white man gone to death as a penalty of law for acts committed against Negroes in North Carolina. Many times Negroes could not get a warrant against a white man for the same acts Negroes were put to death.

Anarchy --- U.S.A.

EDITOR'S NOTE - This is a treatise sent to this paper by Rev. Wilson W. Lee, ardent civil rights leader. He speaks as the effect of a film, he describes as Anarchy -- USA, which was shown in his town.

STATESVILLE - This film and its likeness have been in this area for some time now. The repository of this sinisterness was drawn upon last year and shown at the Holiday Inn. So ridiculous, disparaging, malicious, and racist, that it was soothing to some of the white people there. However, strenuous efforts by diabolical minds were made to get the message over to the Negro community. Thanks to Negro leaders for their alertness and pride. They discovered the purpose and intent of this film, and warned that a circulation of this film among Negroes would only support the mockery of the Negro and his cause for right and justice in this land.

This, of course, did not stop those who were bent on ridiculing the Negro and his appeal for right and justice in this Land as other citizens. The film has been circulated through the churches. Is this any "straggled wonder"? It should not be a surprise when it comes to race. Though it should be disappointing for the church is a place where we must keep hope. Nevertheless, today the church is the weakest moral institution in the Nation. Folded hands and bowed heads drowned out pious but eloquent voices that seem to melt away in pious little application in American society. Even more to melt away in even more these gestures have little meaning to the church itself because in many cases, or most cases, the church has not risen above a social club which has to vote whether a man of black skin may become a member or whether he may be seated if he should enter the church as a communicant. Communion hospitably generally offers this in almost any business office or beer tavern. We must pray much for the organized church of America for it is indeed a morbid force.

The church's position in such an unwholesome enterprise as sustaining an encouraging or racist film is unfortunate. However, skillful minds have not been content to allow this well to remain in the churches and the Holiday Inn; they are now contriving to bring these films into the schools disguising their intention as an effort to fight communism. Negro students are captive audiences, white students laugh and applaud at racist statements conveyed from the film such as "We don't want niggers in our schools." Such a film was shown at North Truett High School, and the conduct of

white students was as indicated in quotation. Now we ask you as mothers and fathers of these children, as Negroes, as fair and well intentioned white people, what was the purpose of showing this film? Was it an educational intent? Well if you think it was, then the behavior of the instructor who was in charge of the students becomes extremely difficult to understand within the context of education. There were many derogatory statements made toward the Negro where the white students either applauded, jeered or hooted, and the instructor did not at any time attempt to restrain them or to guide them into better behavior.

Is it not true that the purpose of showing this film was to humiliate, to disparage, to ridicule, to embarrass, to induce an inferiority complex, and to harass the Negro community for its protest against the evils of our society? The black man in this nation has every right to feel proud of his loyalty and patriotism. He has fought bravely in every War the United States has been engaged under slogan banners of "freedom and justice" which the Negro did not enjoy them, nor does he enjoy now while the many black men die in Vietnam. You do not need the John Birch Society, or any other group to tell you how to remain loyal to the United States of America, if this was the reason for showing the film, and we doubt that is so. You do not need these ultra-rightist groups, John Birch Society, Southern Conservatism (North or South), the Minuteman, the Ku Klux Klan and other groups of this assortment, to give us directions on the love for humanity, for they do not have it themselves when it comes to the black man.

This writer is not so astute nor wicked to place the Ku Klux Klan in the same category as Southern Conservatism without a specific reason. The Ku Klux Klan is not in the same category with Southern Conservatism when it comes to power, that is white power. Southern Conservatism is not in the same bracket with the Ku Klux Klan when it comes to overt violence. This Conservatism may not indulge in the bombing of homes, the shooting into homes, the bombing of churches and the killing of children, abstracting the rights of men by shooting them as they ride on the highway, and other barbaric acts (do not be too positive of the negative; men in high places are often involved in these dirty acts - remember the three civil rights workers in Mississippi), but it is out of the spirit of Southern Conservatism that the Klan was born, thrives, inspired, and encouraged.

Eighty Ku Klux Klansmen were

Hope deferred maketh the heart sick; but when the desire cometh, it is a tree of life.

Letter to the Editor

ARE NEGROES BEING DECEIVED BY WILBERT M. SANDERS To The Editor:

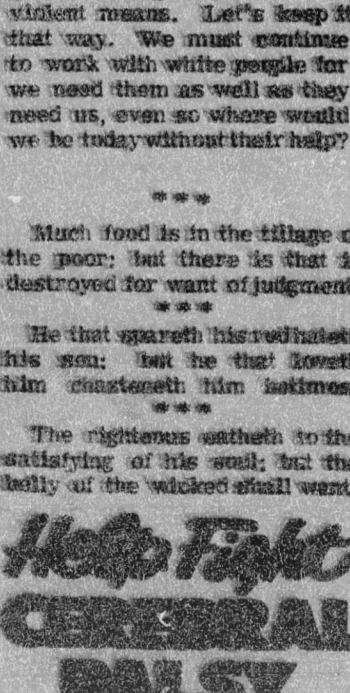
I feel that one of the greatest problems facing Negroes today is that we have too many so-called leaders that don't really know what the greater majority of Negroes want or need. Even the leaders we have are divided on what course to follow. Some of the tactics and procedures they are using today are out of step with our times. In the past we have had some great leaders that were interested in the orderly progress of Negroes and had his welfare at heart.

To mention a few, Dubois, Walter White, Ralph Bunche, Thurgood Marshall. There are many more that have made worthy contributions, women have also played an important role to the Negroes' quest for equality. These people had wisdom and insight and as Americans were also interested in the welfare of others. With a touch of sadness I remember Adam Clayton Powell, young and dynamic, with great potential and a great future as a leader. Surely, I thought this man will lead the Negro to the promised land, but alas he failed me, he failed the Negro people, he exploited them for his own personal gain.

I would like to ask a three point question. Where does the Negro stand today? What does he want? Where is he going? First, we need some sound leadership. Secondly, we need to do away with these

so-called non-violent organizations they are making a mockery of non-violence and thirdly, we are going to end up in civil disorder unless we find some way of silencing these black power advocates that are preaching open rebellion and using violence as a means of obtaining the Negroes' goals. What the Negro needs is Green Power, black power is no good without it. And open war with whites is plain suicide for the Negro. Financially, we couldn't equip ourselves to even wage war. Separation will not work either, even if Negroes decided to go it on their own. Where is the money coming from to set up industries needed to employ Negroes from Negroes from Negro Insurance Companies, Banks? We might as well face the facts as they are and start using some sound sane judgment when we are dealing with these situations. It is generally known that Negroes have been exploited by whites down through the years. With the passage of the Civil Rights Bill Negroes have made more progress and things will get better unless we sit idly by and be misled by a few people holding Doctorate degrees lead us down the drain and retarding all the progress we have made thus far. These people have it made, but are they concerned about the little Negroes who are trying to live on peanuts? Speaking from the heart, our best bet is to follow the course on which we started most of our progress thus far have been gained through legal and non-violent means. Let's keep it that way. We must continue to work with white people for we need them as well as they need us, even so where would we be today without their help?

Much food is in the tillage of the poor; but there is that is destroyed for want of judgment. He that sareth his seed heareth his son; but he that loveth him constraineth him to famine. The righteous eateth to the satisfying of his soul; but the belly of the wicked shall want.



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