

News And Views

BY J. B. HARREN

YOU ARE 85% APE; 15% HUMAN
ROCKY MOUNT - If you have been wondering WHY you act like we do - so much like a monkey or an ape at times, more often than we care to admit, science now has an explanation for it. Albert, you may not want to accept the scientists' explanation. If you don't you'll have to challenge him to prove his point.

According to NBC Monitor on March 30, the scientist says you and I are ONLY eighty five per cent ape and just fifteen per cent more intelligent-human, ABOVE the ape! So, from henceforth we'll have to lighten up on our criticism of each other. Or, will we?

Now that we have your attention, we'd like to tell you that retired principal W. R. Collins of Johnston County was plugging for the NCTA Credit Union Friday at the NCTA meeting. Brother Collins says the NCTA Credit Union has about 700 members with \$99,000 in assets. Theabud Jeffers of Gastonia is president. F. D. McNeill is secretary. A drive is on to increase the assets to at least \$160,000 by June first. All NCTA personnel are being asked to buy additional shares of stock at \$5 per share to boost the capital. Collins appealed for volunteer workers to help raise the funds.

Regrettably, Negroes so seldom volunteer to do for themselves what they could and should in such organizations. In one Eastern Tarheel town a leading Negro led his white counterparts in securing the enticement of his soul brothers in a leading civic body which has a fee of \$50, while at the same time this brother will make no move to help enroll those southerners in the local NAACP. Nuff said about it.

We are certainly glad to read that the lady from Greensboro got the cooperation of the NCTA Convention in getting an amendment tacked on to qualify the previously passed blanket endorsement of the radical college student protest movement. We need to stop a moment and consider what and how we endorse things, less we become more like the ape everyday. How could teachers endorse the violent actions of the students? Some of us wondered why NCTA should pass a resolution to be sent to the Eisenhowers mourning his loss? Yes, he sent troops to Little Rock, Ark., but that - like Abe Lincoln's move in emancipating Negro slaves - was to save the Nation and to put down rebellion and sustain the law as interpreted by the U. S. Supreme Court. Now, when it comes to Lyndon Baines Johnson's demise - send a delegation with the resolution, please.

INTEGRATION ONLY HOPE

While speaking to a NAACP life membership rally in Sacramento, Calif., recently, NAACP executive director Roy Wilkins, although criticizing young Negro radicals for their tactics in going about trying to achieve full civil rights for all, said "nevertheless, the youth have their fingers on a vital truth" as they complained about the slowness of accomplishing civil rights gains.

Wilkins repeated his well-known stand that "the cult that puts special emphasis on blackness for blackness' sake, is saying that all things good are

black and all things white are bad" -- the same thing we have been fighting with the white man about four centuries, in reverse order.

He stated that integration does not mean imitating whites nor losing one's identity, but, "Integration means attainment of group equality to take your place along-side other groups. The way you prove your manhood is through competition."

Wilkins added, it is now time for whites and Negroes to be generous with each other and learn to respect one another, adding, it would be disastrous for Negroes to imitate "the same old things" which have caused discrimination to exist - to label all whites as bad because of the wrongs of some.

The NAACP - Sponsored National Youth Mobilization Conference will convene in Dec. Cee April 21-22. Several other recognized youth groups will affiliate as they seek - among other things - to campaign for the lowering of the voting age to 18 years. (The State of Georgia did this in 1945!)

Speaking in Charleston, S. C., NAACP national proxy Klivia Kaplan urged support for Negro hospital workers trying to organize a union. He said, "If the power structure and legislators had any heart at all, these people wouldn't have to picket" for better working conditions.

Excerpts from Roy Wilkins' address to the St. Louis NAACP banquet session on his recent southwestern tour of NAACP units include: Because of the accelerated racial and religious tensions of today there has "never been greater need for the kind of thought and action of the National Conference of Christians and Jews"; Called for a "return to the basic faiths, as such a return is imperative. Man has forgotten his relationship to man. . . He has become obsessed with the inventions, comforts, and luxury created by his hands" thus neglecting his improvised brother.

Clinton News

BY MRS. H. M. JOHNSON
CLINTON - Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Peterson and daughter motored down and spent the Easter holidays here with her sister and brother - in - law, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Felton. Mr. and Mrs. Toney Cunningham and family of Washington, D. C. were the weekend guests of Mrs. Cunningham's mother, Mrs. Arletha Graham.

Mrs. Julia Mae Holmes spent the Easter holidays in Washington, D. C. with her son, Dr. John M. Holmes, Jr. Mrs. Catherine Walker is out of the hospital and is now recuperating at the home of her niece, Mrs. Hayes, in Goldsboro. Her many friends are wishing for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lacy McCullum and family of Clinton, who are now making their home in Washington, D. C. were the weekend guests of their parents, Mrs. Ruby Bennett and Mrs. Ella M. McCullum.

Mrs. Gwendolyn McDougall and daughters, Gaynell and Shellie of Greensboro, spent several days here with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson.

Rev. J. L. White, Sr., is a patient at Sampson Memorial Hospital. His many friends throughout the county are wishing for him a rapid recovery.

Mrs. Nancy McKay spent last weekend in New York and Newark, New Jersey visiting her sister and brothers. She reports a pleasant trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fennell of Harrells spent last Sunday here with their daughter and son-in-law. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fields. They were also in attendance at First Baptist Church.

Miss Julia Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Jordan of Lancaster, South Carolina and Mr. Plato McCullum, son of Mrs. Ella Mae McCullum of Clinton, were married April 5 in Lancaster. Mrs. McCullum is a senior at A&T State University, Greensboro, majoring in home economics. Mr. McCullum is a senior at A&T State University, Greensboro, and is majoring in electrical engineering.

Mrs. Josie E. Moore spent the weekend in Washington, D. C. and Columbus, Ohio. She was visiting her daughter, Miss Joselyn Moore.

Wedding bells rang last weekend for Miss Oletha Smith and Mr. Harvey Troublefield. We wish for them a long, happy life together.

Among the many college students seen in and around the city for the long Easter holidays were: Plato McCullum, Charles Parker, Wilbert and Leonard Royalls, Margaret Smith, Len and Johnny Prigden, Charles, Corbett and Bernard Johnson, Albert Somerville, Tyrone Armwood, Treiva and Waverly Falson, Wanda and Jimmy Ezzell, Rollen J. Butler and Charles Jacobs.

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 Mr. and Mrs. Lacy McCullum, Mrs. Ella Mae McCullum, Mr. Robert B. McCullum, Mr.

Things You Should Know

Phoebe FRAUNCES

DAUGHTER OF THE FAMOUS 'BLACK SAM', THE PROPRIETOR OF FRAUNCES' TAVERN IN COLONIAL N.Y.C. / IN 1776 THE BRITISH TRIED TO AVOID THE REVOLUTION BY POISONING GEORGE WASHINGTON / WASHINGTON'S WHITE BODY-GUARD 'WOODED' PHOEBE, THEN GAVE HER A POISONED DISH OF PEAS TO SERVE WASHINGTON / SHE WARNED WASHINGTON AND WAS REWARDED . . THOMAS HICKEY, THE BODYGUARD, WAS SOON HANGED BEFORE 20,000 PEOPLE!

CONTINENTAL FEATURES THE
Miss Frankie Ann Avery Feltonville
Weds Alton Edwards Jr.

Miss Frankie Ann Avery became the bride of **Alton Edwards Jr.** at the First Missionary Baptist Church in Smithfield on February 22. The Rev. C. Lewis Manning officiated at the ceremony.



MRS. ALTON EDWARDS JR.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Avery of Smithfield. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Edwards Sr. of Syracuse, N. Y. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was attended by her sister, Miss Deborah Avery, as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Miss Diane Hinton and Miss Frances Elbert of Washington, D. C.

Charles Edwards, brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Harvey J. Dublin III of Smithfield, and Michele Branna, Thomas Richardson, and Elbert Richardson of Washington, D. C.

Child attendants were Yolanda Lashay Windley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Windley, and Andrea Smith, son of Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Robert Smith.

Wedding music was presented by Miss Constance Watson, organist, and Miss Marjorie Mitchell, soloist.

Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Ordella F. Morgan, grandmother of the bride, Miss Frances Hinton, Miss Marie Bivens, Mrs. Laura Myers, William Bivens Sr. and William Bivens Jr., all of Raleigh, and Mr. and Mrs. Logan Penny and Mrs. Lillian Lewis of Rocky Mount.

A reception was given in the all-purpose room of the church by Mrs. Lillian Williams, cousin of the bride.

A dinner was given by Mrs. Charles Hobbs and Mrs. Myrtle White, aunts of the bride, following the wedding rehearsal.

The Reality Of A Long-Time Dream
BY REV. WALTER M. PHILLIPS

SUNSET ACRES
"HIS SPIRIT MARCHES ON"
APEX - Is it inscrutable Providence that fore-ordains such happenings as the commemoration of the Divine suffering Servant's death on an "old rugged cross" and the death by a bullet of an earthly counterpart? He was the beat of our heart of hearts; he was our souls' repose. But our hearts in this imminent loss have grown numb; and our souls from endlessly asking "why?" is dumb.

When and where shall we see a dream come true, who knows, who knows? A great Black poet, Paul Laurence Dunbar, had been paraphrased in these four lines, but they express the deep into deep feelings of the writer. How would he, the earthly counterpart react to the slightly concealed rumbings of racism that used to be in the distance but are now ominously near? What answers would he give to the myriad questions asked by Black and white youths as they sing, "Black and White together, we shall overcome some day?"

As a revolutionary, Christ overturned the tables of thieves and cheaters, and upset the cart of oppressors of the poor, and challenged the deep-seated "power structure" of his "world," and finally was crucified. So did His counterpart, starting in Montgomery, Alabama, went, preaching justice, mercy and walking humbly with God. He walked Leonard E. Royal, Miss Tredi McCullum and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sampson, all motored to Lancaster, S. C. last Saturday and attended the wedding of Miss Julia Jordan and Mr. Plato McCullum in Lancaster, S. C.



MRS. MARY MOSS

So have Chick and Fab. Charlette Harp now resides in Philadelphia, Pa. While with the local Aces, these persons strayed to Raleigh to some real first-class music. No one will forget the record section, which featured Fab "Sweet Slumber" Smith, "Son" Levy McCaleb, "Dr. Bush" Hunter, Jim Freeman, the swinging Ianjo Jan, Leon Morrison, John Davis on the drums. What a combo! What a band! What humble beginnings! Mrs. Callie Berry, 105 East St., had as her Easter guests, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Harvin and daughter, Winnie Ruth. On Easter Monday, the whole family journeyed to Durham to be the guests of Mrs. C. P. Felder and Mr. C. P. Felder, III. Later in the day, the Harvins left for their home in Wilmington. Mrs. Harvin is the former Miss Ruth Berry of this city.

My Good man Cleveland Strickland was home for the holidays. His mother was especially happy to see him as were his many friends. "C" was a big blocking back for some of the late Charlie Mack Williams' football jaggernauts. His baseball playing was done for the late Connie Cagle's East Raleigh Tigers. The Tigers, that year, won the pennant under Joe Wilder but Joe "Smoky" Watkins led the Tigers to the league title. He teamed with Matthew Alston, William "Dewdrop" Massenburg and Joe Wilder to form the dream-unfilled. Welcome home, "C."

I had a chance to run in at the Elks Club Sunday night. It was a most pleasant "run." At the entrance, one could tell that the night was the one for appointment. Music was by "Bro. Ed" Massenberg and his melodious men who were of high order. Here and there, smiling, beautiful women seemed to be perfectly at home in the company of courteous, debonaire men. Somehow at 10:30 p.m., I caught the "leaving disease." The night seemed short for at the door I met many people just coming in.

Serviceman Michael Chavis was seen in town on the Easter weekend. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernice Chavis, Chavis Heights apartments. Mrs. Lydia Garner, Gilliam Lane, was called to the bedside of her mother in Baltimore, Md., last week. We hope Mrs. Garner's mother is much improved.

Mr. Charlie Rivers, local businessman, made a short visit to Harrisburg, Pa., over the weekend. He reported a most enjoyable trip.

Easter Monday was a big day at St. Matthew Baptist Church on the Loupsburg Road. Cars, cars, cars were everywhere in view, and the reason was simple. Several churches had come together for the annual Easter celebration. Two sermons were heard from Rev. Lawson, Stokes Chapel, Middlesex, and Rev. A. L. Morgan, Wake Chapel Baptist Church.

The Eastern Singing Union featuring "note" choirs from Riley Hill, Rolesville and Jones Chapel, was on hand.

During the day, a special dinner was served all present. Certainly, the hospitality of St. Matthew Church seems to be the last word in the area.

On Sunday night, according to most reliable sources, Rev. J. D. Lockett, together with the choir and membership of St. Matthew Baptist will worship with Rev. C. R. Trotter and the Good Hope Baptist Church congregation.

Hopping About Tarheelia
BY J. B. HARREN

NEGRO CANDIDATES FILE
TARBORO - Incumbent Negro Town Councilman, dentist Moses A. Ray is expected to file for a third term on the Tarboro Town Council subject to the May primary. Already, a white candidate has announced as opposition to the probable candidacy of Dr. Ray.

In Rocky Mount, 16 miles to the west of Edgecombe County, Fred D. Wilson, a young and energetic Negro insurance man and accountant has filed as a candidate for City Council from the seventh ward. Wilson seeks to be representative of the people whom he says have not previously truly represented at city hall. He promises a vigorous campaign. Meanwhile, another race candidate is expected to announce from another ward.

HARRISONS GATHER
 Eight sisters and brothers of John L. and Ida Bryant Harrison family were able to gather at the family homestead Easter weekend for a happy reunion and delighted family dinner.

Coming from Philadelphia, Pa., were Mrs. Elizabeth H. Houghton and daughter Mrs. Lucille Simmons; and friend Nathaniel Jones, who kindly drove them down. Mrs. Mary H. Walker and hubby Joseph, James Harrison came from Baltimore, Md.

They joined those living here and in Rocky Mount; Mrs. Annie H. Harren and hubby, Jay Bee; Mrs. Sallie H. Baker and mate William; Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Rosa) Harrison; Miss Caustie E. Harrison and John Harrison Jr., of the homestead.

Visiting friends joining the Mission Circle met for a few minutes before the regular evening service.

Our Community was very happy to see and have Mrs. Vandellia Turner of Jersey City, N. J. back home for a short visit as well as all others who visited here.

Our sick and shut-ins are Mrs. Lillie Denning, Mrs. Mae Boykin, Mrs. Janie Penix, Mrs. Lila Leach, Mrs. Lella Matthews, and Mrs. Betty Whitaker.

Pete's Pickin'

BY W. A. "PETE" WILDER

Miss Almarie Jones, Blackstone, Va., spent the weekend with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Millard Jones on Loupsburg Rd. Miss Jones reported a most important visit to her by Mrs. "Clementine" Robertson and son, Rodney, and friends of New York City.

Mr. Elvin Wiggins, son of Mrs. Mildred Wiggins, S. State St., was visiting relatives and friends here over the Easter weekend.

Mrs. Olivia Sewell, owner of Sewell's Lake, has been on the shut-in list for the last few days. Her many friends and acquaintances wish for her a most rapid recovery.

Over at Rush Metropolitan A-ME Zion Church at 6 p.m., the Shriners took over for religious services following the annual breakfast. At 6 p.m., the Ministerial Alliance held dawn services at Martin Street Baptist Church with the Manly Street Christian Church in charge and the music being furnished by Manly Street Christian Church choir. As early as 5:30 a.m., the crowd began to find its way into the lovely, practically new edifice.

Prof. John Moore, son of Mrs. Josephine Moore, N. Tarboro St., and head of the department of Social Studies at Edward Waters College, Miami, Florida, was a visitor home for the holidays. He expressed happiness in attending his boyhood church, St. Matthew A.M.E., last Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Giovani, formerly of this city, but now of New York City, is visiting friends and relatives here. She is the former Miss Eva Jones, the daughter of Alonza and Ella Jones.

Mrs. Robert Dunmore continues on the sick and shut - in list at her home on Walser Place. Her many friends wish her a most rapid recovery.

Mrs. Arnetta Brown, Watson St., when last heard from, was a patient at Rex Hospital. She had been a devoted usher at Manly St. Christian Church for many years. Her friends and family wish for her a rapid return to health.

Well, I haven't seen my good friend Mrs. Rebecca Bennett for sometime. Mrs. Bennett lives on N. Blount St. in a lovely, cozy and comfortable home provided by Judge Pou Bailey. It wasn't a fact that she didn't have any place to go, relatives had come to take her away, but the Bailey family wanted her to stay, and stay she has, "Becky" really enjoys her friends. If you are one, why not call her soon?

I saw Mrs. Henri Jeffries Stredwick at the A&P Store recently. She brought to mind the early musical activity at the grade school level. She told of her early interest when she found that several of the children had instruments and could play real well. What really developed was the Crosby - Garfield orchestra. Funny enough she could not remember but two of the members of the group. Let me recall: "Fab" Tucker at the piano; Charles Harp and Purcell Morgan, violins; Thomas "Chick" Evans, trumpet; and William Rogers on the drums.

Quite a bit came of this humble beginning - "Raleigh Chick" became almost a legend with his trumpet work, as did "Fab" Tucker, who left the piano for the trumpet. Charlie Harp forsook the violin for the piano and moved from the Capital City Aces to Jimmy Graham of Philadelphia. Percell Morgan and William Rogers passed on.

To Be Wed
 Mr. and Mrs. Archie Artis of Route 1, Four Oaks, announce the engagement of their daughter, Varline, to Larry Baxter Spann, son of Mrs. Margie Spann of Durham. The bride-elect is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Jackson of Route 2, Benson. She is a senior at Winston-Salem State College. Her fiance received his B. A. degree from North Carolina College in 1967. He is a counselor at Central School in Winston-Salem. An August wedding is planned.

Juniper Level
 The Juniper Level Sunday School opened at 10 a.m. with the supt., Mr. N. C. McClain, in charge.

All nine classes were very well informed on the lesson. At 11:30, morning worship began with the senior choir in charge of the music. Our pastor, Rev. G. A. Jones, spoke concerning the "Death Of Jesus." The message was very spiritual and enjoyed by a large congregation.

At 6 p.m., our regular Easter program was held by the Sunday School classes. Following the program, the

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A conservation tour was enjoyed by the six graders here. It is hoped that all of the youngsters will visit a nearby farm in the county through the month of April. This tour was made possible by the board of supervisors of Johnston Soil and Water Conservation District to observe the conservation practice of the land. Guides were Mrs. Abdella and Mr. Griffin of the Extension Service and Soil Conservation Service. The tour was made on the Wade Stevenson Farm, Route 1.

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Airman Ricky Sanders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert H. Sanders of Smithfield is a graduate of Johnston Central High School and has graduated from the U. S. Air Force Technical School at Chanute Air Force Base. Ricky was trained as a jet engine mechanic and has been assigned to a unit of the tactical air command at Myrtle Air Force Base, S. C. He is also a graduate of Raleigh Business College.

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