

Open Letter to Negro Voters

SOUTH CAROLINIANS BACK WILLKIE

GREETINGS, GOOD FRIEND AND FELLOW-CITIZEN!

On November 5, America goes to the polls to elect a President. Have you qualified yourself—as a citizen of our great Commonwealth—to vote in this epoch-making election?

Could you register unmoledly where you live? Have you registered? Have you made up your mind that your vote—YOUR SINGLE VOTE—is the most powerful thing you have? Have you decided that it is a civic responsibility and your bounden duty to go to the poll and cast that ONE IMPORTANT VOTE on November 5? Do you realize, too, that your influence can be used most effectively in getting others to do the same thing?

As South Carolinians—as friends of South Carolinians—and as members of this great yet "minority" group of ours—the Division of Colored Voters of the SOUTH CAROLINA REPUBLICAN PARTY under the leadership of Colonel J. Bates Gerald and the Honorable George Norwood kindly urges you to do four very important things:

1. to read the enclosed literature carefully
2. to forward this literature later to special friends in northern, western, or pivotal states
3. to send at least ten postals or letters to friends in the same states urging them to vote the STRAIGHT REPUBLICAN TICKET
4. to vote for WENDELL L. WILLKIE!

Regardless of New Deal policies—many of them are good and must continue for the simple reason that the present status of modern social reform demands it—we as Negroes—as members of a "minority" group—should not let ourselves be too strongly centralized powers NOR precedent breaking terms of power for any man of power. WE MUST WATCH THIS MOVE! WE MUST BE TOGETHER ON THIS POINT! Don't say, "It cannot happen to a minority" group here." It CAN!

Also, we must be together in the decision as to whether we want APPEASEMENT or APPORTIONMENT in all phases of American life. Think about that! Do not let the argument of "what was before" and "what is now" keep you from thinking through. We must not let a few big sounding "brain trust" jobs and small allotments of government funds tainted by racial discrimination and local politics so satisfy us as to make us forsake the substance for the shadow. We have asked you to do FOUR things. You can do the first three even if you have not registered. You should do them, by all means, if you live in the South, particularly in South Carolina where we have no voice in our home government which is run entirely by the DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY. We are not wanted in the Democratic party here in South Carolina where in many places Negroes cannot register unreservedly to vote even in the general elections. REMEMBER JIM BRIER AND GREENVILLE!

We can certainly use our influence and our appeals with our friends and sympathizers in states where Negroes' votes can and DO count. Please attend to these requests at once. We believe in you. We want to believe we are working for you. Do just this little bit for us. Important. South Carolinians will know the ticket of the South Carolina Republican Party by the names of the Republican Presidential Electors printed thereon as follows:

- J. BATES GERALD
- GEORGE NORWOOD
- MRS. JOHN E. MESSERLY
- MARION W. SEABROOK
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LIFE BEGINS AT 40—WITH WILLKIE! LET'S BEGIN TO LIVE!

Very sincerely yours,
DIVISION OF COLORED VOTERS
South Carolina Republican Party
SEYMOUR CARROLL, Chairman
MRS. ANDREW W. SIMKINS, Secretary-Treasurer

MITFORD NEWS

Mrs. Minnie Pickett was the Sunday afternoon guest of Mrs. W. A. Gladden.

Rev. A. Jackson preached a wonderful sermon at Camp Welfare A. M. E. church, \$12.00 was raised.

The Camp Welfare public school opened at 9:00 o'clock Monday morning with Mrs. Theo. Garfield White, the former Miss Bessie B. Gladden, at her post of duty.

The Bullock twins are still with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Gladden.

THE SOUTHERN NEW COMETH CLUB

Long Island, N. Y., October 18—The cold winter has come at last with the closing of the World Fair which will be October 27. Hundreds and thousands of people are crowded at the Fair each day.

Mrs. Mabel Watson has returned from Ridge Spring, S. C. visiting relatives and friends.

Our next meeting will be at Mr. and Mrs. Chester Johnson's home 106th Avenue, Suplin Boulevard, Jamaica, N. Y. on November 9.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Johnson were seen in the city today on their way to Aiken, S. C. to their home for the winter. We wish them a pleasant trip.

We are very glad to report no sick members at this writing.

PICKENS TEACHERS MEET

Easley—The Pickens Teachers held their regular meeting Friday, October 18, at 2:00 P. M. at Simpson high school. The various departments met and organized.

In the general assembly only matters of business came before the body. Various reports were made by the associational committees.

The home economics department of Simpson high school, under the guidance of Mrs. W. L. Simpson surprised the group with a delicious repast. The next meeting of the Pickens Teachers will be held November 15 with the Liberty school.

WINNSBORO NEWS

Wayman A. M. E. church closed a very successful revival meeting last week which was run by Rev. J. P. Washington of Manning, S. C. Rev. McDowell did the church and town a great service by procuring this great speaker. While here Rev. Washington addressed the school's student body. His address will long remain in the minds of the ones who packed the auditorium.

Mrs. Mosia Lyles, who has been a patient in the Columbia Hospital for 28 or more days, is at home again to the delight of her family and friends. She is doing nicely at this writing.

The Russell Singers augmented by those of Smalls Chapel and the people of Winnsboro rendered a splendid program at the Presbyterian church here Sunday afternoon and afterwards lifted a silver

The Martins

Testimonial a Glorious Success

(Mrs.) Julia Baum Shaw, Reporter

"WHERE THERE IS A WILL THERE IS A WAY."

The Lord God understanding all things was intelligent of the great WILL possessed by the sheep and lambs of the South Carolina folk to render unto their efficient, enthusiastic, painstaking, yet courageous and self-wart shepherd and shepherdess the things that were theirs. Hence, His instructions to the god and goddess of weather that Friday, October 11, 1940 be as fair, warm, and beautiful as expedient for an autumn day, so as to provide the WAY for the occasion.

As per schedule, at eight o'clock Bishop and Mrs. John W. Martin, leaders of the Fifth Episcopal District, gave a packed audience in the Mt. Zion A. M. E. church, Lancaster, S. C. As they marched down the aisle, amid cheers, they were followed by the presiding elders of the state. After being seated upon the platform amid applause, the program of the evening followed thus, with Dr. A. H. Hatwood, presiding elder of Lancaster district, master of ceremonies: Selection; Local choir "America"; Invocation; Rev. H. C. Young, Columbia, S. C. "I'm Waiting for Jesus." Mrs. Eliza Edwards Walker, accompanied by ye scribe:

Tonight we bring greetings from all South Carolina. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, here's homage to you. We love you, I love you. For your work untiring. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, here's homage to you. And now it makes no difference what men do or say. We'll do our best to make it. If you'll just lead the way. O we're hoping, trusting, forever we're wishing. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, long live you two.

A smile we are wearing, While with us you tarry. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, We're thankful for you. We call and you hear us, And always direct us. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, We're thankful for you. We glory in knowing That when this life is o'er We'll share our joys and glory O'er there on that bright shore: May you live long, and lead on, successfully serve on. Dear Bishop, dear Madam, God bless and keep you. Welcome, Mrs. Florence Funderburks, Lancaster, S. C. Words of commendation, gratefulness and praise, plus the presentation of a purse per district by the presiding elder or his appointee.

Log-Chester district, presiding elder A. R. Cohen presented Rev. H. J. Cousar, Gaffney; Rock Hill district, presiding elder J. T. Murdock; Spartanburg district, presiding elder D. C. Crosby presented Rev. C. A. Hudson; Columbia-Camden district, presiding elder James W. Shaw presented Miss Mamie Gordon, district director of youth, Columbia, S. C.; Cheraw-Bennettsville district, presiding elder C. J. Bynum, presented Rev. J. R. L. Allen, Cheraw-Lancaster district. Presiding Elder A. H. Hatwood presented Rev. J. C. Hunter, Lancaster, S. C. All persons spoke in beautiful terms of the illuminating personalities and great leadership of Bishop and Mrs. Martin before presenting the purse. A very unique affair on the part of the Lancaster district was the pinning of currency and envelopes containing coins on a robe and shawl and in the presentation placing the former on Bishop Martin and the latter on Mrs. Martin.

The faculty and student-body of Clinton college was desirous of having the public as well as Bishop and Mrs. Martin know that they too held them in high esteem and appreciated their service, therefore, a purse was given from Clinton college, presented by President Edward W. Brice.

Solo: "Danny Boy"—Miss Scruggs, instructor at Clinton college, accompanied by Miss Creola Lindsay, teacher West End public school, Rock Hill.

The last General Conference saw fit to place the Cape Fear conference with the "Fighting Fifth" and these "adopted sons" as was termed by them, would have us know that they too, love and respect "dad and mother," hence, some of them, unexpectedly joined our forces. They were Presiding Elder H. B. Shaw, Wil mington district; Revs. W. Q. Welch, J. B. Simmons, Sherman Chapman, S. J. Howie, Rev. and Mrs. E. P. Boyce, Presiding Elder Shaw was spokesman for the group and Rev. Howie presented the purse.

SENECA NEWS

The P. T. A. of Oconee county training school met Tuesday evening at 8:00 pm. A splendid group attended in spite of the unfavorable weather. The subject for discussion was: How Can Parents and Teachers Get-together, led by Prof. W. H. Gaines, followed by others. The discussion was very timely.

Mrs. Ellen Carter was funeralized Monday evening at 2:30 at St. James M. E. church. The Rev. Mack, pastor, officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Jenkins of Seneca, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter Elizabeth Jaunita to Mr. Eugene Burris of Salters, S. C., Oct. 11th, 1940. Mrs. Eugene Burris is a teacher at Trio, S. C., where she has been for the past three years. Mr. Burris is at present proprietor of Lane Dry Cleaners also a car salesman.

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TRINITY A. M. E. CHURCH

Sunday was a big day at Trinity A. M. E. church. The Sunday school was well attended with young and old. The Supt. Mr. T. W. Williams and his group of efficient teachers were at their posts of duty. The lesson was taught with interest.

At 11:30 o'clock the morning message was delivered by the Rev. J. R. Franklin of Union, S. C. He preached from Revelation 3rd chapter, 4th verse, using as a subject "And they shall walk with Me in white for they are worthy." The message was delivered strongly and forcefully to an appreciative audience. This being rally day for dollar money the officers and members of Trinity were out in full bloom. Our church is now going forward by leaps and bounds and with the cooperation of our beloved Bishop and presiding elder and friends the Methodist of our church shall never be destroyed.

At 7:30 o'clock Rev. Franklin delivered another wonderful message. All who attended services during the day went away rejoicing. The collection for the day was grand. We are asking all our loyal members to come out again next Sunday and help put the program over and wind up our conference claims. We have a few sick members on our list, we pray for their speedy recovery.

Come to church. Our doors are opened; visitors are welcomed. Sarah Smith, Reporter

NORTH SIDE SCHOOL NEWS

The North Side teachers held their monthly meeting on October 2, 1940 in the school auditorium. After the opening Mrs. Peck took charge and discussed: "Methods and objectives of child psychology." It was very instructive and each one was benefited. This will be our discussion for the term. Miss Louise Williams will take up the next chapter for November.

The North Side Parent-Teacher Association held its monthly meeting Friday afternoon, October 11, at 4 o'clock in the school auditorium with Mrs. C. J. Peck, principal, presiding. After a very inspiring devotional the business session was held at which time all officers of the P. T. A. were re-elected. The chairs purchased by the P. T. A. and the school trustees were presented at this meeting.

SHILOH A. M. E. CHURCH

Sev. D. R. Bedenbough, Pastor

The conference year is coming to a close and we are preparing to meet the annual conference. S. S. was very good. The banner is still on Class 2-B. Review by the Supt. The presiding elder was presented and spoke encouraging. The pastor and presiding elder conducted the morning service. The elder took his text from Paul's Missionary journey Acts 20:22.

After service the business session of the quarter was held and the reports were good. The elder was paid out and we asked for the return of our pastor.

Sunday night climaxed the day. Everybody returned 7:30 and the pastor brought to a large crowd a burning message from the subject The Gospel. The rally then got underway. We had twenty-nine captains and Mrs. Francis Daniels raised the highest amount which was \$12.00. Total raised in rally \$81.05. Total for the day \$135.67.

A resolution was written by the members of the choir and read at the quarterly conference complimenting Dr. O. C. Duntan as presiding elder of the Newberry district and his queenly wife, asking for their return and for the return of the pastor.

The scene changes and we find ourselves in a beautifully decorated dining hall of the church all lighted with candles and bedecked with lovely ladies arrayed in white uniforms standing ready to render whatever service necessary. Palatable dainties consisting of: Fruit cocktail and punch, chicken salad on lettuce, baked country ham, roast turkey and dressing; potato salad and saltines; ice cream and cake, crystal clear were served.

Acting as Toastmaster, Rev. H. R. Hawkins, Rock Hill, called on Revs. A. L. Blitzer, York (recent appointee) S. J. Howie, Cape Fear conference and Rev. Thomas, pastor A.M.E. church, Lancaster. Each response was brief, concise and in place.

In spite of the fact that everything was lovely, we would have Bishop and Mrs. Martin know that the affair was only a symbol of the great devotion and esteem in which we hold them and the sum total of all purses presented a miniature of the great purse to which they are entitled and which goal the lambs and sheep of this fold shall continue to aspire.

We pray God's continued guidance and blessings so that you may lead us to higher heights.

FAIRFAX NEWS

The Fairfax Junior high school opened October 23rd 1940, a large enrollment of energetic students accompanied by interested parents.

Many plans have been made for a successful year, by the efficient principal, Prof. J. H. Hammit and his co-workers. The tenth grade has been added, and students who have been out of school for several years are being brought back to take advantage of this year's training.

Members of the faculty are as follows: Miss Mayberry, 1st grade; Mrs. Rosa Brown, 2nd grade; Miss Quincy L. Spang, 3rd grade; Mrs. Fannie S. Weston, 4th grade; 5th grade and Home Economics, by the application of Glover M. Jackson, 6th grade and Agriculture, Miss Charlotte M. Cox, 7th grade; Prof. J. H. Hammit, 8th, 9th and 10th grades.

The N.E.A. Chapter of Fairfax Jr. H. was reorganized October 18, under the supervision of the advisor Mr. Glover M. Jackson. The officers elected are: J. Bowser, President, Richard G. Jones, Vice-President, Ernest Jones, Sec. Gen., Bowser, Treas., Sam Lewis and reporter, Louis Jones, and members of this organization have many things in view for a most prosperous year.

The Simmons School band of Augusta, Ga., will appear in concert at the J. H. school November 5, 1940, featuring Marie Simmons, the inspirational wood singer. Don't miss this treat. Come out and bring your friends.

ST. PAUL BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. L. B. Moon, Pastor

Laurens, S. C., S. S. 290, at the usual hour with teachers and Supt. at their post of duty. BYPU began at 6 o'clock. The pastor came before us at 11:30 and gave to us a wonderful message both morning and night.

The funeral of Mrs. M. C. Calhoun was held at St. Paul Sunday afternoon. Interment in the Greenville cemetery.

The pastor, Deacons Dendy and Hunter were in Cross Hill Sunday where the pastor preached an anniversary sermon. The Junior Choir of St. Paul furnished music accompanied by the organist Mrs. M. C. Whittier.

We are sorry to report the death of Mr. Albert Meredith. We have now begun a ten days revival meeting at St. Paul Baptist church conducted by Rev. Daniels, the pastor of Majority church in Spartanburg. The public is invited. Let us pray that we will have a great revival meeting.

Mr. Luther Crane spent the week end with his mother Mrs. Ella Crane in Norris, S. C.

Miss Wessler L. Muxley of Spartanburg was the week end guest of Mrs. Lucile Schumpert.

Mr. and Mrs. Pressley, Mr. and Mrs. McDowell were in Greenwood Sunday visiting Mrs. Mary Pressley, mother of Mr. Pressley.

Miss Ruth Mills had as her guest Sunday Miss Annie L. Hunter.

Mr. Henry Pearson is visiting his son Mr. James Pearson of New York. After being there a few days he took seriously ill and sent for his wife, Mrs. Letitia Pearson to come at once. She is now at his bedside. We hope for him a speedy recovery.

Rev. and Mrs. Johnson have moved back to their home on Gray street.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ferrar have moved in the parsonage on Hampton street.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Hunter had as dinner guest Deacon, Charlie Fuller of St. Paul.

BATESBURG NEWS

Mrs. T. C. Simms, the presiding elder of St. James C. M. E. church, was praised by members and friends because of the good work she did up until the expiration of her administration as superintendent which was Sunday, October 20.

Mr. Robert Bell, who died at the hospital last week was funeralized on Sunday at St. James.

Rev. R. L. Brown and Mrs. H. B. Jackson were the Friday evening guests of elder and Mrs. J. A. Jowers.

Master Joseph Jowers, who is attending school at Bettis Academy and his sister, Miss Ruth Jowers, who is teaching at Plum Branch, spent the week end with their parents.

For better and home meals while in Batesburg visit Lindsay's Cafe.

PENDLETON NEWS

King Chapel A. M. E. church members are very much at work since the pastor has divided them into camps. Camp number 4 under the leadership of Mrs. Cora F. Reid sponsored the first program of this rally session Sunday night in the form of Vesper Service featuring King's Chapel choir, Silver Springs Gospel Chorus and the Junior Glee club from Pendleton high school.

Special musical numbers by Mrs. James Lee, Crawford and Tomms also Mr. Hammond "Why Lam by al to my church." The speaker dealt thoroughly with this subject.

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Ada Oliver, Friday, October 18, 1940 with many members and visitors present. The meeting was very interesting. Each capsule sister was given money as a gift which was turned over

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