

Negro Woman, Nazareth College Grad Says I Knew My Place, And I Didn't Like It

By GEORGIA CONNER YOUNGBLOOD

As a Negro woman, I have a deep personal concern for the controversy set off by the Supreme Court decision on racial segregation in the public schools. I have watched the struggle closely, sometimes with bitterness, impatience, and even despair; at other times with amusement and understanding, mixed with reality for those who can hate so much.

I am confident that some day, perhaps sooner than we think, a workable solution to the race problem will be found. For I have seen different races and nationalities living together in harmony. But more than that, my own life's story, the things that have happened to me personally, give me good reason for hope.

I was born and grew up in the heart of the Southwest. By the time I had finished high school, I had experienced all that was to befall me. I was a Negro girl in a white world. I didn't actually realize it at the time, but I had pretty much made up my mind to leave. Most willingly, I avoided white persons as much as possible. I had learned my lesson well. I knew my place, and I wasn't like it.

Then I met a very kind and successful man, one of the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Conception. With her help, I was accepted as a freshman at Nazareth college in Rochester, N. Y. I was the first Negro student to attend the college.

That September morning, as I passed through the door to my first class, I was as nervous, excited, and frightened as I had ever been in my life. I could not imagine all the happiness and contentment I was to know, all the friends I was to find in those next four years.

Yet this time I felt, and after the first year, I cannot forget, that the color of my skin was not a barrier. In these wonderful years, my interest was the only barrier. What a feeling it was to be judged, not by my color, but solely by my character and accomplishments! For the first time, the world seemed a fair place to live in.

I have so many delightful memories of those days: the parties we had, the midnight "crazing," the dances, the double dates, the shows we put on. We students felt a healthy curiosity about each other, which we satisfied in long sessions of the kind of frank discussion that young people can engage in without embarrassment.

Final Rites Held For Anna Carey

Funeral rites for Anna T. Carey were held Monday, Jan. 21 from the Ryan and McIntee Funeral Chapel and from Blessed Sacrament Church.

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It had not been so difficult after all.

AT THE end of the school year Libby and I had a long and very honest talk with each other. She tried to explain to me (and to herself) how she had come to feel toward Negroes as she did; she told me of all the rumors and distortions that had led her to that point. And I explained to her some of the things that had happened to me when I was a little girl that had made me feel toward her as I once did, things that I had not told anyone, and that I had tried hard to forget. I told her all about what I wanted from life both for myself and for the children I hoped to have some day.

I tried to make her understand my feeling of dignity as a human being and my sense of outrage when that dignity was trampled upon.

I told her of my desire to be able to go to any school I might wish, attend any movie, eat in any restaurant, take any lodgings I chose for which I could afford the price.

She could understand the frustration I felt at not being able to do so; not because of any crime I had committed, not because I was unclean, not because I couldn't pay, but simply because of my color.

She was rather surprised to hear that I was genuinely proud of my race, proud of my great men and women. It has produced, proud of the progress we've made since Abraham Lincoln's day.

It was a long session, lasting far into the night. Today we are good friends, Libby and I, although distance, marriage, new friends, and new interests have long separated us. We are the better friends because our understanding was hard won.

Of all the valued friendships I've made, I am perhaps most proud to have made a friend of Libby.

After graduation I went out to fight the private battle that each of my people has to fight daily. But now I fight with hope, because I know that there are people in the world like Ruth, Elaine, Virginia—and Libby.

I THINK that I taught something to Libby, and I know that I learned much from her. From her, I learned that I must try hard to counteract the popular stereotypes of my race. I try always to be neat and clean, self-sufficient but firm, responsible and determined, patient but persistent; and ever ready to handle with polite whatever experiences come my way.

Although I must still fight for my rights, I fight now with hope. Because if there could be one Libby or Ruth or Elaine in so small a place as Nazareth college, there must be millions more in the world outside.

Sister De Neri Gerber Funeral Services Held

Final rites were held Wednesday for Sister De Neri Gerber in the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse chapel, Pittsford. Sister De Neri died Joseph Hospital, Elmira, after a long illness.

Celebrant of the Solemn Funeral Mass was the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frederick G. Straub, V.F. assisted by the Rev. L. Emmett Davis, deacon; the Rev. Andrew W. Teuschel, subdeacon; and the Rev. L. Emmett Davis, deacon.

Funeral services for Miss Mary R. Willig were held Monday, Jan. 28, at the August M. Meier Funeral Home and in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Miss Willig, of 12 Orchard St., died Friday, Jan. 25, 1957.

Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Frank J. Hoefen, assisted by Rev. L. Emmett Davis, deacon, and Rev. Bertrand Hodas, O.P.M. Conv., subdeacon.

Miss Willig is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Magdalena Klein and Miss Anna Willig; two brothers, Jacob and Michael Willig; also several nieces and nephews. Deacons were: Emil Drasch, Thomas Fischer, Leo and Joseph Klein, James Ort, and George Willig.

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Detroit Trip For Nurse Socialists

REPRESENTATIVES from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing Socialism in Elmira are shown with Sister Karen, Socialism moderator, as they leave the nurses' residence to attend the training school for Socialism Action at the University of Detroit, tomorrow and Sunday. In photo (from left) Joyce E. Fuchoske, Elmira; Mary E. Congdon, Hornell; Grace E. Samenling, Rochester and Sister Karen.

DOINGS AT THE DALY'S

By Mary Tinley Daly

A lovely and significant thought is that Candlemas Day is one of Our Lady's feast days—Feast of the Purification. On that day, celebrated on February 2, forty days after Christmas, Mary offered Him to the Eternal Father as a Victim by whose atonement a permanent reconciliation is to be effected between God and man.

To this day, candles are blessed with five special prayers in the great cathedrals of the world, from St. Peter's on down, in monasteries and convents everywhere, and in our own parish churches. And some of these candles are to become part of our homes, sanctifying them and seeing us through possibly crucial hours.

As we hear the priest pronounce the prayers of blessing, and sanctify these candles for the uses of men, for the health of bodies and of souls, whether on the land or on the waters, we think of the millions of such candles being similarly blessed all over the world.

THESE IMPORTANT sacramentals will be used during the administration of all the sacraments except penance. They will be burned during Mass and Benediction. Many of them will be held during baptismal ceremonies, with the injunction, "Receive this burning light and guard thy Baptism blamelessly."

Others will be aflame when young innocents receive their First Holy Communion, when the sacrament of Christ are confirmed, when two young people pledge themselves to each other in Holy Matrimony, at the ordination of young men when each becomes "a priest forever." Still others will be held in the faltering hands of those in danger of death.

St. Anselm of Canterbury gives a beautiful explanation of the blessed candles when he says that the wax is product of the virgin bee, representing the body of Christ. This is why liturgical candles must be for the most part beeswax. The wax, enclosed in the wax, symbolizes His human soul. The flame is the completion, typifying His Divine Nature.

As we take our candles home, we hope that they will help us and our families "strive to reproduce Christ in our lives" according to the symbolism of the Church.

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Candlemas

The good Saint defended their daytime use by saying, "Through-out the Church of the East, whenever the Gospel is read, they bring forth light; not certainly to drive away darkness but to manifest some sign of joy, symbolizing that light of which we read in the psalms: Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my paths."

To end, just a quickie on votive candles. They are not blessed but are burned before a statue or shrine to give honor to Our Lord or to some saint. The following except is part of a lovely poem (too long to reprint here — can be had by writing to this column):

"The labor of a hive of bees
A gardenful of fragrances
The warmth of uncounted rays
Of sunshine gathered through the days
By a thousand totting flowers:
These my candle through the hours
There beside Saint Anthony."

Pope Receives Polish Artists

Vatican City (RNS)— Fifty painters and sculptors from Poland were among over 3,000 persons received by Pope Pius XII at a general audience in the Vatican Palace.

It was the first time in 18 years that any Polish group had arrived at the Vatican directly from Poland to pay homage to the Pontiff.

The Polish group took steps during its stay in Rome to establish contacts with Polish emigrants living in the Italian capital.

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AMONG WOMEN Training The Young

By Mary Lennon Snyder

Today I should like to continue to quote from an allocation of His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, entitled "Guiding Christ's Little Ones." In addressing those to whom the training of the young is entrusted, Our Holy Father has declared:

"Train the mind of your children. Don't give them wrong ideas or wrong reasons for things; whatever their questions may be, do not answer them with evasions or untrue statements which their minds rarely accept; but take occasion from them lovingly and patiently to train their minds which want only to open to the truth and grasp it with the first ingenuous gropings of their reasoning and reflective powers. Who can say what many a genius may not owe to the prolonged and trustful questions of childhood at the home fireside!"

"Train the character of your children. Correct their faults, encourage and cultivate their good qualities and co-ordinate them with that stability which will make for resolution in after life. Your children conscious as they grow up and as they begin to think and will, that they are guided by a good parental will, constant and strong, free from violence and anger, not subject to weakness and inconsistency, will learn in time to see therein the interpreter of another and higher will, the will of God, and so they will plant in their souls the seeds of those early moral habits which fashion and sustain a character, train it to self-control in moments of crisis and to courage in the face of conflict or sacrifice, and imbue it with a deep sense of Christian duty."

"Train their hearts. Frequently the decision of a man's destiny, the ruin of his character or a grave danger threatening him, may be traced to his childish years when his heart was spoiled by the fond flattery, silly fussing and foolish indulgence of misguided parents."

The impressionable little heart became accustomed to see all things receive and gravitate around it, to find all things yielding to its will and caprice, and so there took root in it that boundless egotism of which the parents themselves were later to become the first victims.

"All this is often the just penalty of the selfishness of parents who deny their only child the joy of having little brothers and sisters who, sharing in the mother's love, would have accustomed him to think of others beside himself. What deep and rich potentialities for love, goodness, and devotion lie dormant in the heart of a child! You, mothers, must awaken them, foster them, direct them, raise them up to Him who will sanctify them, to Jesus; to Jesus, and to Mary, their heavenly Mother, who will open the child's heart to piety, will teach by prayer to offer his pure sacrifices and innocent victories to the divine Lover of little ones; she will teach it to feel compassion for the poor and unhappy. How joyous is the springtime of childhood, untroubled by wind or storm."

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Solemn Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the Rev. Francis Kelly of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Altoona, Pa., a cousin of the deceased, assisted by the Rev. Joseph P. Bealini, deacon and the Rev. James O'Connell, subdeacon.

Mrs. Maguire, who died Jan. 12, 1957, was a life long resident of Ontario and a member of the Rosary and Altar Society of St. Mary of the Lake Church.

Surviving are her husband, Patrick J.; one son, Philip W.; four daughters, Rosemary, Ann, Elizabeth, Loreto and Sister Patricia of the Daughters of Charity in San Francisco; one sister, Mrs. John Reker, three nieces and two nephews.

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