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Say What You Please

Expressions of divergent opinion on every hand attest to our freedom—the privilege to say what we please without fear of punishment.

When we were born we started making a noise with our vocal chords, caring little about who objected. And although those noises become more or less coherent as years passed, we will probably go right on with that liberty until death.

Freedom of speech, freedom of the press and right of assembly are fundamental to our way of life. We have taken them for granted so long that we ignore threats to their existence. The threats may come, however, from within or from the dictatorial powers from across the Atlantic.

To illustrate what we mean by being able to say what we please, let us offer the following excerpts by letters from people in various parts of the country, which were written to newspaper editors and published for millions to read:

A well-meaning, irate gentleman from rural Kentucky has this to say of his neigh-

"We have had too much both of Senator Wheeler and Dorothy Thompson, of Colonel Lindbergh and Herbert Agar, of the Chicago Tribune and President Roosevelt, of Fight for Freedom and America First."

He says-and gets his say in printwhatever he pleases.

By a woman in not-so-distant Louisiana we are reminded, slitting open another letter, that "our revered dead of the last World War have now turned over to us, the survivors, and to the new generation which has sprung since they made the supreme sacrifice, the great and brightly burning torch of liberty which they so heroically and so victoriously defended." And she quotes, a Gold Star mother, the unforgetable lines, "If ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders Fields."

That is what this graying woman says, and is able to say, outloud.

Or consider another letter, from Worcester, Mass. Pointedly and poignantly. this correspondent informs us:

"I am a housewife. My husband served eighteen months in France during the last war as an enlisted man. We have two sons, seventeen and sixteen years of age. Personally, I think war is not only hateful, bestile, completely frightful; I also think it is the most stupid, the most futile expe dient conceived by the mind of man to get anything. I also think murderers, gangsters, kidnappers, burglars are senseless people, yet each newspaper tells of many crimes committed daily and sometimes of brave policemen killed or injured in catching the culprits. And it seems to me that just as the police have to hunt down enemies of society, so our forces must stand ready to protect us against our national enemies.

"Up to that point we are probably all agreed. But now we face the question. Has the United States enemies? I am convinced we have.

Twenty years ago, I went to the French battlefields with my husband. I saw place after place with nothing but a few walls to show that villages had once covered the spots. I saw Soissons, Rheims, Amiens. Verdun-all of them scared beyond description by the guns and bombs of that war. Today, war is more horrible. Not only are planes, tanks, guns, bigger and better; the rules of war have changed. Or rather, there are no rules. Today children, women, homes, hospitals are targets of equal value with soldiers, tanks, airfields, industrial plants. Perhaps if I lived in Montana, as does Senator Wheeler, or in Wisconsin, as does Senator Lafollette.

I would not be so deeply concerned."

and surest way of saving ourselves and our American way of life. . . . This is the way I have thought it through, as honestly and sincerely as I could."

That is the way she speaks her piece in an America where speech and press are

And finally, consider another note. written by an Iowa youth whose sincerity is transparent:

"You see, we do not believe that the question facing America today is one of war or peace. If it were, we would all choose peace. We believe that it is only a question of when we will fight, and whether we will fight alone or with strong allies. We believe we will have to fight a war, not because of actions by President Roosevelt or anyone else in this country, but because of the bungling and dishonest appeasing forces who bred and encourage nazism, some of whom now are calling on us to defeat it with our lives."

We still are able to say, in free and democratic America, whatever we please.

RULES OF THE ROAD HAND SIGNALS

Sec. 116, Motor Vehicle Laws of North Carolina:—(a) The driver of any vehicle in a custom series. The DeLuxe locks upon a highway before starting, stopping or turning from a direct line shall first see that such movement can be made in safety and if any pedestrian may be affected by such movement shall give a clearly audible signal by sounding the horn, and whenever the operation of any vehicle may be affected by such movement shall give a signal as required in this section plainly visible to the driver of such other vehicle of the intention to make such movement.

"(b) The signal herein required shall be given by means of the hand and arm in the manner herein specified, or by any approved mechanical or electrical signal device except that when a vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent the hand and arm signal from being visible both to the front and rear the signal shall be given by a device of a type which has been approved by the State. Whenever the signal is given the driver shall indicate his intention to stop, stop or turn by extending the hand and arm from and beyong the left side of the vehicle as hereinafter set forth. Left turn-hand and arm horizontal, forefinger pointing. Right turn holds that provide dry, safe en- in the rear deck. -hand and arm pointed upward. Stophand and arm pointed downward. All signals to be given from left side of the vehicle during last fifty feet traveled."

This is one of the most important of all the laws and regulations covering the operation of motor vehicles. Before starting, stopping or turning from a direct line. give a signal-the correct signal-and give it in plenty of time.

Borrowed Comment

SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS

(Reidsville Review)

In the little more than 18 months that have elapsed since the first German war planes began dropping bombs on the British Isles, 36,000 men, women, and children have been killed by the air raiders from the Nazi empire.

By far the greater part of these victims were non-combatants. The civilized world, especially the United States, stands aghast at such inhuman treatment of women. children, and men in the older years of life.

Yet here in the United States, the nation to raise the loudest cry against such wanton destruction of human life, we shal! kill 40,000 persons by automobile accidents alone this year, if our present fatality rate is maintained. This represents something like a 15 per cent increase over last year. What reason have we to criticise mass slaughter in Europe when we meekly accept an even worse situation here in our own land? We shall do well to begin saving lives right here in the United States.

The most effective help which a civilian can give to Uncle Sam is to buy Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps as often as possible.

Expecting a husband to mail a letter is optimism, but demanding that he write it himself is downright brutality.-Montgomery Advertiser.

Well, at least the nazi subs have not bothered our navigable Yadkin so far.-Greensboro Daily News.

Things are reported to be had in Hollywood, and many of the lesser lights of the film world are out of work. Indeed some of them are making this year's divorce do But here in Massachusetts I see that until things are better.--Punch, London.

aff-out aid to Britain, now, is the easies Debut Of The Newest Dodge Reveals Line Called 'Crowning Achievement'

New Engine With Greater Power On List Of The Many Innovations

The new Dodge cars are now on display at the show rooms

ocated on Forester avenue. Dodge enters its twenty-eighth new-model season with a line of partments, giving 19 cubic feet cars of eye-filling beauty, incorporating an impressive list of ed in the streamlined bodies. operating advantages and economy innovations.

Broadly stated, the new Dodge line's major characteristics are: a new, undeniably more beautiful, exterior-completely restyled in materials are attached with terior—completely restyled in teriors—a new 105 h. p. engine teriors—a new 105 h. p. engine material is either broadcloth or through the Dodge All-Fluid pile fabric, according to purchastransmitting its greater even faster acceleration with new fuel economy-new features promoting riding comfort and safethe provision, as standard equipment, of a variety construction and operating details which in former seasons were regarded as extras.

ed in a DeLuxe series, and seven includes: 3 - passenger coupe, 6-passenger club coupe, 2door sedan, 4-door sedan. The group of custom models provides: 6-passenger club coupe, convert- standard equipment on all Dodge ible coupe, brougham, 4-door se- DeLuxe and Custom models. dan, town sedan, 7-passenger se- Right and left front doors can 7-passenger Wheelbases are 119 1-2 inches Twin Air-Tone horns, formerly for the regular deluxe and custom special equipment, are now furmodels, 137 1-2 inches for the two 7-passenger models.

Viewed from the front, the newest Dodge has a new, square- furnished with a

The headlamps are of an improved sealed beam type, smaller parking lights set below moniously flowing lines merging ter of into the body contours. Speed above the button controls.

trance and exit. hood, and ending back of sedan rerr-quarter windows, are bright body moldings. Front and rear tumpers are of definitely massive design, with adjacent gravel

Wilkes Auto Sales, Inc., deflectors preventing gravel, dirt and snow from being thrown up by the wheels. Luggage comof luggage capacity, are absorb-

The interiors of the heat and sound-ingulated bodies of the newest Dodges are showing an attractive method of upholstering and trimming in which the town sedan, which is done in twotone broadcloth - and the con vertible coupe which comes upholstered in the traditional, precof tical leather.

The seat bases and side panels of all models are faced with textile leather. Rear compartments The entire line offers eleven of two and four-door sedans have vehicles; four of these are group- assist cords. Glove compartment doors of custom models have as satudard equipment.

Front seats are adjustible, forward or back, to an extent of 5 inches. Front door arm rests inches. and dual sun visors now are limousine. he locked with the ignition key. nished as standard.

DeLuxe and Custom models (except convertible coupes) are effect radiator grille of massive dome lamp, turned off or on design. The gracefully tapered through a switch located on the engine hood is top-hinged, opened left center body post close to only through pull buttons located below the instrument panel. functions automatically, with the opening and closing of the right with rear door.

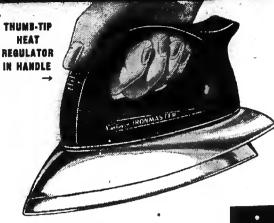
A further convenience is prothe main headlamps. The fenders vided for all models in the form are completely new, with har- of a map light set into the cenlines are provided by brightly map reference, this light is turnfinished moldings accenting front ed on or off through a dashboard and rear fenders. There are no visible running night driving, the light operates boards to become slippery when automatically with the opening wet or coaled with snow or ice. and closing of the right front Instead, the door panels are made door. The stoplight is not inteto curve over concealed thresh- gral with tail-lights, but mounted

The custom convertible coupe also carries as standard equipment; cigar lighter, electric clock, outside rear view mirror, develops 105 h. p. as again rear wheel shields, license plats frames, and white wall wheel put is achieved with notable rings.

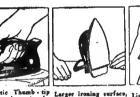
made more practical and more the new engine furnishes 15 per beautiful—a three-spoke wheel of cent more power, it gives

One point made by the line economy. Extensive mileage tests are said to show that while plastic-coated steel, bearing the greater mileage on less gasoline ornamental Dodge crest also fea- (Continued on page three)





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