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Tyranny Or Liberty

Our children will one day read the history of this period. It will not only be about what governments did and what statesmen said. It will be about you and me—about us. What we did and what we said. How we spoke up for all those liberties which stem from our religion. How Christians stood up for the rights of their persecuted brothers in the knowledge that free institutions can be preserved only as they are guaranteed to the least of these. How we resisted and refuted the attacks, slurs, and falsehoods of men whose only motive, however, disguised, was to destroy democracy and to substitute for it some kind of totalitarianism. How we refused either to be deceived or bullied. How we proved our love for the forefathers of America by the persistence and devotion with which we studied their principles and brought forth from them new purposes and new ideals for the service of this generation.

But this history will not be written at all except another and better story accompany it. The story of how we found our strength and inspiration in the God of the ages, the Eternal, the Father of all mankind, the Author of Liberty—and learned again the truth of William Penn's dictum, "Men must be governed by God, or they will be ruled by tyrants."

Men who love their freedom are men who first have lost their faith in God. Society cannot operate on chaos. Civilization cannot proceed while each man serves his own interests, makes his own rules, flaunts justice, denies the rights of his neighbors. Chaos can be avoided and civilization preserved only when enough people, in obedience to the law of God, practice such a degree of inward restraint and outward cooperation as to sustain peaceful and enlightened society. Failing this, some man or group of men—we call them tyrants—establish their own rule, set up their own order, and impose it by force upon the willing and the unwilling alike. This is the way in which freedom is lost.

We should make that clear to our fellow Americans. The history of this period is laying an imperative of very profound meaning before men everywhere. It is, "Choose you this day whom ye will serve." Will it be God, to serve whom makes us free? Or, some tyrant? There can be no doubt as to the American answer to this question.

The First Shall Be Last And The Last Shall Be First

Among the asinine things in Washington, the claim of Rear Admiral William B. Young, Chief of the Bureau of Supplies and Accounts, to priority in social lists takes the cake. An important meeting was scheduled, and because the announcement carried the admiral's name below that of another official, Young expressed indignation.

The American people value leadership, but when leaders make such an ass of themselves as Young apparently has done they are ready to oust him regardless of his talents for leadership. Such an episode causes the people to wonder if there is any leadership in a man who makes such a fool of himself.

We have been told that this is a shooting war and not a battle for society positions. If Mr. Young insists on being first, let him be first in the line of battle. But his outspoken stand would cause one to believe that he would be first in the society column and last in the line of battle. The officer's side apparently hasn't been aired, but on the strength of the report received so far, we would tie a millstone around his neck and drop him overboard. It is a cruel procedure, to be sure, but Young has disgraced himself in the eyes of those who are sacrificing their all to help prosecute this war. It is apparent in other quarters too, that the sooner we loosen the society shackles we will have marched a long way toward setting this world upheaval and defying needless death.

If that fellow who has a sure-fire way of getting fifty miles to the gallon of gas has a spark of patriotism and love for his fellow-men, it's time for him to speak up now.—Exchange.

Nudity Ban And Business

A bill, banning the wearing of bathing suits, sun suits and abbreviated shorts in the business section of a New York resort has occasioned a typical reaction. Just what and how far business will go to maintain itself is evidenced in the following remark credited to a store keeper, "What do I care what they wear? For all I care, as a business man, they could go around naked." Another one said, "As far as I am concerned, I wouldn't care if they wore nothing, so long as they got money to spend."

Business expressed itself, and then a robust lady spoke up for the public when she said, "If it was up to me, I'd wear even less than the law now permits."

American business, in too many instances, and a large segment of the general public, have ignored fair policies and moral principles to gain a penny here and a penny there. But the practice is proving costly in crime and actual misery. There's enough dealing in "hot" goods, especially automobile tires and other scarce articles, to shock the imagination. Your good folks are in the racket. The man who wants a tire thinks it perfectly all right to buy a stolen tire or beat the rationing program around the stump, but he will censure another for doing a shady act.

We may not value fairness, decency and moral standards, but once we see and recognize the bill brought about by forces opposing these principles, we will be shocked and left bankrupt.

Founded Upon A Rock

By Ruth Taylor.

"And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock."

The testing time has arrived. We will now learn whether or not we have truly founded this republic upon the rock. We have taken our democratic way of life for granted. Upon national holidays we have assembled to listen to speeches about the past, to stories of the hardships which the founders of our nation went through. We have agreed that we had a great heritage, and then we have gone back to our own comfortable way of living.

Now is the hour of trial. From all quarters of the globe, the forces that hate democracy because it is practical exemplification of the monotheistic doctrine of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God, are descending upon us.

The founders of this country built a nation upon the belief that man is entitled to freedom, that he is capable of self-government, that his beliefs are between him and his God alone. Under this doctrine we have prospered until that prosperity has aroused the envy and covetousness of those who saw only the success and not the cause, who could not see that a man would work harder for himself than for a master.

We, the inheritors of this house, have been negligent, indifferent, overconfident—and now we are faced with the necessity of fighting to the finish for our democratic way of life. If enough of us believe in Democracy, in equal rights for all men, Democracy will live, no matter what gales may storm down upon us.

But we now have to prove that we believe—we have to put Democracy into action. We have to give up many of the things we deemed necessary, we have to work harder, discipline ourselves more rigidly, work together in factory and field, fight on the land, on the sea and in the air for the preservation of the freedom without which we do not wish to live.

If we do this, if we put democracy into action, we will win—for the house of our republic is founded upon the rock of freedom for all, and that rock will endure forever and a day.

Lo, The Poor Timber

Greensboro Daily News.

For the first time in its history the United States faces a lumber shortage, due mainly to an immense increase in wartime construction and a shift from metal to wood products in such construction. This country will need about 37,000,000,000 board feet of lumber this year, which is about 4,000,000,000 more than it is likely to get.

Lumber is one of North Carolina's big sources of income. It grows fast here and in good times it sells fast. The danger we face is in skinning the land, of killing the forests that lay the golden planks. The warning by Gifford Pinchot, expert forester and long-time conservationist, appearing in Public Pulse is well worth heeding. Timber is really a crop which re-seeds itself, generally speaking, in this state. But with the unlimited demand for lumber now existing and with the pulpwood market booming, timber lands are likely to be cut so closely that no hope of a future crop will be left.

Something should be done to give our forests a future. It can be done without hindering the war effort. Intelligent rather than wasteful cutting of timber is the answer, but experience shows that neither the owners of the land who frequently know nothing about timber, as a crop or are too far away to bother with it, nor the sawmill men who cut it for what they can get out of it, can be depended on to do anything helpful regarding the problem. Our state forestry department and our county agricultural agents might do some good, and it may well be that, as Mr. Pinchot suggests, the intervention of the federal government is necessary.

A Story of War—And War Bonds

I GAVE A MAN!



Will you give at least 10% of your pay in War Bonds?

This new color poster, which soon will be used in all parts of the country to promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps, is one of four recently created to emphasize new themes in the War Bond sales campaign. U. S. Treasury Dept.

CHURCH NEWS

CHRISTIAN

Bible school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship, 11 a. m. Subject, "Keeping Our Democracy."
Young People's meeting, 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Playing a Straight Game."
The first of our Union evening services will be held in the Baptist Church at 8:30 p. m. Rev. Z. T. Piephoff, the speaker.
Woman's Council meets Monday, 4:00 o'clock at the Church.
Prayer service Thursday, 8:15-9:00 o'clock.

METHODIST

Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Morning worship and communion, 11 a. m.
Epworth League, 7:30 p. m.
Union evening service at the Baptist Church, 8:30 p. m. Rev. Z. T. Piephoff preaching.
Prayer service, Thursday, 8:30 p. m.
Choir rehearsal Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

HOLLY SPRINGS METHODIST

The pastor will fill his regular appointment at Holly Springs Sunday, 4 p. m. All members who can come are expected and all others are cordially invited to attend.

BAPTIST

Teaching service, 9:45 a. m. Lesson: "God the Creator."
Worship service, 11 a. m. Meditation: "Preserving One's Virtue."
Training service, 7:30 p. m. Study: "God Blessing America."
Preaching service, 8:30 p. m. Opening of Union night services for the holiday season. Pastor Piephoff, of the First Presbyterian Church, will deliver the sermon. A hearty welcome awaits you.
Prayer service, Thursday, 8:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

5th Sunday after Trinity.
The Collect for Independence Day
O Eternal God, through whose mighty power our fathers won their liberties of old, Grant, we beseech thee, that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain these liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.
Church school, 9:45 a. m.
Celebration of the Holy Communion and sermon, 11 a. m. Every American should attend church on this Sunday and through penitence and faith dedicate anew their faith in God who will bring us through this crisis and help us establish the true purpose and hope of Democracy in our country and the world.

ST. MARTIN'S, Hamilton
Evening prayer and sermon at 6 p. m. Attend service and pray for the peace of this nation and the world.

CEDAR BRANCH
Regular services will be held at Cedar Branch Baptist Church Sunday. Also it is our regular communion time. It is hoped that all members will try and be present, and the public is invited.

CARD OF THANKS
We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many expressions of kindness shown us when we lost our barn and mules by fire several weeks ago. People have been generous in helping us repair the loss by giving us money, labor, materials, and visiting us, and we are deeply grateful to all of them. We are glad that we live in a community where one's burdens are shared by his fellowman. It is indeed a high tribute to our citizenship. Our deepest gratitude goes out to all our friends.

Coy J. Roberson and Family.

Local Happenings In The Enterprise Forty Years Ago

JULY 4, 1902.

Mr. Eli Gurganus has moved into his new home.
Messrs. Horton and Byrum are now open for business.
The Constable has been pretty busy this week putting in tiling.
It is reported that Robersonville has a newspaper. We have not seen a copy yet.
Mr. W. T. Ward announces in this issue that he is a candidate for sheriff's office.
Rumor has it that Mr. H. C. Green will be a candidate for the office of Registrar of Deeds.
Dr. Knight has had his office reshingled and is having his stables on Watts Street repaired.
Mr. George W. Newell has moved into his office in the new bank building.
Mr. C. D. Carstarphen is having his store painted. When completed it will be the most attractive store in town.

The continued rush of Badgers Refreshment Pavilion proves how popular his cool drinks and lemonades are. Prince Edward lemonades are all the go.
N. C. Hines has been appointed an agent for this paper. We hope our subscribers who are in arrears will pay up when called on by Mr. Hines.
Messrs. E. L. Morgan and Co. are having their sign painted on their warehouse. These gentlemen are hustling and are determined to get their share of the weed.
Mr. William Harmon Daniel, of Griffins District, has a very fine crop of tobacco. Mr. S. H. Newberry brought a large plant from Daniels yesterday and placed it in the bank window. It is rather unusual to see a stalk of tobacco growing in a bank.

Miss Bessie Latham, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. C. R. Alley in Washington City for several months has returned to her home accompanied by Mrs. Alley and little son, Sam Reeves Alley.
Mr. J. T. Thompson, of Poplar Point, was in town Saturday and reports crops in his section very fine.
Mr. Thad Harrison, of Palmyra, was in town this week visiting his brother, L. B. Harrison.
Mr. M. M. Critcher, of Jamesville, was in the city Wednesday.
James Quartermus is in Jamesville running a soda fountain.
Miss Nora Fowden has returned from Robersonville.

The actual steel in the hull of a heavy cruiser totals 6,635 tons. In a 35,000 ton battleship 18,000 tons are needed.

Not everybody with a dollar to spare can shoot a gun straight—but everybody can shoot straight to the bank and buy War Bonds. Buy your 10% every pay day.

GET YOUR EXTRA SUGAR FOR CANNING NOW!
Can or preserve fruits and berries now, and be assured of sweets this winter.
Take all of your sugar ration books to your local Ration Board. Without removing any stamps from your books, they will enable you to get EXTRA SUGAR for canning.
For best results and finer flavor, your grocer will fill your needs with your old friend . . .

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BELK-TYLER'S Get Ready For the 4th

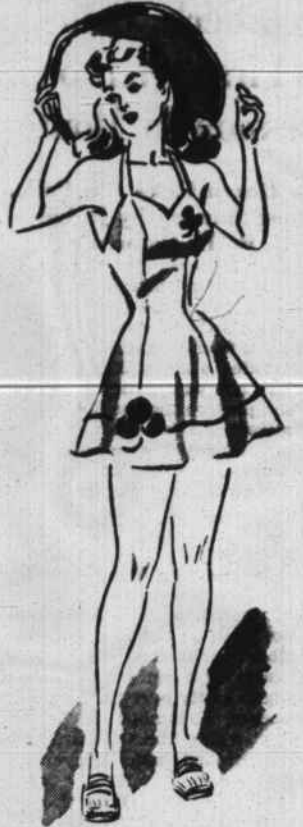
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