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THE AMERICAN WAY

It's A Way Of Life

By: DEWITT EMERY

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(Editors Note: DeWitt Emery
is president of the National Small
Business Men's Association.)

My piece awhile back on trying
to find a definition for free en-
terprise stirred up quite a rumpus.
The San Francisco News ran it
as a feature article after sending
one of its reporters out to get a
definition. He didn't get one, al-
though he spent all day trying.

The News asked its readers to
comment and submit their defini-
tions, and had to run four follow-
up articles in order to quote a
cross section of the replies re-
ceived.

Malcolm W. Bingay, columnist
for the Detroit Press and other
Knight papers, undertook to both
slap me down and take me apart.
I couldn't take that so I slapped
right back, in part, as follows:

"My attention has been called to
your December 31 column in the
Detroit Free Press in which I told
about trying to find a definition
of 'free enterprise.' Among other
things, you say there isn't and
never has been any such thing.
You are wrong on this — dead
wrong. There very definitely is
such a thing as free enterprise."

"Free enterprise is both the life
blood and backbone of our econ-
omy, has been for more than 150
years and it will be a sorry day
for this country and for the whole
world if free enterprise ever dis-
appears from the American scene."

"Free enterprise, or freedom of
enterprise, if you prefer, is a way
of life, the American way of life;
it's our way of living and working
together. Free enterprise has pro-
duced more of everything for every

one than any other way of life
known to mankind any place on the
face of the earth since the begin-
ning of recorded history.

"Detroit is what it is today be-
cause Henry Ford was free to try
again and again to make a go of
his enterprise. Under any other
way of life he might not have had
a chance to make another attempt
after he had failed, and the de-
velopment of the automobile indus-
try might therefore have been set
back nobody knows how many
years."

"About 15 years ago, one of the
trustees of our Association bought
a defunct truck line for something
less than \$5,000. Ten years later,
without any additional capital hav-
ing been invested in the business,
he refused an offer of \$500,000 in
cash from one of his larger com-
petitors."

"Building up this business took
initiative, courage, vision and per-
severance, none or all of which
would have been worth much if he
had not been free to engage in
any enterprise of his choice. He
didn't know anything about the
trucking business. He had a little
money and a burning desire to go
into business for himself, and he
thought that the sheriff's sale of
the truck line might be the oppor-
tunity he was looking for, so he
took a chance on it. Had he failed,
he still would have been free to
accumulate another stake and try
again in the same or some other
enterprise. That, Mr. Bingay, is free
enterprise."

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power
of sale contained in and confer-
red by that certain deed of trust
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SCRIPTURE: Mark 2:1-3:6
DEVOTIONAL READING: Luke 11:1-40.

Inevitable Critics

Lesson for February 13, 1949

ONCE UPON a time, so the ob-
vious goes, there was a cha-
meleon, a lizard that can change its
color to match whatever it stands
on. They put him on a black cloth
and he turned black; on a red ta-
blecloth and he turned red; on a
green billiard table and he turned
green. Then some mean person set
him down on a Christmas necktie
—and the poor little thing exploded.
This is a parable of the person who
tries to please everybody. It can't be
done—and it ought not to be tried.
"Woe unto you," said Jesus, "when all men
speak well of you."

Jesus Christ himself did not
please every one. Not even a per-
fect personality can be 100 per cent
popular. Not that Jesus enjoyed
rubbing people the wrong way.
There was nothing perverse about
him. He was deeply, sincerely
friendly, and to lose any friendships
must have been more painful for
him than for us who are so selfish.
Nevertheless he did make enemies,
he had his critics; and his followers
may expect no better.

Misunderstanding Motives

ONE POINT on which Jesus met
terrible opposition was his at-
titude toward the Sabbath. Repeatedly
he or his disciples would do
things on the Sabbath which (as
Jews then understood the law) were
quite wrong.

It was just that sort of thing
that Jesus ran into, more than
once. His enemies misunder-
stood, or at least misrepresented,
his motives.

They claimed that he was "blas-
phemous," that is, that he was delib-
erately making light of God's law.
The truth was that he was acting
by God's highest law—the law of
love. Helping people in need was
more important than keeping the
letter of the Sabbath law. Jesus'
example may help us here. If our
best motives are misunderstood, we
have a right to explain ourselves,
as Jesus did; but we are not obli-
gated to change our ways to please
those who persist in misunderstand-
ing us.

Stepping Out of Bounds

WHEN Jesus healed the man with
the palsy, it was not the cure
his critics found fault with, it was
his first saying "Your sins are for-
given." "Who can forgive sins but
God alone?" they said. In short,
the Pharisees thought—some of
them perhaps sincerely—that Jesus
was stepping out of bounds, pre-
tending to do something that he had
no right to attempt and no power
to accomplish.

Now Jesus did have both the
right and the power to say what
he said to that sick and sinful
man. And he made no apolo-
gies for going beyond the limits
his critics set for him.

So we too may sometimes be ac-
cused of "biting off too much," of
going beyond our powers or capac-
ities. Our critics may be right, you
know, though Jesus' critics never
were. But how often they are
wrong! If Lincoln had listened to
his backwoods law office; if they
did not think him fit to be president.
If the Wright boys had listened to
their neighbors, they never would
have flown an airplane, for who
would have thought a couple of bi-
cycle mechanics could do what so
many scientists said was impossi-
ble?

Are you sure you are right?
Then go ahead, in God's name!

The Company You Keep

JESUS' friends got him into trou-
ble, as Mark shows us. For one
thing, some were the "wrong sort,"
like Matthew the tax-collector. Then
his friends had an unconventional
kind of religion, they actually
seemed happy about it instead of
gloomy like some of John's disci-
ples. And to make matters worse,
his friends "broke" the Sabbath
laws much as Jesus did. All in all,
Jesus' critics complained that Jesus'
friends were a bad lot, and they
judged him by the company he
kept. But Jesus knew his friends
better than his enemies did.

He never gave up or loosened
a single friendship on his crit-
ics' account. Some of his
friends gave him up, but he never
gave them up.

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cil of Religious Education on behalf of
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trude Maneigo, to Woodrow H.
Peterson, Trustee, recorded in
Book 432 at page 188, of the Duplin
County Registry. Default having
been made in the payment of the in-
debtedness thereby secured, and
the holder having demanded that
the same be forwarded, the under-
signed will offer for sale and sell

to the highest bidder, for cash, at
the Courthouse Door in Kenans-
ville, Duplin County, North Caro-
lina, on Monday, the 28th day of
February, 1949, at the hour of
twelve o'clock Noon, the following
described land:

BEGINNING at a cement monu-
ment on the eastern edge of the
public road leading southwardly
from the Lewis Jones land, former-
ly the Bevie K. Middleton Land to-
wards Magnolia, where the north-
ern line of Isaiah Moores Hall and
Pearson tract crosses said road, E.
C. Fords corner, thence South 81
1/4 East with Fords line 157 feet to
a pine, his corner, thence with said
Fords line South 6 West 294 feet to
a stake near some hollys, and old
corner, thence North 81 1/4 West
176 feet to a stake in the eastern
edge of the road above mentioned,
thence along the eastern edge of
the said road North 9 1/2 East 293
feet to the beginning, containing
1.1 acre, more or less, and being
the same lot or tract of land de-
scribed in that certain Deed from
Isaiah More and wife, Anna Moore,
to W. M. Maneigo, dated January
10, 1945, and recorded in Book 423,
at page 271, of the Duplin County
Registry.

A deposit of ten per cent of the
purchase price will be required of
the successful bidder as evidence
of good faith.

Advertised this 25th day of Janu-
ary, 1949.

Woodrow H. Peterson,
Trustee.

E. Walker Stevens, Atty.
2-25-4t. EWS

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of authority
contained in that certain judgment
signed by the Clerk of Superior
Court of Duplin County in that
Special Proceeding No. 2290, en-
titled: "Florence S. Davis vs Joseph
F. Swainey, et al's", the undersig-
ned Commissioner will on Monday,
February 28, 1949, at the hour of
12:00 Noon offer for sale for cash,
in front of the Courthouse Door in
Kenansville, North Carolina, Dup-
lin County, all that certain tract
or parcel of land situated in Lime-
stone Township, Duplin County,
and being described as follows:

BEGINNING at a black gum in
the head of Burtons Branch and
runs South 81 1/2 West 48 poles to a
lightwood stump; thence North 8
West 48 poles to a black gum;
thence North 82 East 52 1/2 poles to
a small post oak; thence South 6
East 50 poles to a small bay on the
run of Burtons Branch; thence up
the run of said branch to the be-
ginning, containing 2 1/4 acres,
more or less. This is known as Lot
No. 2 in the division of the Charles
G. Thomas land.

And further being the same lands
as described in a deed to Glenn D.
Swaney as recorded in Book 84,
page 421, of the Duplin County
Registry.

A ten per cent deposit will be
required of the successful bidder
as evidence of good faith.

This 28th day of January,
1949.

H. E. Phillips, Commissioner
2-25-4t. HEP

NOTICE OF SUMMONS

BY PUBLICATION

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT

NORTH CAROLINA,
DUPLIN COUNTY.

MRS. BESSIE M. KENNEDY, ad-
ministratrix of the estate of BURL
KENNEDY, Deceased,

VS
MABEL D. BURTON, Trading and
doing Business as HELMS MOTOR
EXPRESS, and OLIVER GARDI-
PEE.

The defendant, Oliver Gardipee,
will take notice that an action en-
titled as above has been commen-
ded in the Superior Court of Du-
plin County, North Carolina, by the
plaintiff above named and against
the defendant to recover damages
for the wrongful death of the plain-
tiff's intestate, and in which the de-
fendant is interested and which
cause of action is set forth in the
complaint filed in this cause, and
that the defendant is a necessary

party to this action; and the d-
efendant will further take notice
that he is required to appear at the
office of the Clerk of the Superior
Court of Duplin County in Kenans-
ville, N. C. on the 12th day of Fe-
bruary, 1949 and answer or demur
to the complaint filed in this action,
which has been duly filed in said
office, on or before the 4th day of
March, 1949, or the plaintiff will
apply to the court for the relief
demanded in the complaint.

This 13th day of January, 1949.
R. V. Wells, Clerk
Superior Court,
Duplin County.

Robert L. West, Attorney

2-18-4t. RLW

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having this day qualified as Exe-
cutor under the last will and testa-
ment of Minnie R. Brown, deceased,
late of Duplin County, North Caro-
lina, this is to notify all persons
having claims against the said es-
tate to present them to the under-
signed Executor on or before the
21st day of January, 1950, or this
notice will be pleaded in bar of
their recovery.

All persons indebted to the said
estate will please make immediate
payment.

This January 21, 1949.

Leslie H. Brown,
Executor.

3-4-6t. VBG

NOTICE OF SALE

Under and by virtue of the power
of sale contained in and conferred
by that certain deed of trust dated
December 6, 1946, and executed by
Willie Maneigo (unmarried) to the
undersigned and recorded in Book
431 at page 319 of the Duplin
County Registry. Default having
been made in the payment of the
indebtedness thereby secured, and
the holder of the note having de-
manded that the same be fore-
closed, the undersigned will offer
for sale and sell to the highest
bidder, for cash, at the Courthouse
Door in Duplin County on Monday,
February 14, 1949, at the hour of
12:00 o'clock Noon, the following
described lands:

Lying and being in the Town of
Warsaw, and described as Lots Nos.
9 and 10 on a Map recorded in Book
216, page 78, also Lots 9 and 10 in
Block 15, Book 216, page 173, of
the Public Registry of Duplin
County, and being the same Lots
described in a Deed from R. D.
Johnson, Commissioner of the
Court to Elizabeth Moore, dated



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