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THE FOURTH OF JULY

INDEPENDENCE DAY Helen Caldwell Cushman Helien Caldwell Cushman

We, the American people, are too spt to forget the principles on which our country was founded, why it was founded. We become too complacent, too neglectful of our rights, and take too supinely all kinds of infringements on our liberty, our freedoms. It is well for us to repeated a part of it and ask ourselves if we have been faithful to our forebearers, if we have done our utmost to preserve those rights which they obtained at such a price for us and for our children. It is well for us to remember that in our wars since then our soldiers, our fathers and our brothers and our husbands and our brothers and our husbands and our sons have fought and died to maintain this calcularation of Independence to regard the total and died to maintain this cost our forestaters, and the thouse of the total and died to maintain this declaration of Independence of the total and our brothers and our forestaters, and the thouse of the total and died to maintain this declaration of Independence cost our forestaters, and the thouse of the total and died to maintain that these colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are and OF RIGHT OUGHT TO BE, FREE that these united colonies are our fathers and our promers and that Declaration of Independence our husbands and our sons have cost our forefathers, and the thoufought and died to maintain that sands of others who paid the high-liberty—our most precious heritage. Liberty and independence—lives, It is our right and our obligation to hear all the freedoms, we words which have a far greater commodation than a physical one—intangible values that we can forget until we have lost them. The danger of loss comes not only from without—that enemy is not so dangerous because we can recognize him for what he is, but the most serious threat comes from within serious threat comes from within
—in many cases from our government itself. Each time a law is
passed restricting our freedoms,
our independence is threatened
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further — tyranny of government our independence is threatened further — tyranny of government control over our every day life can be a grim state of affairs—and we recognize it too late to throw it off ton at Valley Forge.

except by revolution.

A paternal government is an insidious thing. Centralized government agencies may be more efficient, they may offer us more physical benefits for what seems like less cost. But dictatorships are efficient, too, and disarmingly show how the status quo of its citizens has improved for the better under its powerful arm. Each time the government takes over a function that should belong to the people, the people become weakened. Most of th controls instituted are sugar-coated for emergency use only. that should belong to the people the people become weakened. Most of th controls instituted are sugar-coated for emergency use only. But when the emergency has passed, the conirol remains; or a new emergency resulting in stricter control arises, and we are caught in a victous and never-ending circle. It is time the we never discount of the people when the string time the weakened when the string time the weakened when the string the string time the weakened when the string the st

sed, the control remains; or a new emergency resulting in stricer control arises, and we are caught in a vicious and never-ending circle. It is time the we paused and considered where this path is leading our children. It is time that we remembered the basic principles on which our great country was founded. It is time for us to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest certain priceless lines from our precious historical documents. We might begin by reading some lines from Thomas Paine—and consider their meaning as applied to our situation today:

"These are the times that try men's souls. Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered; yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its

thing its value. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange, ingoods; and it would be strange, in-deed, if so celestial an article as yours; FREEDOM should not be highly it is the emblem of the promised land.

"To see it in our power to make anity.

a world happy—to teach mankind live for it—die for it!"
the art of being so—to exhibit, on Under the open sky of my new the theater of the universe a charaster hither to unknown —and to And every drop of blood in me have, as it were a new creation intrusted to our hands, are honors I am proud of my future. that command reflection, and can I AM AN AMERICAN neither be estimated too highly, nor too gratefully received."

neither be estimated too highly, nor too gratefully received."

From that great Virginian, Patrick Henry, let us read slowly these immortal words taken from one of the most moving speeches ever uttered on this continent.

"Shall we gather strength by irresolution and inaction? Shall we acquire the means of effectual resistance by lying supinely on our backs, and hugging the delusive phantom of hope, until our enemies have bound us hand and foot? Sir, we are not weak, if we make a proper us of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power. There is no retreat but in submission and slavery? The battle is not to the strong alone, it is to the vigilant, the active, the brave. It is vain to extenuate he matter. Why stand we here idle? Is life so dear, or peace so sweet, as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take, but as forme. GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH!"

THE BATTLE BEGINS

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ton at Valley Forge.
My forefathers were America in
the making;
They spoke in her council halls;
They died on her battle fields;
They commanded her ships;
They cleared her forests.
Dawns reddened and paled. Staunch hearts of mine beat fast each new star
In the nation's flag.
Keen eyes of mine foresaw her

"See," said my father, pointing to the flag that fluttered near, "That flag of stars and stripes

It means, my son, the hope of hum

country I swore to do so:

. JULY 4, 1952 .

Our Heavenly Father, we ask this day a porticular blessing as we take the wheel of our car. Grant us safe passage through the perils of travel; shelter those who accompany us and protect us from harm by Thy mercy; steady our hands and auicken our eye that we may never take another's life; mide us to our destination safely, confident in the knowledge that Thy blessings go with us through darkness and light ... sunshine and shower ... for ever and ever. Amen

# SPORTS AFIELD

You often hear that spinning is a foolproof method of casting. Nevertheless, as many fishermen will tell you, you can get into trouble with a spinning outfit. Most such troubles, according to Joe Bates, one of this country's first spinning enthusiasts have to do with the selection and handling of spinning lines.

First, be sure that the line is put on the reel spool properly. Make a slip noose on the end of the line; slip it over the reel spool and pullifit it ight. Wind the line directly on the reel by turning the reel handle, taking it off the unrolling spool. Then pay out all the line and reel it to slide through the forefinger and thumb of the right hand. This will remove the twist and give proper tension.

It is important that you fill the spool to the lip, and to the lip only. A spool filled not full enough shortens the distance of the cast.

Use as light line as possible. Lighter lines mean longer casts and they are less noticeable to fish.

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# Test Your Intelligence

Score 10 points for each correct answer in the first six questio wed the opera Carmen
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points for each correct answer. (A) Washington (B) Lincoln

-Kellogg (C) T. Roosevelt (D) Coolidge -Seward

Total your points. A score of 0-20 is poor; 30-80, average; 70-80, superior; 90-100, very superior. (Answers On Theatre Page)

# HAYSEED

By UNCLE SAM

PATRIOTISM "Zebulon and Naphtall were a people that jeoparded their lives unto death in the high places of

# The Itinerant

Almost every year about this time, when the termites begin to swarm, the saps begin to rise in the trees, and the flowers begin to bloom, the Bureau's phone begins to ring as home owners telephone to inquire about termite exterminators who give fictitious addresses, or no address at all.

Usually, their inquiries go something like this: "Mr. Joe Squish, claiming to represent the Tiy-By-Night Termite Extinguishing Company,' impacted my house this

the field." Judges 5:18.

Patriotism gives a person a right attitude and feeling toward his country. A true patriot cannot be a criminal at heart. Patriotism will prohibit a person from breaking the laws of the country or from upholding persons who are professional lawbreakers.

A spirit of patriotism should not

ROUGH and DRESSED

A spirit of patriotism should not only be taught in the schools but should also be fostered in the churches. The observance of days which are set aside to commemorate the deeds and lives of patriots will help cuitivate a spirit of patriotism. One will always gain inspiration by the study of heroic lives. National songs should be sung on all suitable occasions. We have many national advantages and they ought to be appreciated by all, As a nation God has given us a mission or work to do.

Every patriot will loyally support a righteous government. A patriot will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly contend against any great public evil. A particle will earnestly earnestly evil. A particle will earnestly earnestly



triot will support any movement vation will cause people to be faith-which leads to a better citizenship. ful to thei rgovernment and rulers. There are numerous ways in which patriotism may be expressed.

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dish days that have reached 105 this week—five in a row. Even the furniture is hot to the touch—and as for sleep—there last any. I busgine that human excess occur as frequently in this abnormally hot weather as they do in abnormally cold weather—we just aren't made to function efficiently when the mercury climbs to such dizzy heights. Several days this week it was 110 outside the Times office—and in the sun reached 125 on too many occasions. Maybe only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the noonday sun—but those of us who work also have to venture forth in

It was 108 for the second day in Bamberg; S. C., it reached It was 108 for the second day in Banklers; S. C., it reached 106.5 in Wilson, even on the beaches it was hot—107 at Morehead City, for example—and the coast was plagued by a west wind which brought a scourge of sand fleas. If you want to go where it is cooler—try Miami—it was 20 degrees cooler there than in North

It is always a delight to share with my readers some books which have charmed me, or some cogent lines I have read here and there. And I am pleased when a reader returns the compliment. One of them with whom I have had many an interesting conversation, who is as charming person as I have met anywhere, sent me this written by Oscar Hammerstein, II, of the Rodgers — Hammerstein writing producing team, responsible for South Pacific, Oklahoma and the King and I. It's called Have You A Civilized Mind? It begins with a quote from Francis

"If we begin with certainties, we shall end in doubts; but if we begin with doubts, and are patient in them, we shall end in certain-

"Too many men become certain about too many things too arly in their lives. Over-eager to have everything settled in their minds, they lack both the wisdom and the courage to expose their hastily adopted ideas to healthy doubts. They cling with blind passion to their false 'certainties' and too often are ready to kill or be killed for them. In these immature absolutists lies the seed of

killed for them. In these immature absolutists lies the seed of tragedy. The earth is sick with them.

The certainties of a strong man are built on a structure of resolved doubts. By the time he reaches a conclusion he has traveled the hard road of reason. Even then he will be tolerant of another man's beliefs, and willing always to compare them fairly with his own. The man with a civilized mind is neither afraid nor ashamed to change it.

"Your uncritical loyalty to weak ideas cannot make them strong. Be ever ready to let your ideas stand up and fight for themselves. Let them survive or die according to their merit. It is only in ideas honestly and bravely tested that you will find

To which we add an humble and a fervent 'Amen.' The world does change in spite of us—and old-wives tales and absolute positions are proved each day to have no validity. If we are to stay alive in this world, we have to be flexible, and open to reason—otherwise, we are out of step with progress, and had far better be physically dead—since our minds are dead to all purposes that matter. Intolerance is a sure sign of immaturity—we remain fixed at some earlier point in our lives and do not grow we remain fixed at some earlier point in our lives and do not grow

Stephen Benet wrote in his Book of Americans, a poem about that great liberal, Thomas Jefferson—and it might be well for us to read on this Independence day, 1952. It is too long to quote in full-but these are the lines I like most.

Thomas Jefferson, What do you say Under the gravestone Hidden away? "I was a giver, I was a molder. I was a builder With a strong shoulder." "I liked the people, The sweat and crowd of them, "A wild-goose-chaser?
Now and again,
Build Monticello,
You little men!
Design my plow, sire,
They use it still,
Or found my college
At Charlottesville,
And still go questioning
New things and thinkers. New things and thinkers, And keep as busy As twenty tinkers. The people's freedom— You need more hands, sir?

Lspent most of the week end in the water and under it at Lake Tut. The water is rising rapidly now, and you can dive safely off the board on the sun table. Yes, I kept my promise and dived so many times that I had a headache. Saturday night when I came out of the water about eleven, the air felt so cool, I actually shivered what a delightful feeling to be able to shiver again. You might consider taking your family there for Independence Day—it is not far to drive and the courtesy and consideration of the well trained staff will please you, I am sure. Did you know that one of the biggest Fourth of July in the world takes place every year in Denmark? On that day in the National Park in Jutland, the flags of all the American states fly together. Often more than 50,000 Danes sing The Star Spangled Banner—and follow it with their own National anthem, There is A Lovely Land. The Danes are one of the most democratic, enlightened, and progressive nations—and there is less illiteracy there than in our own country.

For all my friends who go fishing on this long week and this Tut. The water is rising rapidly now, and you can dive safely off

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But life was fervent.

Life's willing servant

"life, life's too weighty?
Too long a haul, sir?
I lived past eighty
I liked it all, sir."

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And I was always

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SHUBBERS

For all my friends who go fishing on this long week e poem about fishing by Struthers Burt—and how homesick is me for cool, blue water.

With running water over; And half the air is made of mint And half is made of clover;