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THESE HONORED DEAD

Charles V. Stanton

Tomorrow is Memorial Day. We will pause in our labors supposedly to pay tribute to the millions of men and women who sacrificed their lives in the service of their country.

How many of us will actually stop to offer tribute, or even to give serious meditation to the real purpose of the holiday?

Throughout the nation it will be a day for sports or picnicking. Many people will make it the start of a three-day holiday. We will celebrate with an orgy of slaughter on our highways, drownings, shootings, stabbings, drunken revelry and many other forms of excesses.

Patriotic organizations will stage perfunctory ritualistic ceremonies which few people will attend. Graves will be decorated in the nation's cemeteries before people start out for a good time. Thus we will discharge as briefly as possible our obligation to our honored dead, often begrudging the little time required for that purpose.

Like other of our holidays, the true and primary purpose of observance will receive little attention, as we use the respite for selfish pleasure.

Careless Of Tradition

Our practice of carelessness in observance of holidays is a trend of the times and is reflected in many other activities.

We have a history rich in precedent. We organized a government built upon new concepts of freedom. We have fought the enemies of freedom throughout the world. We have made ourselves the champion of oppressed people. We have defended every assault upon the citadel of human liberty.

We wrote our policy in a document known as the Constitution of the United States. We stated our principles in the Declaration of Independence and in the Bill of Rights.

Throughout the years of our history our heroes have defended these declarations.

Yet, while we wage war upon the far-flung battlefields of the world in defense of our traditions, we permit them to be riddled, violated and degraded at home.

To engrossed in our own pleasures, influenced by greed, yielding to selfishness, we send our sons and daughters into foreign fields to battle for freedom, while that same freedom slips away from us here in our own land. We demand defense from our enemies abroad, but negligently permit their subversive infiltration in the highest of our national offices. We declare ourselves defenders of democracy, but embrace governmental tenets which can but lead to practice of the very ideologies against which our sons and daughters do battle.

Citizenship Revival Needed

We need in this country today an old-fashioned revival—a revival of good citizenship.

Grown fat upon the luxuries of profligate living, we tolerate evil and corruption because we are too indolent to do anything about it, or fearful that we may lose the material prosperity in which we revel, knowing all the while that it is false and an act of larceny against future generations. We neglect the observances, tributes and honors which our sacred history calls upon us to render. We fail to bestir ourselves to provide protection against the invasions of our own freedoms while fighting for the freedom of others. When called upon to exercise the responsibility placed upon every citizen of our country, we absent ourselves from the polls, where the policies of our government are declared.

We need today voices that will cry in the wilderness of neglect for us to repent of our political sins and to once again declare our determination that "government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth" . . . "that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion."

Scraps From the MENDING BASKET

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The sights one sees on Highway 38 along the Umpqua! This Sunday afternoon we stared at two paddlers on a long log hatched to a small boat, slowly inching up stream. Never saw that sight before. And east of the tunnel we saw a mother quail with her brood of tiny chicks along the roadside. She was as calm as could be, herding them into the grass and safety. Further on we saw, alas, evidence that another quail had not made it to safety. The little mother bird, characteristically, was waiting calmly on the danger side of the tiny chicks scurrying into the grass. I suppose if we had come upon them in a meadow, the mother bird would have flown off—"broken wings" trick.

Down the highway a few miles are a couple of colts in a field. So short a time ago they were wobbly kneed—now they are frisky and confident, and such pretty little things. We enjoy watching them grow. In another field the whole herd of red and white cows were lying down contentedly in a good pasture. When I was a child in New York State we always thought it a "sign of rain" when all the cows lay down.

But the glory of the afternoon's ride was, of course, the purple vetch and the yellow of the wild broom, sometimes a solid bank of yellow. Especially along the Coast. We went nearly to Florence before turning back. It is so easy

Male domestic animals usually are fertile continuously in contrast to many wild animals which have special rutting seasons when they are fertile.

Price of Liberty



Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

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WASHINGTON — The Robert Marshall Foundation since 1938 has been one of the principal sources of funds supplied by wealthy radicals for the support of Communist front organizations.

Robert Marshall's will was admitted to probate on January 12, 1940, in the surrogate's court of the County of New York. One half of his fortune of \$1,534,070.41 was set up as a foundation to be administered by his brother George. The House Un-American Activities Committee says George Marshall's "Communist record is so clear and so voluminous that it leaves no doubt about his ideological devotion to the Soviet Union." Other trustees of the foundation also are men with known Communist front affiliations.

Robert Marshall was a high official of the Department of Interior at the time of his death. He inherited his fortune from his father, Louis Marshall, a distinguished lawyer and partner in the well-known New York firm of Guttenheimer, Untermyer and Marshall. George Marshall and Mary Dublin Keyserling, wife of the chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, are jointly associated with a number of Red fronts. As related to you previously, Mrs. Keyserling is employed by the Department of Commerce.

Thomas C. Blaisdell Jr., a former assistant secretary of Commerce, was Mrs. Keyserling's boss. Blaisdell's wife, and his father, T. C. Blaisdell Sr., were witnesses to the signing of Robert Marshall's will. The younger Blaisdell has been an associate of Leon Keyserling since 1934, when they joined in producing a book entitled, "Redirecting Education."

Thomas C. Blaisdell Jr., also is the man who employed William Remington in the Department of Commerce. Remington was convicted of lying about his Communist affiliations, but was granted a retrial.

With this further background we can continue the story of Mary Dublin Keyserling. Her husband, Leon, denied that she ever belonged to a Communist front or engaged in Communist-sponsored activities. I started to show previously that he doesn't know what he is talking about or is not telling the truth.

I have named two of Mrs. Keyserling's Red front affiliations. Here are some more:

The Communist Daily Worker on July 23, 1938, under a headline "275 Friends of the Soviet Union," announced the formation of the American Council on Soviet Relations. Mary Dublin Keyserling was listed as a member.

The American Council on Soviet Relations is listed by the attorney general of the United States as a Communist front. It was set up at a dinner at which such well known Reds and Red sympathizers as Dr. Max Yergan, Jessie Smith, Corliss Lamont and George Marshall participated as speakers.

On February 12, 1940, Mary Dublin Keyserling was listed as a member of the general committee of the Greater New York Emergency Conference of Inalienable Rights. Such notorious pro-Communists as Bella Dodd, a well known former Red, and former Representative Vito Marcantonio were members.

That committee interlocks with such well known Communist fronts as the American Youth Congress,

the National Lawyers Guild and nine others.

In the early thirties pro-Communists founded a magazine called "Social Work Today." Mary Dublin Keyserling and Mrs. George Marshall, who as I have already told you is Mary's sister Elizabeth, in 1940 were listed as "cooperators" of "Social Work Today."

One of the tests of a Communist line publication is its adherence to shifts in Communist party lines. During the time of the Hitler-Stalin pact, when Communists were shouting for U. S. neutrality, "Social Work Today" said: "In its entire history, perhaps, the American people have never been so completely unified around any issue as that of our remaining neutral."

Russia was invaded by Germany on June 22, 1941. "Social Work Today" then said, editorially: "As social workers, it is essential that we give ourselves unflinchingly, and with all our imagination, to the job of making our field of work the major instrument of victory."

There is a record of Mary Dublin Keyserling having withdrawn in anger or grief over Communist adherence to Nazi principles. Nor did she publicly object when the line suddenly shifted to hatred for the Germans when they turned on the mother country, Russia. There is additional evidence as to why I'll get into it tomorrow.

Hear Fulton Lewis Daily On KRNR, 9:15 P.M.

Proposals Of Truckers Meet Grange Opposition

EUGENE — Lane County's Pomona Grange has opened a fight to block two moves of long interest at the November election which the grange's are designed to throttle long-haul truck taxation.

A resolution adopted by the Pomona Grange will be presented to the state Grange at the group's annual meeting in La Grande next month. It urges support of the Legislature's weight-mile tax bill, now suspended by referendum, and defeat of a proposed constitutional amendment restricting truck taxes.

Although most reptiles lay eggs, some snakes have living young.

The body temperatures of reptiles are warm or cold depending on the temperature of their environment.

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Reader Opinions

Retail Assn. Unjustly Blamed For Fast Time

ROSEBURG — There appears to be some misapprehension as to just who is responsible for "fast time" in Roseburg. (Let us not dignify it by calling it daylight saving time, since, conceivably it cannot add another hour to the twenty-four.)

Yet, let us be fair, and not put the blame for all the confusion on the wrong shoulders. Many of the writers to The News-Review forum blame the Roseburg businessmen for the fact that Roseburg is on "fast time." This is not the case.

At a meeting of the Roseburg Retail Association, very well attended, on April 28, a motion was made by Bill Gary, later seconded and unanimously carried, that Roseburg businessmen remain on standard time, and open their places of business an hour earlier, and close an hour earlier. This was done to avoid the very confusion that now prevails in Roseburg and some other cities in the state.

The one hour earlier opening and closing would have taken effect on Thursday. But at a meeting of the city council an evening or so later, the city government decided to inaugurate "fast time" on the Monday following. This was done without considering the Retail Association's wishes to abide by Governor McKay's decision to keep the state on standard time, a decision arrived at according to law passed by the voters of our state.

As fair minded people, then, let us not penalize Roseburg merchants for something they tried to avoid. Let us, rather, take steps to see to it that it doesn't happen again.

It is not fair to the Governor of Oregon to be compelled to make this decision every year. Regardless of which way he goes, he will make many enemies, and it is not to the interest of the state for our governor to be placed in the position where he has to do so. The governor needs the co-operation of the citizens, not their enmity.

The legislature should have the foresight to take care of this situation. If they don't, then let the problem be put up to the people, in order that, once and for all, we will know where we stand, and avoid a repetition of the confusion and near-anarchy we have witnessed this year.

GLENN WELLMAN
Roseburg, Ore.

I think I can answer that question best by relating here a little tale that has just come over the wires from Durham, N.H.

At the University of New Hampshire, located in Durham, the male students had just started on girls' dormitories. Robert N. Merchant, retiring president of the student government at the university, acted promptly and decisively.

Climbing up on an automobile, he gave the milling throng of male raiders a tongue-lashing of sorts. "GROW UP AND STOP WASTING YOUR TIME," he told them.

The crowd of party-snatching students DISPERSED!

That was LEADERSHIP. Sound, practical leadership. It brought those who heard him to their senses.

Sound, practical, courageous leadership can bring us to our senses and can stop the foolishness that is sapping our national strength in the face of the gravest emergency we have ever faced.

In 1771 when newspapers first began comprehensive reporting of the debates in the English Parliament, the Parliament attempted to halt the practice and even had the lord mayor of London arrested for refusal to honor warrants against printers.

That answer shakes our faith in our country and leaves us feeling scared and helpless. What shall we do about it?

In the Day's News

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Twenty thousand more police are massed along the route from Orly to Paris to prevent communist devility.

That gives an idea of the problems we face over there.

The tragedy of it is, as you must have gathered from your reading, that instead of welcoming us as deliverers the Europeans are AFRAID OF US. They fear we're going to start a war with Russia. They don't want war with Russia—or anybody else. They are sick of war.

In Washington, the house of representatives cuts foreign aid spending and draws a blast from President Truman who says:

"This was a foolish, reckless act. It jeopardizes our defense build-up. It may require us in this hour of peril to demobilize a substantial part of our armed forces."

He then adds: "There are some people who would rather play politics than to give us strong defenses. They would rather embarrass the White House than to checkmate the Kremlin."

Those are strong words from a President whose administration refuses to cut political spending in order to increase the amount available for defense spending. One's impulse is to rush to the defense of congress.

BUT—It is hard to forget that the house of representatives voted a week or so ago to give itself a raise in pay in the form of a stiff exemption from taxes.

If we charge the President with reckless spending, we have to remember that before the President can spend it congress must APPROPRIATE it.

That raises this question: Who is playing politics? About the only answer that seems reasonable to us is that EVERYBODY IN WASHINGTON is playing politics.

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Would-Be Panty Raiders Warned By Draft Board

ALBANY, Ore. — The Lane County draft board intends to crack down on any of its youths who take part in college panty raids. Chairman W. V. Merrill said the board would refuse further deferment for any collegian found to have participated in such a stunt. "The reason (for deferment of collegians) is a desire to provide for a large number of intelligent men who will be competent to handle the business affairs of our nation in case of a long war requiring a heavy drain on our manpower. "But if we must depend upon a group of panty raiders for leadership, then God help us," said Merrill.

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