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**For What It's Worth .**

By CLIFFORD P. ROWE



Close to 175 years ago, thirteen colonies along the Eastern seaboard banded together and declared their independence from Great Britain being unable any longer to stand the tyranny of its government. High on the list of wrongs against which they protested was the fact that while England levied taxes upon them, she allowed them no representation in Parliament.

Today over a million citizens of the great nation which sprang from this War of Independence are being subjected to treatment much more grievous than that experienced by the original colonists.

I am referring to the more than a million young men who daily are offering their lives to a country whose people refuse them a voice in their government. I am pleading the case for the more than one million young men in our armed forces who have not reached the age of twenty-one and so are deprived of the right to vote.

To be taxed without representation is certainly a legitimate basis for vigorous complaint; to be asked to offer up one's life without representation makes the former complaint seem petty by comparison. To argue that one is old enough to fight in protection of one's country but too young to vote for those who will govern that country is to talk the language of fools. This government of the people, by the people, and for the people should insist that when a youth is called into military service to protect his nation's ideals, he should be granted automatically the privilege of adding his voice to those who determine the ideals.

In a democratic form of government such as ours which claims the ballot to be more powerful than the bullet, it is indeed ironic that our youth should be provided with the latter and deprived of the former.

**In The Mail-box:**

Editor, Pilot: I have noticed in the Pilot lately quite a lot of comment, threats and reward notices, pertaining to poisoning of dogs, I do not know the particulars of this dog killing or who did it. But I do know that in the last two years dogs have killed approximately \$3000 worth of sheep and I tell you Mr. Reader that when you find \$400 or \$500 worth of sheep killed in one night you know that if don't get the dogs they will do it again. You get pretty desperate. Maybe that isn't the reason for the poisoning in Brookings. However, I don't think anyone would poison a dog unless for reason. When loose dogs run around nights, and you can't catch them at their mischief, the old meal ticket is getting hurt by someone's pet—so you may see a sheep man's way of looking at it.—Wilbur Ostrander, Pistol River.

Editor's Note: No one doubts or questions the livestock men's case over the county in general about dogs. However, poisoning is the cowardly method doing the job. There are scores of traps, and methods of accomplishing the feat. Experience in Montana, in a country where both sheep and cattle run in thousands, poisoning is looked upon with much disfavor. In Brookings, however, the case is spite, for nearly everyone of the poisonings occurred on the same street or neighborhood.

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