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EDITORIALS

VISIONS AND THE LEGION

Our fighters in the front lines and the 194-ones are tired by no such little imagination as engraving the caps and the shoes. Our men have a job to do—they're doing it because they want to finish it out and get home.

Neither emperor worship nor hero worship appears in their dreams of glory; they dream, in moments between pulverizing the enemy, of the jobs they'll come home to, the families they have or will have, and most often of the little shop or business they will start for themselves and do their "own boss."

Perhaps no one knows all this better than the men of the American Legion, for they once were soldiers themselves and now are the dads of the boys in the ranks. Thus the post-war program just announced by a Legion commission commands, as it should, the attention of all who sincerely have at heart the welfare not only of the returning servicemen but also of the country they went forth to defend.

The Legion advocates "employment fostered by a system of free enterprise embodying the greatest encouragement to individual initiative and to every sort of sound business leadership, along with an effective implementation of a national program of fair and impartial treatment for both management and labor."

Of unquestioned patriotism, from a background both military and parental, and with a quarter-century of experience behind it, the Legion speaks—and makes sense!

"FREE ENTERPRISE IN AMERICAN DEMOCRACY"

In a contest for the best editorial on "Free Enterprise" in the newspapers of the United States, Editor George W. Hopkins of the Lake Region, Easton, Florida, won first place in the Herrick award made at the recent meeting of the National Editorial Association in Milwaukee. His editorial not only merited the award, but is worthy of the widest distribution, Editor Hopkins said:

"Free enterprise is not a political term. Some people seem to think that as soon as one begins to advance the idea that American business, industry, commerce or agriculture was built up on free enterprise in this country, one must be a Republican."

"As a matter of fact, free enterprise is a basic American principle, as free from politics as the Constitution of the United States itself. It came into being with the Constitution. It emerged from such episodes in American history as the Boston Tea Party, and drew its first baptism of blood at Bunker Hill.

"The implication of free enterprise is simple, straightforward and honorable. It derives its rights from a natural human impulse; the right of the individual to the initiative, and to enjoy the liberties guaranteed in the Constitution; liberties bought with the blood of patriots who pledged their lives and their sacred honor to establish those liberties.

"The American people have never surrendered their liberties to their representatives, or the government, which is of, by and for the people. Whatever liberties we have lost through these agencies has been usurped by them by assuming powers not found in the Constitution.

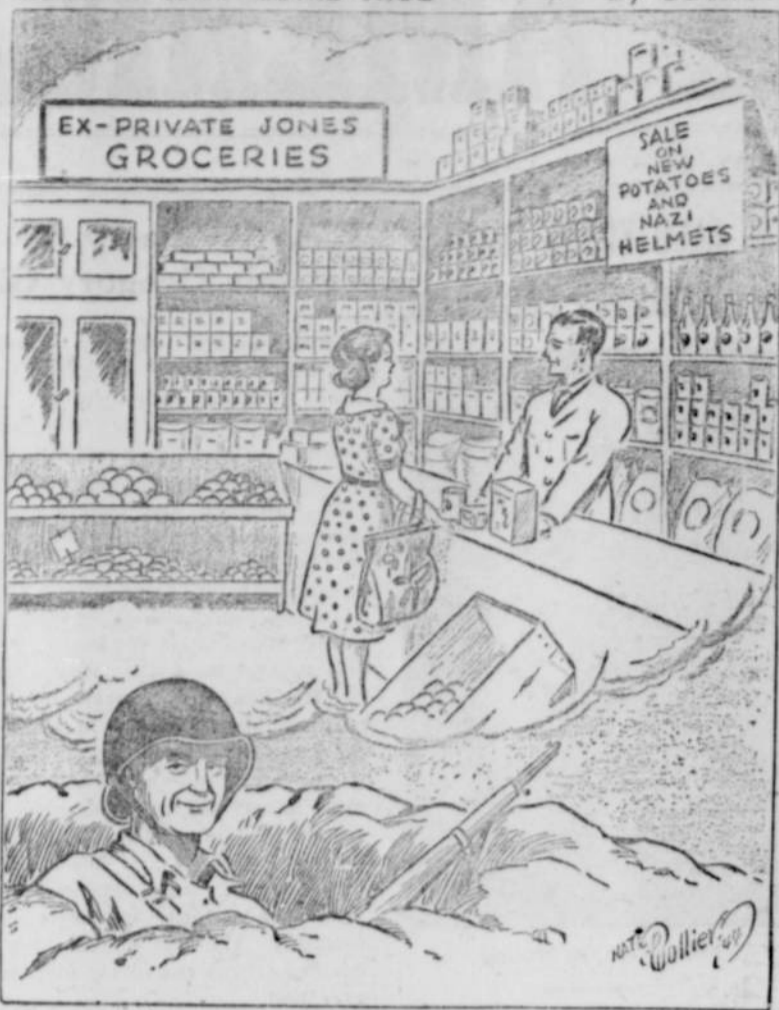
"Our form of government is definitely set up for the Congress to follow. The President of the United States and the Congressmen have taken solemn oath that they will defend the Constitution against all enemies.

"If Congress had dutifully considered this sworn obligation, free enterprise would today be a fact instead of a tradition.

"Congress can, and should, reverse its trend and return to the basic principles of the American enterprise system. If such action is not voluntary on the part of the Congressmen, the American people have the right to replace every mother's son who has by voice and vote indicated that he has little or no regard for Constitutional government.

"Free enterprise has financed two world wars. It has created more wealth among 130,000,000 people

DREAMS CAN COME TRUE - By COLLIER



than exists in the rest of the world; it has enabled us to spend approximately 400 millions of dollars to train, equip and mechanize an army to fight for the principles of free enterprise for ourselves, and that other peoples may be enriched. Therefore, free enterprise is not a selfish system as claimed by some; it is not founded upon greed. It is based on human initiative and the right to create, share, enjoy and spend the wealth amassed by our individual and collective efforts as a people.

"As Democrats and Republicans, and especially as Americans, we will not surrender free enterprise to national socialism; to any system of paternalism; to bureaucracy or dictatorship. Such agencies have been the downfall of governments since the beginning of history, because they fail to recognize a fundamental human right—the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness and the right to the wealth the individual has honestly earned by creative genius and the sweat of the brow.

"Free enterprise is American democracy in action!"

South America As Seen by Local Lady

Mrs. Mildred Swain is writing to her mother, Mrs. E. E. Scott, from South America, where she is with her husband, who is employed by the government rubber research.

Continued from last week

The reception room on the second floor (three stories off the street) is quite lovely with beautiful paintings and the lovely, huge carved mirrors which you find so often here in Brazil. Graceful odd-looking chairs in their gilt paint add to the atmosphere of the place. From this room we went on to the main ballroom of the Casino and were seated at our table. The only disappointing thing about the place was the tables. They were quite ordinary square tables with very plain tablecloths. "Every day" chairs surrounded each of them and spoiled the build-up which the rest of the building had given you. The ballroom itself, however is long, rather wide, and quite grand looking with both sides completely open by means of archways which lead out to balconies which run on either side of the room. The room is almost entirely taken up with tables and boasts only a small dance floor, however, there are two orchestras—one on either side of the stage and on a level with the stage and they alternately play all evening. Our main object of visiting the Marjous was to once more see a stage show or play or whatever the performers were going to do and since this was to be our first Brazilian stage show we were looking forward to it with anticipation. While we enjoyed the stage show very much it was quite disappointing as compared with the one in the States and, after all, that is the only yard stick by which we can measure these things. An English girl and Russian man put on a very excellent dance and she later sang in English and that was a rare treat for

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in power. He does not declare that our citizens have the right to vote as they please, and then see to it that his political machine fixes his ticket so one needs must vote for him, or not vote at all. A ticket cut and dried, and all in his favor.

A man who brings to his work a great heart has no craving for adulation, and self-glorification. There is no place for it in his life, his heart, mind, soul and strength are spent for good to others.

Did you know Justice Holmes was sent home from war, badly wounded, three times? And three times returned to carry on? Maybe our country means more to those who lose their blood for it. He was called "The Great Dissenter" because he believed a person had the right to stand up for what he believed to be right and just. Our hope for our nation is that your generation will exercise that right, and take a Ulysses precaution against a siren voice, when exposed to peril.

For daily living, this thought: Don't disappoint God.
Out of the ABUNDANCE of the heart, Aunty.

OLD SEWING MACHINE

Nineteen years ago Mrs. A. B. Holt and Mrs. Lilly Holt bought an old Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine for three dollars. Many yards of sewing were done on it and it has been in use ever since. Recently Mrs. A. B. Holt took the machine to the Singer Sewing Machine Co. in Medford for an overhaul. Mr. Klatt told her it had been made 75 years ago and while he fixed it up so that it works good, no new parts could be bought for it.

Mr. Henry Maury, who is in Seattle, had a growth removed from his nose. He is doing nicely. His doctor advised him to stay in Seattle for a month. Mr. Maury is visiting a cousin and hopes to be home in time to go huckleberrying.

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FIVE YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

Mrs. A. W. Ayers is pleasantly surprised by a visit with her cousin, Dorothy Staff of New York, who is making a trip through the west.

Mr. and Mrs. Axel Benson sustained cuts bruises and shock when their sedan was struck by S.P. freight train at 6th St. crossing in Medford.

Small Gail Skyrman returned home from Dunsmuir, where she had been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Cooper. Her mother, Mrs. Skyrman and little new brother have returned home from the Community hospital.

E. P. Stone will celebrate his 10th anniversary in the drug business in Central Point tomorrow, Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Helfrich left this afternoon for Corvallis where she will spend the winter. She had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ray Burrs.

TEN YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark both were made ill by the heat and are in the

Special Heart hospital. They are both improving rapidly under treatment.

Mrs. Edw. Jones and daughter, Dorothy returned home from nine week Eastern trip Saturday.

Mrs. Edith Deuel enjoyed luncheon Wednesday with Mrs. Frances Southwick, daughter of Proff Strange of Ashland.

A special invitation was sent Mayor Leever to attend the Oregon State fair on Mayor's day, September 6.

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