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FREEDOM SHOULD BEGIN AT HOME—

It is encouraging at long last to have a nation-wide movement openly dedicated to the cause of freedom as opposed to Communism. While secret operatives have been planted within our government, many self-styled liberals have aided and abetted the enemy by sponsoring and protecting their activities. Until very recently, exposing communism has been a thankless undertaking and a most unpopular one. Even now, there are great "blind spots" in the public vision, areas in which un-American forces are still working day and night to bring about the destruction of the American way of life.

We might as well face the facts. We are up to our necks in war in Korea now. What the future holds is anyone's guess. Are we once more to send American boys into the jungles to "save the world for Democracy?" only to have our stay-at-home policy planners wreck the victories as was done after World War II? Will our parlor pinks and pseudo intellectuals be permitted to circulate their poisonous propaganda in clubs and churches and schools? Will Hollywood and Broadway continue to join forces with the Communists in their yakety-yak about "freedom" and "anti-discrimination" while railing against honest investigation and exposure of un-American persons and organizations? Will trusting Americans continue to be taken-in by the much-abused and Communist-used slogans of "peace, tolerance, security and democracy," not recognizing the imprimatur of the hammer and sickle?

Good old fashioned American words have been appropriated and twisted to nefarious ends while well meaning but gullible citizens have sat with folded hands. Many who have read the "Mene, mene" words on the wall of events and have tried to warn the nation have been branded as "red-baiters" or have been personally defamed for their efforts. Small wonder that the organized anti-communist forces in the United States are so pathetically outnumbered.

To those who have given their very lives and reputations to fighting the enemy, the welcome word that re-inforcements are on the way, is encouraging. It is now a popular cause and crowds are rushing to jump on the band wagon before it is too late. In openly defending the American Way at home we automatically show our colors to the world. Uncle Sam's actions always speak louder than his words and no lip service to any movement, no signing of petitions, no broadcasting of propaganda will succeed unless it is backed up by the resolve and faith of a united nation, a faith that is based upon belief in God and the rights of free men as set forth in the Constitution of the United States.

To bring about a free world is a laudable utopian dream but like charity, it must begin at home. Let us sweep our own dirty doorstep, turn the hose into our Augean stables and demonstrate our ability to build a free America here and now before spreading and spending our hard earned substance across a hostile world in the vain hope of winning over any great sections of the globe to our philosophy — a hope which is shared with Stalin.

So it is with grateful hearts that we welcome the opening of the Crusade for Freedom, with the sincere wish that at long last our nation has awakened to its dangers from within as well as without, and with the prayer that we are not too late to redeem that heritage which was so dearly bought by the founders of this free nation.

F. M.

LOCKING THE BARN DOOR TOO LATE—

In this year of 1950 disclosures and investigations crowd one upon the other in a devastating deluge of shocking evidence of enemy action within the innermost governmental and military offices. The latest to "confess" to Communist membership during his government service is Leo Pressman. This brings to mind an astonishing fact that in July of 1937 full information in the form of a chart accompanied by commentary was printed and distributed to every member of Congress. The large brochure was immediately seized and confiscated in large measure by the Administration, in spite of the unimpeachable individuals of national repute who had been responsible for its compilation.

Now exactly thirteen years later, the material so bitterly denied and assailed as "fascist propaganda" is being uncovered. What an ironical twist of fate that while one war has been fought and another throws its long shadow across the horizon, enemies within our gates are permitted to work under the cloak of governmental immunity for the overthrow of this nation!!

F. M.

Elgin (Illinois) Daily Courier-News (Ind. Rep. says:

... Perhaps we can learn from this Korean war that the time to show our true fiber is before a crisis develops. Not every showdown can be averted, nor should it be. But the wisdom and bravery that is now going into this one might better have been expended in preventing it from arising.

Timely Topics

One of the most gruesome sights to horrify the beholder was a pair of chubby pink legs used as hand-holds on a bicycle. Some small girl's beloved doll must have been the victim.

Never has Lithia Park been more deserted than on Labor Day. Doubtless the unaccustomed cool weather frightened picknickers away. In fact the whole town of Ashland had a drawn-curtain appearance over the entire week end.

It is interesting to try the game of spotting new teachers and incoming college students. It is often very difficult to tell the difference.

We wish that our full dress flag might be flown each sunny day rather than on holidays only. There is something thrilling about the sight of the stars and stripes waving against the azure blue of the Ashland sky. And speaking of flags, the government should blush at the dingy banner which marks the local post-office. However, its appearance is in keeping with the antiquated structure it marks.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Powell and baby son spent three days visiting with his parents in Ashland. On Thursday his sister, Pat, leaves for Roseburg where she will join the other two members of the Northwest Christian college trio for a series of evangelist meetings before going to Eugene where she is a senior this year.

LEGAL NOTICE

CITATION
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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FOR JACKSON COUNTY

In the matter of the Guardianship of
JAMES HARVEY COVERT and
GERTRUDE AKERS COVERT,
Incompetents.

To DARRELL H. COVERT
IN THE NAME OF THE
STATE OF OREGON, You are hereby commanded to appear in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, in and for the County of Jackson, at the County Court House in the City of Medford, within ten days from the date of the service of this Citation upon you; or if served within the county wherein the proceeding is pending; or if served within any other county of this State, then within twenty days from the date of the service of this Citation upon you; or if service by publication, then within twenty-eight days from the date of the first publication of such Citation, to show cause, if any exist, why you should not be removed as Guardian of the persons and estates of James Harvey Covert and Gertrude Akers Covert, Incompetents, on the grounds and for the reasons set forth in the Petition of Jackson County Public Welfare Commission now on file in the above entitled case. This Citation is issued pursuant to an Order duly made and entered in the above entitled cause on the 11th day of August, 1950. The date of the first publication hereof is August 17th, 1950.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court affixed this 16th day of August, 1950.
G. R. CARTER, County Clerk.
By NYDAH NEIL, Deputy.



Codling Moth and Porcupines Add to Production Problems of Pear Growers

BY C. B. CORDY
County Agent, Horticulturist

With cannery prices high this year, people are inclined to think pear growers are getting rich quick. It is true that at this year's prices there is a good profit in growing pears. However, there is another side to the picture.

Aside from the fact that last year pears sold at a loss, there are also production difficulties which take some of the joy out of pear growing. This year, for instance, the codling moth worms are again quite a problem in many orchards.

When we used to try to control this pest with lead arsenate, from five to seven and even as high as nine sprays were applied during the summer, and then the growers would end up with 10 to 15 per cent worms. Since DDT came along, we have been able to get the upper hand of the codling moth, and two sprays have done the job very well. This year some growers apparently diluted their DDT with too much over-confidence, and as a result there are a number of crops which have as many worms as in the old lead arsenate days, and some of them appear even worse.

Just why the worms got so bad this year can't be stated for sure, but it appears that a little let down in the thoroughness of application and the less exact timing of sprays may have been a major factor. There is also the possibility that the codling moths are developing resistance to DDT similar to that encountered in fly control. If that is the case, then one of the worst headaches will be put back into pear production.

Publicity put out by the Food and Drug administration has made the consuming public very aware of poisonous spray residues on fruits. Professor R. H. Robinson, chemist at Oregon State college, one of the country's leading investigators of spray residue problems, recently published an article on spray residues. He says there have been many mis-statements about the poisonous properties of new insecticides which have caused abnormal concern and fear about them. He points out that sprayed fruits constitute only a small portion of an individual's diet and that in many cases the fruit from one section is sprayed with a different material than the fruit from another section, so that the consuming public is really taking in very minute quantities of any particular material. Professor Robinson states, "There never is enough pesticide remaining on a single service of food to cause a temporary illness, let alone a fatality."

MARGARET M. EVANS

Margaret M. Evans, 73, a resident of Ashland for 2 years passed away Thursday afternoon at her home at 678 Siskiyou Blvd. after a long illness.

Mrs. Evans was born July 22, 1877 in Missouri. She and her husband Robert M. Evans had formerly made their home in Los Angeles, where he preceded her in death in 1943.

She is survived by a nephew Marvin Earl Magruder of Ashland, and a brother Thomas Boshers of Popular Bluffs, Mo.

Services were held Saturday morning at 10:30 in the Litwiller Funeral Home with the Rev. Robert McIlvanna officiating, and interment was in Mt. View cemetery.

trouble to experiment with the same material.

Those of you interested in unusual plants in this area might like to see the crepe myrtle plant in a yard on Sherman street just off of Siskiyou boulevard.

This crepe myrtle is now in full bloom and is a favorite of many people, especially from the south. One drawback to the plant is that it frequently kills back to the ground in this area. It will resprout from the roots however, and will again bloom the same year.



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

Squint's Drumming For Fair Play!

Squint Miller's mighty proud of the lot he owns that fronts on River Road—one of the prettiest spots around here.

He's been in a stew about it lately, though. Seems that trash-dumpers take one look at his property, stop their car or truck, and out goes a load of rubbish, spilling all over his place and the roadside, too. Wouldn't that make you mad?

Last night Squint dropped by the house. Over a friendly glass of beer, he tells me what he's done. "I put a couple of empty oil drums

out there," he says, "with a big sign reading: 'If you must dump trash—use these—I like to keep my property clean!'"

From where I sit, Squint's sign should make any would-be roadside trash-dumpers pretty darned ashamed of themselves. Now and then some folks just have to be reminded that they ought to have as much regard for their neighbors' rights as they do for their own.

Joe Marsh

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