



"THE PAPER THAT HAS NO ENEMIES HAS NO FRIENDS."
—George Putnam.

Freedom or Slavery?

The grave military crisis in Korea and the threat of a third world war confront the people of this country with one of the most perilous situations in our history. Now, perhaps more than at any time in the past, the need is for steady nerves, for calmness of judgment and firmness of action and, above all, unity in our determination to preserve our national integrity and our way of life against any attack.

As this is written our soldiers, marines and airmen in Korea and the fighting men of other members of the United Nations are falling back before the overwhelming weight of the Chinese communist attack. This onslaught was launched treacherously and with reckless disregard of the consequences to China and the world at a moment when the United Nations forces had virtually completed their assigned task of restoring peace in Korea and re-uniting that unhappy country.

The military outcome in Korea is not yet clear, but our gallant men already have suffered severe reversals and heartbreaking losses. A wave of anger, tinged with apprehension for the future, has swept the country. But our actions now must not spring from motives of anger or fear.

Certainly we must refuse to listen now to the shrill voices of discontent and disunity which always arise in a time of national crisis. Those individuals who are seeking to sow distrust of our government and to divide us from our natural allies should feel the full weight of public condemnation. This is true whether the guilty individuals are in Congress or whether they use the medium of the press and radio to spread their divisive and false propaganda.

The truth is that our country is more united now in the face of the world-wide threat of communist military aggression than it has ever been in any period of national crisis in the past.

President Truman placed the dangers which now confront us in their proper perspective in an address to the Mid-Century White House Conference on Children and Youth this week. The President said:

"... all of us are aware of the grave risk of general conflict which has been deliberately caused by the Chinese communist leaders.

"Their action greatly changes the immediate situation with which we are confronted. It does not change our fundamental purpose to work for the cause of a just and peaceful world.

"No matter how the immediate situation may develop, we must remember that the fighting in Korea is but one part of the tremendous struggle of our time — the struggle between freedom and communist slavery.

"This struggle engages all our national life, all our resources. For the effort of the evil forces of communism to reach out and dominate the world confronts our nation and our civilization with the greatest challenge in our history."

The President made plain that it would not be an easy task to reach and maintain the military strength we may need, and he also made it clear that in addition to strengthening our own defenses, we must continue to work with other free nations in the struggle against communism. He said:

"We must remain firm in our commitment to the United Nations.

That is the only way out of an endless circle of force and retaliation, violation and war—which will carry the human race back to the dark ages if it is not stopped."

The President's claim statement affords us a strong anchor for our thinking in the days ahead when the chorus of those who seek to foment discontent and distrust and disunity may be expected to grow even noisier and more irresponsible.

These voices, whether they come from the Congress or from the press and radio, do not tell the truth about our nation.

President Truman and the responsible leaders in Congress, from both political parties, are meeting the threat that all recognize to our national survival and our free way of life with courage, firmness and calm determination.

The people of the United States can have confidence that the best brains of this nation are being applied, without any regard to partisanship, to the over-riding problem of safe-guarding our nation in a world torn by revolution and war.

The meeting in Washington of President Truman and British Prime Minister Attlee, who represents the people not only of the United Kingdom, but of the entire British Commonwealth of Nations, has served to underscore the unity of the great community of English-speaking peoples in their determination to preserve and protect their common heritage of freedom.

The extra session of the 81st Congress, which assembled after the elections in an atmosphere of normal partisan controversy, has turned into a demonstration of national unity on essential questions of national defense.

Our rearmament program is being pushed with all possible speed, and the necessary home front measures to support this defense effort and protect our national economy are moving ahead in Congress with bi-partisan support.

These include heavy new appropriations for the armed forces, new taxes to help pay for these expenditures and to spread the burden equitably and prevent profiteering, extension of rent control, and establishment of a civilian defense organization.

On the administrative front, machinery is being perfected to channel scarce materials into essential defense industries, to curb prices when they get out of line and unreasonably high, and, if it becomes necessary, to institute general price and wage control in order to protect our people and our country from the dangers of inflation.

All of these measures are being taken by the government of a free people who not only welcome, but have demanded, positive action, despite any cost of personal deprivation and hardship and sacrifice, to meet the dangers which face our country.

In this situation the Congress and the President need continuous and outspoken support from all loyal Americans, regardless of party affiliation, for the steps which must be taken.

HEY! WINTER Is Coming

PUT ANTI-FREEZE IN NOW AND
BE READY WHEN THE COLD
WEATHER GETS HERE!

**RALPH
NIBLER**
FRIENDLY SERVICE



COMMUNITY AIMS THRU CO-OPERATION:

1. SANTIAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.
2. MILL CITY STREET IMPROVEMENT.
3. LOCAL YOUTH RECREATION CENTER.
4. MILL CITY DIAL TELEPHONE SYSTEM.
5. MILL CITY PARK PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL.
6. ELIMINATION OF BANFIELD'S NIGHTMARE.
7. MILL CITY AREA SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM.
8. IMPROVE HIWAY 222 BETWEEN MILL CITY AND LYONS.
9. OBTAIN CANYON YEAR 'ROUND PAYROLL INDUSTRIES.
10. DETROIT, GATES, AND MILL CITY UNION HIGH SCHOOL.

Brassfield Kin Adopt Title 'Brassfield Clan'

Lyons—A Christmas gathering of forty members of the Brassfield Clan was held in the Rebekah hall at Lyons, Sunday, Dec. 17th.

Dancing and games followed the dinner. Families came from Los Angeles, Calif., Nebraska, Portland, Salem, Pelee, Hillsboro, and Silverton.

Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Brassfield and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mohler were hostesses and hosts of the event. It was voted to give this group the name of the Brassfield Clan, and to make it an annual affair to meet the third Sunday in December of each year. Merrill Brassfield received an appointment making him president and Mrs. William Beigler, was appointed secretary.

Present were Mr. and E. A. Thompson and daughter, Margaret, of Portland; Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Brassfield, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Rittner of Pelee; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brassfield of Los Angeles, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Johnson and daughter, Judy, of Amity; Mr. and Mrs. Ken Kilmer and son, Bobbie, of Winebago, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Madill; Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Gilbert and son, Bruce, of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. E. K. McCoy, Joe McCoy, Gloria Beams, Mr. and Mrs. William Beigler of Hillsboro; Mr. and Mrs. Eldo Betche and daughters, Janeite and Cherril, of Silverton; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mohler, Shirley and Jerry; Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Brassfield, Bob Brassfield and Kenneth Bosanko of Lyons.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McClain will have as guests in their home for the holidays; sons, W. C. McClain of Seattle, and F. G. McClain of Portland; daughters, Vera of Portland, Mary Kathryn, teacher, at Bandon, Shirley of Salem and her fiancé, Lloyd Dahlin from Newport, Wash.

RESPONSIBLE PRESCRIPTION SERVICE

• Yes, this Prescription Pharmacy is responsible — responsible to you, and to your physician. In all seriousness we accept this responsibility for safeguarding your health and welfare. When you bring a prescription here it will be promptly and expertly compounded and the price will be fair.

Capital Drug Co.
Salem



DETROIT

By OPAL M. WHITE

The Deanha Parent Teacher met at the Detroit grade school on Monday evening with Mrs. H. C. Payne, vice president, presiding in the absence of President Jeff Boyer. Minutes of the executives meeting as well of the previous general meeting were read and approved. Mrs. Jack Gulliford reported 115 members to date. Mrs. Bruce Gordon, treasurer, reported receipts from the recent movie sponsored by the PTA and presented by the Detroit theatre to be forty-seven dollars, making a total balance in the treasury of \$255.17. The yearly budget was announced and approved. It was announced by Harry Rutherford that the price of a steam table would be in excess of what the PTA felt they could spend at this time and instead a cart which would be movable was decided upon, since a steam table is considered a luxury rather than a necessity by the state school lunch group. It was also decided to change the regular meeting night from Monday to Thursday, which would make the executive meeting fall on the second Thursday of each month and the regular meeting will be on the fourth Thursday of each month hereafter. This became necessary as John Cannon principal of the grade school and Jeff Boyer, president will be absent on Monday nights because of Reserve Officer training.

The program then followed with Mr. White and Mr. Cannon giving a discussion on the Holy Report. Mr. White explained the set-up now in the Oregon school system, and Mr. Cannon explained some special changes under the Holy system. J. F. Remington explained that there are now 57 bills drafted to go before Congress selected from the report given by Dr. Holy.

Mr. Remington then gave a talk on the relation of parents to the problem of delinquency. Following this the third grade, accompanied by Mrs. Mildred Ray sang a group of Christmas songs. The Boy Scouts sang, "O Come All Ye Faithful," to conclude the program.

Refreshments were served in the cafeteria by the third grade room mothers, Mrs. Bruce Gordon, Mrs. Ramsey and Mrs. Warren Stoll.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cannon and Carolyn will visit with Mrs. Cannon's parents, the Powells of Lebanon, as well as Mr. Cannon's mother, during the Christmas vacation. They plan to drive to Olympia, Wash., where they will visit with John's grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirts (Mrs. Wirts is cook at the grade school) will visit with relatives in Canada during the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wright will visit their children in California during the Christmas vacation, they plan to leave on Wednesday morning the 20th.

Visit your local school! Get to know your child's teacher.

FOR SALE . . . ! !

Pegge's Beauty Salon

Located Next to Furniture Store
PHONE 5951
Suitable for One or Two Operators — Completely Furnished
Living Quarters
POOR HEALTH REASON FOR SELLING

DR. MARK

HAMMERICKSEN

REGISTERED OPTOMETRIST

Will be at his Mill City office in the Jenkins Building
Thursday afternoons 1 to 6 p.m.
Also Thursday evenings by Appointment.

HOME OFFICE: 313 W. FIRST, ALBANY

Painting and Papering

SPRAY OR BRUSH

— SIGNS ANY SIZE —

GET YOUR FREE ESTIMATE NOW FOR INTERIOR DECORATING. 10% LESS FOR WORK BOOKED FOR RAINY SEASON AND WINTER MONTHS.

Call Bill Obershaw

PHONE 3215 Box 607, Mill City EVENINGS 1952

FOR YOUR PROTECTION!

BETTER PACKAGED

Foods

Kellom's Fresh Meats

FRESH DAILY — VERY REASONABLE PRICES

Kellom's Grocery

MILL CITY

OPEN WEEK DAYS 8 A.M. to 7 P.M. SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS 9 A.M. to 12 NOON

WE GIVE TRADING STAMPS AND ALUMINUM AND DISHES



for your door

A HOLLY WREATH!

for your fireside

FRIENDS

and for you

GOOD
CHEER

Parker-Hutcheson Furniture

Gates



CHRISTMAS
SPECIAL

Free

Lubrication

TO INTRODUCE TWO NEW
RICHFIELD LUBRICANTS

BRUCE WILL GIVE A

Complete Lube Job FREE!

WITH EVERY OIL CHANGE

WE GIVE UNITED TRADING STAMPS

Bruce's Richfield Service

JUST WEST FRERES BUILDING SUPPLY — MILL CITY