



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

### Nightmare Hill

Why is it that Mill City must be known because of a nightmarish incline on highway 222? This incline and this highway have caused more nervous excitement and upset tempers than any one single thing in or about Mill City. We are embarrassed by the situation. With a guilty conscience we lend a hand to travelers who get snarled up on this steep and troublesome incline behind Epps furniture store. We have tried this and that in the hope someone in authority will do something. All has been treated like water thrown on a duck's back.

We have pleaded with the city council, highway commission and a string of other dignitaries. Nothing has been done. We insist this booby trap to tourists and the "unexperienced" should no longer be allowed.

There is nothing funny about this thing. Allowing it around just isn't very smart. If politics has its ugly head in this matter, it is time it departed. Drastic measures should be taken if the highway commission does not remove this obstruction in a perfectly good highway.

How silly can the highway commission get—"Shift Gears" says their roadside sign a short distance from the booby trap! If anyone should shift gears it is the highway department! All manner of dodges are being used by the highway department so the motorist will do the least damage to himself on this booby trap. Why have the thing at all! Truckers who find their "rigs" doing the "sitting-donkey act" on Mill City's booby trap swear they will never try that trip again. Who suffers most—the trucker or Mill City? Mill City, of course! It will take a major advertising campaign to wipe out the bad taste this booby trap has built up in the driving public's mind.

### Helm To Tories

The Tory party has been returned to power in England. England has a slightly different set-up in government than we have. The leader of the majority party in the House of Commons is chosen by the King to form a new government. Mr. Churchill was not chosen by the English people as Prime Minister, but rather by the Tory members of the House of Commons.

Under the English system, also, the head of the government has the support of the majority of the members of the House of Commons. When this support is lost, then an election must be held. The Labor government barely lost control of the English government during the last election. Laborites now have shifted positions with the Tories.

Some have the idea that the English election outcome is a taste of what will happen come next November in the United States. An argument in favor of this thought is the fact that great pressure was brought to bear on the English elections by powerful interests in this country. There are many comments to the effect that Churchill will find many a sympathetic ear when he seeks a loan. It is a bit ironic that Churchill kicked Atlee all over the English landscape for taking such assists from the U.S.A.!

Churchill is finding it isn't a "breeze" managing a great nation in times like these. Confidence could wane fast for the ways of Mr. Churchill. Churchill doesn't show any great ambition for doing away with the advancements of Laborite "socialism". Churchill will soon find out, if he hasn't already, that peace is no longer just a word—it's a way of life.



From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh

### "Fair and Square"

We've just had a political campaign with everything from a torchlight parade to a neck-and-neck ballot box race.

Rusty Robinson, with no campaign funds, planned his Election Eve speech for the Square. Slim McCormick, who owns the Palace movie house, was finishing up his campaign in Pioneer Hall.

Then it began to rain. Rusty's political career was fizzling out in the damp when Slim showed up to say that Robinson people could meet in his theatre—for nothing. "I want to beat Rusty," Slim said,

"but certainly not with rain!"

From where I sit, you've got to give Slim credit for acting on his belief that everyone has a right to be heard—just as everyone has a right to his own opinions and tastes. Maybe you like hot coffee, for instance, when you "take a break." Well, my vote goes for a refreshing glass of beer. After all, we're lucky to be living in a free country where we can have our own preferences!

Joe Marsh

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## Editorial Comments:

### AHEAD OF THE VANDALS

It is strange how often souvenir hunting amounts in effect to vandalism. A famous flier's plane, unless closely guarded, may be all but dismantled. Buttons are torn off the coat of a visiting dignitary or screen star. Pieces of wood or metal are broken off the furniture in historic shrines or from public monuments.

When the United Nations General Assembly met in Paris three years ago numbers of translation headphones were torn loose and carried off by visitors. With those anchored down, attention at the present session is said to be turning to ash trays bearing the UN emblem which were furnished by a Paris department store. But the store is interested enough in the UN to supply several thousand for the purpose.

This may be good strategy, like the foresight of American communities which engage the energies of youngsters at Halloween with parties and window-painting contests. But there is a good deal of room for education in the principle that public property is not private prey. There should be and is more satisfaction in a suitable souvenir honestly purchased than in one filched.—From The Christian Science Monitor

### FREEDOM INVINCIBLE

Wiping out of the 145-year-old Bible Society of Czechoslovakia comes as the latest illustration of Communist hostility to religion. By every unscrupulous device the Soviet State has sought for years to erase God from man's thought. The basic significance of the menace of communism is the design of immoral, heartless materialism to destroy "the things of the Spirit."

While this has long been unmistakably known, there is perhaps one aspect of the conflict not so widely recognized. Good often brings evil to the surface in order to eliminate it. Apparently this now is happening on a global scale. The advance of spiritual truth in the western world has been followed by a surge of atheism in the Eurasian East. The greater freedom of man in the West, primarily resulting from a better understanding of God, has its opposite in the wholesale enslavement of man in regions where officially the existence of God is denied.

Truth and justice will certainly prevail, as in countless times in the

past. Even in the realm of the Communists, as Lieut. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, former Ambassador to Russia, found, "The persistence of an independent spiritual life is at once one of the important and one of the mysterious things that have transpired in the Soviet State."

The forces arming in defense against the spread or continuance of materialistic communism are mighty. Powerful nations which were essentially founded upon faith in God will not be overcome. The greater freedom of thought born of a truer knowledge of God and man has for centuries been building up resources which will prove invincible. When the struggle is over and mental darkness dispelled, the world will find itself in the midst of an era of exceptional progress.—The Christian Science Monitor

### PEACE BY DECLARATION

India speaks for the world when it pleads for world peace. But it lags behind history when it urges a "no-war" declaration by the major powers.

The tatters of the Kellogg-Briand Pact are a mournful reminder that peace is not made or kept by mere words. Written agreements must have behind them (1) good faith and, or (2) some form or degree of police power if they are to do more than delude the innocent.

The fact is that both the western powers and Soviet Russia already have signed a no-war declaration in subscribing to the Charter of the United Nations. Their desires for peace can best be gauged by their support of that organization, embodying as it does a rudimentary sense of world community and at least the potentiality of enforceable world law.

Until already existing agreements aimed at peace are supported by deeds we can see little hope for peace by declaration.—The Christian Science Monitor.

### Canyon Avenue Parade



By DON PETERSON  
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There apparently is no doubt but that Detroit-Idanha and Mill City will accept consolidation and thus form a first class school district, but doubt has been expressed that Gates is willing to vote to consolidate.

Following up last week's discussion on curriculum I wish to draw comparison between the present courses taught in each of these schools, as follows: Mill City gives four years of English, Gates two; each have three years of science subjects, both alternate between chemistry and physics giving one year and the other the following year; Mill City gives four years of mathematics, Gates two; both give two years of typing in commerce courses, one has business English, the other bookkeeping.

Mill City gives three years of social studies, and Gates two; in physical education Mill City gives four years and Gates two; home economics is taught two years in Mill City, while Gates only one year.

Here is a greater difference: Mill City gives three years of industrial arts, including shop work, Gates none; Mill City gives one year each of Latin and band, but Gates does not have either.

Without doubt there are some students in Gates who would like to study one or more of these subjects, but because not enough request these, others of necessity are chosen. Would not a larger school give more opportunities to all students—I believe it would.

There has never been any thought in the plans for consolidation to attempt to consolidate the grade school classes, there could be no advantage in that, since all schools are already crowded to where they need additional space. Grade schools are being kept in the local rather than consolidated state, and requires less transportation as they are now operated.

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