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Institute for American Democracy, Inc.

Abraham Lincoln

Lincoln stands high in the eyes of the world. Lincoln rose to such a place in spite of the affairs that troubled his earthly existence. Lincoln turned his beliefs and hopes into a life that we yet remember and relate each February 12, his birthday.

We have no quarrel with those who look to the life of Lincoln for guidance. We humbly suggest that we look deeper within the fabric of this generation for that guidance in its modern-day terms. Today's leaders have the knowledge handed down by Lincoln, plus that of present day affairs. Today there lives those who can and do point the desired course of history.

An injustice is done Lincoln by treating his memory as "ancestor worship". Lincoln met the challenge of his day. Today is our challenge. Let us meet it.

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Editorial Comments

PLEASE THE PARKER

One of the great failings of public law in the motor age has been its cumbersome and offensive handling of parking violations. Following an administrative rut, when the municipal government came to deal with overtime parking it apparently could think only of the machinery it had always used for mayhem, fraud, and armed robbery—namely, the criminal law. Now, a parking violator may be an inconsiderate nuisance and a chiseler against the rights of his fellow motorists, but he is scarcely a criminal acting with malice aforethought and felonious intent. To treat him as such naturally arouses his ire.

A town in Kansas has tried a different approach—and it works. The city of El Dorado (maybe there is something in a name) exacts a moderate penalty instead of a police court fine when a motorist overparks. When a policeman spots a red flag flying on the parking meter he makes out a ticket on the back of a small envelope. The car owner can pay a fee of 25 cents for each overtime hour if he does so within 24 hours by dropping it, in the envelope, in a special box. If he neglects to do this, the charge becomes \$1, or if he does not respond in 10 days a warrant is issued.

This makes the procedure more like the paying of taxes, where the delinquent pays a stiff interest rate but is not haled into court unless there is evidence of willful evasion of the law.

Whatever the legal analogies, the El Dorado plan has evoked ready cooperation from motorists. And what is more, the policemen like it because, what with their nose to happy lot, it has improved their popularity.

—From Christian Science Monitor

PILOTING PROGRESS

People who think of Point Four in terms of grandiose aid plans might do better to think of it in terms of small pilot projects. Though large-scale economic aid to beleaguered nations may be legitimate and even crucially necessary in given cases, the longer-term technical assistance programs which are meant by "Point Four" should be seen as something quite different.

These programs are aimed at raising the living standards of people in underdeveloped areas, this contributing powerfully to a less explosive world. But they frequently involve problems not so much of mechanical as of human engineering. The sharing of simple agricultural techniques may not call for shipments of expensive machinery but it probably will call for changing traditional ways of thinking among illiterate and suspicious peasants.

Two Malayan writers on Point Four give as an example the difficulty of convincing a group of Malay and Indian land workers of the benefits of expanding animal husbandry for export, when the Koran prohibits touching pig meat, while according to Hindu belief one must not spill the blood of oxen. These religious taboos form only a part of the complex of resistant attitudes that new methods are likely to encounter.

Where the Communists act by a ruthless and total reorientation of a people's life, democracy can best act by example. Hence the value of the pilot project. When such a project is initiated in one of the more developed areas of an underdeveloped country, its reforms are least likely to encounter indifference or resentment. Neighboring areas then have a chance to see the success of the new methods. The reforms can spread gradually with a minimum of outside aid and a maximum of native initiative.

—From Christian Science Monitor

INEVITABLE BUT NOT NOW

It is doing no more than recognizing the shortness of contemporary vision measured on the vast scale of history to remark that some day the St. Lawrence Seaway will be built and that Americans will look backward and wonder why they were so long going about it. It is a recognition of the vast scale of history, on the other hand, to point out that the ultimate desirability of something doesn't demand it be undertaken at any moment, regardless of circumstances.

Justifiable faith in the inevitable expansion of the North American economy argues for going ahead. A hardheaded look at the problems of

the moment argues for postponement at least until the drive toward sufficient rearmament is well "over the hump."

The case for urgency rests largely upon the need of iron ore for national defense and upon the fact that Canada says it will go ahead on its own. It is true that the high-grade deposits of Minnesota's Mesabi Range are nearing exhaustion. But the range's vast reserves of low-grade taconite can be processed about as cheaply as ore brought from Labrador. The huge Steep Rock deposits recently found in Ontario are accessible directly from the Great Lakes, and Venezuela ore would not need the St. Lawrence to reach big American blast furnaces.

As for the argument as regards Canada stressed by President Truman, Canada does not talk of starting before 1953. Estimates of time to completion run no less than four years—some say ten. And it is doubtful that Canada could proceed with a soundly engineered plan without working out many details with the United States on use of international waters and American abutments for the dams.

All of the water arguments apply to power as well as to navigation.

When the peak of rearmament's demand for materials, manpower, and money is past, the St. Lawrence Seaway then could provide one of several projects to take up the slack left in an emergency expanded economy.

—From Christian Science Monitor

Editor's Letter Box

Charles Stewart and Bill Stewart, co-chairmen
Mill City 1952 March of Dimes
Mill City, Oregon

Dear Charles and Bill:

Mr. Elfstrom has just called me and given me the sensational news about the \$935.01 check which you sent in for the Marion County 1952 March of Dimes.

You and the citizens of Mill City have certainly made a most outstanding record in the 1952 Marion County March of Dimes. On behalf of the polio victims of our county, I wish to extend hearty thanks and congratulations to each of you and to each contributor.

Minimum goal of \$20,000 was set for the Marion County campaign this year, which, it is felt, would be sufficient to meet the demands of the polio victims if there was no increase over that which was experienced in 1951. It is my pleasure to report that the receipts now total in excess of \$25,000, which will not only afford an adequate working fund, but will perhaps enable our county to also purchase a rocking bed which tips in such a way that breathing is facilitated, and it is therefore possible to take iron lung patients out of the lung at an earlier date and care for them with an attendant saving in nursing expense.

A copy of this letter is being sent Mr. Don Peterson of the Mill City Enterprise in the hope that he will extend a general expression of thanks to each of you and your volunteer workers, as well as each of the contributors from the Mill City area. Again I wish to thank you for the excellent job which you have done in this humanitarian cause.

Cordially yours,
Marion County 1952 March of Dimes
R. L. ELFSTROM
JASON LEE

Dear Mr. Peterson,

I want to criticize you. Your editorials are getting in a rut. Isn't there something else to complain about except highways? Why not look around to find something to commend? Such as the new highway from Mill City to Detroit. That is a marvelous piece of work.

Perhaps you were never over the old Detroit road, but I was several times, and it was a fright. The job that has been done moving mountains, rocks, and rivers to construct the highway is nothing short of wonderful.

Work is being done on the new highway from Mill City to Mehama. Eventually it will be a splendid road. At present the old one leaves much to be desired, but why should the State spend money repairing the old one when the new one will soon be in usage.

If you must criticize something why not start in on bubble fountains?

"JOE BEAVER"

By Ed Nofziger



Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture

"We've got to work like beavers on our tree planting program. Denuded acres are nonproductive, and there are millions of them."

Personally I think they are a stupid invention, and whoever convinced the country that anyone could slack thirst at one, must have been a really high pressured salesman. Another thing to criticize would be persons who go to the theatre, and then discuss the picture all through the feature. How I love to sit in front of someone like that.

These are just some suggestions. Of course I think that people do just as many fine things as they do

bad things, so it should be just as easy to praise as to find fault. It also makes more friends.

Anyway how about some different editorials?

Yours truly,
JEAN ROBERTS

A survey of characteristics of house built in metropolitan areas is available from the U.S. bureau of labor statistics.



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