



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

### A Dream Realized

This issue of The Enterprise carries a recent photo of Santiam Memorial hospital, the hospital with a "Heart". During the year 1950, the good citizens of the North Santiam canyon pitched in with "what counts" and assured themselves of this new hospital. The federal government tossed a very substantial sum into the pot for the construction of Santiam Memorial hospital.

In an editorial in the December 14, 1950, issue of The Enterprise we asked the question, "What kind of hospital is this that we are going to build?" We answered that question in this manner: "It will be community-owned and controlled, non-profit, and non-sectarian. It will be a hospital with a 'Heart'. None will be refused medical care because of temporary inability to pay. The value of human life will be placed above material rewards."

Lebanon received nation-wide publicity because of their fine new hospital. It is doubtful that the North Santiam's hospital will receive such renown. We would be very happy should our hospital be singled out for the magazine and newspaper spreads, but we hold that good, inner feeling that we do have a hospital. The lives of each of us becomes a little more bearable because this new hospital rose from the ranks of a dream to an impressive structure.

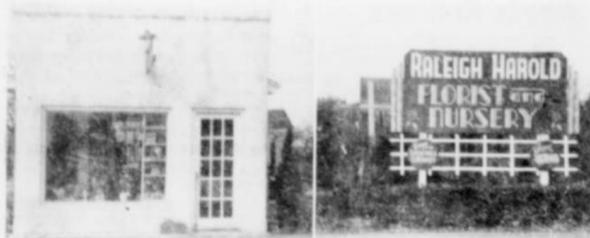
Again and again it was stated that we need a modern, well-equipped and well-staffed hospital. A hospital that can and will serve our needs and those of future generations. Soon we will have that hospital in the fullest sense.

Santiam Memorial hospital nestles on a prominent and easily located site in Stayton. The new section of highway linking Mill City and the upper canyon to Stayton gives a sweeping and speedy route to the new hospital. Emergency vehicles carrying the sick and wounded can reach the best of care in a short time.

Santiam Memorial hospital is but one of the solid gains that have come to this canyon in recent years. Though these gains have come slowly, they have arrived. Like other improvements that may be seen today, this new canyon hospital is due in part to the sojourn here of those who were a part of Consolidated Builders, Inc., contractors for Big Cliff and Detroit dams. These people generously gave of their time and money to the cause of a hospital for this area. Most have now left.

As usual, however, the bulk of the support for this new hospital came and is coming from those who lived here before the construction work and live here now, and that is as it should be. These are the people who will benefit most.

Such things as a good hospital, school and highway add up to greater opportunity. The day of the hardships of the pioneer is fading. We hope the tales of children being born in automobiles enroute to Salem will soon be at an end. Gone, also, should be the tragic story of a life that ebbed away during the tedious journey to help in a Salem hospital. The essentials of our modern civilization now are a part of our canyon. The people can pat themselves on the back for another job well done.



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## Editorial Comments

### A CASE FOR REPATRIATION

Soviet-bloc spokesmen have argued vigorously in the United Nations that soldiers captured from Communist armies should be returned, forcibly if necessary, to Communist hands regardless of personal desires.

There is another case of possible repatriation, however, in which Moscow takes little or no interest. It is the case of 12,661 Greek children taken into their neighboring Communist states by guerilla armies during the civil war in Greece. Red Cross societies and others have tried for four years to obtain their return to their homes and families.

This case was presented recently to the United Nations, and the General Assembly's Special Political Committee voted 46 to 5 to censure the Soviet Union and its satellites for their attitude in refusing the appeal.

No doubt so shrewd a legalist as Foreign Minister Vishinsky would find distinctions between the situation of soldier prisoners still carried on Communist rolls and that of young children whose only tie to their homeland is the fact that saddened parents want them. People with hearts will understand why grown men may have some doubts about returning to a homeland turned police-state, but they will scarcely understand why seized children are not a suitable subject for repatriation.—From Christian Science Monitor.

### THE NEW CIO CHIEF

The Congress of Industrial Organizations assured itself of a verile, dynamic, progressive leadership by electing as its third president Walter Reuther, president of the million-member United Auto Workers Union.

Impetuous, hot-tempered but more often rigidly self-disciplined, Reuther may lack the steady farsightedness, the patient determination and the will to stern compromise that characterized his predecessor, the late Phil Murray. But in unyielding view toward Communists, in stamina at the bargaining table and in aggressive leadership of social programs, he will give his union strength.

A Socialist until he was 25, Reuther of late years has been known as a right-winger largely because of his opposition to anti-Americanism. In social, political and economic thinking, he has appeared somewhat left of center.

Reuther came from a union family in the coal and steel areas of Virginia and was a local union president at the age of 23. He quit school at 15 to work in a Detroit machine shop, but later finished three years at Wayne university in night school. His rise in union labor was rapid. He was fired by Ford for union activity in 1926, and in subsequent years has been the center of physical violence as well as the target of an assassin's gun which severely wounded him. During World War II he was labor representative on the OPM and WMC.

He led the four-months General Motors strike in 1945, when the union settled its demand for a 30-cent hourly wage boost for 18 1/2 cents.

While Reuther has been somewhat of a stormy petrel several times during his career, his loyalty to the cause he served, as well as to his country, has never been questioned. If he succeeds in combining judgment, tact and reasonable flexibility with the attributes for which he already is noted, his regime should be a successful one for CIO.—From Oregon Statesman.

### WHY SOUTH KOREANS WILL NOT COMPROMISE

One has to talk to or hear a native Korean — someone like Young Han Choo, Korean consul general for the 11 western states—to understand the deep determination of the Korean people to fight to the death for a free and united Korean republic.

Choo made the point clear in his appearance on KPOJ's On the Record program Tuesday night. His people have suffered terribly from the Red invasion. One tenth of all residents of Korea (Northern Korea included) have become casualties of the Korean invasion, either killed, captured or dead from exposure and hunger. Ten million are refugees.

To Choo, whose own town in Korea was destroyed, and literally millions of Koreans like him, there can be no peace that leaves Korea divided, no matter what its other terms. To him and his compatriots, Northern Koreans suffering under the Communist yoke must be liberated. Three million residents of Northern Korea who fled from the invading Reds must be repatriated. And the 2 1/2 million older people and children still under Red domination must be rescued.

All this accounts for the fact that Consul General Choo and President Syngman Rhee continue to advocate an offensive that will drive the Reds across the Yalu and restore Korea's original boundary. They regard the free-and-united-Korea commitment of the United Nations as a sacred pledge. Nothing less will satisfy them.

This explains why they are willing and anxious for the United States and the U.N. to train and arm more and more Koreans. They now man approximately 60 per cent of the front lines and believe—despite the testimony of some experts—that they could man the entire battle front within a short time and, with U. N. air, tank and naval support, could drive the Reds out of Korea.

We think they are over-optimistic, but that's the way they feel. And they are equally certain that they don't fant Chinese Nationalists or

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From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

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You know where Hammy Jackson lives—on that small dead-end street off Maple Avenue near the library? Well, about a month ago, the town finally put up a sign on the corner there saying: "No thoroughfare... Dead End."

Yesterday Hammy dropped by to see us. "Can't understand it," he says. "Hardly anybody drove down our street before—but, now, since they put that sign up, there's been more cars than ever turning around in my driveway."

From where I sit, these people who bother Hammy on his one-

way street are the same as those who automatically ignore a Wet Paint sign and touch their finger on a freshly painted surface. But you can't change human nature. People like to find out for themselves—and then make their own decisions.

That's why I say "live and let live." You can drink your butter-milk, but let me have my glass of beer when I choose. And let's not feel we're obliged to "point the way" for the other fellow.

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