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EDITORIALS

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THOUGHT FOR TODAY . . . The real meaning and purpose of socialism is the governmental operation of all commerce and industry, and the reduction of life to pure materialism. The infection creeps through our nation by deluded and misled men, and by disguised organizations, fronts, and cults. These agents of infection are like hermit crabs which crawl into such terms as liberal, progressive, public electric power, managed economy, the welfare state, and half a dozen others.—Herbert Hoover.

To Old Glory

Current events demand a new look from the American people at the quality of their patriotism on this 184th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The homespun patriotism that has helped make America safe for pseudo liberals, who interpret democracy as license to be for anything or nothing without responsibility for the consequences, seems to have become old-fashioned. Lacking the exhilaration and dauntless spirit engendered by a love of country many American moderns find themselves confused, fearful, and depressed while living in a period of the greatest material prosperity in the history of the world.

Subversive forces and prophets of doom have done their job so well there are millions of Americans almost without any faith in the future of the United States or the world.

This Fourth of July should serve as a good time for all of us to re-evaluate the meaning of the Declaration, the sacrifices and risks that have been taken and are being taken by truly great Americans to keep this nation free, and our omnipresent responsibilities as citizens of the greatest nation in the history of the world.

Let's make it a day of resolution to do better by Old Glory next year, wave it around more often and think twice before we do or say anything that many endanger the grand principles, ideals and sacrifices it stands for.

Old Glory still waves freely for those who would have their freedom. It still offers hope and encouragement to all who have not been enslaved by closed minds and selfish thoughts.

Conversation Piece

We hope Torrance will excell all other communities in displaying the American flag tomorrow. It should be displayed carefully and reverently for it is a symbol of something very much akin to Godliness.

If you have a flag you should see that it is flown tomorrow whether or not it has only 48 stars for we are sure Alaska and Hawaii will understand.

Mrs. Margaret L. Powers of Torrance seems to have made her contribution in a very special way this year by mailing miniature American flags with the simple message—"Conversation Piece". We agree the American flag can be a very interesting and very instructive conversation piece, one that should be talked about more often.

From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

Offers Suggestion

Editor, Torrance Herald

The following is a letter sent to the president of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce this week:

I believe it was at the instigation of the Chamber of Commerce that Torrance first began the custom of making a float which was entered in the Rose Bowl Parade, and that you raise money for this project through various ways such as Ranchera Days.

I should like to offer a suggestion of a way that this money could be put to better use for the youth of our city. For many years it has been the dream of all those interested in our teenagers that they might have a place of their own similar to the one run so successfully in Redondo Beach. Our City Council

has not seen fit to provide funds for this however.

Therefore, I suggest that the money spent on a float, beautiful as it is, is spent foolishly when all the flowers are dead a few days hence. All the enthusiasm that is spent by these wonderful volunteer workers could also help build a youth canteen.

Please let me state that I am a lover of flowers, also. I have founded two garden clubs. The Beau Jardin Club in our city as well as one in Sunnyvale, Calif. I also helped on the International Flower Show Entry in 1958 when my theme was picked to represent our city. Helpers from Beau Jardin have helped on the Rose Bowl float and enjoyed it as well. We have also started a cleanup and area beautification project in the

past two months.

I feel, however, that the Chamber of Commerce would have an even greater honor if they would take over the fund-raising for a teenage youth center. The All-American City must keep forging ahead and setting the example. What better way than this?

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