

# THE SOWER

A Weekly Department of Religious and Secular Thought Contributed by REV. JAMES A. TURNER, Pastor, M. E. Church, Patton, Pa.

## "MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE!"

The following is the text of the Pulitzer prize editorial written by R. G. Callvert of the "Portland Oregonian," as it appeared in that paper October 2, 1938:

"In this land of ours, this America, the man we choose as leader dons at no time uniform or insignia to denote his constitutional position as commander in chief of armed forces. No member of his cabinet, no civil subordinate ever attires himself in garments significant of military power.

In this land of ours, this America, the average citizen sees so little of the army that he has not learned to distinguish between a major and a lieutenant from his shoulder straps. When the Chief Executive addresses his fellow countrymen they gather about him within hand clasp distance. Goose stepping regiments are not paraded before him. When he speaks to the civilian population it is not over rank upon rank of helmeted heads.

In this land of ours, this America, there is no tramp of military boots to entertain the visiting statesmen. There is no effort to affright him with display of mobile cannon or of facility for mass production of aerial bombers.

In this land of ours, this America, there is no fortification along the several thousand miles of the northern border. In the great fresh water seas that partly separate it from another dominion, no naval craft plies the waters. Along its southern borders there are no forts, no show of martial stren-

gth. In this land of ours, this America, no youth is conscripted to labor on devices of defense; military training he may take or leave at option. There is no armed force consistent with a policy of aggression. The Navy is built against no menace from the Western Hemisphere, but wholly for defense against that which may threaten from Europe or Asia.

In this land of ours, this America, one third of the population is foreign born, or native born of foreign or mixed parentage. Our numerous "minorities" come from fourteen nations. The native born, whatever his descent has all political and other rights possessed by him who traces his ancestry to the founding fathers. The foreign born of races that are assimilable are admitted to all these privileges if they want them. We have "minorities" but no minority problem.

In this land of ours, this America, the common citizen may criticize, without restraint the policies of his government or the aims of the chief executive. He may vote as his judgment or his conscience advises and not as a ruler dictates.

In this land of ours, this America, our songs are dedicated to love and romance, the blue of the night, sails in the sunset, and not to might or to martyrdom to political cause. Our national anthem has martial words, difficult air. But if you want to hear the organ roll give the people its companion "America . . . of thee I sing." In lighter patriotism we are nationally cosmopolitan. Unitedly we sing of Dixie or of Iowa, where the tall corn grows, of Springtime in the Rockies, or of California, here I come.

In this land of ours, this America, there is not a bomb-proof shelter, and a gas mask is a curiosity. It is not needed that we teach our children where to run when death-hawks darken the sky.

In this land of ours, this America, our troubles, present or prospective, come from within—come from our own mistakes, and injure us alone. Our pledges of peace toward our neighbors are stronger than ruler's promise, or written treaty. We guarantee them by devoting our resources, greater than the resources of any nation, to upbuilding the industries of peace. We strut no armed might that could be ours. We cause no nation in our half of the world to fear us. None does fear us nor arm against us.

In this land of ours, this America, we have illuminated the true road to permanent peace. But that is not the sole moral sought herein to be drawn. Rather it is that the blessings of liberty and equality and peace that have been herein recounted are possessed nowhere in the same measure in Europe or Asia and wane or disappear as one hears or enters a land of dictatorship of whatever brand. This liberty, this equality, this peace, are imbedded in the American form of government. We shall never retain them if foreignisms that would dig them out and destroy them are barred from our shores.

If you cherish this liberty, this equality, this peace that is peace mater-

ial and peace spiritual—then defend with all your might the American ideal of government."

And he who refuses to support the Church with his presence, money and prayers, is an enemy of this land of ours, this America, because he is undermining the spiritual foundations which undergird its greatness and perpetuate its glorious freedom.

## PATTON METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

James A. Turner, pastor. Church school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Epworth League at 6:30. Mid-week Bible Class on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

The Standard Training School met in the Trinity Episcopal Church Tuesday evening in its first session with the largest registration in its history on the mountain top. A great deal of enthusiasm is being manifested by all concerned, and the attendance is increasing as the school continues. Here is a chance to extend the girth of your mind, deepen your spiritual life and become a more useful laborer in the Kingdom of God. Every professing Christian should get into one of the classes.

The mid-week Bible class will not resume its sessions until the first of November. Further announcement will be made in due course of time.

As to the Church School work, listen to what Frederick E. Crane, Chief Judge, State of New York, Court of Appeals, says: "Naturally, I am interested in Sunday schools and what they are doing for children. 'We never needed Sunday schools more than we do now. Education, as given in most of our schools, both public and private, lacks all religious teaching, which is so essential to the building of character. What is the use of having great knowledge without ability to use it beneficially?'"

## GARFIELD AND LANE TEAM STARRED, GRAND ON FRIDAY, SATURDAY

"Dust Be My Destiny", the new film at the Grand theatre, Patton, on Friday and Saturday of this week, has John Garfield and Priscilla Lane in the starring roles, and although this is the third picture in which they have been teamed, it is the first one in which they achieve what promises to be martial happiness.

For all its happy ending, however, the new picture carries the young couple over a hard and rocky road before they reach the end of the rainbow. Throughout most of the film's poignant and often melodramatic exciting course, the two youngsters flee like a couple of frightened animals from officers who believe the boy has murdered his girl-wife's stepfather.

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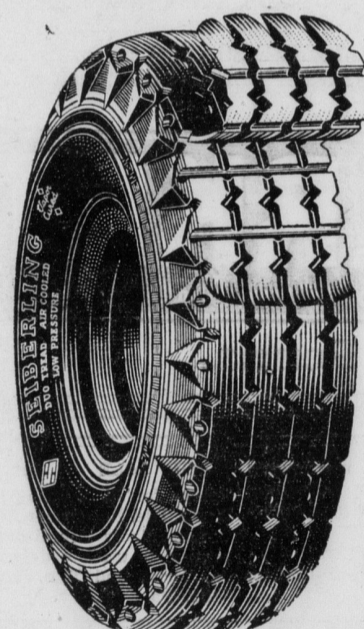
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## WAR WILL GIVE A SPUR TO AMERICAN TOURS, STATE SECRETARY STATES THOUGHT

Harrisburg.—"Unsettled conditions abroad will cause many Americans to remain at home and travel in the United States—and, of course, Pennsylvania," according to Richard P. Brown, State Secretary of Commerce. "The peaceful beauty of the Pennsylvania and American countryside offers a great contrast to the present situation in other lands," he said.

"Many Americans who toured abroad will do their vacationing and their travelling and seek their recreation in the United States from now until matters are adjusted in Europe and that, possibly, will not be for a long time. Even many of the travel bureaus of this country, which usually plan tours abroad for Americans, are closing their foreign offices and will develop their efforts to the American scene. "The state department of commerce is extending its efforts towards educa-

ting Americans about the great scenic, historic and recreational attractions in Pennsylvania. Local communities can do their share by distributing literature, scenic folders and other information about their own section to attract travelers. "As matters now stand, Pennsylvania may confidently look forward to its greatest travel and tourist season and every community has a golden opportunity to share in this "cash business."