Third Essay

(This essay, winning third prize among the Baldwin seniors in the essay contest sponsored by the ladies' Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was written by Robert Cole, a senior student in the Baldwin High School. Robert is the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Cole, of Birmingham.)

"One Nation Indivisible"

"One nation indivisible." How well that phrase from the Pledge of Allegiance describes the American that the fathers of the republic dreamed of founding! Their vision was of a great new land with equal opportunities for all and yet bound together by the ties that make men brothers. Jefferson, Washington, Madison all foresaw a country where men lived in harmony, but they should not achieve it. The hand, alone, of men who cleared it and tilled it and fought over it, produced the nation as it is today.

America has not always been a nation indivisible. Difference of religion, racial stock and political views kept the early colonists prejudiced against each other. The New Englanders thought the southerners were indolent aristocrats, and they in turn were held as grasping merchants by the southerners. Here is where the influence of the new land, the wilderness is first shown. On the frontier all men were equal, whether in the rocky pastures of Vermont or in the worn out land of the Virginia and Carolina battlefields, men had fought for motherhood. They were fighting against the wilderness, working against starvation, and rebelling against a government in which they had no part. From this last are the men who made America free. Not just the leaders but the men who followed them and bled and died in them and fought for them.

During the unrest following the Revolutionary War the spirit that had bound our states together in common defense, collapsed. Under the loosely worded articles of confederation the Continental Congress had little power. Seven million rum here, fifty state tariffs charged to all duty on articles imported from other states, all this vitally concerned the men of the soil and frontiers. The men who had forests to hew roads to and families to feed. They had to have markets to which to haul their wheat, which keep of woods. The markets in turn needed a foreign trade to buy their products and to gain this foreign trade the country had to be commonly united. The pioneers realized the need and believed that the men under whom they had fought, and who now sat in legislatures, would protect it. It was their faith that prompted the writers of the Constitution to work it so that it made the states indivisible bound.

When threats of nullification of federal laws first appeared it was not influenced by the new land that declared the Union must and should be preserved. Jackson and his followers, who were common men, wilderness scouts, for back woods farmers, realized that without union everything was lost. It was their determination, hardened by the land and privation, that made them unflinchingly stand up for the truths in which they believed.

It was the land that caused the Civil War, and it was land that healed it and gave us even more unity. The rich black land of the South produced Cotton, and Cotton needed slaves to raise it. The land westward was rich as it could grow cotton, and it would need slaves. Land, rich bottom land, and the chain of events caused by the disagreement over the use of it, precipitated the Civil War. Yet it was land that ended it, too.

It was from the cheerless prairies of southern Illinois that there came the man who preserved the Union. Lincoln, truly a product of the sparsely settled wilderness, brought the nation together by the very strength of his will and determination. It was Lincoln, who as a young man had journeyed down the Mississippi on a flat boat and witnessed the slave auctions at New Orleans. It was his firm belief that men were not to be held in bondage, but he believed just as firmly in the Union and felt that no matter what the cost, the Union must be saved and strengthened. Lincoln was not alone in this belief. It emanated from the mind of every farseeing man who had fought forests, poverty, and loneliness to conquer the frontier. Lincoln's confidence was based on these people, and they were justifiably confident in him.

It was the land that helped heal the wounds of the Civil War. Thousands of acres of land that men could trek to. Land to the westward of forests, prairies and mountains. Here they could work and rebuild the homes and farms that had been lost. The land was rich, and in time enmity was forgotten in building a nation stretching from sea to sea.

Yes, fundamentally it was the land that made America indivisible. For men who live on the land have common interests and faiths. They are the back-bone of America, for the land breeds in men something that nothing else can give.

In the United States, at the present we are beset with problems [illegible] great [illegible] fronting early citizens of our country. Although we are somewhat differentiated by geographical, racial, or social problems, we are still bound together by the reasons that made our country great; Among these but the least of which is the land with its common gifts of vast riches, natural resources; the land with its inspiring spiritual values; a country rich in scenic beauty, a country we can love. These with the advantages of having a place to work the responsibility of having a family to feed; the privilege of living under a democratic government, binds men more firmly together than words ever could.

Let us be taught by the example of the steadfast pioneers and truly believe in the indivisibility of our nation. With their example, let us face the future united, with religious or social prejudice, and unhesitatingly follow the principle of "one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

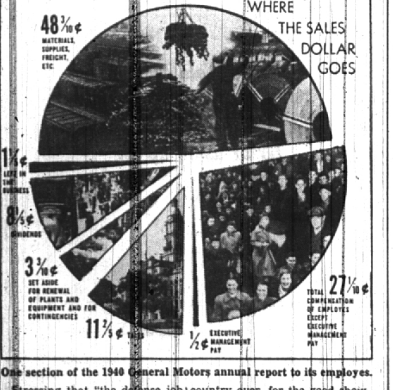
Mrs. J. R. Latchaw Feted At Tea Before Departure

Mrs. Roy Rankin entertained at tea in her home on Wimbleton drive, Tuesday afternoon, in honor of Mrs. J. R. Latchaw, of Puritan avenue. Mrs. Latchaw, who is leaving soon to join her husband in San Francisco, where they will live, was presented with a farewell gift by the guests. Among those present were Mrs. Hugo Gibbons, Mrs. Burt Scott, of Detroit, Mrs. Paul A. Miller, Mrs. Frank E. O'Connell Mrs. Clark Mahoney, Mrs. Harold M. Armstrong, and Mrs. F. Robert Tinsberg and Mrs. John Keller, of Detroit.

Cigarette Cause of Fire in Car

Upholstering of auto in the garage at 735 Ann street, the home of James Malcolm, caught on fire last Monday morning and caused $50 worth of damage to the car. It is thought the fire started with a lighted cigarette which was left in the car. The alarm was turned in by the owner.

G. M. Employes Get Annual Report



One section of the 1940 General Motors annual report to its employes.

Stressing that "the defense job comes first," the annual report of General Motors to its employes for the year 1940 takes the form of a 20-page booklet illustrated with pictures, charts and photographs, in which Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., Chairman, and C. E. Wilson, President of the Corporation, report to the approximately 225,000 "GM Folks" on the various aspects of the business.

"The nation's objective is to make and keep America strong," the G. M. executives point out. "More than ever the need is for productive might—an efficient and virile industrial system. The job calls for the best efforts of all; thus can we meet with confidence the responsibilities that face us today and tomorrow."

In a review of 1940 operations, the report gives credit to the entire organization, and to the many thousands of men and women in G. M. dealerships the country over, for the good showing made in 1940. Other sections of the report, in addition to the accompanying illustration, deal with such subjects as are indicated by the following headings:

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In concluding the report, Messrs. Sloan and Wilson declare: "The record demonstrates that skill, experience and, above all, ability to work together, are an unbeatable combination. Our usefulness to the country—and therefore our usefulness to ourselves—will increase as we find ways of applying this combination still more effectively."

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VEAL ROAST Shoulder Cut lb. 14c

STANDING RIB ROAST of Beef lb. 23c

FRYING CHICKENS FRESH LB. 25c

SPARE RIBS Lean-Meaty lb. 13c

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CORN FLAKES Sunnyfield 8-Oz. Pkg. 5c
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SALAD DRESSING ANN PAGE Qt. Jar 25c

CORNED BEEF Armour's . . . 2 12-Oz. Cans 35c
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GENUINE WISCONSIN **CHEESE** Lb. 21c

CRESTVIEW **EGGS** MEDIUM SIZE Doz. 26c

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