Freedom's Fires Always Will Burn

"There is peace in Budapest today—peace and quiet—but it is the peace of a graveyard and the quiet of a detention ward." Thus writes Harrison E. Salisbury, a Pulitzer Prize winner and a correspondent of wide experience behind the Iron Curtain, in the New York Times Magazine. Mr. Salisbury recalls in poignant detail the Hungarian revolt of October of last year — an event that stirred the whole free world, and, afterwards, made the whole free world ashamed that it could do or did so little. For a while—a few days—it seemed as

, For a while—a few days—it seemed as if this incredible battle against tyranny, led by a comparative handful of ill-armed led by a comparative nandiul of in-armed Freedom Fighters, might actually suc-ceed. The dreaded secret police were de-feated, and many of them killed; the regine was temporarily overthrown and a new one installed. But this lasted a piti-fully short time. The Freedom Fighters waited and asked for help that never come.

THEN A GREAT mechanized Soviet THEN A GREAT: mechanized Soviet army rolled in and the revolt was drowned in its own blood. The puppet regime was gestored to power, backed with bayonets, tanks and all the apparatus of terror. Some 30,000 men and women died in a vain fight for liberty. Their rolls have since been swelled by brutal reprisals.

What is life like in captive Hungary now, a little more than a year later? That question is vividly answered by Allan A. Michie, reporting in a recent issue of

The spirit of active resistance of the The spirit of lactive resistance of the great mass of the Hungarian people has not been quenched. But the means of resistance have been—eight Soviet divisions see to that. The result, Mr. Michie quotes a Western diplomat as saying, is

that "The whole nation is in a state of sullen, passive resistance."
Workers are doing the very minimum, and they deliberately waste raw materials and produce imperfect goods. The government of Premier Janos Kadar has offered pacifications in the form of somewhat higher living standards. But, Mr. Michie says, the country undergoes dangerous economic pressures. Revolt losses were extremely heavy—and among them were the 195,000 refugees who escaped the country. These included a high proportion of skilled workers.

PREMIER KADAR—once, ironically, considered a moderate—made all manner of promises during and immediately after the revolt. Tree, democratic elections among them. A current Budapest saying, which has a hard base in truth, declares that Kadar has "broken every promise and kept every threat." Intellectuals and other leaders are favorite targets of persecution and suppression.

An idea of what is happening in this regard can be gained from something said by the powerful Minister of State, Gyorgy Marosan, "All my life I have hated the gentry, hadd the scholars, because every one of them is a rotten, no-good counter-revolutionary, and I would like nothing better than to hang them from the near-type of the suppression.

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What of the future of this and other Soviet satellites? Here is Mr. Michie's somber view: "The only ray of hope now for Hungary, and for all the captive nations of the Soviet empire, is that Russia's marshals may one day recognize that in an age of ballistic warfare a dis-affect eit territory is more of a liability than an asset, It is a faint hope at best . . "But "Freedom's Fires" always will burn!

Express Our Thanks In Deeds!

As a people, how grateful we should be —day by day—for the harvest reaped from the seeds of our Free Enterprise System: the Declaration of Independence, and our Constitution with its Bill of Rights. These great documents have secured to us freedom of worship; freedom of speech; a free press; the right to own property; to be free and not slave; the right to select one's own road and choose his own speed.

his own speed. We are told that when John Hancock signed the Declaration of Inder signed the Declaration of Independence, he did so in large, strong hand; then, ris-ing from his seat, said: "There, John Bull can read my name without spectacles, and may now double his reward of 500 pounds for my head." It can be assumed that this was the price placed on the heads of all the signers—delivered dead or alive.

SUCH WAS THEIR vision of freedom. Such was the faith, courage and fortitude of those self-forgetful patriots whose spiritual thinking and inspired action gave hope to all tomorrows .- a future rooted in the basic principles embodied in these immortal accuments—our title deed to freedom

freedom.
Yes, our forefathers "built better than
they knew." Our republican form of government with its democratic basis of
society, is the most successful in the history of the world.
Let's keep it that way. If we don't,
what have we left?

Point of View ... From The Eccentric's

Dec. 3 is the day set aside by the Oak-land County Chapter of Muscular Dy-strophy groups to raise funds for the care and research necessary to combat this disease. Mrs. William E. Hartman this disease. Mrs. William E. Hartman Jr. is heading up the Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills women who will call at each home. They are acting on behalf of many thousands of helpless, mostly young children. Here is another opportunity to lend a hand to others

President Eisenhower has proposed that all members of the NATO group join to-

gether in pooling their "know-how" on the subject of inter-continental ballistics; this subject of inter-continental ballistics; this method, he expects, will hurry up the free world's race with Russia to achieve mastery of this type of military armament. The more nations so involved, could it not be, the more chances Russian spies will have to learn what progress is being made? We do question the wisdom of Ike's idea on the subject . . . though we do not question the hopefulness he has as he proposes it. Even the President is not an oracle (nor do we pose as such a miracle, either). Russia does have ways of finding out international top secrets.

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Time for Thanks and Giving



NATURE NOW

by Lydia King Frehse

Thanksgiving Time Is Turkey Time

Thanksgiving time is turkey time. However few of us may realize why our holiday bird is named for the far off country of Turkey.

Although there were many although there were many wild curkeys in colonial American disappearance over the wast American disappearance over

lors but more probably from stock brought over from Europe.

GOING BACK to Central America at the period when the Shaniards first invaded that country the turkey was a domestic for tended and kept by the highly civilized indians of that time. It is delicious that they carried it back to Spain with the m. From the comparison of the contract of the c

Moalems.

Many of our American foods traveled the same route. Indidan corn was once known in Western Europe as Turkish wheat and the pumpatumber.

AUDUBON GIVES much space in his journal to the American wild turkey telling of its abundance as noted in the writings of the earliest cylorers and colonians, tac. Captain John Smith, Roger Williams, Father Marquette and Laudubon-hose the brown and bronz-Salle all show that the wild turnumbers. These were heroic birds of an heroic age.

Mrs. Frehses at the second of the second of

Happenings of Long Ago

Bits of News Gleaned From Old Files Of The Eccentric-The Items That Make Up The Historical Background Of the Birmingham Of Today.

November 29, 1997 and to the part of Birming, han to acquire land for an air-markeying Day. Did you go for while plane industry."

Turkey? We hope so, for while plane industry."

We did not we hope everyone else in all the world did eat and enjoy this holiday. Yethis holiday. The control of the control of

"It is amusing to see a young man stick out his breast and wais and stick out his breast and wais a stick out his breast and wais a stick on him, when ten to one she is laughing him stores when the street He thinks she is stuck on him, when ten to one she is laughing him stores when the street is no guarantee of laughing him steed with store." Yes, a fine house on the store was the street is no guarantee of laughing him steed with store. The land who will is the Copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a "Tell and who will a start of the copic a "Tell and who will a "Tell and who w

names in his discourse."

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"Birmingham exchange club

on him, when ten to one she is laughing in her sleeve at his neck-tie up around his ears or his socks down over his abone,"

"Hell and who will be there," is the topic a Warren minister announced for his Sunday's sermon. He has received letters from the has received tetters from the lawyers, two business men and a fellow pastor that they will sell the state of the st

"Persons who have not yet registered for ride-sharing may now do so by calling at the Defense Service Center, 131 Pierce street, near Maple, it was announced this week by Harold B. Kuder, transportation coordinator."



ONE THING OR ANOTHER By George Wm. Averill

The recent scientific accomplishments of the Russians have shocked Americans in Birmingham and everywhere else in the country to the need of a reappraisal of our educational standards.

our educational standards.

Each community has its own responsibility in that direction, the President has indicated. Each has to see that its children get the best possible instruction and that all the superior ones be enabled and encouraged to go to college.

The Russian sputnik, with its implied threat to our way of life, is the culmination of long and ardures scientific ways.

tion of long and arduous scientific work.

ACCORDING TO Marion B. Folsom, ACCORDING TO Marion B. Folsom, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare, the Soviet decided many years ago that it could gain world supremacy through technology and it proceeded full-blast in that direction. The result is that in many fields Russian scientists are pre-eminent today, he declared. In this country it has caused an awakening to the need for education of a more serious and profound type. There is much talk, especially, of the failure of many

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schools to require adequate mathematics

In Birmingham, acording to the most ecent Federal tabulation,the average per-on gets 13.0 years of schooling.

THIS IS MORE THAN obtains in most parts of the United States, an average of 9.3 years. In the state of Michigan it is

The figures show 5,190 local residents over the age of 25 have gone to college, but only 2,460 of them for the full four years or more

years or more.

Of our adult population, 54:5 per cent has had one or more years of college instruction. This puts Birmingham well ahead of the national average, which is 13:2 per cent.

But whether from Birmingham's non-college 45:5 per cent or the nation's 86.8 per cent of non-college, goers, we must find our additional top scientific talent to keep us abreast of Russian technology.

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