

"Long may it wave,
O'er land of free and home of brave"

"I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands—one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

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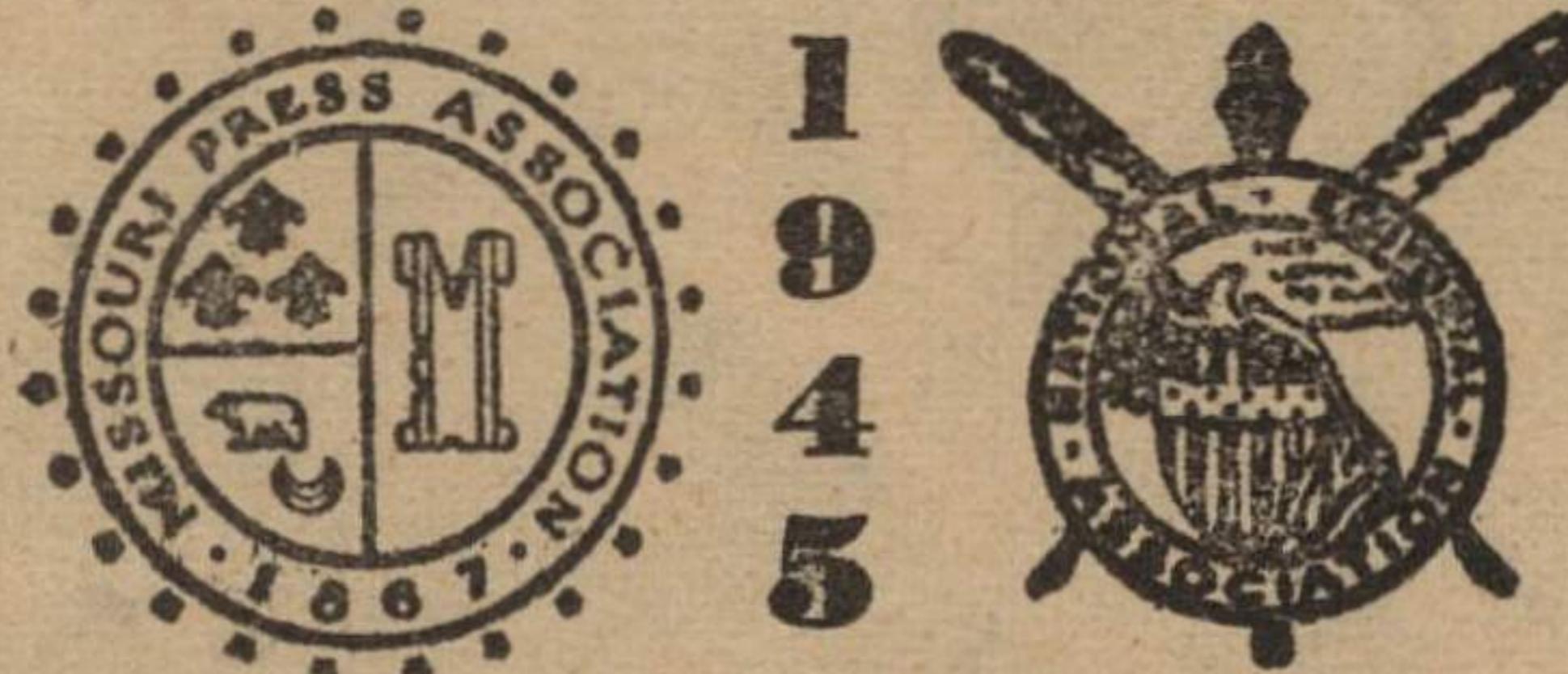
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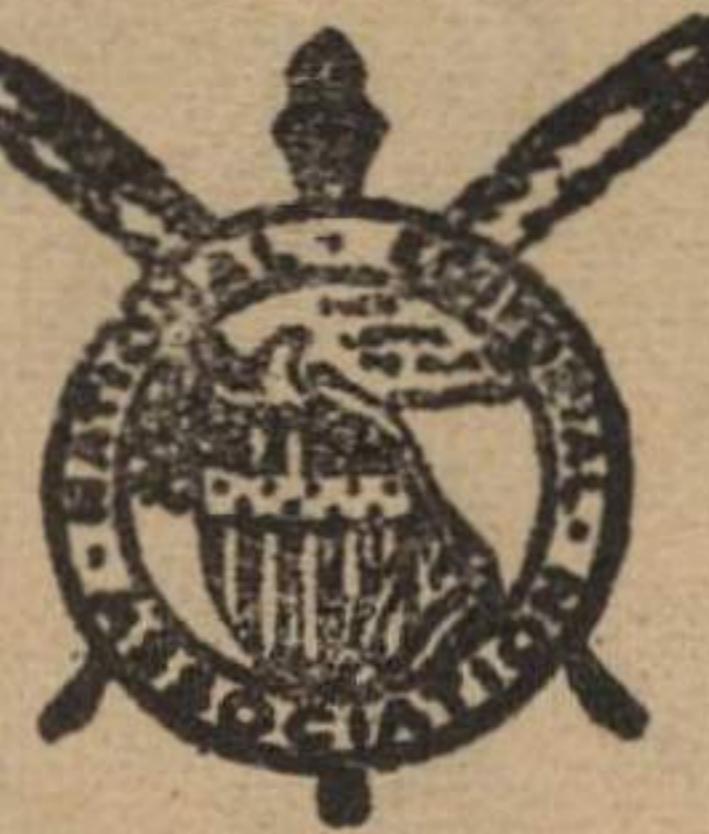
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LET US CO-OPERATE
TO DEVELOP THE COMMUNITY!

It is a fair assumption that every newspaper editor believes in Freedom of the Press. But what is our concept of that phrase? Does it, in our thinking, imply obligation and responsibility as well as traditional right?

Perhaps it would be well for us to re-examine our belief in Press Freedom and test it in our minds and consciences in the light of the following statement by a man who was willing to fight and die for freedom. Perhaps, if we do, we will have a clearer vision of its true meaning:

In a recent issue of *The Nation* appeared a 'Letter to the Editor' which offers an interesting commentary—and perhaps a new angle on this subject of Freedom of the Press.

Dated 'Somewhere in Asia' and obviously written by a serviceman, it read how Lt. Lowell Bready, formerly a reporter on a morning paper in Santa Cruz, Calif., who was killed in action in France, had saved enough money for a down payment on a newspaper and, in the midst of war,

According to James—

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April showers? Yep! J. Pluvius turns them off and on, careless like.

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The world resembles a broken down merry-go-round in that there are a lot of people just milling around with no place to go—especially in Europe.

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Every male person who attains the age of 18 is required to appear in person at the nearest Selective Service Board and be properly registered.

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It is not uncommon for us to receive letters dated 1944. As a matter of fact we write 1946 so much in renewing subscriptions that we are prone to do it in present business correspondence.

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Rainfall the past few weeks has made the ground soggy and the frequent heavy showers we have been getting lately causes the rivers and creeks to go on a sizeable rampage, inundating adjacent fields. It takes time for accumulated water to be disposed, so that planting in the lowlands presents quite a hazard.

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A harmless and clever way of getting information thru to his folks was in a letter to his father, C. E. Hey from his soldier son telling his dad that the aforesaid C. E. Hey resided just three miles south of the prettiest town in the world, which was another way of stating that the soldier was at South Hampton.

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Why not provide suitably equipped playgrounds for all the children of the Parkville community? The Pastor of the local colored church, Spences Cave, leader of the colored Boy Scout Troop or some other responsible person could supervise this summer at the Bannaker school. We would commend this to Commissioner Meek and the Aldermen.

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Hitler raves about his werewolves waging guerilla warfare while he remains holed up safely in his retreat. That what he thinks in his mad moments. Like the promise to the German people that never a bomb should fall on his sacred homeland, or that fortress Europe could never be invaded, or the wonderful Rhine could not be crossed, etc., etc. Poppycock!

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We hear of a friend who recently sold a horse at a \$25 profit to himself. The purchaser tied the animal while he listened to the seller rib him. Along came another man just then, noticed the animal and bargained with the new owner, paying an additional \$25 which is a fine return on money invested just a few minutes.