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SPEAKS

TOO MUCH

but here it is
anyway!

OLD GLORY'S LAND - AMERICA

- America is a land where the natural beauty of the forests, streams and the rivers is preserved for all to see and enjoy.
- America is a nation learning. Learning to love others. Learning about the history of our nation, and its language from the schools provided for us. Learning by making mistakes, and after overcoming them taking pride in what we learned, knowing that not everyone is allowed to learn this way. Many have things drilled into them and learn it this way. They consider it a disgrace to make a mistake, a human thing.
- America is discovery. Discovering new cures for diseases. Discovering new things about our world.
- America is the holidays we celebrate with pride, being ever so thankful for our nation.
Fourth of July
Flag Day
- America is freedom. The freedom to have our own ideas without being persecuted. The freedom to attend our own church. These freedoms should never be abused. We should never take for granted the freedoms for which our forefathers fought. We should put to use this wonderful gift of freedom.
- America is a land of faith. Faith in our president, no matter who he is. Faith in ourselves and each other, and faith in God. With these faiths we can survive!
- America is participation. Participating in the government and in our own local affairs.
- America is love. Even though there is a cold war going on, there is still love in the world. Americans have the love of and for their families and each other, the love of peace, and the love of their land.
- America means happiness. Gay, rosy-cheeked children running about making themselves and one another happy. The happy birds waking us up in the spring and summer. The happy chatter across the back fence.
- America is a nation full of people who had searched for freedom and whose search ended in the U.S. It is a nation which should be proud of itself. A nation over which Old Glory will always fly, sparkling in the sun and shouting "Freedom! Freedom!"

BY Karen Wheeler

SPRING

Spring is my favorite time of year,
The trees are budding far and near.
The sun is like a bright balloon,
It helps leaves and flowers come out soon.
Birds are singing everywhere,
While warmth and friendliness lingers in the air.
Now you see why spring is my favorite time of year,
With the trees budding far and near,
With many good things, very near,
I wish that it would stay right here.

BY Rick Ketcham

WAIKIKI

On the beautiful beach of Waikiki
A Hawaiian maiden danced contentedly.
A grass skirt swirled about her knees
And her long black hair hung around her.

Her graceful lei of orchids made
Around her neck gently swayed,
As she danced on the sand beneath the shade
Of a big palm tree.

In that peaceful village with those straw huts,
So the story goes,
The sun beat down and suddenly there rose
A huge tidal wave.

Terror clutched at the hearts of those who knew
What a huge tidal wave like that could do.
And they tried to warn the others who
Were calmly watching it sweep over.

The people fled as if from war,
And the beautiful maiden was no more.
The wave washed everything o'er
The rocks, and houses were smashed to bits.

Like Death itself, the wave hovered;
Everything under it was covered,
And afterwards, those above heard
That it cast a shadow of fear.

Till at last the wave was stopped
By a great mountain which was topped
With a lone palm tree which popped
From nowhere, so they say.

So the tale is told,
That God took hold
Of that mountain bold,
And all creatures were saved by His grace.

BY Becky Graves

VICTORY FOR JASTREMSKI

"Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to poolside on this beautiful August afternoon here in Los Angeles. I'm your N.B.C. radio correspondent bringing you the action of today's swimming competition."

"Our attention today is focused on Indiana's great, young swimmer, Chet Jastremski. So far this week, Chet has broken three world's records: the 100 meter, 110 yard, and the 220 yard race. Today we are expecting him to do excellently in the 220 meter race."

"While we're waiting for the race, I'm going to step over here and have the Indiana, swimming team's coach, Dr. James Councilman, say a few words."

"Dr. Councilman, will you take time to say a few words about your team?"

"Sure, but I wish you'd call me 'Doc'."

"Okay, Doc, will you please tell our listeners about your breastroker, Chet Jastremski?"

"Well, to begin with, Chet is now beyond any doubt the best swimmer in the world. He's built so husky that he can't even float!"

"Is it true, Doc, that you've actually changed the basic conception of the breastroke?"

"That's right. In my opinion, rapid acceleration should be produced by fast, short arm pulls and leg kicks, instead of the wide, slow motion which has been accepted so far."

"Could you tell us a little about Chet's personality?"

"Chet is truly a quality boy, and a good sportsman. He doesn't question me, but works, and works hard. Chet is not at all cocky, but he does have confidence. He is quiet, and has a good sense of humor. His intense loyalty is to his coach, teammates, and parents."

"I hate to break up this interview, but I believe we're all set to go for the 200-meter breastroke race. Thanks a lot, Doc."

"Now I can see the racers taking their positions for the beginning of the race. And there's the gun! It looks like Jastremski got off to a good start. Now the boys are passing the 25-meter mark. Chet looks violent compared to his more graceful competitors. He reminds me of a tugboat steaming through choppy water. Jastremski is past the 100-meter point now, starting on the second half of the race. At the edge of the pool his turn was very good. He took a long deep glide under water. Jastremski is decisively in the lead now as he leads into the last lap."

Now, in the last lap he's still going strong, and there it is! He's touched the wall, and I believe his time was about 2:30. If so, he has established a new world's record in the 200-meter breaststroke. While we're waiting for the official time, let's have Chet say a few words."

"Congratulations, Chet, could you tell us a little about the time on that race? I mean, how fast do you think you swam?"

"Well, the record which was set in 1958 was 2:36.5. I think I beat it, but it sure was hard!"

"I can hear the official time coming over the loudspeaker now. Chet's time was 2:29.6, another world's record for the world's best swimmer."

by

Dave McBride

JOE DIMAGGIO

Joe DiMaggio is one of the all time immortal baseball players who will not soon be forgotten.

As a young boy, Joe was considered lazy. His father felt he would never amount to anything. Baseball was all right as an excuse to get out of work, however early in his youth tennis was his main interest as far as sports were concerned. He was quite cocky when he was young, and he didn't take the game of baseball as seriously as he might have. He never completed his education, something he later regretted. DiMaggio always had a great admiration for his mother.

During his first experiences at professional baseball, he was uncertain of himself and lacked the self-confidence he needed. He was willing to take things as they came and never became discouraged if everything didn't go just right.

Even though DiMaggio himself wrote this story, it contained no bragging, although there was plenty of opportunity for such a thing.

By

Sharon Anderholm

TWILIGHT TIME

Twilight is a pleasant time,
With the stars all winking down.
They're grouped in little formations,
Seen in every town.

At twilight the air is cool,
The breeze is easy to feel,
It goes whizzing by the churchyards,
Making the church bells peal.

But most of all, I like to rest
In the refreshing peace of night,
And think how lovely it is,
With everything just right.

BY Jane Tarbutten

AMERICA

When I think of America, I think of sports and fun.
I think of football.
I think of baseball and track and other American games which are
played on the ground of America.
I think of our lakes and beaches and swimming pools where we swim
and play.
I think of all American foods such as hot dogs, hamburgers and
popcorn.
I think of the school and dances and clubs.
I also think of hills and mountains and national parks with their
animals and geysers.
I think of cities with their many people who carry on industry
and work for America.
I think of rolling hills of agriculture.
I think of the Statue of Liberty which stands for the many freedoms
and rights we share in America.

BY Phil Beskwith

THIS IS AUTUMN

Autumn leaves will fall soon,
Under the new and spectacular moon.
The wind will blow them from off the trees,
And pile them as high as your knees.
As they fall and cover the ground,
You hear a crunchy, crunchy sound.
When they are gathered and form a mound,
You kick them and punch them
and make them come down.
And when your play has come to an end,
And all of the leaves are scattered on end,
You pull out the rake and pile them again.

BY John Alberty

John Curtis Thomas is better known to the world as John Thomas, high jumper extraordinary. It has been said that his left foot, the foot that he starts with, is to high jumping as Birgitt Nilsson's vocal cords are to Wagnerian opera. It has also been said that he is the most exciting athlete in track and field since the arrival of Herb Elliott. He was the first to jump over seven feet indoors. He made the highest jump indoors or outdoors, seven feet, one and one-quarter inches.

John's potential was first seen by Tom Duffy, his coach at Rindge Tech in Cambridge, Massachusetts, where he went to high school. This coach taught him to use the straddle roll instead of the old-fashioned belly-roll. It took a year for him to master the straddle roll but he is still using it. Before he got out of high school, his jumps earned him a trip to Japan with a touring AAU track and field group where he jumped six feet, ten and five-eighths inches.

John became famous at Boston University under Doug Raymond and Ed Flanagan. At his first big indoor meet, he set a new world's record of six feet, eleven and three-fourths inches. He broke that with his first seven foot jump and he broke that with his winning jump at the National indoor championships of seven feet, one and one-quarter inches.

Then came a tragedy. John suffered a serious injury to his left take-off foot. It was ripped and torn when he caught it in an elevator door. A delicate operation and skin grafts were performed and the foot was as good as ever but he missed an entire, outdoor track season. He took it easy and exercised lightly. The first time he jumped after his injury, he jumped six feet, three inches. Several days later, he jumped six feet, five inches. His best jump during practice was six feet, nine inches...In his first meet after his injury, he jumped, without missing once, six feet, ten and one-half inches and seven feet, and one-half inch...In 1960 he went to the Olympics in Rome. There he faced unaccustomed pressure. He placed third against two Russians...

John Thomas is an easy-moving person and he carries himself with a reserved dignity. He is six feet, five and one-half inches tall and weighs 194 pounds...In high jumping, he is an icicle in an event notorious for its psychological havoc. Maybe in a few years, John Thomas will again look at a towering bar seven feet or more above the ground, take a deep breath, run and jump--jump to victory and a new world's record.

BY Mary Donaldson

AMERICA IS

America is the freedom of men to do as they please. We have freedom of speech, press, assembly.
 America is justice. Anyone accused of crime has the right to trial by jury. Men, Women, Whites, Negroes.
 America is cities which house great industry, small stores. And there are people of all races, creeds and religions. Catholic, Jewish, British, Russians.
 America is growth. New babies are born by the hundreds every day. They make more needs in the country. To cover the new needs of the country, new jobs are made for more people.
 America is opportunity for all people. With the right qualifications one can be anything. Painter, Doctor, Teacher.
 America is progress. Advances in science, music and math are made.
 America is people. People have fought to get and keep this country in better shape with a higher standard of living than any other country.

BY Larry Stuart

JERRY LUCAS : KING OF BASKETBALL

The name of Jerry Lucas is perhaps one of the greatest names in basketball today. He has illustrated his fine ability and good sportsmanship before the eyes of the nation in game after game. This six-eight, 225-pound senior at Ohio State averaged 24.8 points a game last year.

Jerry was born in Middletown, Ohio, and also grew up there. His high school basketball career made him a fierce competitor on the floor, but a fair player all the way. He plays like a professional player and remains calm and unexcited throughout every game.

In June, 1962, when Lucas will graduate, he will be faced with the decision of whether or not to turn professional. Right now he seems to have no interest in racing around the country as is required of professional teams. He has said that when he finishes at Ohio State his basketball career will have ended and his main goal will be to gain a position in the business world. With his good grades, popularity, background, and talent he should do all right.

Sometimes Jerry seems to be complex and moody, but with his friends and teammates he is friendly and easy to get along with. He has a wonderful sense of humor and enjoys a good joke. His words charm everyone who listens to what he has to say. He doesn't like large crowds, which may be one reason why he doesn't want to play professional basketball.

Jerry became well-known internationally during the 1960 Olympics when he participated on the gold-medal winning U.S. team.

BY Jon Wills

HOW LONG CAN JIM BROWN TAKE THE PUNISHMENT OF PRO BALL???

Jim Brown is the hardest working ball carrier in football today. He is the entire brawn of the Cleveland Browns, but how long can he take the punishment which he has absorbed in his five past record-breaking years? Only time will tell.

Jim Brown was born on February 17, 1936, at St. Simons Island, Georgia. He was sent to New York at the age of seven to live with his mother who had been divorced from her husband.

During Jim's childhood he was rather shy and reserved. Jim admits that he enjoyed sports, but he didn't have much of a chance to participate in them because of the location of his home in New York.

After Jim's graduation from high school, he entered Syracuse University. His first two years at college were far from being pleasant. His athletic ability was not appreciated until his junior year. Jim also received unwarranted advice about the way he should act which irritated him greatly. His first break in athletics came when Syracuse's lacrosse coach, Roy Simmons, sized Jim up as a tremendous athlete with great untrapped sources of talent. This still didn't seem to impress other athletic coaches for Jim was on the brink of quitting school when the greatest break of his life came to him. Col. Ernest L. Meggs, head of the Syracuse R.O.T.C. program, personally persuaded Jim to stay in school and gave him the confidence to face the future. Finally Jim became a member of the Syracuse football team, a break he capitalized on, and went on to become one of the greatest athletes to be produced at Syracuse. His senior year, he was voted first team "All American" fullback.

After his graduation from Syracuse, Jim met a Miss Sue Jones while on leave from Fort Benning in Columbus, Georgia. After several months, Miss Sue Jones was Mrs. Sue Brown.

In 1957, Jim was signed by the Cleveland Browns of the National Football League, and from that day on, he steadily gained in skill until today Jim Brown is considered by many the greatest player in the world.

Jim Brown is a lover of fine music and clothes and resides in a tiny frame house in a Cleveland suburb. He works in a huge, 70,000 seat capacity home in downtown Cleveland. How long can he take the terrific punishment inflicted upon him every game at his home away from home? That, my friends, is the question.

BY Gus Crim

BABE RUTH

This story seemed to describe Babe Ruth very completely. Truly, he was one of the best baseball players of all time. He took a great interest in children and especially orphans. This is understandable because he had been an orphan himself and knew what it felt like to be without parents, home, or love. He surely lived up to Love Thy Neighbor As Thyself and Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You. It is not everyone who would go to the sickbed of a strange child and comfort him as Babe Ruth did. Likewise not everyone would buy children baseball equipment or peddle papers for children who were cold and tired of shouting to get people to buy their newspapers. Babe Ruth did revive the public's interest in baseball. After all, who would not want to go to see such a well-known player as this play in a game? To describe him in a short space would be hard for he had many, many wonderful traits. But to briefly name a few, he had the willingness to share and not to be selfish or smug, he was willing to help anyone in any way he could, and he had a deep love for children.

BY Jennie Sedgwick

BIG LUKE

Jerry Lucas is perhaps the best amateur basketball player that every lived. He has tremendous grace and timing on the basketball court. Jerry's six feet, eight inches are used to his best advantage. His ability in rebounding cannot be equaled. It is amazing how often he can pass the ball to a teammate who is in position for a better shot than he, but still averages nearly thirty points a game.

Luke has received almost every honor and award ever presented to an amateur player. Among his awards is that of being named "Sportsman of the Year." He has led his team to one national championship and within one point of another. Luke was the outstanding player on the United States gold medal winning Olympic basketball team.

Jerry accepts a defeat as gracefully as a victory, although he has had only six losing games in thirteen years. This is because he thinks of basketball as a game and once it is over there is no need to worry about it. He wants no part of professional ball, although there are rumors that he would be offered quite a sum of money. "There is no home life; I don't want any part of pro-ball now and I hope I never will."

Jerry's great ability as a basketball player has been especially noted since he went to high school at Middletown, Ohio. During his senior year, there was a mad rush to enroll Lucas in different colleges. He was given many, many offers of money, cars, jobs, and other payoffs. All of these were turned down. "I (Jerry) could picture myself with a new car, my dad with alot of money and right away I could see myself getting into trouble. I come from an ordinary family. I felt I had a good future. A wrong decision would have ruined everything. You've got to look at the future in life, not at what is being offered you right now."

Jerry Lucas finally enrolled in Ohio State University. Out of all the schools which gave offers, Ohio State was the only one to put academics first. He did not want his whole life to revolve around basketball; there were more important things in life. When Jerry enrolled in Ohio State, he was faced with two problems; one, how to get the most out of college; and, two, how to succeed as a member of a basketball team.

Jerry, now a senior, is a serious student. He has received almost straight A's. In the College of Commerce at the present time, he may continue to work toward his Master's degree, his Ph.D., or possibly go on to study law.

In September, 1960, Jerry married the former Treva Geib. She is attractive, tall and was a junior in the College of Education. They now live in an off-campus apartment.

Through all the publicity, Jerry has remained modest and rather shy, as he always has been. He is extremely unselfish in all he does. He wants to get the most out of life.

BY Marsha Huffman

AMERICA

The song "America the Beautiful" tells what America means to me. Look over these words or listen to them and see what they say to you.

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

The words that make the song are skies, grain, mountains, plains, God, brotherhood, and sea. These words illustrate the America I see.

Skies are described as being spacious but to me they are everlasting, beautiful, blue ceilings patched with white that house the stars so that they are visible to us.

Grain is described as amber waves. To me, grain refers to the farmers who supply us with food for our daily use.

Mountains are the goals man wishes to reach and when he does, he looks down upon the beautiful things he never saw before.

Plain is the wide, vast area that joins the mountains, so beautiful to view.

Brotherhood is the gathering together of friends.

Sea is the waters that stretch from coast to coast and join the people of the world.

But, we would have none of these things, for none of these things would be possible, without God. God is the heading which all of these things follow after, the main organ of existence.

BY Linda Meese

AMERICA MEANS

America means an abundance of jobs and the right to take the one you want.

America means churches, calling you to services on Sunday and enlightening you for the coming week.

America means the many sports events we have throughout the year.

America means taking vacations to see the many sights offered to us.

America means schools, ringing their bells and telling us to get a better education.

America means holidays and the happy merriment that goes with them.

America means flowers displaying their full beauty in the summer.

America means lakes so majestic and silvery in the sunlight.

America means trees gently swaying in summer breezes.

And above all, America means freedom and stands as a symbol to other countries.

BY John Henry

MY AMERICA

- My America has freedom -- a wonderful way of living. The great Constitution and government give us the rights of life, liberty and pursuit of happiness.
- My America is full of many lovely animals, that may even be our own, with which to play and to live.
- In my America, we have the privilege to be with and to love our families. Wonderful times are enjoyed together but may never have been thought of in this way.
- My America has freedom for education. Here we spend many hours to learn and keep America strong. Many times while at work we don't realize how lucky we are.
- My America is one busy town after another, working and working hard for our country. They may be very different but they each have a purpose, important to all.
- My America is also a world of sports. The freedom to participate if that is our wish. It is not forced upon us but this freedom is enjoyed by many.
- My America is many beautiful pictures rolling together, forming wonderful and lovely scenes that people never having visited my U.S.A. could never have dreamed of.
- Methods and more methods of transportation and communication are present in My America. Traveling to beautiful areas and being able to communicate are here but are locked in many corners of the globe.
- My America is a wonderful world of opportunities. We of native birth are very fortunate and have lived, most likely, an easy and happy life. But even so, we do not forget those of foreign birth. Many come each year and are welcomed. They are given the freedoms we have had and loved and the freedoms they had been dreaming of.

BY Sally Caldwell

AMERICA

America is many things;
It's cheering and yelling of baseball,
The quick action of football,
And the melody of songs.
It's the joy in children's eyes
As they lick their ice cream cones.
It's the glimmering in their eyes
As they intently read their books.
It's the sound of traffic and
The honking of horns,
The neon lights blinking evermore.

Yes, America is many things and even more.

BY Joe Hurst

AMERICA IS

America is free people, each believing and acting as he pleases as long as he does not harm others.

America is a mixture of people, each in some way being different from others.

America has good land, not being misused, but being battered by science.

America is a chance to get a good occupation, one that is desired, and one that has hope for promotion.

America is an education provided by the people to give all an equal chance in life.

America is a land in which a person can express his opinions, for America has freedom of speech and freedom of the press.

America is a network of highways and telephone wires providing the best transportation and communication for the people.

America is a high standard of living, for almost anyone who tries can make honest money.

America is a preserved wilderness, for many parts of America have been preserved in their natural form.

America is a power in the world, for America leads in many products

BY Dan Bohl

THE BOASTFUL BUG

Little bug who walks across my table,

Tell me where you've been, if you're able.

I've been to London,

That's where I've been,

And I met a bug

Who lives in Big Ben.

Right between numbers nine and ten.

I've been to Holland,

I've been there too,

I saw Hans Brinker,

Sat right on his shoe,

A privilege that wouldn't

Be granted to you.

Oh, little bug, said I, how you boast,

I'll bet you can't fly from the East to West coast.

BY Phil Compton

AMERICA, TO ME

America, to me, is a land where freedom is the law.

America, to me, is science, many new things being developed from it.

America, to me, is agriculture, enough food to supply many of the poor families and all of the rich ones.

America, to me, is jealousy, jealousy of other people but of few nations.

America, to me, is leadership. The chances of leadership in America are great because of freedom of speech and others. America is also looked up to as being a leader in the world.

America, to me, is sports. Athletic participation is seen throughout the year.

America, to me, is inventions, inventions being used to help more people in more ways.

BY Pat Grady

THIS IS MY COUNTRY

My country has hospitals where the care of the best doctors is given people.

My country is a book of history, and as the pages are turned, the deeds of patriots tell their own story about America.

My country is a place of extravagances, where want is practically unknown.

My country stands for friendship, with the hand of friendship and beacon of hope in the world's busiest harbor welcoming people to a better life.

My country is based on democracy, with the Supreme Law of the Land protecting the rights of people.

Progress is the watchword of my country, with the smoke of the factories and the throbbing of machinery turning out goods so often taken for granted.

My country has a rich literary background, with its books enjoyed the world over, and her poems and prose rivaling that of the most cultured countries in the world.

The freedom of religion which my country has enables people to know and follow the ways of the cross.

But most of all, my country is my home.

It is a place I feel I am a part of, and a country which, because of all these things, makes me proud to say I am an American.

BY Tom Marsicano

AMERICA IS

AMERICA IS neighbors, cheerful, friendly neighbors always ready to help, to share.

AMERICA IS a place of hurrying people, hurrying to make money, make friends, hurrying to make a better world in which to live.

Factories making steel, iron and other things to build highways, great bridges, boats that sail the world over.

AMERICA IS schoolwork to educate the American children, to carry on the work of our ancestors, to make the U.S. remain the greatest nation on earth.

AMERICA IS the sound of happy children playing, learning, making mistakes, and loving and being loved.

Farms growing the large amounts of food needed by our people, the spring rains helping seeds to grow and to produce the golden harvest of autumn.

AMERICA IS the busy world of newspaper reporters, energetic, quick, fact finding reporters, getting news for large newspapers to keep our public informed on current events of our own communities and of the world.

AMERICA IS museums of all kinds to preserve a knowledge of the past for the people of the future, to see how the civilization slowly developed and made famous the inventors of the past.

AMERICA IS a land of moving pictures showing the people scenes in other parts of the U.S. and every country of the world. Actors entertaining our people.

AMERICA IS a symbol of friendship all over the world, and of happiness and of dedication to our Fathers of Democracy, and of our loyalty to the Red, White and Blue.

BY Gretchen Ewing

AMERICA

Children singing, filling the air with music.
Flowers blooming, covering the ground with color.
Hot dog stands filling the air with wonderful scents.

The songs, the color, the scents, so typically America.

People at church, worshipping as they wish.
Editors writing articles for newspapers.
A speaker giving a speech at an assembly.

So common to us, yet only in America can we do these things.

The skyscrapers pointing to the sky.
Industries making improvements for men.
Missiles exploring the unknown.

America, a land of promises and new horizons.

Children going to school.
People attending colleges.
Scientists answering questions of importance.

The quest of knowledge is unlimited as we help to keep America free
with liberty for all.

BY Betty Mathis

WHAT AMERICA IS TO ME

America is a land of prosperity.

Its citizens are thrifty.

It is one of the world's leaders in production
of agricultural and manufactured goods.

America is a land of freedom where all, regardless of their
beliefs, may take refuge from tyranny or dictatorship.

America is a land of courage.

America is fighting to preserve her freedom and to
secure freedom for all countries.

America is the land of proud people.

Its people are rightfully proud.

They have obtained and preserved that which all other
people envy.

America is a land of advancement.

Its people are working to achieve an even higher
standard of living.

America has a high level of education.

Its people are among the most educated in the world.

Everyone has the opportunity to learn in public schools,
a privilege which many crave.

America is peace-loving.

She works hard for world-wide peace in the present day
turmoil of affairs.

America is a competitive nation.

She competes with other countries for leadership in the world.

America is a leader in world affairs.

America is charitable to other countries and people.

She not only extends a helping hand to those in need,

but also graciously accepts immigrants. (BY Brent Anderson)