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Independence Day, 1929.



It is the privilege of an American citizen to share in the responsibilities of the common life of the American people, to foster its ideals of free government, and to help to mold its institutions into increasingly more perfect instruments of democracy.

It is his privilege to obey the laws of the country or to seek to change them through the recognized processes of law-making whenever he deems such changes necessary.

It is his duty to keep himself informed, alert, and independent in his political judgments and actions, to concern himself with the whole of America and not with a section of it, and to vote for principle and not for party. The loyal citizen eschews partisanship, group exploitation and all racial and religious conflicts. He avoids professional patrioteering and chauvinism, strives for peace and friendly international relations and recognizes that above the interests of any nation are the interests of humanity.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.