

Let's explore our plans for the further growth and expansion of the America First Committee. Up until now we have been concentrating our efforts on building a solid nucleus of hard-core patriots. Now is the time to take an important step forward--to begin the transition to a broad-based, grass-roots movement that is capable of delivering wide support to deserving statesmen and equally capable of driving dishonest politicians from office. In short, we need to become a movement with political "clout."

To accomplish these goals, we must:

1. Step up our recruiting efforts, especially among middle-class working people, professionals, young people, and women.
2. Double and triple the circulation of the AMERICA FIRST NEWSLETTER. Eventually we plan to increase its size, but before we can do that we must increase its readership by at least 50 percent.
3. Create new local chapters and involve more individuals at the local level in AFC activity.
4. Step up our participation in local elections. First, by supporting and campaigning for honest, pro-American candidates. Second, by fielding our own candidates when honest, pro-American candidates are lacking (this is, sadly, too often the case!).
5. Establish and maintain a permanent and secure national headquarters for the America First Committee, giving us a base from which to operate. Security is all-important, considering the fire-bombing of our Boston office.
6. Recruit and retain a professional staff of activists, editorialists, organizers and printers. A building needs people to give it meaning.

All of this, of course, will cost money. We aren't going to get something for nothing. Money is going to mean the difference between success or failure.

Our first priority is the purchase of a headquarters building, which we can do for \$40,000. For that end we are establishing a two year Building Campaign to raise the money. With today's inflated economy, \$40,000 isn't much for an organization like ours. But to reach our goals, we must raise this amount as a bare minimum over and above our normal operating costs.

Sometimes some People (not many of our people, thank God!) get a bit ruffled when we ask them to make a contribution that amounts to a fraction of what they regularly spend on frivolous non-essentials like country club memberships and high-powered gasguzzlers, or what they turn over to a treasonable federal establishment each year.

Two hundred years ago, the first American patriots pledged their lives, their property and their sacred honor to achieve the victory which we are trying to restore today. Can we do any less than they did? We owe those heroes much more than a bit of ceremonial flag-waving next July 4! We owe them a bit of personal sacrifice to ensure the survival of their legacy of freedom.

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