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EDITORIALS

CALLENGE TO YOUTH

As they return to colleges and high schools for the fall term of grim 1940, America's adolescent boys and girls have understandable for doubting the future, doubting the value of sincere effort, doubting the worth of ideals. They have grown up as children in a nation beset by economic depression, and as they prepare to enter upon manhood and womanhood, the shadow of war spreads omniously. What solid ground remains upon which to build for usefulnes, security and happiness?

It is a pity that all American youth could not have heard, with new students at the University of California, the mighty challenge of the times as voiced by President Robert Gordon Sproul; the challenge that never has this nation been more desperately and deeply in need of tolerance, earnestness, willingness to sacrifice, and fidelity to democratic ideals on the part of her youth.

"This nation," declared President Sproul, "has shown an alarming tendency to grow soft while the rest of the world growls hard. American citizens young as well as old, will have to devote less energy to insisting to the last iota of their rights and privileges, and more energy to the duties of cooperative citizenship, or the democracy in which we live will either disintegrate like a cracked flywheel or be destroyed by more powerful and consecrated peo ples. If you are not as much interested in the welfare of others and in the preservation of democratic ideals as you are in yourself and your pet causes and if you are not sufficiently concerned with the unity of this nation during a crisis to forego promoting dissension, then you have no business at the University of America."

Upon the manner in which youth meets that challenge, depends the fate of America in the not distant future. And upon the mariner in which the vast majority of Americans of all ages meet it now, may depend the fate of America on a surprisingly near tomorrow.

MAKE DEMOCRACY WORK

The American People, fully a wake to the menace to our institutions are willing to make any conceivable economic sacrifice in the name of liberty and security. But that does not mean that people are going to be satisfied with mere bills appropriating money and raising taxes. They are going to make sure that tax money spent produces results that bureaucratic red tape is cut, waste reduced, delay avoided.

It is one thing to appropriate billions. It is another thing to translate these billions into airplanes and artillery and fighting ships. Any one can vote to spend taxes, but will be a dark day for this country if politics are permitted to dominate the actual job of

making our needed weapons. The wisest industrial and economic statesmanship is vital. Speed, efficiency and economy are the essentials.

This is the time to make democracy work. America's capacity to produce is limitless, the genius for achieve ment has proven itself too often in other crisis to be doubted a single second now. And that genius must be freed of the political shackles that have been welded on to it in recent years.

TOO MUCH KNIFE WIELDING

While it is the function of a newspaper to mirror the news, it is hardly creditable to any group and far from our delight to chronicle day after day instances in which knives are drawn into play by certain elements among us. In some cases the stabbings prove fatal and there are bereaved mothers and dependent children and almost on every hand, shades of sorrow.

Human life is far too precious and our inhabitants represent too much of an investment for such wanton waste of life for trivial reasons.

In some cases there are those who whip out the knife after losing at a "skin" game; others include fracases tangent to some imagined love affair in which jealously plays a major part. Still, old man "corn" takes his toll where the drinkers assemble. We could go on and on enumerating the causes of much of this crime and wanton outlawry without reaching any plane of honorable justification or naming those who look for life's higher ideals.

From time to time the suggestion of the appointment of more police to patrol the places has been made. It has been suggested by many of the crimes committed in the open could be obviated if we had proper police protection. It would not hold that police can stop by themselves the great crime wave now before the people.

This condition calls for every law abiding man and woman to enlist in a campaign to help run to cover lawlessness and immoral places wherever they exist. On the other hand there is something for the schools, churches and civic organizations to do. In spite of the fine work of the schools and the teaching from the church, we have an element bent on going along the way of lawlessness. The basic principles for the cure of our trouble cannot be legislated or policed into the people. OUR PEOPLE NEED TRAINING and the development of those restraints that of themselves are the great est police forces. A people, with little or no education, no local prestige and nothing at stake can afford to disgrace itself without feeling any loss.

In many places where our businesses are located, it is no uncomon thing to see the professional loafer, the meddler and the idler engaging in ugly conversations audiable to any one pass ing, often to everlasting regret and chagrin. This is the class which upon the least provocation, will whip out a gun or knife and proceed before the passing guests.

Our people need training. Most of the crime is done by the younger group. These have left the churches, the schools and homey firesides. We must get them back there ore we are doomed.

Legislation does not make morals. Crime will decrease with the raising of a better living and training standard at home.

READ

DARK HUMOR





"Cheer up'-Brotha' -After All it was one of tha finest weddin's I eber went to."

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The committee consisted of Virgil Bailey, George Thomas and Edward Groomes of the A F. of L.

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