prime objective cannot be fame before men. Daily actions have a higher guide than momentary expediency; whatever one does is premised on his highest concept of rightness and righteousness."

"What is man's earthly purpose?" he asked in *Anything That's Peaceful*, which probably is the greatest of his 29 books. "It is to expand one's own consciousness into as near a harmony with Infinite Consciousness as it is within the power of each, or, in more lay terms, to see how nearly one can come to a realization of those creative potentialities peculiar to one's own person, each of us being different in this respect."

Surely Leonard Read's own consciousness approached the perfect harmony he sought. He achieved the complete realization of his creative potentialities.

Leonard Read created a "home" for the friends of freedom everywhere. When pessimism was rife and freedom was engulfed by hostile forces, he built The Foundation for Economic Education on a solid foundation and made it the training ground for a new generation of teachers and scholars. He established an educational organization that withstood the test of time and faces the future with confidence. But above all, in more than three decades he sustained the philosophy of freedom through his prolific writing, through seminars for students, businessmen and professional people, and through contacts with schools and colleges that sought his guidance.

The visitor to FEE senses the presence of Leonard and other kindred souls, with common ideals and feelings. The FEE spirit is reassuring and contagious. It inspired the creation of numerous similar organizations at home and abroad. F. A. Harper left FEE, after ten years on Leonard's senior staff, to found the Institute for Humane Studies in Menlo Park, California. Disciples created "freedom centers" and "institutes" throughout the country. In other countries FEE alumni and friends modeled their work after that of the Foundation in Irvington. Manuel F. Ayau built a new university in Guatemala City. To all of them, FEE's dedication to the ideals of liberty has been an inspiration that breathes new hope for the future and instills them with courage and confidence.

Leonard was a pathfinder for freedom who carried his spirit into daily action. He was the dean of freedom scholars with a passionate love of excellence everywhere and in everything. He loved it in himself, in his own alert mind, in his own spirit, and in others.

There were two lives in Leonard Read, the life of his actions that now has ended, and the life of his thought that lives on in the hearts and minds of man everywhere.

In his last book, *The Path of Duty*, written and published in 1982, when the curtain of life was descending slowly, Leonard returned once more to his ultimate guide to duty: the Ten Commandments. And in the last chapter of this book he once more reminded us of the transcendent power of doctrine by example. He was truly convinced that example has more followers than logic and reason. He would call it the "power of attraction." "Become so proficient in understanding and explaining freedom that others will seek your tutorship." He would say to us: "Ours is a learning problem and not a selling problem."

Leonard laid down his pen citing the words of the American poet William Cullen Bryant: "Greatness lies, not in being strong, but in the right using of strength. . . . He is the greatest whose strength carries up the most hearts by the attraction of his own."

Indeed, Leonard Read was one of the greatest. He cast a gleam of light on all of us, and lifted our hearts.

—Hans F. Sennholz