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the real thing, rather than a watered down version that could have solved little even if accepted.

Worst of all, the United States, when presented with Soviet accomplishments in science, tried to belittle these Soviet triumphs and pretend that we were really still ahead in the race.

We made our friends doubt our capacity. We made our people lose faith in our inventiveness. And we tried to look good by pretending. In other words, our leaders showed a lack of faith in the American people, because they tried to kid them instead of telling them the truth.

It was a black year for the United States of America.

1958 had better be another kind of year.

But how can we reassert our leadership in the coming months? I venture to say that we cannot do so as long as we remain wedded to the concepts of the dying past. Even if we try to be frank, even if we admit our faults, we will not regain the faith of mankind if we propose as solutions the same old out-worn programs.

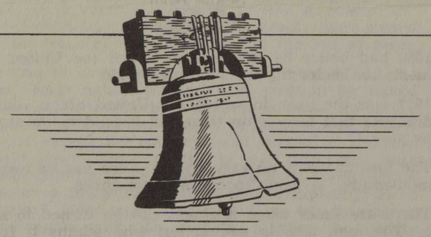
Boldness is the sign of vitality. Boldness wins enthusiasm. These are the boldest times in which men have ever lived. The scientists are breaking with tradition every day. They are hurtling us into a new age so fast that we hardly have time to catch breath.

Who is there in the United States who has the courage to cut the Gordian Knot that binds us to the past? Who is there who is willing to state that there is no peace without law and then ACT on that premise?

Nothing short of such commitment will fire the souls of men around the world. People are not fools. Even if they are not sure of the facts, they sense that diplomacy and power politics and the arms race and all the other paraphernalia of the dead past cannot work in the new age, and can lead us only to destruction.

Accepting anything short of world law, law which will protect the strong and the weak, the rich and the poor, with equal justice, will simply confine us in the future to the same hopelessness that has marked our past.

This is the way to assert leadership. The question is, do we deserve leadership?



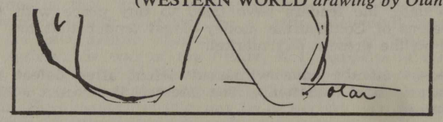
The world must be made safe for democracy. Only free peoples can hold their purpose and their honor steady to a common end, and prefer the interests of mankind to any narrow interest of their own.

But the right is more precious than peace, and we shall fight for the things we have always carried nearest our hearts—for democracy, for the rights of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own governments, for the rights and liberties of small nations, for the universal dominion of right by such a concert of free peoples as shall bring peace and safety to all nations and make the world itself at last free.—Woodrow Wilson.

"Double-Think"

"When will I be blown up?" – Faulkner

(WESTERN WORLD *drawing by Olan)*



Benjamin Hooper, Jr. fell down a well-shaft when he was 7.

Everybody rushed to help this little boy. Workers left their jobs. People prayed all night long. The Atomic Energy Commission sent equipment to the scene.

When he was finally rescued, after 24 hours of entrapment, the newspapers called it "the miracle of the well." Strangers cried with joy, bells were rung, sermons were preached.

One little boy—and so much interest, so much affection, so much relief at the saving of a soul. As it should be, for nothing is more valuable.

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A dozen years later: Where is Benjamin Hooper, Jr., now a lad of 19?

Is he drafted into the Army? Has he been put into a uniform to shoot and be shot at? Is he a number? Is he part of an "outfit"? Is he "expendable"?

What has happened to the boy the whole nation prayed for? And to millions of other Bennies and Bobs and Billies just as precious in the eyes of the Lord?

Does not this contradiction strike you as the richest irony of human life? So much to save a single Benny, and so little to stop a wholesale slaughter of our sons a few years later?

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High School World Peace Study and Speaking Program

For the period ending January 5, 1958, there were 118 High Schools registered with the Extension Division of the University of North Carolina for the High School World Peace Study & Speaking Program. They are listed below according to their mailing addresses for your convenience.

There are still three months remaining before the Annual Chartered Bus Trip to New York City, the United Nations, and Washington, D. C. All Speaking Contest winners are eligible for this trip to New York; but, whether or not a school is interested in that particular phase of the program, we feel that the High School Speaking Program can be a vital supplement to the school program and strongly urge you to contact the high schools in your area and see to it that they register for the Speaking Program with the Extension Division of UNC.

The A.F.A. office in Salisbury can supply you with a folder describing the Speaking Program, plus a registration blank. We also have a supply on hand of the folders describing the trip to New York City-Washington, D. C.

If your high school is already registered for the Speaking Program, please be sure to contact the teacher-in-charge and urge her to take advantage of the Chartered Bus Trip to New York. The school must register with the American Freedom Association for this trip.

BATH
- Bath High

BENSON
- Benson High
- Meadow High

BETHEL
- Bethel Colored High

BISCOE
- Biscoe High

BURGAW
- C. F. Pope High

CAMERON
- Cameron High

CANTON
- Bethel High

CHAPEL HILL
- Chapel Hill High

CHARLOTTE
- Central High
- Clyde A. Erwin High
- West Charlotte Sr. High
- York Road Jr. High

CHERRYVILLE
- Cherryville High

CLEMMONS
- Southwest High

COLERAIN
- Colerain High

CONCORD
- Winecoff High

CULLOWHEE
- Cullowhee High

DANA
- Dana High

DEEP RUN
- Deep Run High

DENVER
- Rock Springs High

DURHAM
- Durham High
- Hillside Colored High
- North Durham High

EDENTON
- Edenton High

ELIZABETH CITY
- Central High

EUREKA
- Eureka High

FOREST CITY
- Cool Springs High

FOUR OAKS
- Four Oaks High

FRANKLIN
- Franklin High

FREMONT
- Fremont High

GATESVILLE
- Gatesville High

GLENVILLE
- Glenville High

GLENWOOD
- Glenwood High

GOLDSBORO
- Grantham High
- New Hope High

GRIFTON
- Savannah Colored High

HAMLET
- Hamlet High

HENDERSON
- Henderson High

HERTFORD
- Perquimans High

HILLSBORO
- Aycock High
- Central Colored High

HOPE MILLS
- Hope Mills High

HUNTERSVILLE
- N. Mecklenberg Sr. High

JEFFERSON
- Ashe Central High

KANNAPOLIS
- A. L. Brown High

KENLY
- Kenly High

KINSTON
- Contentnea High
- Grainger High
- New Woodington High
- Southwood High

LEWISTON
- John B. Bond High

LEXINGTON
- Churchland High
- N. Davidson High

LITTLETON
- Aurelian Springs High

LUMBERTON
- J. H. Hayswood High
- Lumberton High

MARS HILL
- Mars Hill High

MATTHEWS
- East Mecklenburg High

MOCKSVILLE
- Davie County Consolidated High

MORGANTON
- Morganton High

MOUNT AIRY
- Beulah High

MOUNT OLIVE
- Mount Olive High

NORTH WILKESBORO
- West Wilkes High

OLIVIA
- Benhaven High

OXFORD
- John Nichols High
- Oxford High

PANTEGO
- Pantego High

PIKEVILLE
- Nahunta High
- Pikeville High

PINEHURST
- Pinehurst High

PINE LEVEL
- Pine Level High

PINK HILL
- Pink Hill High

RAEFORD
- Upchurch Colored High

RALEIGH
- Needham Broughton High

RANDLEMAN
- Randleman High

RED SPRINGS
- Red Springs High

REIDSVILLE
- Bethany High
- Reidsville High

ROANOKE RAPIDS
- Roanoke Rapids High
- William R. Davie High

ROBERSONVILLE
- East End Colored High

ROXBORO
- Person County Colored High
- Roxboro High

SALISBURY
- Boyden High

SANFORD
- W. B. Wicker Colored High

SELMA
- Selma High

SEVEN SPRINGS
- Seven Springs High

SMITHFIELD
- Smithfield High

SPINDALE
- Rutherfordton-Spindale High

SPRING HOPE
- Spring Hope High

SUGAR GROVE
- Cove Creek High

SYLVA
- Sylva High

TOWNSVILLE
- Townsville High

TRENTON
- Jones Colored High

TRINITY
- Trinity High

TROUTMAN
- Troutman High

TRYON
- Tryon High

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