

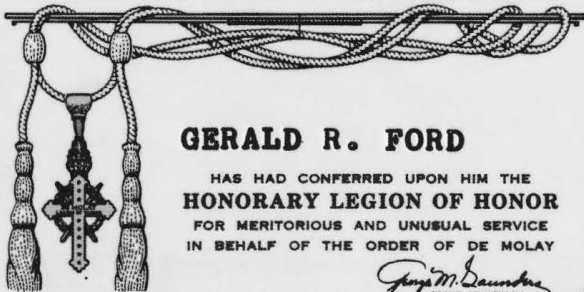
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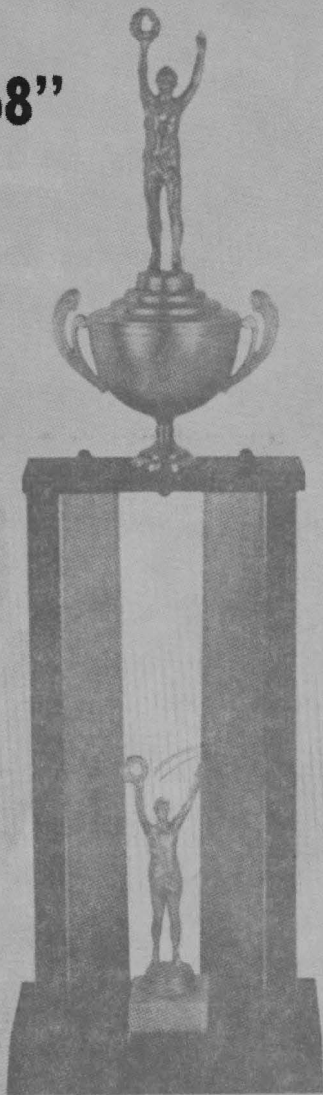
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Fraternally yours,

*George M. Saunders*  
GRAND SECRETARY



# "Top the State in '68"



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"All growth depends upon activity. There is no development physically or intellectually without effort, and effort means work. Work is not a curse; it is the prerogative of intelligence, the only means to manhood, and the measure of civilization."

—*Calvin Coolidge*

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## WELCOME

On behalf of Michigan State Chapter, Order of DeMolay, we welcome you most cordially to another annual DeMolay State Conference. Clifford C. Reeves Chapter and the members, with the capable and effective leadership of our General Chairman, Dan MacDonell and Conference Coordinators Dad David Fulmer and Dad Edsel Weitala, have been laboring hard and long to make this State Conference one we will never forget.

We are very happy that we could come back to Grand Rapids and for the commodious facilities which have been arranged for us. When many Jurisdictions are abolishing State meetings, we are fortunate to be able to continue our efforts to inspire and to be of service to all our ninety-seven Chapters. With your enthusiastic understanding of the problems that face youth today, the proper decorum for such an assemblage and plain good old common sense, we will be able to maintain the level we have attained in previous years.

Admission to all meetings will be by badge and tickets provided in your registration envelope. To those Sessions open only to DeMolays and Master Masons, you may be asked to show a current dues card. Tickets for the Honors Breakfast must be purchased at the registration table prior to the Annual Banquet on Saturday night.

DeMolay can only grow in numbers and effectiveness when we have the unified efforts of all parts of the program. Enjoy the inspiration and fellowship of your Brothers and go home to your Chapter with a renewed dedication and the desire to do all in your power to make your Chapter a real credit to the community and to DeMolay in Michigan.

Fraternally and sincerely,

DUWAIN M. HUNT  
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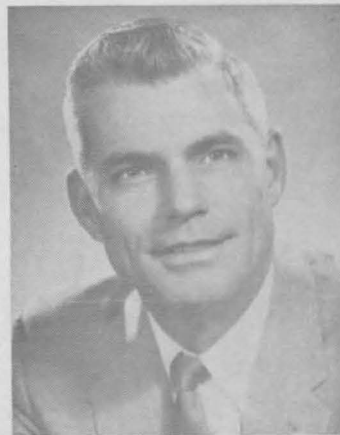
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1968

8:00 P.M. Coffee Hour — Room 322  
10:30 P.M. Punch Party — Open House —  
Ballroom, Pantlind Hotel

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1968

*Saturday Afternoon Session — Civic Auditorium*

1:15 P.M. Prelude  
1:30 P.M. Call to Order — Larry M. Dillon, P.S.M.C.  
6:00 P.M. Annual Banquet  
Exhibition Hall, Civic Auditorium

*Saturday Evening Session — Civic Auditorium*

7:45 P.M. Prelude  
8:00 P.M. Call to Order — James A. Pankas

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1968

8:15 A.M. Prelude  
8:30 A.M. Call to Order — James K. Smith, P. D. S. M. C.  
Chapel Service  
Installation of Officers  
Presentations

All Sessions beginning with Saturday afternoon are public ceremonies and we hope our ladies and their friends will attend.

## PROGRAM

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1968

### *Civic Auditorium*

- 6:45 P.M. Prelude  
7:00 P.M. Solo  
Call to Order — Roderick S. Coy, P. S. M. C.  
Entrance of Pages, Special Escorts, and Escorts  
Entrance of State Officers  
Ritualistic Opening  
DeMolay and Masonic Introductions  
Initiatory Degree — State Officers  
Presentation of Chapter Outstanding DeMolays  
who will be seated in the special section of  
the main floor.  
Calling off the evening session.  
10:30 P.M. Open House Punch Party in the Hotel Ballroom  
to meet distinguished guests and District  
Sweethearts.  
11:30 P.M. Caucus for all voting delegates. Mandatory for  
all who are entitled to vote on Saturday  
morning. Kent State Room.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1968

- 8:15 A.M. Prelude  
8:30 A.M. Call to Order — Robert A. Koch, P. S. M. C.  
Entrance of State Officers  
Opening on the DeMolay Degree  
DeMolay Degree — State Officers  
Business Session  
Report of State Master Councilor  
Committee Reports  
Business  
Election of State Councilors  
Closing Session

- 12:00 Noon Luncheon for the 1968-1969 State Board of  
Representatives. Kent State Room.  
1:00 P.M. State Mothers' Club Presentation  
1:30 P.M. State Oratorical Contest  
Place to be announced.  
1:30 P.M. Civic Auditorium  
Prelude  
Solo  
Call to Order — Larry M. Dillon, P. S. M. C.  
Entrance of State Officers  
Majority Service, State Officers  
All certificates and cards for the Majority  
Service should be given to the registration  
desk before 1:00 P.M. on Saturday.  
Legion of Honor Degree  
Cross of Honor Presentations  
Topper Award Presentations  
Presentation of Other Awards  
6:00 P.M. Annual Banquet — Civic Auditorium  
All members and guests are asked to stay  
seated at the tables until the conclusion of  
the program in the dining room.  
Invocation  
Introductions and Greetings  
Presentation of the winner of the State  
Oratorical Contest  
Presentation of awards to the District  
Outstanding DeMolays  
Other Appropriate Presentations  
8:00 P.M. Civic Auditorium  
Prelude  
Call to Order — James A. Pankas  
Entrance of Pages, Special Escorts, and Escorts  
Entrance of State Officers  
Introduction of Distinguished Guests who have  
not previously been introduced.  
Chevalier Degree  
Top the State in '68 Presentations  
State Sweetheart Pageant  
Bowl of Tribute  
Calling off of evening session.

11:30 P.M. Meeting of all Fall Term Councilors with the  
1968-1969 S.M.C. East Vandenburg Room.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1968

7:00 A.M. Honors Breakfast for Legionnaires, Chevaliers,  
Cross of Honor men, Honor Key men, holders  
of the Fidelity Cross, R.D.'s, and holders  
of P.M.C. — M.S.A. Continental Room.

8:15 A.M. Civic Auditorium

8:30 A.M. Call to Order, James K. Smith, P.D.S.M.C.  
Annual Chapel Service

### THE CHAPEL SERVICE

Hymn — "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

1.	2.
A mighty fortress is our God	Tho' devils all the world
A trusty shield and weapon	should fill,
He helps us free from every	All eager to devour us,
need	We tremble not, we fear no
That hath us now o'ertaken	ill,
The old evil foe	They shall not overpower us.
Now means deadly woe;	This world's prince may still
Deep guilt and great might	Scowl fierce as he will,
Are His dread arms in flight;	He can harm us none.
On earth is not His equal.	He's judged; the deed is done;
	One little word can fell him.

3.  
The word the still shall let remain  
Nor any thanks have for it:  
He's by our side upon the plain  
With His good gifts and spirit.  
And take they our life,  
Good, fame, child and wife,  
Let these all be gone,  
They yet have nothing won;  
The kingdom ours remaineth.

### Scripture and Prayer

#### Meditation

Hymn — "Faith of Our Fathers"

Faith of our fathers, living still  
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,  
O how our hearts beat high with joy  
Whene'er we hear that glorious word.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith  
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will strive  
To win all nations unto Thee,  
And thru the truth that comes from God  
Mankind shall then be truly free  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith  
We will be true to Thee till death.

Faith of our fathers, we will love  
Both friend and foe in all our strife.  
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how  
By kindly words and virtuous life.  
Faith of our fathers, holy faith  
We will be true to Thee till death. Amen

#### Benediction

Retiring of the 1967-1968 State Officers

Preparation of the Chapter Room for Installation

Oration by the winner of the State Oratorical Contest

Entrance of the retiring State Master Councilor

Entrance of the Installing Staff

Entrance of the 1968-1969 State Officers

Installation

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Presentation of Gavel — Jack H. Myers, Deputy of International Supreme Council, Executive Officer for Jurisdiction of Michigan

Presentation of the new State Sweetheart

Presentation of the Ralph Dawson Trophy

Presentation of the Harold F. Koch Class  
(All who have received the Initiatory and/or the DeMolay Degree at this conference please be seated in the special section on the main floor previous to the installation.)

Flower Talk

Closing of the 1968 State Conference

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1953	Richard A. Huebler	Plymouth
1954	Maxe A. Obermeyer, Jr.	Ypsilanti
1955	Richard W. Lutey	Roderick Hedlund
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1957	Edward C. Russell, Jr.	Ferndale
1958	Wayne K. North	Fellowship
1959	William E. Ballard	Flint
1960	Thomas W. Moberly	Ferndale
1961	Robert A. Koch	Dearborn
1961	Arthur Spalding	Royal Oak
1962	Ronald W. Hubbs	Plymouth
1963	Gary N. Price	Redford
1964	Gary J. Rutledge	Redford
1965	Larry M. Dillon	Battle Creek
1966	Bruce Conn	Royal Oak
1967	S. Davis Hayward, Jr.	Macomb

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## HAMMOND ORGAN

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Signature

The International  
Supreme Council of the  
**Order of DeMolay**



GREETING  
Know ye that Brother

Gerald R. Ford

residing at Alexandria, Virginia and whose name is signed  
in the margin hereof, is an *HONORARY* member for life of the

**DeMolay Legion of Honor**

subject to the Constitution and Statutes of The International Supreme Council  
of the Order of DeMolay and has been duly invested with this degree  
entitling him to be received, welcomed and honored as such everywhere.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of  
the Supreme Council to be affixed this third day of April, 1968.



*George M. Saunders*  
Grand Secretary

*Albert P. Ruerst*  
Grand Master

## DEMOLAY NOTES

Next year--1969--is the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Order of DeMolay, dedicated to building better boys. More than 3 million boys have belonged to DeMolay during the history of the Order.

Michigan is one jurisdiction of 70. There are 97 chapters in Michigan, with nearly 6,000 members.

From 700 to 800 young men will be in attendance at the State Conference in Grand Rapids. The banquet is scheduled for 6 pm., black tie.



STATE CONFERENCE OF THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY,  
SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 6, 1968,  
CIVIC AUDITORIUM, GRAND RAPIDS, MICH. UPON  
RECEIVING THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY'S HONORARY  
LEGION OF HONOR AWARD.

DAD KOCH, EXECUTIVE OFFICER MYERS,  
OTHER DISTINGUISHED OFFICERS OF THE ORDER  
OF DEMOLAY, AND DEMOLAY MEMBERS:

I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THE HONOR  
YOU HAVE BESTOWED UPON ME. I WILL CHERISH  
THIS MOMENT FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE.

MOST OF ALL, IT SPEAKS TO ME OF  
THE SHINING IDEALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE  
ORDER OF DEMOLAY AND THE FINE WORK THE SENIOR  
MEMBERS OF THE ORDER ARE DOING IN DEVELOPING  
IN OUR YOUNG DEMOLAY MEMBERS THE KIND OF  
CHARACTER WHICH HAS BUILT A GREAT NATION.

LET ME REMIND ALL AMERICANS TONIGHT  
THAT THEY LIVE IN THE MOST BLESSED LAND IN  
THE <sup>Entire</sup> UNIVERSE.



*in these troubled times*

I SPEAK OF THIS BECAUSE IT SEEMS  
THAT MANY AMERICANS NEED TO BE REMINDED.

IMPERFECT AS WE ARE AS PEOPLE,  
THERE IS NO BETTER LAND IN ALL THE WORLD.

THE QUESTION IS, WHY? HOW DID THIS  
COME ABOUT? <sup>*Let me assure you*</sup> IT DIDN'T JUST HAPPEN.

THE STORY OF HOW AMERICA WAS BORN/  
AND HOW IT GREW TO GREATNESS IS ONE OF THE  
MOST FASCINATING ACCOUNTS EVER RECORDED. THE  
CHARACTERS IN THAT STORY RANK WITH THE MOST  
GALLANT AND COURAGEOUS MEN AND WOMEN WHO HAVE  
EVER WALKED THE EARTH. THE STORY IS ONE OF  
ADVENTURE, SUFFERING, CONFLICT, DANGEROUS  
EXPLOITS, VICTORY OVER OVERWHELMING ODDS,  
DARING LEADERS, AND UNSELFISH DEVOTION TO A  
CAUSE AND TO A NATION.

IT IS THE STORY OF FREEDOM BOUGHT  
AND PAID FOR WITH THE BLOOD OF PATRIOTS AND  
SHAPED BY THEIR DEEDS--A SPIRIT OF FREEDOM  
THAT DREW FOR INSPIRATION ON AN UNSHAKABLE

FAITH IN GOD AND AN INDIVIDUAL STRENGTH THAT MET THE MOST FEARSOME CHALLENGES.

TODAY WE NEED TO RETELL THE STORY OF AMERICA. WE NEED TO STAND AGAIN ON PLYMOUTH ROCK WITH THE PILGRIMS, / VISIT VIRGINIA WITH CAPTAIN JOHN SMITH, / FIGHT THE FRENCH ON THE PLAINS OF ABRAHAM, / JOIN WITH THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS IN DRAFTING THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, / TRAVEL WITH GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON TO YORKTOWN TO ACCEPT LORD CORNWALLIS'S SURRENDER, / SAIL WITH CAPTAIN JOHN PAUL JONES, / FIGHT ALONGSIDE ANDREW JACKSON IN THE WAR OF 1812, / HEAR ABRAHAM LINCOLN DELIVER HIS GETTYSBURG ADDRESS, / SLOG THROUGH THE MUD WITH AMERICAN DOUGHBOYS AS THEY BREAK THE HINDENBERG LINE IN 1918, / STRUGGLE ALONGSIDE AMERICAN GI'S AS THEY FIGHT THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE IN WORLD WAR 2, / RAISE THE AMERICAN FLAG ON MOUNT SURIBACHI.

I AM TERRIBLY PROUD OF EVERY MEMBER

OF THE ORDER OF DEMOLAY--BECAUSE I FEEL SURE THAT EVERY DEMOLAY MEMBER IS PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN.

APART FROM THE FACT THAT IT IS EXCITING, THERE IS A COMPELLING REASON TO TELL AGAIN AND AGAIN THE STORIES OF AMERICAN HEROISM AND SUFFERING. IT IS BECAUSE NOW-- AS NEVER BEFORE--WE NEED A NEW BIRTH OF PATRIOTISM IN AMERICA.

WHAT IS PATRIOTISM? IS IT JUST AN AUTOMATIC SALUTE WHEN THE FLAG GOES BY, A FLUTTERING OF THE HEART AND A LUMP IN THE THROAT WHEN THE COLORS ARE WHIPPED SMARTLY BY THE WIND?

IN 1864, WHEN AMERICA WAS TORN BY SECTIONAL HATRED AND STRIFE, ABRAHAM LINCOLN WROTE: "THE WORLD HAS NEVER HAD A GOOD DEFINITION OF THE WORD LIBERTY, AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, JUST NOW, ARE MUCH IN NEED OF ONE."



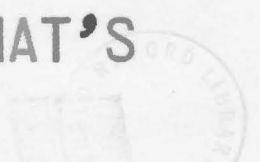


TODAY AMERICA AGAIN FACES A CRISIS OF DOUBT /  
AND DISSENSION.

TO PARAPHRASE THE WORDS OF LINCOLN,  
"THE WORLD HAS NEVER HAD A GOOD DEFINITION  
OF THE WORD PATRIOTISM, AND THE AMERICAN  
PEOPLE, JUST NOW, ARE MUCH IN NEED OF ONE."

IN MOST OF US THE SIGHT OF OUR FLAG  
EVOKES A WARM FEELING. IS THIS PATRIOTISM?  
NO, IT IS JUST A SYMPTOM OF IT. BUT IT POINTS  
TO THE REAL MEANING OF PATRIOTISM, THE ROOTS  
FROM WHICH IT SPRINGS--LOVE OF COUNTRY, / A  
BELIEF IN YOUR COUNTRY, / A DEEP DEVOTION TO  
YOUR COUNTRY, / AND A BELIEF IN YOURSELF AS  
PART OF YOUR COUNTRY.

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SECURITY THAN HE HIMSELF ENJOYED. THAT'S  
REAL PATRIOTISM--LOVE OF COUNTRY.



IS IT OUR COUNTRY, RIGHT OR WRONG?

YES--BUT WE SHOULD NEVER BE SO BLIND THAT WE REFUSE TO SEE WHEN WE ARE WRONG AND THEN SEEK TO PUT MATTERS RIGHT.

WHAT IT ALL COMES DOWN TO IS THIS-- WE ALL HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO STAND UP FOR AMERICA, A RESPONSIBILITY TO GIVE THE BEST WE HAVE TO MEET THE TERRIBLE PROBLEMS OUR NATION FACES TODAY.

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PATRIOTIC AMERICANS KNOW THAT FREEDOM IS NOT ONLY A RIGHT / BUT A RESPONSIBILITY.

LINCOLN USED THE WORD RESPONSIBILITY ALMOST AS OFTEN AS HE USED THE WORD FREEDOM. HE ASKED WHO HAD PAID FOR HIS FREEDOM AND

WHAT THE PRICE? HE ASKED HOW FREEDOM COULD BE PRESERVED FOR AMERICANS AND ALL GOOD MEN EVERYWHERE.

AMERICA NOW IS STUMBLING THROUGH THE DARKNESS OF HATRED AND DIVISIVENESS.

OUR VALUES, OUR PRINCIPLES, AND OUR DETERMINATION TO SUCCEED AS A FREE AND DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE WILL GIVE US A TORCH TO LIGHT THE WAY.

AND WE WILL SURVIVE AND BECOME THE STRONGER--NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF A PATRIOTISM THAT STANDS FOR LOVE OF COUNTRY, BUT A PATRIOTISM THAT STANDS FOR LOVE OF PEOPLE.

PERHAPS EACH GENERATION MUST, THROUGH ITS OWN SUFFERING AND SACRIFICE, REDISCOVER THE MEANING OF FREEDOM AND LOVE OF COUNTRY.

LET US, AT THIS TIME OF GREAT CRISIS FOR OUR NATION, SEEK THE REAL MEANING OF FREEDOM WITHIN OURSELVES. LET US EXPRESS,

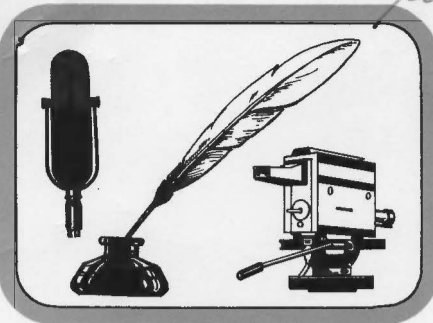
UNASHAMED, / THE GREAT LOVE OF COUNTRY THAT  
BURNS WITHIN US. LET US LIVE OUR LIVES  
WITH COURAGE AND CONVICTION, / FAITH IN FREEDOM, /  
PASSION FOR JUSTICE / AND DEVOTION TO DUTY. //  
FOR THIS IS THE TRUE MEANING OF PATRIOTISM.  
AND THIS WILL BE THE SALVATION OF AMERICA.

THANK YOU.

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Most of all, it speaks to me of the shining ideals and objectives of the Order of DeMolay and the fine work the senior members of the Order are doing in developing in our young DeMolay members the kind of character which has built a great nation.

Let me remind all Americans tonight that they live in the most blessed land in the universe.

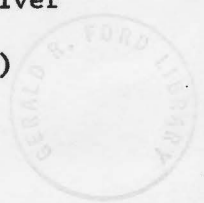
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The story of how America was born and how it grew to greatness is one of the most fascinating accounts ever recorded. The characters in that story rank with the most gallant and courageous men and women who have ever walked the earth. The story is one of adventure, suffering, conflict, dangerous exploits, victory over overwhelming odds, daring leaders, and unselfish devotion to a cause and to a nation.

It is the story of freedom bought and paid for with the blood of patriots and shaped by their deeds--a spirit of freedom that drew for inspiration on an unshakable faith in God and an individual strength that met the most fearsome challenges.

Today we need to retell the story of America. We need to stand again on Plymouth Rock with the Pilgrims, visit Virginia with Captain John Smith, fight the French on the Plains of Abraham, join with the Continental Congress in drafting the Declaration of Independence, travel with General George Washington to Yorktown to accept Lord Cornwallis's surrender, sail with Captain John Paul Jones, fight alongside Andrew Jackson in the War of 1812, hear Abraham Lincoln deliver

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What is patriotism? Is it just an automatic salute when The Flag goes by, a fluttering of the heart and a lump in the throat when The Colors are whipped smartly by the wind?

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Today America again faces a crisis of doubt and dissension.

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In most of us the sight of our Flag evokes a warm feeling. Is this patriotism? No, it is just a symptom of it. But it points to the real meaning of patriotism, the roots from which it springs--love of country, a belief in your country, a deep devotion to your country, and a belief in yourself as part of your country.

Patriotism is the force that makes every decent American citizen want to leave to his children and to his neighbor's children more opportunity, more freedom and more security than he himself enjoyed. That's real patriotism--love of country.

Is it our country, right or wrong? Yes--but we should never be so blind that we refuse to see when we are wrong and then seek to put matters right.

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Lincoln used the word responsibility almost as often as he used the word freedom. He asked who had paid for his freedom and what the price? He asked how freedom could be preserved for Americans and all good men everywhere.

America now is stumbling through the darkness of hatred and divisiveness.

Our values, our principles, and our determination to succeed as a free and democratic people will give us a torch to light the way.

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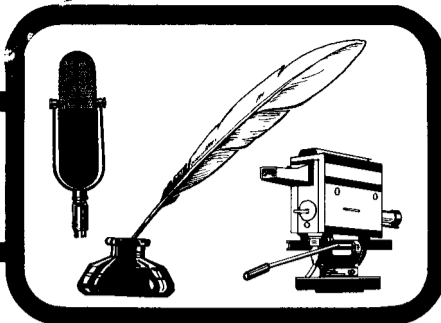
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