

OVER THE WEEK-END TWO DISTINGUISHED MEN, IN VASTLY DIFFERING FIELDS' SPOKE AT THE IMMEDIATE BRISTOL ARPA. THERE WAS STRIKING SIMILARITY IN THE CORE OF THEIR MESSAGES WHICH THEY GAVE TO ALSO VASTLY DIFFERING AUDIENCES.

DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN, THE EMINENT PASTOR EMERITUS OF CHRIST METHODIST CHURCH IN NEW YORK CITY, GAVE THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON AT EMORY AND HENRY COLLEGE.

IN BRIEF, HE DECLARED THAT WHILE THE NUCLEAR AGE IS CONFRONTING THE NATION AND THE WORLD WITH NEW PROBLEMS AND DIRECTIONS, THERE ARE ALSO ILLIMITABLE OPPORTUNITIES IN LIFE IN THE SPACE AGE. HE CALLED ON YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONSIDER THE "GOALS" THEY WANT IN LIFE, WHAT KIND OF PEOPLE THEY WANT TO BE. HE ASKED THEM TO HAVE "A SENSE OF MISSION" AND SAID THAT IF THEIR GOAL IS ONLY TO "GET AHEAD IN THE WORLD", THEN OUR COUNTRY WILL SUFFER.

DR. SOCKMAN SAID THE GREAT PROBLEM OF THE "SEARCHING 60s" IS FOR FREE PEOPLE TO LEARN WHAT THEY WANT, AND THE WORLD MUST FIND A WAY FOR THE RACES TO LIVE TOGETHER IN HARMONY.

SPEAKING AT MOUNTAIN HOME VETERANS FACILITY IN JOHNSON CITY, SENATOR ALBERT GORE OF TENNESSEE TRACED THE RISE AND FALL OF NATIONS, AND HOW ONE AFTER ANOTHER HAVE BEEN TOPPLED THROUGH FAILURE OF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY OF LEADERSHIP.

SENATOR GORE SAID THE LIFE SPAN OF THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN A SPECK ON THE WORLD'S TIME HISTORY, BUT THIS NATION IN ITS AGE HAS BROUGHT MORE CHALLENGE TO THE HUMAN SPIRIT THAN ANY OTHER AGE OF MANKIND.

IN DIFFERENT WORDS THAN DR. SOCKMAN USED IN CALLING FOR PEOPLE TO HAVE A "SENSE OF MISSION," SENATOR GORE ASSERTED THAT MILITARY MIGHT IS NOT ENOUGH; THAT WE MUST PROVIDE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP, AND POINT TO A WAY OF LIFE THAT DEDICATES THE INDIVIDUAL CITIZEN AND THE GOVERNMENT TO GUARANTEE THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE, AND FREEDOMS.

SENATOR GORE CITED OUR FLUBBING OF LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITY AFTER WORLD WAR I WHEN THE UNITED STATES REJECTED THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

HE ACCURATELY PICTURED THE EMERGENCE OF OUR COUNTRY AS THE INCONTESTABLE LEADING WORLD POWER AFTER WORLD WAR 2 AND OUR FULL ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSIBILITY THROUGH CREATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ITS FIRM SUPPORT BY REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRAT ADMINISTRATIONS.

SENATOR GORE THEN WARNED THAT "SOME OF US ARE NOT YET PREPARED TO PAY THE COST OF LEADERSHIP THAT GOES WITH POWER IN A PERIOD IN WHICH THE ROLE OF AMERICA IS PRIVILEGED, IF NOT A CHOSEN ONE. HE CALLED FOR LEADERSHIP IN COMMUNITIES, AND IN THE NATION, SO IT MAY BE MORALLY CLEAN.

DR. RALPH W. SOCKMAN AND SENATOR ALBERT GORE ARE MEN OF GREAT MENTAL DEPTH AND OF FULL DEDICATION TO THE WELFARE OF OUR NATION.

ALSO THEY ARE VERY PRACTICAL MEN.

BOTH REALIZE THAT TO SOME EXTENT "THE LAW OF THE JUNGLE" WILL FOREVER EXIST IN THE ECONOMIC FIELD IN THE BUSINESS OF "GETTING AHEAD" IN MATERIAL THINGS.

BUT THESE DISTINGUISHED MEN...IN THEIR WIDELY DIFFERING FIELDS...PINPOINT A GREAT NATIONAL NEED IN THEIR CALLS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO CONSIDER GOALS... TO HAVE A SENSE OF MISSION....AND TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY THAT IS A PART OF LEADERSHIP AND POWER.