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I like to be in North Carolina, where Good Government
is a habit -

Refugee from
Classroom

A Tradition established at the turn of the Century
My fellow students, my theme today is this: and continued
by each of
your governments
to this day.

What can we Americans ask of each other in 1965?

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What is our place in the world?

It was only thirty years ago that millions of

Americans asked of each other ~~these questions~~ and asked
in Pathetic Plea -

"Brother, can you spare a dime?"

People's Port

Our great friend Carl Sandburg tells about

those times.

"The man in the street is fed ...

with lies in peace, gas in war,

① Navy & Air Force Rate Honor Award

"~~and he~~ may live now

just around the corner from you

trying to sell

the only thing he has to sell,

the power of his hand and brain

to labor for wages, for pay,

for cash of the realm.

And there are no takers,

he can't connect."

No, my fellow students -- and we are all students in this world, for the learning process never stops -- no, there were no takers then, and there were millions of us who could not connect.

I saw all of it as a young man -- a young man the age of most of you in this audience. I saw my neighbors and people in South Dakota losing

their farms, their businesses, their health, their
hope.

All we had was dust and desperation.

We didn't worry much then about:

"Have you gone Cunard in the off-season?"

"Why is the Fastback the most exciting
news in America?"

"Have you cleaned with a White Tornado?"

No. We worried then about shelter ... clothing
... and holding onto work and life.

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But to my generation they will always be fresh
and real. And a reminder that our precious democratic
society once tottered on the edge.

This nation thirty years ago was divided,
deeply divided: Have and have-not, business and labor,

North and South, black and white, farm and city,

left and right. / But in face of disaster and

revolution we united -- united, I might add, under

brilliant leadership -- to face our common foes.

/ = First, economic crisis at home. Then, totalitarianism
and barbarism abroad.

< We did not have to be asked what we could
do for each other and for our country. We had to
fight for survival.

< Most of you here today were born after those
crises had passed. You have lived in time of

prosperity. *But also in a time of*

uncertainty - a time of balance of
new terror -

< But your young generation has not turned
inward on itself or satisfied itself with material

pleasures.

This generation is on the
move - it strives for the better -
It welcomes change and molds it.
Study history, etc.

✓ You have responded to the needs of these times
and you have done it in magnificent fashion.

✓ *this generation is*
you are the volunteer generation. - I have seen it
in the midwest where students battle the floods.

✓ There are now 10,000 volunteers serving in
the Peace Corps ... with more than 3,000 already
returned and another 100,000 waiting for their
chance to participate.

✓ When VISTA -- the Volunteers in Service to
America -- was launched, there were 3,000 inquiries
on its first day of *operation*

✓ And I know that ~~most of the inquiries~~
today there is the question: What can I do to
serve my country and my fellow man?

President Lyndon Johnson *having held* his first

Presidential appointment at 27 and his first ~~election~~
political office at 29. *told us -*
~~he has said:~~

Jol Corps -
250,000
Applicants

Americans are
Volunteers -
Charity.

“No one knows more than I the fires
that burn in the hearts of young men who
yearn for the chance to do better what
they see their elders not doing well ...
or not doing at all.”

Old men dream dreams, but young men see
visions.

Today in our country there is a vision of
a Great Society. *you have missed it here -*

The nature of this vision has much to do
with my question here today: What can we Americans
ask of each other in 1965?

In this time of prosperity, is the Great
Society to be a welfare state? Some may think so.

But that is not the vision of President Johnson ~~the vision of~~

Neither is it my vision.

✓ We see the Great Society as a state of opportunity.

✓ No government owes every man a living. But a just government of, by and for the people does owe every man an opportunity to enjoy the blessings of life.

And, The Great Society is based on the proposition that every man shall have that opportunity.

✓ If you examine the legislative program in this Congress ... if you listen to the words of our President ... if you look into your own heart you cannot escape the conclusion that we are succeeding, we are breaking through in our efforts to provide all American ~~men and women~~ with that precious opportunity.

yes ✓ Some, once receiving it, may squander it. But all Americans must have the chance --

to long
a chance ~~was~~ denied to many -- to make something
better of their lives and the lives of their
children.

Only a few days ago this Congress passed a
~~great~~ bill which is a basic investment toward
achieving that equality of opportunity: the
Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Jefferson was right. We cannot be both ignorant

and free.

*Illiteracy and inadequate education
are no longer tolerable in America.*

This Act in itself is accomplishment enough

to satisfy an ordinary Congress. But it will be

followed soon by passage of the Higher Education bill.

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and teaching materials. They will provide funds

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here into dangerous ground, but I ~~must~~ ^{dare} say that
there must thus be an appropriate balance between
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The education bills passed by this Congress
will contribute to the long-term, lasting health
of this nation. So will a dozen other ^{*social & economic*} ~~measures~~ ^{*measures*} which
will come from this Congress, acting out the will
of the American people.

For the American people, in unprecedented
peacetime consensus and unity, have made known
their purposes.

Tell our forefathers, We must in this time
and place ~~pledge~~ ^{pledge} our lives, our fortunes
~~we today stand united as Americans in~~
& our sacred honor on the commitment
agreement:

That all Americans shall have truly equal
education.

↳ That all Americans shall have truly equal
voting rights.

↳ That ~~we shall provide~~ ^{all Americans shall have the opportunity for} adequate medical care ^{and health}
~~care~~ ^{Care} ~~our people~~.

↳ That we ~~shall~~ ^{must} make our cities better places
in which to live and work ~~in safety and health~~.

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history, and natural resources.

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immigrants who can enrich and lend new vitality to
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Americans alike adjust to technological revolution

and social change.

*and we stand united
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That we shall not drop the torch of
international leadership.

For there are voices in America today which
say that America is overextended in the world ...
that other people's problems needn't be our
problems ... that we ought to close up shop overseas
and enjoy our fruits here in the Good Old U.S.A. —

When that time comes, this nation is doomed.

Who in the world will work for democracy if

we do not?

Who in the world can preserve the peace if

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Who in the world can set the example, can offer

the needed hand, if we do not?

We live in a time when everything is complex,

when there are no more rapid and easy answers.

and

We live in a time when we must exert our
patience as never before.

L Let me spell it out: Have we the patience,
for instance, to work, sacrifice and bleed five
thousand miles from home -- in Vietnam -- for
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of totalitarianism have that patience. !

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But, as President Johnson declared in his
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⌞ We will not sacrifice small nations in (1930's - Hitler)
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threatened.

⌞ But at the same time, with equal determination,
we will pursue each possibility of lasting and
just peace. The pursuit of peace resembles the
building of a great cathedral. It is the work of
generations. ⌞ In concept it requires a master
architect; in execution, the labors of many. *and it*
requires ^{infinite} ~~infinite~~ *persevering patience* -

Thus I call on you as the generation coming
to leadership to be strong and persevering: strong
in defense of justice and in opposition to tyranny...
persevering in seeking a goal of peace for all men.

⌞ I return then once more to my question: What
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I am essentially a religious person. ~~I~~
~~am not ashamed of it.~~ I believe that God
created man in His own image. I believe that
there is a spark of the divine in every person.
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It denies the truth of human dignity

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our religious and ethical heritage.

↳ To pursue an honorable peace because it is

the greatest gift we can ~~give~~ ^{offer} to our children.

~~And we must remember that there can be no peace at all~~

and not the state - is the most important thing

worth preserving in this world.

We can do ~~all of this~~ ^{all of this} It is within our grasp --

perhaps for the first time in history.

↳ Yes, the first step toward achieving these goals is

the longest journey. ↳ And we have made that ^{first step} ~~step~~

And the second step. And now we take a third.

↳ We are privileged each year, each decade,
each generation in our time to take a new step.

How fortunate we are to live in this dramatic and creative period of change, of challenge, of opportunity. How great is our responsibility to achieve excellence of mind and spirit to do the tasks that must be done.

I appeal, ~~to you~~ *to you* of this generation of 1969.

Make no little plans.

Have no little dreams.

Do not set your standards and goals by those of ~~yesterday~~ *of yesterday* - ~~indeed~~,

Do not set your standards and goals by those of this time. *Left your sights - look to new horizons*

Challenge the impossible. ~~Do what cannot~~

~~and~~ *and* We are doing it in space, in medicine in science & Technology, in human relations. We are no longer students of history - we must be the makers of history!

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you spare a dime?"

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~~My friends, I ask of you:~~ Believe in the
~~dignity~~ ^{help} of man ... make a better life for our
people ... save the peace ... build a Great Society
to last for generations beyond us.

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INFORMATION

FROM THE
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So that there can be no question that man ---and not the state --- is the most important thing worth preserving in this world.

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