The American Soul Aflame

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Down through the ages humanity’s ever onward march has been toward a higher and better life.

The great driving force back of man’s progress is his soul. Humanity’s progress during any given period of history can be measured largely by the quality of its soul.

History also teaches that when a nation loses the soul that gave it birth, that nation loses its life.

A Nation without the progressive driving soul, is on the decline, and deserves death.

Since the dawn of civilization the real live soul of man has craved for Liberty, fought for Liberty, and died for Liberty. Men have in all ages willingly given their lives and their all in defense of their most cherished treasure - Liberty to die in its cause has been a most glorious death.
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And all because, the Liberty soul aflame cannot be extinguished. It has always lived in the past and will continue to live in the future as long as man has a soul.

Our own America has been a fair example of the foregoing. Right here in America, the great modern Liberty Soul first saw the light born and reared on new soil it thrived to beat the band on our free atmosphere, New Land, Pioneer Life, and an Adventurous Spirit were the happy combination that produced the Liberty Soul of 1776. This very Spirit has left a lasting impression on the lives and thoughts of men in all the progressive countries of the world.

Strong, self-reliant and purpose were the boys of 1776. To be ruled by a foreign Monarch seemed a joke to them. They declared war on their mighty oppressors, fought for a long
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years, won their freedom, created a new faith and gave the world a new soul. This soul is becoming more manifest from day to day.

America has had many dark hours in her brief history but her darkest hour came to her in the midst of her struggle for freedom during the Revolutionary War. After a long and weary struggle the patriots had become discouraged, had nearly lost all hope of ever gaining their object; their dreams of a free America seemed shattered. There was one great patriot among them however who had both soul and vision with which to conquer the enemy. “These are the days that try men’s souls” cried this patriot, “we got to stick to the task for we must win this fight. Therefore I ask you to throw your heart and soul into this fight for the benefit of all mankind.” The boys of 1776 listened to this appeal with renewed hope, vigor, and courage. They fought and won, and
(4) Progressive Humanity achieved liberty for themselves and for posterity on that eventful day they forged the Liberty Hedge which must eventually result in World Freedom.

Since the American revolution many other countries have fought for Democracy and won; other peoples less fortunate have at least gained some liberal concessions grudgingly giving by their Royal Rulers, showing the march of progress in the world in the last century which can be directly attributed to the "America: The Father of Liberty and Progress."
The Rights of Man vs Divine Rights

The success of the American revolution was the first hard blow dealt those who believe in and rule by "Divine Right". It was America.

The father of Liberty and Progress, who proved to the world that the claim of a ruler to rule by Divine Right is a fraud, and besides being a very expensive scheme, it is also very embarrassing to those of the rulers who have inherited a bigger heart and brain, than was given by Nature to his royal highness.

The heartless and brainless Monarchs have been meeting in history. They invariably produce two things, either a ludicrous comedy on the one hand, or a bloody tragedy on the other.

The who has it in his head that he is appointed from on high to rule, is slow to recognize any rights claimed by his subjects. He holds the rights of other people and nations in contempt. The very idea of being favored by Divine sanction carries with it
The Rights of man continued a feeling of arrogance and conceit. Such a Monarch will not respect the rights of humanity. The Divine rights ruler is a constant menace to the World's progress because he abhors the principle by which the world really progresses, viz. equal civil and political rights, and the same opportunity to all. As we well know that when people are given the opportunity to rule themselves, his divine right rule and power are at once transferred to the people.

The Divine right Monarch and the people can never get together on the question involving the rights of man principle, it being next to impossible for the Monarch to recognize the rights of man without putting himself out of business, forfeiting his throne.

The world has had many divine right rulers for many centuries, many of these rulers have been benevolent and shown a fatherly interest in the welfare of their subjects. The Liberty soul however
Rights of man con.

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It wants none of that paternal stuff.

I would sooner paddle its own canoe, and take no chances on blocking the path of progress.

The later-day Monarchs have no doubt felt the powerful pressure exerted by the modern current of thought known as the rights of man principle, which thought is running deep in the great sea of modern humanity.

It is well to remember that the old order of Rule by Divine right has existed for ages. The idea is thoroughly ingrained in the lives and thoughts of the people who accept it as a matter of fact.

It is therefore wise and just not to harbor any ill feeling for those who believe in or live by that idea. Concentrate all your might and power intelligently and smash the old order by defeating the people who are fighting for it.

The Rule by Divine Rights idea and that "Might makes right" are closely allied. Both ideas were rocked and nursed in the same cradle of the
The Rights of man con.
dark past. That Might makes
right is not openly preached by those
who practice it, the whole world
however is in its mighty throes and
feels its pressure only too sharply
today. Both ideas to rule by
Divine Right and that Might makes
right are opposed to the "live and let
live" and the Rights of man principle.
Both of the old order ideas must be
smashed by America, "The Father
of Liberty and Progress."
There are good reasons to believe that away back in the dark past the Divine Right idea was fathered and feared by those fellows who secured their positions by the power of might. No doubt they believed in "Safely first so they fed the little minds of their subjects with the big idea of their Divine Right to rule them. That idea has worked well for a long time, but it got a bad puncture at the time of the American Revolution, and ever since that time the idea has been losing its wind. The growing mind and heart of man has been largely responsible for that idea losing prestige in the world. A whole series of revolutions have taken place in nearly all the countries of the world since the American Revolution. They many revolutions have completely changed the lives and thoughts of men.
Mans Destiny

Revolutions are the result of everlasting change, change for the better it seems. Perhaps no changes in the world's history have been more rapid, and for the ultimate betterment of man than have been the changes that have taken place since the American revolution. Men of vision and intellect have been astounded at the rapid economic changes, and asked, what next? Millions of ordinary humans of ordinary brains could not grasp the meaning of these changes, the result being that these millions have fallen far behind to the rear, both mentally and physically, of the rapid march of progress.

But to the men and women who understand the significance of these rapid changes it is as clear and plain as the noonday sun in a clear sky to these people, it means the rise of the rights of man.
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idea, the dawn of a new freedom for every man, woman, and child in the world, this new freedom will be the result of the great changes to take place soon, it will bring about a condition where every man will be willing to accord the other the same rights and privileges he himself enjoys. When everybody enjoys true liberty, then will liberty and democracy be a fact, and true liberty can only come to all when the whole nation is solidly united, even with every member co-operating with every other member for the nation's good, and what is good for the nation is good for the individual member, this is very true right now, because real liberty can only be brought about by earnest cooperation of every member of our nation, organized cooperation with the country will be the basis upon which the newer liberties will rest.
Mans Destiny

Selfishness is now and always has been the world's slave driven. Selfishness stands between humanity and liberty, but co-operation now with the nation while at war will win co-operation and an opportunity to share in its fruits during peace. It is now that we must shoulder the big wheel for our country, that the wheel will turn for us after the war with a little less effort on our part. Organized co-operation now will give us the benefits that must result from organized co-operation after the war. Ultra Selfishness, the enemy within us, must be killed first before we can hope to speedily subdue the enemy without.

To be happy is the craving of the individual soul but true happiness is not possible until every soul is given the same opportunity to share in the things that make happiness possible. Give and let live will be the slogan of the new
Man's Destiny

freedom, why not now? Pour the selfish enemy and make him respect the above slogan.

Every American soul must set his soul on fire with the burning desire to render service to "America: The Father of Liberty and Progress!"
The Old order vs The New order

These are the days when the American soul will be put to the final test. Ask: what would we give to have the soul of 1776 guide us now? We would give our lives and our fortunes for such a soul. If souls could be bought, too bad that real winning cannot be bought, if they could be had that way. Uncle Sam would put quick finish to the old order, people's ambitions, but souls, real winners, can be developed, therefore it will be up to you to develop a winning soul within you. He can inject into ourselves the wonderful power and force of the soul that moved the boys of 1776. We must have that very soul to win, it is the mightiest weapon we can use in the present war.

The boys of 1776 started this thing and we're to finish it. America started the blaze that has fired millions of souls the world over with the desire of a higher and better life. The world over, we must help them realize their soul's desire, for it is well to repeat that true freedom
The Old order (15) we continued cannot be enjoyed by anyone nation until all the nations are free from the misrule of the old order regime.

Yes: we Americans will be put to the final test in this great struggle between the two great forces of the earth. The Old Order Nations, arrayed against the New Order Nations we belong to the New order, crowd. The Old order crowd are determined to give us a lick for our money, because the old order hates like everything to die at the hands of the New order which it also hates, the Old order is full of hate, So then this struggle is clearly defined. The Old order people bucking the rising tide of the New Order, racial and national prejudice will fade away from the cloudy vision of men and the struggle will be seen in its true light. The New Order's pressure has long been felt by the chiefs of the old order, they have viewed the former's rapid march with alarm, this pressure of the New order ideals have been continuous since the boys of 1776 forged the liberty
The Old order ceases. Continued
Hedge which has been slowly driven
into the vitals of the old order by economic
evolution, given expression by progressive
thinking men and women the world
over. The New Order is the
hope of the World, it is the champion
of all Humanity.

The Old order harks back to an
inglorious age of the dark past when
the growth of man was stunted in
mind and body, where the bloody
hand of Divine Right strangled the light of reason and
choked the voice of progressive thought.

The New Order recognizes
a person as a human being with equal
rights and opportunity to all.

The Old order has on the whole
treated the ordinary human as an
animal. The New order aims
to enlighten man all humanity
that it may continuously climb
to a higher plane of life, thought,
and action. All of us want the
better things offered us by the New Order
Old order be continued
We want none of the old order stuff.
Therefore, let us fix our souls with the spirit of 1776 and finish what the old boys started that we may be a credit to "America".
The Father of Liberty & Progress,
The War

The Americans, the larger portion of us at least, did not believe in peace as long as we were enjoying peace. We hated war, we did not want war, we believed in peace, we loved peace, and we loved liberty, and just because we loved these things, is the very reason we are in this war. To defend the things we love, that is why we should go into this war whole heartedly and learn to love the war for the good things it will bring America and all mankind.

Then we consider the designs of the old order people, of the things we love most, it is really our good fortune that we are in the war because now we have a chance to defend our rights and things we love, and while we have the chance to fight for the things we love let us make the most of it. Let us put the spirit into this thing liberty, dearest to our hearts, that it deserves.
The War Bow:

Had the old order people succeeded in defeating our allies while we were busy courting a false peace, our chances would have been mighty slim in trying to save our skins with humanity's greatest enemy knocking at our doors with his 42 centimeter rakes.

Again, this war is a good thing for America and Americans. It will bring us together. We will pull ourselves together. It will teach us our errors of the past as well as the present and how to overcome them. It will teach us how to save the things we have wasted. It will teach how to get health and how to retain it. It will teach us spiritual wisdom. It will cause us to unite our efforts in a common cause because this final struggle between the old and new order is going to give America a soul such as the world has never before felt or experienced.
The War con.
The old order leaders have taken on an ancient ferocious character. They are making no pretense of ever having had the thin veneer covering of modern civilization.

Employing every device known to modern science and industry coupled with their ancient philosophy of might and love for murder they have gone the limit, but their ferocious methods have only served us. We have lost all fear, the fearlessness of the New order. People, the dauntless spirit of the sons of the New world to be, has worried the old order leaders considerably and well it should, for the great spirit of the New order surely going to rout the spirit of the old order for the good of all mankind.

The dying kick of the old order is about the fiercest thing ever delivered in the world's history. If it surely would be a bad thing for the world to succeed in its death struggle.
The war con
to accidentally deliver a knockout punch to the rising new order just at a time when the old order is about to die. What of poor humanity in such an event? The world would be pushed back into the abyss of time for thousands of years, and humanity would have to begin all over again. The struggle all over again.

One can hear the death rattle in the old order's doings and sayings. Their people's talk is shallow and deceitful. The truth is their enemy. We can beat them with the power of truth. The truth is the modern weapon of the new order. Let us practice it with all our might. Let our tongues be an emblem of the truth, that the world may sing the praises of America, the Father of Liberty and Progress.
Fuel for the Soul

Preparation is the order of the day. Are you, as an individual American prepared to work and fight for liberty? As an American you will prepare to work and fight for liberty. You can do your country good by doing yourself good. You can improve your health and strength. This in turn will give improved health and strength to Uncle Sam.

Health is Uncle Sam's most valuable asset; it is good health that has proven such a strong factor in prolonging the war, for the old order people saw to it that health of a high standard was being maintained among their fighting forces. A sound mind and body in fighting men as well as in our working population is absolutely necessary for success on the firing line. A word everybody should prepare themselves just as though they felt that they would soon be called on to defend their country in a very short time.
Fuel for the soul soon.

If you were called to defend your country, say in a couple of months, and you had previously prepared to put yourself in good physical condition, then you find the task much easier and more pleasant than if you were obliged to train after you had been called to the colors. We may all have to fight soon, why not prepare our bodies and get ready to fight right now?

Bodily exercise, intelligently directed, will make your blood busier and drive it through your body. Plenty of fresh air, deep breathing, eating good wholesome food, gradually cutting down on the intake of same, if you have been in the habit of filling up, give your stomach a rest. Cut out some of your unnecessary and wasteful habits, drink plenty of good water, take long walks early in the morning, rapid walking is best for health, occasional air and water baths help force yourself.
Fuel for the soul, too.
to do these things, and they will
become a daily habit, a fine habit
too, for while you are not taking
pure blood, you are producing
a soul, an unconquerable soul,
and this means a lot to Uncle Sam
because it is such the kind of
soul that will save Uncle Sam
from defeat.

Exercise every muscle in your body
at least twice daily, begin by taking
easy exercises increase exercises gradually.
Be a \textit{Kid} again, try some of the stunts
you used to do at school. Lean a
few somersaults each day after while
you will get so that you would sooner
miss a meal than you would miss
your exercises and when you get to
feel like that you will be about normal.

If you are along in years, have
any weakness or chronic disorder
consult your doctor, let him prescribe
your exercises. Fresh air and
Sunlight are free to us all, get as much
Tend for the soul, too.

of both as you possibly can indulge
in open air sports and pastimes
whenever opportunity offers seek
health in the big outdoors and you
will be amply rewarded, for health
gotten in the open air is real health,
outdoor pastimes are age killers,
disease preventatives and a live
soul producer.

To eat more food than the body needs
for health is wasted food. Health
can be best conserved by cutting
down on the eats gradually or to
miss a meal occasionally, a good
healthy appetite is worth more than
a full stomach. To eat less gradually
or to miss a meal occasionally
will give one a healthy appetite, false
appetites are due to gluttony and overeating.

An overloaded stomach is a soul
-killer, therefore avoid overeating
and look to your health first.

Many people have greatly improved
their health by eating one meal less
per day, why not try it? You may
find the experiment of great benefit to yourself as well as to the Nation. You kill 2 birds with one stone concerning Health and Food every time you miss a meal, provided you have always eaten too much, but do not go to the other extreme and eat too little. Read Health Magazines and books, keep yourself informed on this most vital subject before the American people to-day.

Every Employer could do America a great service by starting a system of physical exercises for his employees for at least 15 minutes each day. The Employer would be the gainer as would the Nation in increased Health, Health and efficiency. Shake yourselves, drive your blood, purify it, breathing pure fresh air that your soul might be stirred to knock the wind out of the Old Order forever and save America. The Father of Liberty and Progress.
There is a power within us all which is different and apart from the purely mechanical workings of our bodies. This power lies dormant in most of us, but there are times when it makes itself felt even in those who are unconscious of its presence. There are times when the individual feels inspired, as it were, to do that which is just, noble, and good, even though said individual has a bad character whose daily habits run counter to that which is good. Surely there must have been some power within him to persuade him to do right.

This great power is God who has found entrance by way of our divine spark or subconscious mind.

God's power is just as free and true as is the Sunlight and Fresh air, but we must go after all of them to be benefited. He cannot have our physical beings benefited by merely
Power for the Soul continues to be sought in the sun and fresh air when we are shut in poorly lighted and ventilated rooms. We must go out of doors to get their real benefit. Every sensible person knows this, because every sensible person avail themselves of fresh air and sunlight as often as opportunity offers. So it is with God's power which has made itself free to us but to be benefited by its influence we must go after it in the right way. All things or thoughts as thoughts are things: when bad, shut out the power of God, such thoughts as the harboring of ill-feeling towards your fellowman, revenge, hatred, selfishness, pre-judice and every other impure thought shut out the power of good because God is good. God being a mental being and acts through our thoughts. We must think of God as the power within us for good, to think of God as the
Power for the Soul continued

power within us for good inviting
God and shut out evil or impure
thought. Every time an unjust
injure thought enters your mind
think of God as hard as you can.
To think of God stimulates thought
and makes one's task lighter.
To affirm God's power within you
is going after God's power. Quietly,
relax every muscle in your body. This
may require a little practice. Then
think of God and repeat in your
mind that you recognize God's
power within you for good only
that God will protect you from
all evil and harm, or you may
affirm God in any other simple
manner of your own. Simplicity
is a tower of strength when you
affirm, pray, or think of God.
Complete relaxation of every muscle
in your body after a strenuous day,
open your mind to God, this is a
good nerve soother, gives courage,
drives away all worry and fear.
Power for the Soul con.

What has God's power got to do with winning the War for us you may ask? Everything. God is right, because God is right. We must enlist God's power on our side, the sooner we kill all selfishness and cooperate for the good of the Nation the sooner will end the war with God's help. The Practical Militarist may laugh at the idea of God's power helping us win, of course. Physical and material preparedness is necessary because that is God's ... has that stuff down to a science you've got to beat him with something better than he has in the shape of material preparedness. We must enlist God's services through our thoughts, the more we think of and affirm God's power the more power will we have over the Old order enemy. Enter the silence, relax, think of God.
Power for the Soul

Every American Soldier should think and affirm God as your guide and protector. Every American citizen should do the same as our soldier.

Practice thinking of God. If you have been unfortunate in the method of your thinking, like indulging in entertaining bad thoughts, or if defective thinking is your barrier, you will surely learn to think right when once you try to think of God, real hard.

God has given us free access to his power through our minds which we link with his mind in thought. The creative power of God is thought. Our minds are a part of God's creative power as we create with our minds.

God is life. Subject plenty of God's power into you because America is in need of life. It is in need of a God-made soul, you have the power to develop such a soul within you. Kill every vestige of selfishness first, give God's
Power for the Soul, con.

power a chance to help you and
the nation. Think of God in your
favorite place of worship. Think of
God in your prayers. Think of
God in your place of business,
and work. Think of God in the
trenches. It will make you a
better fighter and give you a cooler
head. The power of thought must
rise to its supreme position in the
shaping of the New Order. The
Animals of the Old Order have
suppressed God's greatest gift to
man viz. the power to create. Think
and create. Again remember that
selfishness and unclean thoughts
shut out the power of God.

Every Good American should
in the silence affirm everyday
as many times as possible
God you are the supreme power
within me for good. you are the
leading light in Humanity's cause,
you are helping, guiding and protecting
us in this struggle for the rights
Power for the Soul continued
of all mankind, we Americans
thank you in the name of America - The Father of Liberty and Progress.

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