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Harvard University, 1943.

1. Designation - in a year of war - brings - Negation
Whatever else - abandoned - destroyed.
2. Frequently - hope is sooner entertained -
larger conceptions - avoid - A larger B.
after to - manner - Abatement.
But, surely, during the prosecution - presiding
Good-will - Fairness - banished.
3. Particularly true - This war - For which abatement
by-product - one of prime Causes - Results
- Nazi's contemptuously rejected concept human B.
One of the decadent 19th. ideas - albeit
a corrupting doctrine, stemming Oriental
sentiments - which anyone master Peter Weber Eschen
- It is the morality of Slaves!
4. New Order of Nazi's frankly based - Caste system
Men & women, and white natives - assigned their
first place in a hierarchy scheme of Privilege & Power
at the Apex - elite of the German race.
Whomever and whatever serves their interests, accepts
their leadership will be tolerated - Vermin.
Evidence how thoroughly they mean to apply
with over - servitude - Rule & by blood & iron
Armed Camp in a totally disarmed world

To rationalize and justify - this amazing pretension in
this colossal arrogance - offered world a blow-
up Race phulo - propounded it for wide
This Race Mythology - the arbitrary division - Superin
(and inferior race - territory + possession - creed)
is being employed as cover for another vicious
pol. aggression in Europe on part of unredemmed
and unrepentant Prussian militarism -
Political weapon - to insure success of
This blood cult - set up - to give dignity to
as shameless an act of pol. gangsterism -

6/ In a real sense :: it is the doctrine of Hum. B
which is at stake in this war. - That proph.
vision - ~~mountains~~ - teachers -

"Have we not all one Father -

"God created only one Adam.

"I call Heaven & Earth to witness - man a man

"He hath made of one blood all nations of men
to dwell on all the face of the earth"

7/ Nazi Race ideology with q - course he completely
discredited - as Nazis are finally defeated as tallies
a race which claims - beaten + forced into
Ignom. retreat by an inferior race - (beasts)
laughing - stuck.

- in potent rage

that astounding racial conglomerate of the Soviet¹⁵
Union - is pointing up the Nordic race myth
in great shape -...

- But the defeat - not automatically & this is
- clear away much underbrush -

Tremendous sp. & intell. exertion - "plant
comprehension thick as trees along the all the
rivers of America - and the world!"

- On Guard ag. certain common errors.

8/. Not neces. to love our enemies - or even
our neighbors. Respect their Rights!

- They, like we, possess certain inalienable Rights

- we possess them, because they possess them

- We and They possess them be. in both objectively
common source - God - common heritage -
as children of God.

- Once we deny these inial. Rights to & this

we either deny the common Fatherhood of God -

or, like Nazis - proclaim some false Race Doctrine
which has its authority neither in Rel. nor in
Science

Fundamentally, it is a Rel. Dogma which underlies

all our liberties.

If we deny it - qualify it - jeopardize those liberties.

We invite unwillingly the venous eager
Examiners to trespass upon the ~~inviolable~~ ^{inviolable}
domain of our God-given rights which should be

9). Our neighbors have rights - life, liberty, pursuit
whether they be white - black - yellow - Jew that
Advanced or Backward.

Backwardness - is a challenge to helpfulness
not to exploitation.

he may not like them - a matter of indiv.
taste.

You cannot ordain affection, a man love
mandatorily.

But you can respect their basic hum. rights
The Dislike, the Unlike is wide-spread - esp.
if the unlike happens to be an odd complexion

But this Dislike must not reach out for
ways & means of handicapping those whom -
- and cover up with spurious rationalizations

Religion, if correct, goes far beyond - self restraint
It would purge & heal the souls men and

cause sympathy + love to dwell upon resentment, fear and distrust alike

913) you cannot isolate intolerance, Persecution ^{It's pretty} + Envy ^{Engulf}

10) B. requires also of us that we discipline ourselves to think of men as individuals.

Before Rise of Democ. in Western world - before the Rights of Man were proclaimed by Amer. + Fr. Revolutionaries - indivs. were treated, legally, socially + econ. not in relation to eos, with in Framework of an associated life to which they belonged. - workmen - cleric - etc.

- A Fendal arrangement of Social life.

- From this long experience - caused over the practice of judging men collectively - within fixed molds.

- Democ. re-discovered the individual Human Being entwined him in his ~~own~~ basic equality - not to be judged on bases

11) Far too much talk + euphoria - ~~misunder~~ Re-creates Crazy-fixed patterns of old world the one essential regard in which men have Rights of Man - Right of man a man's Race. Rel - Private Affairs

12/ Because, it - Amer. has add to absorb
immigrants of 100 - mold them into
- In every great crisis - these immigrants
in times of immigrants - responded as
loyally -
- Read the names - submerge us of all
local, parochial minority interests -
love & devotion to America

13/ These last fearful years - but 1st & 2nd
have shaken men's confidence in themselves -
their indiv. significance, their rights,
Man has been made smaller by State -
Bill, Rights abolished - Subject to hell -
And Racism & Nat. Chauvinism and rel.
by of - have done much to ^{retard} ~~shake~~ the
Progress slowly making -
At conclusion, has - Man as such, must
be restored to his inalienable Rights -
So that men, free & secure, may resume
their march to the City of God, to the
Commonwealth of men where love shall be