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Education for democracy, undated.

1. Menace under a cloud - Retreat - Safe for America - Age skeptical - Red Gospel (R - Black & H - Brown) - form - dem. change. wave superstition - paranoias. -
Terrorism - fatal foldover - In an arm land target for satellite regime.

2. Catalogue of shortcomings - international & domestic -
Inefficient - wasteful - involvement - mobility - death & culture -
Even liberals led to join world-wide drift towards democratic
renunciation - admin. apathy & anti authoritarianism

2. Men helped by super efficiency - Centralization - All gov. is
frequently retarded by strong pol. cross current - but early
victories - Concentration - ending; numbers on bureaucracy -
inflexibility - nepotism, intrigue & corruption

3. Autoc. gov. in modern soc. must be superseded
compensate - proper afroc. vision of nat. freedom & justice
- Even millennium - must why war - Failing it is
devoid of merit

4. Men not without defects - possess machinery for
reproduction - within framework all - power deter-
mined for society - moral intell -
not abs. perfect. but progressively perfectible
Collapses when overtaken by war - Heaven, or, if far away

5. Men in its widest sense spells Liberalism
3 Foes (1) Unhappy State (2) Class (3) Machine

① No / waya problem - 2

In primitive society - nonetheless - abstract - actions -
advantages - stunted - little room for comfort.

Life moved on - despotism / group - derive his own
private life. personal source of judgment & sanction
within last 500 years - 3 part - intell. claim - rel.

claim - pol. claim

But man had won victories - State always then -
greedy - encroach - on - govern him - in mesh -

All over world State in ascendancy - Man's private
rights - must protect - No thing & accountant

State is not society - mystic planum - nothing
new > pol. machinery - like seeing in order
known - Admired by Human Being's -

fallible - possess - Fully to idolize

Ideal State - "rule with moderation & serve without
meddling"

Both Socialism, Fascism - react. & liberal
quite consistent - Marx - Tenn - hated
Mussolini

2. Unhappy class - In older days - dynasties - were
seemingly cabined - proletarian - usurpation
benefit - sum up so staid.

② The bitter struggle - perfect black - full measure
of econ. abnegation against rising man

1 class unification - Race + wall - buy & society - single
wipe out - keep enemies - left under - share
protect

3. unifying machines - given machine terrible power over man.
It is fully - we have not used it much -
not an insoluble problem - share bus -
control & production - insurance
Standardizes - demand - that drives into
proof - paradox for unification - destiny -
Mass judgment - testified -
The very essence of liberation

4. How can education meet this 3 fold challenge
(1) State - Intell. understanding & participation in
Government - unities & Citizenship - Blame institution -
Vigilance - "The new we surrender to the State - the
more we depose ourselves" - It is easier to
live under a dictatorship ^{but if possible} ~~it is~~ it is easier to be
a slave - free man -
(2) Independent thinking - propaganda - left, right, judy centrally.
(3) Class - Edu. must be purgative -
not only conversation - discipline - stimulant direction
imagination - (i.e. for efficiency) social vision -
Reform itself - cannot continue

3.1 Machin, Leisure -

① Age & specialization - to work well - well.

as far as earning a living - Man is man > job.

② Need & creative awareness. Leisure

③ Should have man & woman of leisure

④ Good & Evil -

⑤ A man should have man & 1 world -

⑥ God created man - discrimination - keeping

⑦ Training for adult life - for books -

picture - for art - for travel - for freedom

for the complete life

