

cause the student must look beyond the material universe, as truly educated men have always done, for his answers to the eternal questions "What am I?" "Why was I born?"

Men who have been trained in the proven traditions of this curriculum have much to contribute, both to the war effort of today, and later on to that rebuilding of civilization and of the humanities that will be the first requisite of a return to Christian values. Your immediate contribution to the war effort will consist not only intelligent, wholehearted service in the things you can do, but it will also come from the moral stamina developed from your training. The Government cannot police people into morality. It can prevent the spread of crimes through police vigilance and the application of penalties, but it cannot make the heart and mind of man submissive to the moral law.

Yes, the graduates of that war-time Commencement 25 years ago faced similar mental and spiritual hazards with which graduates of today are confronted. It was a soul-stirring emergency, but the emergency passed, as emergencies always do. Then there came a depression, followed by a marked swing to prosperity, then further depression, a depression of terrifying depths. During all these trends of economic prosperity and recession there was need of leadership to be assumed by those capable of assuming it. And so it will be henceforth when your opportunity will be presented.

Admittedly, your world will offer problems, and will require decisions that many times may well test the fibre of your souls. If you go forth, however, with the faith and the principles absorbed in this fine institution you will be equipped to meet those problems and to help, through leadership, those not so privileged who must look to you for help and guidance.

Keep ever in mind the fact that especial advantages entail like responsibilities. The very fact that you have been permitted to absorb the mental inspiration and the spiritual helps that have come to you at Loyola, makes it incumbent upon you to give such example in your daily lives that others may be encouraged to follow similar paths.

It is a time when there is opportunity unmatched for service to God, to Country and to all mankind. If that service calls for great sacrifice, make that sacrifice with full appreciation of the opportunities that have been yours to prepare for it. As you say goodbye to your college days, take one last look at the pennant fluttering from the college flag staff, in memory of the gallant lads of Loyola who now are in the Armed Forces of our Country, giving of their abilities in the service of America and of humanity.

To the credit of Loyola, its sons throughout the years, and in all emergencies, have been quick to respond to any call to duty. Its sons in the past make the supreme sacrifice, just as two of Loyola's sons in this war, Harry Rogers and Frank Brown, will be honored everlastingly for their noble contribution "to their own, their native land".

Such loyal action on the part of men trained in the Loyola tradition is consistent. Loyola will cherish through the years the memory of their generous sacrifice and enshrine them among the list of her revered heroes.