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Good politics is the oil that makes human affairs run smoothly... It is worth working for, for it is more precious than gold.
Because Americans are sincerely interested in the welfare of others, the United States has become the recognized leader of the Free World.
Helping low-income countries has become part of American foreign policy. Deciding how to do it is not easy. One way is through the promotion of trade.
From our point of view, the greatest danger is communism. We have learned in painful ways that the communists are a strange and ruthless crew. They are intent upon seizing world power in any way they can.
FRIENDLY DICTATORSHIPS

It must be admitted that some of our allies have rather unsavory, dictatorial types of government.
It is unhappily true, also, that a great nation today must devote much of its strength to building up its means of defence. It must do this if only to make sure that it will be left alone.
Perhaps one of our knottiest problems is an economic one that has to do with technology and surplus. What does a nation do when its technology produces more than the nation’s people can buy?
To make one’s rule.
“Grab your share while
the grabbing is good,”
makes enemies
instead of friends.
As it is with people,
so it is with
governments.
One thing all Americans want is to make our economic system and way of life attractive to many other people. We want to do everything in our power to make the image of America not only pleasant to look at, but also a true one as well.
One of the very first sentences of the charter of the United Nations says that the principle of the sovereign equality of nations is endorsed. This sentence can be misunderstood, just as one can misunderstand the sentence in the Declaration of Independence which says that all men are created equal.
Democracy is a way of life that requires much experience. To hold free elections and to abide peacefully by the results of those elections, the political ways that take time to learn.
Patriotism is the spirit that holds the people of a country together. If we had no patriotism, we would soon have no country.
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