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# SOCIO-ENGINEERING PROBLEMS

A Summary of the Principal Ideas Discussed In  
a Series of Thirty-Five Meetings of a  
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from Gannett Club Meetings.

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	Oct. 5, '41	Oct. 12, '41	Oct. 19, '41	Oct. 26, '41	Nov. 2, '41	Nov. 9, '41
	Meet responsibility to bring ORDER out of CHAOS by working in CO-OPERATIVE movement with purposes TRUTH WORSHIP SERVICE FUN & FELLOWSHIP	Faith in HUMAN NATURE Dignity of Man Divinity of Man.  Value of LIBERTY.	Working in summer camp prepares one to tackle larger problems.  Quaker principle of NON-VIOLENCE.  People pool resources in CO-OPERATIVE buying.	Working with OTHERS helps ones OWN DEVELOPMENT.  Helping young people to become GOOD CITIZENS must not be neglected in NATIONAL DEFENSE.	COOPERATIVES develop PEACEFUL method of solving problem.  War due to immorality & lack of ethics.  Farm & City Exchange developing own DISCIPLINE and CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY.	Singing  (Norfolk Suffolk Conf)
	Jan. 4, '42	Jan. 11, '42	Jan. 18, '42	Jan. 25, '42	Feb. 1, '42	Feb. 8, '42
	Need something to look up to.  Affirmation of Faith: SPIRITUAL FATHERHOOD OF GOD INVINCIBILITY OF TRUTH LIFE AFTER DEATH.  No concept of Heaven or Hell.  JESUS is a human being.  Types of Religion Intellectual Mystical Moral	Accept inner conflict as natural. Everyone is influenced by others & CREATOR. The more you give away the more you have. Healthy MIND has CONSTRUCTIVE influence. One has to have detachment from other people & situation. One is RELIGIOUS when he relates work to his beliefs.	Personal struggle for FREEDOM. PSYCHOLOGY may help in problem of FREEDOM. Youth of EUROPE taught saw Democracy Insecurity chase FASCISM, security of childhood, ESCAPE from FREEDOM. How can we help people to chase FREEDOM? DEMOCRATIC social control will provide SECURITY.	Religious emphasis: COMMUNITY INDIVIDUAL  Social plans don't mean a thing unless INDIVIDUAL is changed.  Religious discipline needed: a. TIME daily b. ATTITUDES of mind: SELF-EXAMINATION MEDITATION CONTEMPLATION	Rally:  We must not neglect LONG TERM VIEW while pursuing necessary SHORT TERM VIEW.	What is it in CIVILIZATION? Is progress a DELUSION? MEANS progress but no MISTAKE? Price of Movement for Progress? Facts of Urban countries comes from DEMOCRACY on RESISTANCE INDIVIDUAL CIVILIZATION of DECLINE ours. Hope
	Apr. 5, '42	Apr. 12, '42	Apr. 19, '42	Apr. 26, '42	May 3, '42	May 10, '42
	Quiz Program.	Best thinking when brain waves rhythmic, poor when jagged. WORSHIP service prepares mind for best thinking. Civilization is accumulation of mantains of human experience. Individuals ascend peaks, bring down interpretations in words, music, art, etc.	Fitzwilliam and Mt. Monadnock	DEMOCRACY: Attitude of MIND SPIRITUAL TESTAMENT. 3 kinds of people STANDPATER STARTUPPER STANDOUTER  Faith in power larger than self. Faith in fellow men. Self-Respect. Need for spiritual emphasis on life. Sacredness of TRUTH.	History of railroads.  Railroads accelerated development of Western U.S.  Time tables, train dispatching signalling, etc.	Marriage and the

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Nov. 16, '41	Nov. 23, '41	Nov. 30, '41.	Dec. 7, '41	Dec. 14, '41	Dec. 21, '41	Dec. 28, '41
<p>an a mixture GOOD &amp; BAD. CHANGE from old toward good more important than ratio of good to bad. WAR symptom International way of living. ETHICS Personal-Mature Social-Immature Don't believe in TERMINISM ECONOMIC THEOLOGICAL PHYSIOLOGICAL</p>	<p>Phonograph records:  Recreation prepares one for tackling problems.</p>	<p>Discussion groups:  Is Religion a Personal Necessity?  Can Religion build a NEW SOCIAL ORDER?  Is TRUE RELIGION compatible with CULTURE</p>	<p>Continue develop- ing art of CONFERENCE. Look toward better PEACE after WAR. SOCIOLOGY not advanced enough for just peace. Work as usual. PACIFISTS develop- ing techniques of peace. REAL PEACE requires sense of COMMUNITY, dignity of man. YOUTH can work for PEACE, Build FAITH of CHURCH</p>	<p>Church ARCHITECTURE: Gothic, God- Centered, New England meeting house, man-centered.  UNITARIANISM: Universal religion with CHRISTIAN BIAS; Man-centered; Back to JESUS movement.  Roots of civil rights in religion of JESUS. SCIENCE requires religious development</p>	<p>CHRISTMAS PARTY</p>	<p>Motion pictures on activities of Boston Community Fund.</p>
Feb. 15, '42	Feb. 22, '42	Mar. 1, '42	Mar. 8, '42	Mar. 15, '42	Mar. 22, '42	Mar. 29, '42
<p>HYMNS: of congregational singing, 400 - 500 A.D. Renaissance: OTHER returned hymns FAMILIAR to people, later tendency - too many hymns. Some people shirk away time during hymns. Hymns are important, part of service.</p>	<p>AMERICAN WAY OF LIFE, Some- thing great, worth preserving Democracy Freedom of Speech Movement, Majority rule, Brotherhood. Universal access to raw materials and equality of political &amp; economic rights necessary to prevent another WAR.</p>	<p>PEACE AIMS help in war ne- cessary for sound peace. Are we ready to forfeit sovereignty, other rights to bind PEACE? Do we believe in DEMOCRACY in { Family State Nation World ? Will larger countries have to give to small ones? All countries can govern selves.</p>	<p>What kind of PEACE do we want? U.S. must take leadership in world affairs. We must win PEACE. There is fundamental technological &amp; sociological revolution. LEAGUE of NATIONS flexible program. Causes of war need study. FEDERAL UNION of DEMOCRACIES no dictators allowed Way war is won determines peace.</p>	<p>DISCUSSION:  What kind of a social order do we want to work for?</p>	<p>Peace Aims: MORAL ORDER, INDIVIDUAL PER- SONALITY, JUST COMMUNITY, FREEDOM. Jobs to be tackled: Poverty, Production Frustration Ignorance Aggression  Discussion of bases for an enduring PEACE: MORAL ECONOMIC POLITICAL</p>	<p>World Association, with national sovereignty limited.  Should defeated enemy be restricted for period after war or should all countries start with equal share in world association?  We should recognize our own faults, be- fore criticizing.</p>
May 17, '42	May 24, '42					
<p>the privileged of this generation are the intellectuals. They have neglected their responsibility for leadership.  The intellectuals of the liberal epoch must take their responsibility for leadership.</p>	<p>POPS CONCERT</p>					