

In a few hours the plane that brought me here crossed over oceans and countries which have been a crucible of human history. In minutes we passed battlefields ~~over~~ ^{on} which millions of men have struggled and died, advancing in years of battle through territory we barely had time to ~~make~~ ^{glimpse} ~~see~~ before it disappeared ~~in~~ behind our wings. ~~There were~~ We could see no national boundaries, no vast gulfs or high walls ~~separating~~ ^{human people} dividing people, ~~no~~ only nature and the works of man--homes and factories and farms--everywhere reflecting the common human effort to ~~enrich~~ ^{improve} his life. Everywhere new ~~technology~~ ^{technology} and communications and the growth of understanding are stripping away the false ~~masks~~ ^{masks}, the illusion of ~~difference~~ ^{difference} which is at the root of injustice and hate and war. Only earthbound man ~~clings~~ ^{clings} still clings to the dark and poisoning superstition that his world is bounded by the nearest hill, his universe ended at river shore, his common humanity enclosed in the tight circle of those who share his town and views and the color of his skin.

It is your job, the task of the young people of this world to strip the last remnants of that ancient, cruel belief from the ~~civilization~~ ^{civilization} of man. If you would, and if you could, come with me around ~~the~~ ^{the} world you would find your ~~fellow youth~~ ^{fellow youth} share your own concerns and fears, ~~hopes~~ ^{hopes} and angers. In a cafe in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, at a University in Paris, in the crowded streets of New York I have ~~talked with them~~ and heard them speak against injustice, talk of the need for peace, express their desire to ~~re~~ remake the world. They are concerned about Vietnam, apprehensive about the ~~terrors~~ ^{dooms} of the atomic age, and, for themselves anxious to ~~make~~ find a way in which they, as individuals can somehow make ~~an~~ impact on their world, have an influence within their nations.

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...from
...it is in ~~these~~ ^{from} ~~thousands~~ ^{thousands} of diverse acts of courage
...that ~~human history~~ ^{human history}
is shaped. Each time a man stands up for an ideal, ~~acts~~ ^{acts} to improve
the lot of others, strikes out against injustice he sends forth
a tiny ripple of hope, and ~~these ripples~~ ^{these ripples} ~~crossing each other~~ ^{crossing each other} from a million different centers of energy and
daring a current ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~build~~ ^{build} which can sweep down the mightiest walls
of oppression and resistance.