

EDITORIALS

Discipline!

A ten-letter word with a substantial English-French-Latin origin, discipline is at the heart of America's success. And, now, in a time of faltering national progress and embarrasing difficulties, the lack of discipline appears at the core of the awesome problem.

Discipline, as here involved, means training which develops self-control, character, orderliness and efficiency, with acceptance of or submission to authority and control.

And, these are the elements which are slipping away from the American scene.

College students do not want discipline, their parents are not willing to enforce discipline and certain segments of the church are not retaining their traditional rigidity to enforce discipline.

The United States Army is embarrassing the nation in the eyes of the world because some strand of discipline has not been enforced. Someone has not maintained the vigilance

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which discipline demands.

Discipline in the public schools has, apparently, reached in some instances, a new low. Teachers actually are fearful of enforcing discipline and in certain areas they are fearful that their administrative superiors will not uphold them if they do maintain discipline.

Yet, a school in which there is not discipline is not a school. It's chaos. Children-or anyone, for that matter -can learn nothing as long as they are doing the talking.

Discipline is the factor involved when regard for law and order is being discussed. Discipline is the factor involved when morality and ethics are being discussed. Discipline is the factor involved when family life is being discussed. And, discipline is the factor involved when the very warp and woof or organized society is being discussed.

One of the most recent matters to be introduced onto the American scene is polution of land, air and water. The problem originated with a lack of discipline and it will never be solved until American people are will ing to discipline themselves and to exercise the tremendous self-control necessary to do the job.

The lack of discipline on a myriad of fronts -in homes, churches, government, business and industry is the key word to our national problems. Call it a return to Godly ways. Call it a strengthening of moral fiber, or call it by any other name you want—the only answer to our problem lies in discipline.

Thought of the Week --

FAITH'S RESPONSE

The world answers back to our faith. It trusts us when we trust it. It responds to our confidence. It says to the farmer, "Sow your seed"; to the aviator, "Spread your wings"; to tist, "Trust your hypothesis"; to the sailor, "Hoist your sail"; to the engineer, "Swing your bridge"; to the scientist, "Trust your sypothesis"; to the financier, "Make your investment"; to the explorer, "Follow the gleam."

Faith is man's highest venture. The poet Whitman puts it thus. "The steps of faith fall on the seeming void and find the rock beneath." It is a "seeming void" on which we set our faith; beneath us, however, is the unseen reality, and faith gives it substance. --Huge Thompson Kerr

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es of legislation (probably too I eventually voted for many). Most of these bills direct election formula. have been introduced without (6) Exemption of Ammunimuch fanfare, and therefore tion from Registration Promay not be familiar to you. cedures. - This is legislation It is probably past time for which is meant to relieve me to give you an accounting sportsmen from the burden of the legislation which I of filling out forms to buy have been responsible for, ammunition. This bill has and present you with a sta- cleared both the House and tus report. This column is Senate and awaits the Presidevoted to presenting a list dent's signature. of my major legislative ef-

tion Act of 1968.—This is a signed to help children on bill designed to bring about both ends of the education reform of the Congress. Leg- scale - those with learning islation on the same general disabilities and those who subject is due to be consid- are specially gifted and talered by the House of Repre- ented. Both bills have clearsentatives, but the compro- ed the House. mise bill does not deal with some of the most badly need- Safety. — This legislation, ed changes.

couples to use the earnings anced construction projects. of both partners in calculat-Means Committee.

about the use of dangerous sidered in the Senate.

consideration.

(5) Electoral Reform. — A 91st Congress. bill intended to revise the 11) Anti-Pornography Act. electoral college procedure

During the First Session of for selecting a President. The the Ninety-first Congress, I House favored direct election have sponsored over 50 piec- to the plan I persented, and

(7) Special Education Programs. — Two different bills (1) Legislative Reorganiza- I have co-sponsored are de-

(8) Promotion of Health & which has been signed into (2) Social Security Reform. law, helps protect workers on A bill to permit married all Federal and federally fin-

(9) Increase Personal Ining the.r Social Security come Tax Exemption. - This benefits. The legislation is bill asks that the personal pending before the Ways & exemption on federal income tax be raised from \$600 to (3) Drug Abuse Education \$1000. Such a provision was Act of 1969. Legislation de- not included in the tax resigned to help increase pub. form proposal passed by the lic knowledge and concern House, but it is being con-

drugs. The bill has passed (10) Prayer in Public Builthe House and awaits Senate dings.—The legislation would lead to a Constitut onal (4) Support of President's Amendment to assure that an Vietnam Peace Plan. Resolu- individual is free to offer tion endorsing President Nix- non-denominational prayer in on's efforts to achieve an public buildings, in particulhonorable peace in Vietnam, ar, the schools. This resolu-At this writing, the resolution is pending in committee tion is due for prompt House and, in all honesty, does not appear likely to move in the

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COMEDY CORNER



"I think Gladys' boy friend is calling again!"