Make Room for This Guy

EDITORI

Weeks and months ago it was predicted that the My Lai incident would shake the nation!

And, it has!

As it appears now, My Lai may become a landmark in the public examination of war, the military and the way this country addresses itself to world conditions which are only marginal to our own security.

While the fate of Lieutenant Calley is a concern of the people, the young man who has been the storm center of a long and probing trial is only the symbol of what the entire case represents.

Those who sit in the Pentagon, those who work in the state department, those who walk the halls of the capitol and those who inhabit the White House all are under the microscope — as well they should be, along with the rest of society. This incident has made doves out of hawks, it has made conscientious objectors out of moderates and has provoked questions which need answering.

2.-Shooting a few women, children and old men in a tiny, unknown village in Vietnam.

War is war-or at least it always has been - and most of the things which happen during times of war are too revolting to discuss. So it was at My Lai.

What this country should learn from what has grown from a dot on the map to a blot on history, is that we need to turn our attention to withdrawing our fighting men from Vietnam as quickly as possible. And, faster than has been done in the past few months.

Let this country take a critical look at its military, its involvements and its recent inclinations to police the entire world. Let this country reevaluate its priorities, using the life of a young William Calley as a lamp of better understanding of the wants, needs and human values as now being expressed by the American people.

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big government. They are constituencies. tired of the waste that is so lions of citizens.

The only way that any kind of order can be brought out of the bureaucratic chaos is through a wholesale reorganization of the Federal Government. President Nixon's recent message to Congress the reorganization plan is a outlining his reorganization priority job for this Congress. plan provides a welcome There is a need to move foropportunity for us to begin ward to revitalize governto unravel the maze in Wash- ment before there is a comington.

Just a look at the record ty to function effectively. will convince nearly anyone of major independent agen- er or not the constituencies cies has increased from 27 to 41; the number of Federal employees has increased from 2.1 million to 2.7 million; the Federal budget has increased from \$42 billion to more than \$200 billion; and the number of Federal programs has jumped more than tenfold to about 1.400. Now we have an historic opportunity to mold 20 years of growth to a workable administrative structure. The thrust of the President's plan partments of the Executive a permit therefor.

Americans, in general, are Branch would be responsible tired of the complexity of for broad goals that affect all

Seven existing Departments much a part of the bureau- _Agriculture, Labor, Comcratic jungle. They are tired merce, HEW, HUD, Transporof the costs which mount be- tation and Interior - would cause of ineffectiveness and be merged into four new deunresponsiveness. They are partments: Human Resources, tired of the miles and miles Community Development, Naof red tape in which govern- tural Resources and Economment has become snarled, and ic Affairs. Other present dein which it has entangled mil- partments would remain as is. It is hoped and believed that the nine departments that would result from the reorganization would eliminate much overlapping and clear away much confusion.

> A thorough examination of plete loss of faith in its abili-

But, in moving forward, that governmental reorganiz- Congress must not accept reation is a must. In the past organization without raising 20 years the number of Cab- some questions about the Adinet departments has increas- ministration's plan. We must ed from 9 to 12; the number question, for example, wheth-

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No one has answered satisfactorily the philosophic question about the difference between:

1.—Dropping of an atomic bomb upon a Japanese city inhabited by thousands of women, children and old men, and

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APPRECIATION

All human beings have failings, all human beings have needs and temptations and stresses. Men and women who live together through long years get to know one another's failings; but they also come to know what is worthy of respect and admiration in those they live with, and in themselves. If at the end one can say, "This man used to the limit the powers that God granted him; he was worthy of love and respect and of the sacrices of many people, made in order that he might achieve what he deemed to be his task," then that life has been lived well and there are no -Eleanor Roosevelt regrets.

WHAT AN IDEAL CAN DO

A strong ideal can capture an imagination and control a life. Just one clear picture planted in the mind and heart of youth is all it takes to change an apathetic man to acts of consecration that kindle strife or call for peace, depending on the kind of passioned truth the picture makes.

-William K. Webb

THE WAYS

To every man there openth, A Way, and Ways, and a Way. And the High Soul climbs the High Way, and the Low Soul gropes the Low, and in between on the misty flats, the rest drift to and fro. But to every man there openeth a High Way and a Low. And every man, decideth the way his soul shall go.

-John Oxenham



No person shall operate or is to organize the Federal install or conduct, at any Government by function. In- place in the borough of Mount stead of serving certain de- Joy, any circus or carnival fined constituencies, the de- without first having obtained



"The hostesses on Trans-Arabia are much prettier than the ones on the Constantinople rug lines!"