



Boys and girls of the Class of 1948, you are graduating into a troubled world—a world that doubts; a world that fears insecurity; a world that all too often despairs of the eventual triumph of right over wrong, of justice over tyranny. This growing fear, in spite of widespread plans for social, economic, and national security, stems from the spread of the totalitarian state in Eastern Europe and the threat of its spread in Asia. Its anti-Christian philosophy, that the state is everything and the individual nothing “less than the dust beneath conquering chariot wheels”, is a way of life and government that received its death blow nearly two thousand years ago when the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth proclaimed the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God.

Young men and women, you are about to graduate from Woodward High School—a school distinguished for its service to mankind throughout its long history; a school where a belief in fellowship and human brotherhood is as natural as breathing. In this school you have been taught, both by precept and by example, to respect the rights and opinions of your fellow men.

Imbued with its high ideals and traditions, follow your missions in life—spread the doctrine of World Brotherhood; advance the cause of democracy; and help spread the Christian philosophy, that the chief end of man is to glorify God.

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