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The Masthead View

“Land ho!” comes the cry above.

“Where away?” the reply from below on the quarterdeck where the navigators stand.

One sees.

The other trusts and acts accordingly for the sake of ship safety.

In the days of wooden sailing ships, men of iron braved the tyranny of winds and waves, no engine, no radio; just a man at the masthead to tell the Masters what was in the offing.

Today with all technologies at play, we have no men at the masthead, none seeing past the pander of politics to warn us off a dangerous shore and guide us to safe harbor.

Our Ship of State sails on, aware of nothing past the near horizon that is looming certain in our future, heedless of the nescient blindness that threatens to impel us toward the fatal rocks of consequence, away from the safety of that Compass we were offered long ago by wiser men and women than today’s adult adolescents who see nothing more than money, media, and their self-inflating madness pushing forward with no Guide or Lookout.

Adams, Washington, Penn and others warn us still from the silence of forgotten pages in old books nobody reads these days.

The Experiment this nation is has been abandoned to the fatal motive of self-interest and its cloak of compromise that hides Truth in the cause of political expedience that knows no Law.

Louis Pasteur opined, “Mediocrity knows nothing higher than itself.”

It is as if we navigate these dangerous waters of today without a lookout at the masthead to call down to us with visions we can’t see.

Our helmsmen steer according to the changing whim of popular opinion, unable to hold a steady course, appeasing the kaleidoscopically changing habits and hobbies of the day, heedless of the dangerous destination that imperiously follows foolishness ... stupidity that thinks a ship may safely navigate without an Eye that sees beyond the near horizon.

Words such as these are vacant in our time yet, in the Past that so many claim to cherish, it was commonplace to hear such cautions. They came from wiser men than we. Pens labored to proclaim Truth in ages past when books and pamphlets were our “internet”.

Ink on paper told the story of our shared Hope for Better Days ahead.

Franklin, Woolman, Paine ... yet today we teach our children none of these!

We choose to believe the Big People will work it out for us. "They" will find a way to keep us safe, and so we struggle on blindly.

The Public so-called is mesmerized by money and media hype as if there were no Truth beyond the competing views of party, breed, race, gender and persuasion promising complete release from personal responsibility for our nation's future and the welfare of mankind.

Children of all ages clamor and complain about the *status quo*, as if their angry noise alone could heal the worrying wounds refusing to be healed by indolence and the persistent idea that "someone else will save us".

Alow and aloft, as sailors say, the ship must be managed by her crew.

All must be Bristol fashion, shipshape, and trim.

No ship was ever sailed by efforts of its officers alone.

The crew are not mere mindless laborers. They share the burden and the risk that being afloat on a trackless sea impose. They are as much a part of what it takes to reach safe harbor as the skipper in his fancy uniform.

None of us is dispensable.

We dare not see ourselves as passengers on this voyage toward an unknown tomorrow.

Each has a part to play, and some of us need to climb the rigging of personal sacrifice so we can see beyond the vision of our present leaders and demand a change of course when such a change is indicated by the thundering crash of waves and war on our perilous lee shore.

The rigging we must climb is education.

Education that informs us all that there are Rules that only fools ignore.

Rules hidden from you and your children by political indolence and intrigue.

Rules that make Civilization and Peace possible.

Rules of Justice and its Administration!

Climb, fellow Americans.

Seek the highest view that sees beyond the mirror of narcissism in your leaders.

Call *down* to those who claim the right to rule you.

Tell those officers at the wheel to *obey the Principles we once held dear*.

Teach *them* Justice.

Compel them to *obey the Law*.

But, first you need to learn the Rules ... each and every one of you.

Public Legal Education is not an idle option. It is a demanding *moral imperative!*

No lie is our friend, no matter what it promises.

Rise above.

Climb the mast of circumstance and call down to those who lead you.

“Change course! Rocks ahead.”

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