

# THE DESTINY of AMERICA DEPENDS ON YOU!

A new bicentennial program is formulating which appears to be the first program in the nation to coincide with the tone and purpose expressed by the President of the United States. The theme was set in the address to the Bicentennial Commissioners and was a concept avidly expressed by many other country leaders.

President Nixon, in his speech to the Bicentennial Commissioners, made a statement indicating his recognition of Americas' true destiny. He said, "In thinking of whether we are truly the hope of all mankind, we must recognize that hope does not exist because of wealth or because of strength. It exists because of a spiritual quality that we have had from the time of our birth."

Dr. W. E. Sweikert states that the validity of this statement is substantiated in his Ontological interpretation of the Great Seal of the United States.

The President further stated that, "somewhere along the line many of us, perhaps, have forgotten that spiritual quality."



This statement according to Dr. Sweikert, is a fact in evidence in the moral, spiritual, social and economic chaos this country is experiencing. He further states that due to churchianity's influence in the western culture, the word 'spiritual' has too often been interpreted at a meta-physical level. The word 'spiritual' has twenty different, yet related applications and meanings. Which of these at which level applies to the interpretation in the world of reality, here-now, and set forth in the symbology in the Great Seal? The key is the dictionary's recorded but neglected description of meaning which correlates with the root origin of the word. "Mental and intellectual essence of man's being." This definition re-

fers to the development of man's states of consciousness which is a here-now function and not something out beyond.' Dr. Sweikert contends that the methodology for the development of man's higher states of consciousness is set forth in the symbology of the Great Seal. He further states that this country is the first government in world history to be predicted upon the dignity of man; and there is a correlation between this factor and the basic structure function and order of our original governmental philosophy as set forth by our forefathers in 1776.

Why we are in chaos is explained by Dr. Sweikert in quoting the polish born scientist, Alfred Korzybski, who made a great contribution to the western culture new age by the creation of the science of "Semantics." Korzybski made a profound statement that is so appropriate today when applied to the symbolism in the Great Seal of the United States:

"Our sanity is connected with correct symbolism, and naturally, with the increase of sanity, our 'moral' and 'ethical' standards would rise. It seems useless to preach metaphysical 'ethics' and 'morals' if we have no standards for sanity. A fundamentally unsound person cannot, in spite of any amount of preaching, be either 'moral' or 'ethical.' It is well known that even the most good natured person becomes grouchy or irritable when ill, and his other semantic characteristics change in a similar way. The abuse of symbolism is like the abuse of food and drink, it makes people ill and so their reactions become deranged."

Dr. Sweikert contends that we have abused the symbol of our country by not understanding and functioning within the guidelines of doctrines set forth in the symbology. He further states that due to a possible lack of understanding of the significance of the structural characteristics of symbols two errors were committed in transposing the symbology that take them completely out of context of their original meaning. These errors in the Great Seal were brought before Congress and entered in the Congressional Record September 28, 1968.

Throughout this country the new age generation is turning to the ancient symbols of the eastern culture in their searching for a valid path to their spiritual destiny. They only have to look into the Great Seal of the United States of America to find these answers.

The program proposed by Dr. Sweikert in "THE DESTINY OF AMERICA DEPENDS ON YOU!", for the 1976 bicentennial provides a vehicle to help those ready to discover, again to quote the President, "... why we are here; and what we mean to the world." For those who cannot perceive the indepth doctrine, identity with the symbol of the Great Seal could be the first step forward toward fulfilling their destiny and responsibility to themselves and country. The program consisting of lectures and publications to schools and the general public can provide a constructive symbolic vehicle for people as various states of conscious awareness to re-evaluate and reconstruct the moral, social and spiritual fibers within themselves and for their country. The program can be the re-birth of our nation and carried on and remembered to eternity.

Rep. Julia Butler Hansen (D-Wash.) said, "It seems to me this Bicentennial is needed today for the sake of America's soul ... more than anything else."

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