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Talked yesterday on these notes to the graduate group at Columbia. I probably covered too wide a field, think what they really wanted was Standard Oil, but they got only a little of that and more that was better for them. I think. At least they were very appreciative. The questions ought to have a bearing on this theme. One from Dr. Green was that he took it that I did not feel the same dispair over the country as Stef seems to. I told him that I was older and a woman and I think I might have enlarged on the latter. There is a certain sense of growth in the women who live a long life and carry obligations and has to stand up to them, that few men seem to me to have. The appreciation of time it takes to accomplish anything emphasized this point - and told them to study their history.

The question of the ethical side of the thing came up. One woman asked, how is it possible to succeed with the same practices. And all I could say was, you will have to choose. Here is a point I think for my talk to the R. C. group tonight, and something that certainly should be incorporated in the B B book. The fact that a code of fair practices was all the time struggling for expression, that it was accepted by the American generalization,
the American phase in passing laws. Pass a law and you
correct evils that are rigid in human beings. Not but
what there was an avowed dependence on ethical education -
Washington's________ for example. The basis thing
today is to arouse youth to a proper code of fair practice.
And I am not sure but here is my next article for somebody.
It could be traced from these early days of the Robber Barons -
the struggle to express itself - the willingness to sacrifice
rather than to yield. If it a question of compromising
with what seemed unfair - the growth of the feeling which
is expressed finally now inside industry and which was
serious contribution I think in the steel industry.