

VFW Commander Hilton Advocates Military Training for American Youths

Frank C. Hilton, commander in chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said Tuesday that America's youth should be given military training in order to prevent war or make their own chances of survival better on the field of battle. "We know what war means," Hilton told a coffee hour audience, and "want to see young Americans

trained to meet any emergency in the future."
U.S. Was Second Rate
 Five years after World War II, he pointed out, America was "a second rate nation" and almost thrown out of Korea for lack of trained men and adequate equipment. If we had maintained our 1946 armed strength, he added, "Korea would have never started."

"There never was a bully who would pick a fight with a fellow he knew could lick him," Hilton observed.
VFW Supports UMT
 Universal military training, he said, was supported by the VFW as far back as 1926 and "offers a system whereby young Americans can be trained in the art of war." While the VFW is opposed

to militarism, he said, UMT is the best and most economical way to achieve security.
 The present draft set-up is unfair to many young men, he said, because people, except in war time, are not all treated alike.
VFW Is a Lobby
 The VFW, he said, is "a lobby in a sense . . . that it has done a

lot" for young men and veterans. Together with other veterans' groups, he said, it was largely responsible for passage of the GI bill. The organization views national defense as the "basic number one priority", he added, and has backed such other measures as the 70 wing air force and the navy's large aircraft carrier program.

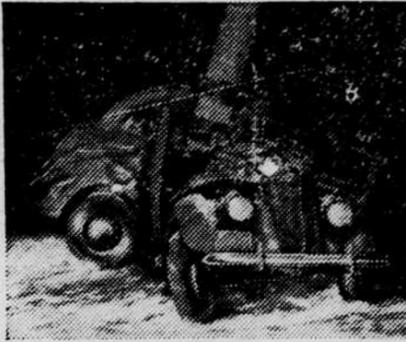


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