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### THE CONSTITUTION

September 15 to 21 will be Constitution Week, a week dedicated to the task of "cramming" into a short space the respect and reverence of an intelligent, self-governing people for its fundamental law.

Attacked and criticised since the time of its formulation, the original document has met every test, supplying both chart and compass to the succeeding generations which have manned the Ship of State.

Neither time nor turbulence has weakened it. If it has been weakened at all, it has been through the deliberate assault of its keepers, and these very assaults have, in the main, been well-intentioned.

May we, during the coming special week, renew our faith in this all-embracing instrument, regarding it, not "with idolatrous admiration, but, this side of idolatry, holding it in profound respect," enjoying the blessings of liberty, justice and equality it bequeathed to us, and learning once more to see, and seeing comprehend, not only the traditions, the institutions and the glories of our past, but the vigor, the tendencies and obligations of the present.

It is our Charter of Liberty. It must be preserved.