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The nature and practical significance of purposes and the means and methods used in their prosecution and achievement constitute the only available criterion of Wisdom.

Kansas City, Missouri, March 12, 1922.

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