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CHALLENGE

There is nothing like a challenge to excite men's interests and to heighten their joy in living. Whatever some people may say, competition in some form is to most of us the spice of life.

When you take the competitive element out of sport and reduce it to a mere exhibition of skills, attendances fall away to zero.

Men like to test their wits and talents against one another. It is in their nature to see controversy; they love a bone to pick.

Men want problems, to solve, obstacles to overcome. A society, if such were possible, where everything worked beautifully and smoothly on oiled wheels, and where only minor problems presented themselves, would be boring beyond belief. A life of cushioned ease would not satisfy many of us for long.

Most of us can give the best that is in us only when confronted with a challenge, when we feel that there is something to be done which is worth the doing.

Man can never be happy standing still. He sets himself a goal, but when he has achieved it he finds it has opened up new vistas, new worlds to conquer.

He must press on. He cannot lie down and go to sleep, satisfied with what he has accomplished.

Everyone of us will come up against what some people call stumbling blocks, which are essentially challenges. The only difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is the way we use them.

— Progress.