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Preface

The massive bombardment of literature and media of all types presents a tremendous challenge to parents, school and public librarians everywhere to select and choose titles which are wholesome and uplifting for the rising generation. Clothed in an erroneous sense of the true meaning of the First Amendment, publishers everywhere have disregarded the responsibilities of moral descency and have issued much which is offensive to the tastes of moral America.

With a sense of urgency, the National Committee for Good Reading met for five years. At great expense, they have surveyed the current publishing and the best from the past. Nominations were received from best book lists, current review sources and from a mound of titles submitted to the committee by the publishers.

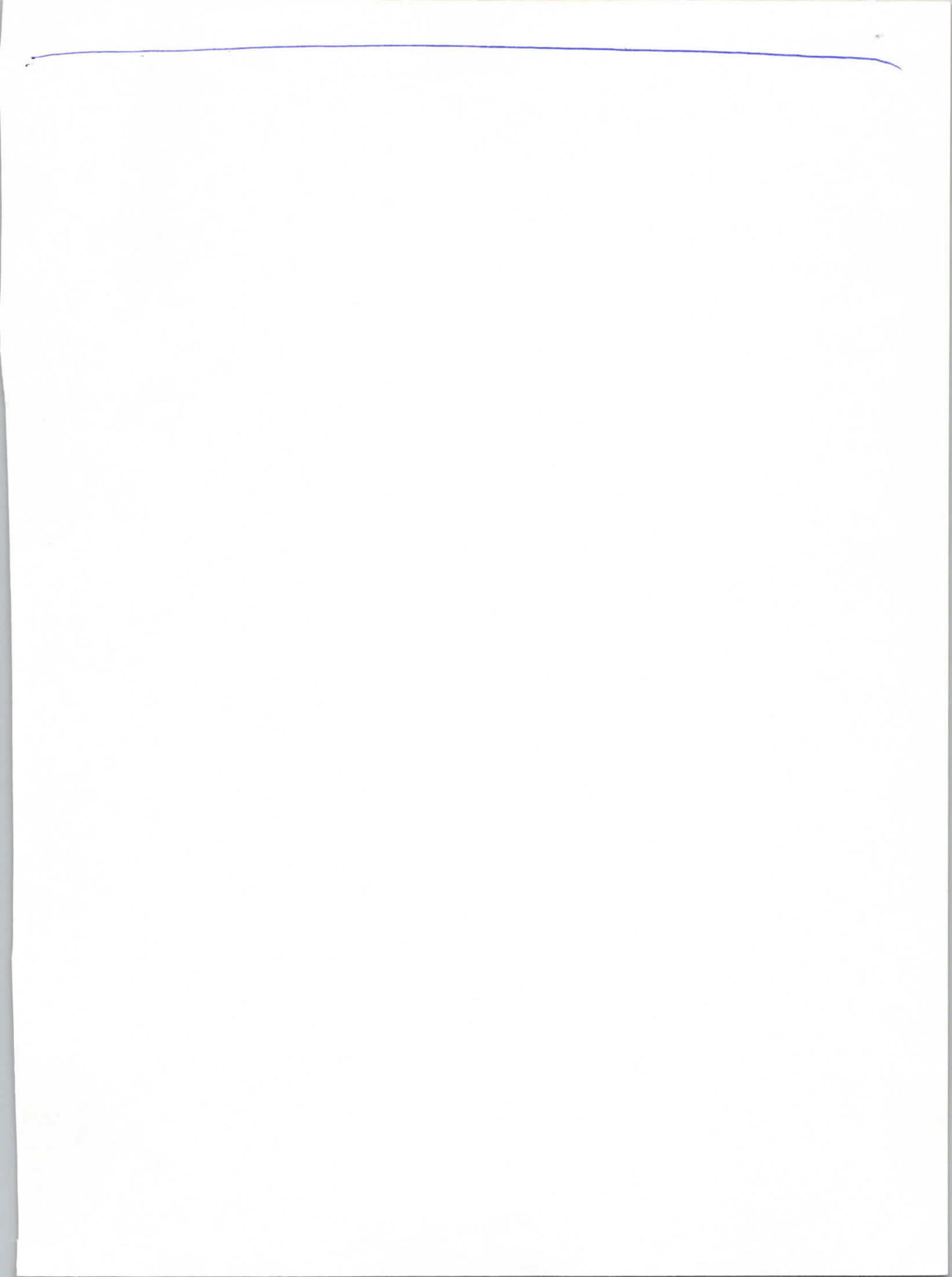
The Committee used the following criteria for inclusion in the list.

1. The book must be of high literary quality.
2. The book must not contain any material which might be offensive to a person with the highest sense of moral values.
3. The book must not be offensive to any of the cultural or religious values in our society.

All titles submitted to the committee were examined carefully to see if they met the criteria. Titles which received negative votes were excluded from the list.

The National Committee hereby submits to the readers of America the results of its intensive investigation. We believe that our list will stand the test of time.

The Committee
January, 1986





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