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On Making Too Much of the Young

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s rapidly building up around
some question of the gener-

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han Margaret Mead, the an-
st, said in a recent lecture:
e faced with a crisis, a crisis
nd of hope, a crisis in which
ents are too uncertain to as-
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dren are unable to learn at all
parents and elders they will
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people, she said, "realize the
eed for world action to pre-
ear war, halt the population
, prevent the pollution and de-
of all our natural resources,
hungry and accord dignity to
and forgotten and rejected.
these needs into a

all must look mainly to the young for guidance.

For the problems which concern the young so acutely are not new, but among the very oldest known to men; they are only made more urgent and more obvious in a modern context.

Thus it is not enough to demand a halt to the population explos the central problem is the older matter of effecting sweeping change in human attitudes, to make possible widespread acceptance of birth control. It is not enough to demand an end to continued poverty, which in a society flushed with affluence seems, as the young put it, obscene. No one has yet found an effective way to end poverty—money alone is not the answer—and a way may not exist.

The problem is not pollution as much as devising effective ways to control the irresponsibility of the polluters. The problem is not nuclear war as much as the inability of nations to set-

Letters *To the* Editor

Farming and Investing

Editor, The Wall Street Journal:

After reading with considerable interest the page-one article on "City Cowboys" by Ronald A. Buel in your March 19 issue, I was a bit dismayed by your editorial the following day, "Farming for Fun and Profit."

The March 19 article revealed all of the reasons for which I introduced H. R. 7789. As Mr. Buel's article pointed out, due to the nature of their businesses, farmers have been granted the privilege of keeping their books on a "cash" basis for income tax purposes. It is this "cash" accounting procedure, coupled with capital gains treatment of breeding live-

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