

POWER AND PERSONAL VULNERABILITY

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The crisis in our culture rises from the false belief that our society requires only enough mind to create and tend the machines together with enough of the new illiteracy for the other machines -- those of our mass media -- to exploit. This is perhaps the form of society most expensive and wasteful in human talent mankind has yet thrown off.

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