# Ordinary People Extraordinary Things

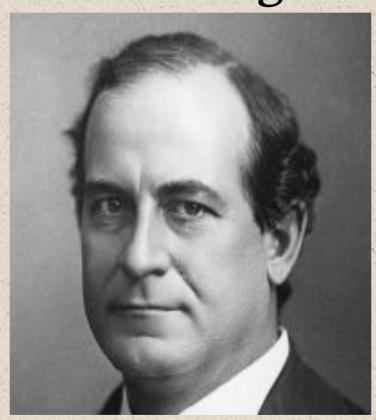
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Sydney Ahlstrom:

Adding greatly to the uneasiness of churchgoing Americans of all classes was the continued advance of those changes in manners and mores that had made the 1920s a nightmare for rural America.

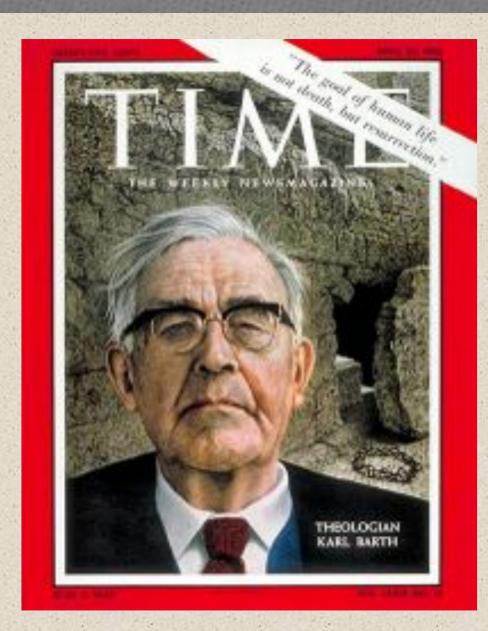
Despite the Depression, urban civilization continued to make its conquests. Jazz, dancing, feminism, and the Hollywood star system mocked the older moral standards, both Catholic and Protestant.



Hard times notwithstanding, the automobile continued to transform traditional modes of living and loving. Sabbath-keeping was losing ground.

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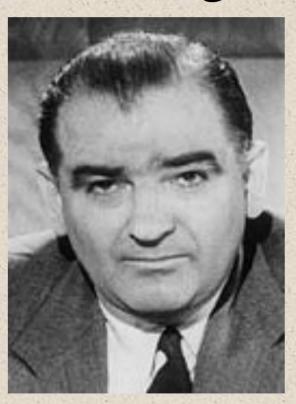
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- Women in the work force
- Dislocation of families

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- The Korean War

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1910 43% 1960 69%

1920 43% 1970 62.4%

1930 47%

1940 49%

1950 55%

1956 62%



"One nation, under God, 1954
"In God We Trust" 1956

Billy Graham

