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We are given one life, and the decision is our whether to wait for circumstances to make up our mind, or whether to act, and in acting, to live.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

I am convinced that the best service a retired general can perform is to turn in his tongue along with his suit, and to mothball his opinions.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

We've learned how to destroy, but not to create; how to waste, but not to build; how to kill men, but not how to save them; how to die, but seldom how to live.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

We need to learn to set our course by the stars, not by the lights of every passing ship.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

I am under no illusion that our present strategy of using means short of total war to achieve our ends and oppose communism is a guarantee that a world war will not be thrust upon us. But a policy of patience and determination without provoking a world war, while we improve our military power, is one which we believe we must continue to follow. Under present circumstances, we have recommended against enlarging the war from Korea to also include Red China. The course of action often described as a limited war with Red China would increase the risk we are taking by engaging too much of our power in an area that is not the critical strategic prize. Red China is not the powerful nation seeking to dominate the world. Frankly, in the opinion of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, this strategy would involve us in the wrong war, at the wrong place, at the wrong time, and with the wrong enemy.

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