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ing to keep us free and the victims who die as a result of our actions. I think of the millions of people who have died because of war. I think of the deliberate murder of innocents at the hands of despot, dictators and those power hungry animals who place no value on human life. One such animal is the leader of Adolph Hitler. He has murdered, terrorized and terrorized the Middle East for a decade or more. The world needs to rid of him and his "weapons of mass destruction." There are other consequences of this war which we are not yet aware to occur such as the takeover of Iraqi oil fields by the U.S.A. (not a likely goal as far as I am concerned), the liberation of the Iraqi citizens, and the belief that somehow some aspect of democratiza-

Letter to the Editor: What I thought war was

I always thought war was the type of thing to bring people of a nation closer together. It is they sell the war. It is the line fine line has been drawn between those currently in favor of the war and those opposed to it. Anyone may be quick to say that despite being against the war they still are "behind the troops," but what about being behind America? I remember the feeling of togetherness and patriotism that I experienced the first few weeks following Sept. 11. Walking around campus, people smiled

Answers

in the next few moments, the first being Gandhi. He is always a good, easy example of not only what pacifism means in regard to making a point, but also what diplomacy, patience, and dedication to a principle can bring about. The second person that came to mind was Sgt. Alvin C. York, who you may be familiar with through the movi

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2018 in the Argonne forest of France, York, pacifist and conscientious objector, led a few squads of men, num-

bering less than twenty, in a battle in which he killed approximately 20 enemy soldiers, disarmed and overtook 25 machine gun positions, and ended the war in four days. He was most of this with little help from the then remaining seven members of his unit.

I remember seeing footage of this man speaking in newscasts made later in his life in which his humility and unwillingness to be called a hero brought me to recall what I thought then as now, that is a good citizen, a patriot, that is a soldier! All these

utilitarianism during the 19th century summed it up best when he said, "War is an ugly thing, but not the ugliest of things. The decayed and degraded state of moral and patriotic feeling which flows from this doctrine is something which is nothing wrong is war is much worse." I cannot understand why people are still laying down in the middle of streets, blocking entrances to build-

ings and bridges and committing acts of civil disobedience (aka vandalism). Don't you people understand you're protesting an event that gave you the freedom to protest things in the first place?

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I am reminded of September 11th. I think every time I walk into a tall building and every time I hear an airplane pass by, I know who was responsible for the attacks that took place that day, and that man, Osama Bin Laden, is still out there.

I am wondering how quickly our attention has been turned from our failure to capture Bin Laden to our need to rid the world of Saddam Hussein. There has been speculation but never any proven link between Hussein and Bin Laden. If there ever had been any real evidence, it definitely would have been presented to us in attempt to lower the nation's resistance against the war.

Being opposed to the war does not constitute for being pro-terrorism or anything of that nature. Likewise, being for the war does not represent pro-imperialism. All of the argu-

ments for and against the war are too complicated to just be split down the middle and catego-

rized into which one is right and which one is wrong. It is always wise to approach things with an open mind and to argue your claim without the use of illogical reasoning such as generalization and name-calling.