

THE CONSCIENCE OF THE KING

by Anthony Lewis

London, April 9 - It is a strange feeling to be part of a country whose President shows less concern for the process of law than for the comfort of a man found guilty of murdering little children [Calley]. A President who shows less concern for millions of Indochinese civilians, their lives and safety, than for his own political appearance.

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Mr. Nixon quoted Jefferson to the effect that Americans will always choose hope over despair. True, that is why we can have confidence that in the end the American conscience will understand murder in Vietnam for what it is. One can only pray that the country will not be torn apart while waiting for that understanding to penetrate the conscience of the President.

(Clipping filed Richard Nixon.)