Children know what's important

It was a poignant sight. Seated on the lap of Ceaser Chavez, during the introduction and the announcement, and receiving his undivided attention and affection, were two of his grand-daughters.

Here was the man, acclaimed by his followers as a man of great courage and vision, and by his enemies as the archioe of liberty and free enterprise, giving his time and love to two little children.

Somehow, that scene captured a sense of what the struggle for dignity and justice creates. A commitment in the present to life that will have meaning for the genarations to come.

As profit margins are cut by declin-ing markets and expenses increase, in-dustry will consider it absolutely essen-



tial to cut costs wherever possible. And whatever, altruism might have pre-vailed soon evaporates.

Ceaser Chavez not asking for charity It's increasingly difficult to carry out that kind of commitment because the experience of decreasing resources encourages a kind of privatism that excludes others.

He is not advocating that we tear this whole system down. He is only in-sisting that no one be excluded from its benefits.

It will obviously take a lot more to effect this kind of justice than it takes to entertain and fill the attention span of two young children. Structures developed to capitalize on the profit motive are not going to change by request.

Neither Chavez's oratory nor image as a loving grandfather will influence multi-national corporations to reduce profits and increase costs to cover farm workers with a living wage.

What will make a difference is his

This task cannot be considered solely as Chavez's responsibility. Until we all assume the redress of injustice and the formation of a more just order, we will be denying the essence of this land to those who follow after.

It might be somewhat trite to say that we should do this for the genera-tions to come. But it is that kind of re-gard for the future that will keep us from self-serving love in the present.

Only as we reach out and extend our care around an ever-expanding humanity, will we learn how to care and live in justice and equality.

For Chavez, it has been a struggle to which he has given an uncommon dedication and courage and the end is not yet in sight. Is the struggle worth it?

We should ask his grandchildren who know the answer already at their ten-

The women's guild of St. John Ar-menian Church will present its annual dinner-dance, "Tis the Season," begin-ning at 7 pm. Saturday, Dec. 1, in the Armenian Cultural Building, 20201 To reservations, call 557-9035.

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St. John Women plan holiday dance

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background of modern day cults which

She has counseled young people who have left cults and her research also includes the study of POWs returning from Southeast Asia, and victims of concentration camps.

Dr. Singer testified for the defense in the Patty Hearst trial and has studied members of the People's Temple cult and survivors of the Jonestown catas-trophe. She has received some of the

mental health field and serves on the editorial boards of four professional fournals.

Presently, she holds appointments both in the psychiatry department at the University of California's San Francisco Medical School and in the psychology department at the University of California at Berkeley.

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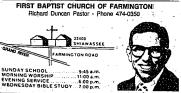
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