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## Misconception Of War As A Tool To Solve Conflicts

The belief that man needs to channel his inner frustration driven aggression towards war is a misconception as war is not an innate human characteristic rather a learned one. Social classes as well as the ever growing struggle for power and possessions fuels the notion of warfare. War is an invention created by humans and when inventions come to be known universally such as marriage and cooking these once innovations now become categorized as attributes of humanity. Several populations on earth have never taken part in war.

The Eskimos are a civilization that experiences many hardships including cannibalism and murder that may fuel aggression but never result in war as the concept of warfare is absent in their community. Eskimos have no social class which indicates that its the state of modern development that leads people to war. Meanwhile, civilizations like the Pygmy's of the Andaman Islands and the Aborigines also have no social class system but have instilled small armies within their communities which arises the concept that if a population is aware of warfare and how it handles situations they may lead to war.

Different civilizations have different perceptions of war. Communities including the passive Pueblo Indians only engage in defensive warfare as they resent the idea of war, while the violent Sioux crave the idea of war. People will handle issues in whatever way is taught in their community meaning different communities have different ways of dealing with problems. Mead explains; "Yet, if it be granted that warfare is after all an invention, it may nevertheless be an invention that lends itself to certain types of personality"(P583).

Warfare is not only utilized politically but also in a game like form in parts of the world and is thought to bring prestige to the champion. Endurance and bravery are traits that people associate with heroes of war but these traits can be gained in a vast amount of ways outside of warfare. When an invention fits humans needs that invention persists even if its not the right answer. War surrounds us constantly and is embedded into our brains by society. Mead Explains; " A poor invention will usually give place to a better invention" (P585). Propaganda against war will help people turn away from it and find new ways to solve conflicts. People need to realize the problems in old inventions for new ones to rise.