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THE ABOLITION OF WAR

ANTHROPOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

Two centuries ago, those who sought to abolish slavery were subjected to ridicule and scorn. Slavery had always existed and was part of human nature, even sanctioned by the Bible. Undeterred, the abolitionist succeeded. Slavery has been abolished, and the idea that some men can own other human beings as property is universally opposed.

In our quest for peace, we must confront similar opposition. Haven't men always gone off to war? Aren't humans innately violent? War is necessary to protect our way of life and our values from those who would destroy them?

This talk will address such issues by drawing upon modern anthropological fact and theory as informed by the materialist approach of Marx and Engels. This will lead to clearer understanding that another world is indeed possible, a world in which war will be found only, to paraphrase Engels, in the museum of antiquities, next to the spinning wheel and the bronze ax.

Speaker will be **Eugene E Ruyle**, Emeritus Professor of Anthropology, Cal State Long Beach, and President, Veterans for Peace East Bay Chapter #162.



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