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BRYAN ON PEACE

PROFESSOR CALDWELL PLANS ANNUAL EXERCISES.

Professor Howard's Scholarly Address
—Talks on Topics of Peace
Maxey and Bryan.

With William Jennings Bryan leader and Professors Howard and Maxey, and J. W. Swenson participants in a program over which Chancellor Andrews presided, the Peace Convocation yesterday morning was a thing of exceptional value and interest. That universal peace is not a vain ideal was the general expression of the speakers.

Professor Maxey, in speaking on the subject of "The Recent Hague Conference," emphasized the fact that success and failure are relative terms. Because the peace assembly did not adopt all the plans offered for the settlement of international disputes, it was not necessarily a failure. It adopted several propositions of great value. When we recall what a world conference would have been able to accomplish fifty years ago, the present approach to unanimous opinion is reassuring rather than discouraging. Americans especially, have reason to feel satisfied on account of the conduct and influence of their delegates.

J. W. Swenson, '08, spoke of "The University as an Exponent of Peace." He declared that the University stands for intelligent and fair-minded thinking. It endeavors to teach society the full consequences of war. Our future national supremacy will depend not on extension of territory, but upon economic gains. It depends not on brute force but upon intellectual and moral supremacy. As the national law has replaced civil war, so international law will replace strife between nations. Some believe that religion will solve the question. But the church has often been the cause of war. In accomplishing international peace heart and head must co-operate, thus a university, diffusing intelligence in a Christian community, stands for international peace.

Following Mr. Swenson, Professor G. E. Howard delivered a scholarly address, full of thought, on "America and the Ideal of Social Peace." Professor Howard first outlined the Utopia of Thomas Moore, calling attention to its ideals of peace.

"In Utopia, they strove for a high ideal of social justice at home and abroad," said the speaker. "All things considered, America has done most to develop a noble standard of social justice in national and international affairs. It is the fashion to sneer at the dreamer. But the idealist may be a most practical man. It is the idealist who is the inventor, the creative engineer."

"There is reason to believe that the ideals of social peace are speedily being realized. It is time that the opening words of the president of the Hague Conference were expressive of this ideal. But this gentleman was a Russian and the peace idea is essentially democratic. We must remember that the phantasies of today are the realities of tomorrow."

Y. M. C. A. SUPPER

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St. Paul's Church

6 O'CLOCK

"In this peace movement America has done her full share. Her representatives have labored to harmonize international law, to institute some degree of sincerity in the diplomatic affairs of nations, and to establish the Geneva tribunal. America contributed far the most of the triumphs of the Hague conferences. She has had a host of peace exponents among them, Roger Williams, Thomas Jefferson and Theodore Roosevelt.

"From our own diplomatic dealings we have learned the value of the 'square deal' in international affairs. The idea of a cannon to preserve peace is not correct. All that is needed is a righteous government and high national character.

"I, too, indulge in a dream. What if America shall become a leader and carry forward the idea of peace until its ideal is accomplished? At this very moment the voters of the nation are massing themselves into two great camps. I cannot prophesy the result, but I feel that if the whole people express their desire they will call to the presidential chair the most practical dreamer of social dreams."

Mr. Bryan was last on the program. As he rose to speak, he was given a most generous ovation by the eighteen hundred students. He said:

"The idea of universal peace is growing. I am as sure of the coming of the day of peace as I am of the rising of tomorrow's sun. Since the day of Christ—the two ideas, peace and war, have been in combat. Where there is life there is motion and the world is moving forward in every way.

"The standard of intelligence is rising in every nation. Education is going rapidly forward in China, Japan, the Philippines, and even in Mohammedan countries, so long dormant.

"Popular government is spreading. The trend in this direction is irresistible and is becoming an acute political question in every country. Within three years Persia has obtained a constitution and even China is sending representatives abroad to get mater-

ials with which to form a constitution. "The world is undergoing a great moral awakening. There is a quickening of public conscience and a studying of questions of justice. The cause of peace is in a line with the theory of popular government. It is democratic; it is ethical; it is moral; it is just.

"If all this is true: if there is an awakening intelligence, if there is a spread of popular government, if there is a pressing on toward higher ideals of justice and morality; then who can doubt that we are moving toward arbitration rather than force. A moral question cannot be settled by killing a man. You cannot crush an idea by killing the man who holds it. You may crucify, burn, hang or torture him, but the idea still lives.

"Ideals are the greatest things with which men have to deal. No tariff can build a wall high enough to shut out an ideal; no army, no navy can be big enough or strong enough to protect wrong and keep it always dominant. No dominant party can repeal the law that 'the wages of sin is death.' It is beyond the power of men to qualify and will be with men thru all time.

"But the whole difficulty is that a different set of moral principles has been applied to groups of people than to individuals. It is impossible to get enough people together to make it right to set aside moral principles in public acts. In substituting arbitration for force we would examine in the light of justice and gain lasting victories.

"We cannot yet secure compulsory arbitration because the large nations will not yield to the small and agree to submit to arbitration any question involving the national honor or interests.

"Man excited is very different from (Continued on page three.)

Pies like mother tried to make. Baked fresh twice a day by an expert woman pie baker, at The Boston Lunch.

COACH ARRIVES

"BILLY" FOX TAKES CHARGE OF BASEBALL SQUAD.

Practice Will Be From 1:00 to 3:00 Daily—Every Man Who Intends to Try Out Must Be in Uniform.

With the warm sunny weather of Tuesday, Captain Bellamy decided that baseball practice in the dark and crowded Gym was a thing not to be countenanced. Accordingly the entire squad, besuited and ready for business, reported to old Nebraska Field for a romp with the elusive fly and the puzzling grounder.

To the edification of all, Billy Fox, who has been retained to coach the team this spring, appeared upon the scene and took actual charge of the squad.

All candidates for outfield positions were told to stay in the respective postures where they desire to contest. The men who are trying for stations on the infield will be tried out in those positions. "Give every man a fair chance," says Fox.

The men who have signified their intention to try for the various positions are as follows: Outfield, Blish, Hyde, Fehiman, Smith, Freeland, Sleuter and Captain Bellamy. For the infield the various men are: Third base, Beltzer, Klein, Fehiman, Rodman; shortstop, Jennings, Harris; second base, Waters, Greenslit, Back; first base, Watson, Denslow and Jessup. Roy Greenslit, Stutzeneger and Patterson are trying for the backstop position. Candidates who show the most promise for the other end of the battery are Ward and Blake of last year's team and Prouty, Owens and Olmstead, all freshmen.

Mr. Fox has intimated that he knows the position in which he is placed and further that he intends to fulfill the duties incumbent upon him to the law and the letter. It has not been the custom in this University for the baseball coach to be ranked along with, or have the same powers as the man who develops our football teams, but Mr. Fox proposes to change all this, and do as is the custom in institutions that develop great baseball teams, as, for instance, at Illinois University. He is going to take personal charge of the squad and assume direct control of it, just as the football coach has done heretofore. This is the only way in which material can be properly developed, and the student body, with the candidates, must stand behind Mr. Fox in this. He is a first-class fellow and a gentleman in every sense of the word. He will give every one a fair chance, and every one must give him a fair chance to use his experience and knowledge of what will best develop a baseball team to bring Nebraska out a pennant winner in the college world.

Practice will be held from 1:00 to 3:00 daily until further notice. All candidates must appear in uniforms, and after appearing on the field they should not leave without permission from the coach.

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University Temple

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