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WORLD UNITY CONFERENCES

TO CREATE HARMONY AND UNDERSTANDING AMONG ALL RELIGIONS, RACES, NATIONS AND CLASSES

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171 Chapin Pky. BUFFALO, N.Y. October 8th, 1926 -00

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Your Reverence:

Enclosed you will find programmes of the "World Unity Conferences" recently held in Philadelphia, Worcester and Green Acre (Me.) from which you will learn of the aims and aspirations of the Committees. Each principle city in the United States and Canada is to have similar conferences during the current year. The dates for Buffalo's conferences will be October 22, 23 and 24. The speakers already engaged will be Dr. Alfred W. Martin and Dr. John Herman Randall of New York City, Dr. Louis Gregory (colored) of Washington, D.C. Dr. Ali Kuli Khan of Teheran, Persia, Chancellor S.P. Capen of the University of Buffalo and Mr. Moon W. Wong of China.

I have been instructed by my committee to write you its invitation to speak on either Saturday or Sunday evening, October 23 or 24th. We shall be in a position to offer you an honorarium of \$100 plus traveling expenses. We most earnestly desire your presence and trust you will do all that is possible to accept our invitation. Will you kindly wire me collect your reply as our final announcement of programme must be made the early part of next week.

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Very truly yours,

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Executive Committee.

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October 28th, 1926.

Miss Eugene Gay Tifft, 171 Chapin Earkway, Buffalo, N.Y.

My dear Miss Tifft,

Please pardon thelong delay in answering your kind letter of October 8th. I have been out of the city most of the time and I have not been able to get down to my correspondence. I find that I have through this delay perhaps embarrassed you as you invited me to speak on October 23rd or 24th, dates already passed. I trust that my inability to respond to your letter did not seriously handloap you.

It might interest you to know that I have accepted an invitation to address a similar "world conference" on November 28th.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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WORLD UNITY CONFERENCES

TO CREATE HARMONY AND UNDERSTANDING AMONG ALL RELIGIONS. RACES, NATIONS AND CLASSES

Office of the Secretary: 5 WHEELER AVENUE

WORCESTER, MASS.

Cleveland, Ohio, November 20, 1926.

Dear Sir or Madam: -

Tc assist in the focussing of the spiritual forces which alone can bring humanity safely through this period of grave danger, a World Unity Conference has been arranged in Cleveland on November 26, 27 and 28.

The enclosed programs will give you all necessary information concerning meeting places, speakers and subjects, as well as the purposes for which our committee has been formed.

We bring this Conference to your personal attention as one of the influential leaders of public opinion in Cleveland, whose active interest and cooperation will assure the success of this effort.

In view of the general world condition today, when anarchy and warfare are so much more highly organized than the divine religion of peace, we are confident that you will cordially welcome such an expression of non-political, nonsectarian unity, and whole-heartedly contribute of your time and influence to bring the Conference to the attention of your associates and friends.

The Conference itself is a gift to the citizens of Cleveland. Our appeal is to their enlightenment and their loyalty to the fundamental principle of brotherhood. The meetings are for mutual inspiration, and no direct nor indirect solicitation of funds, and no membership in any new organization, are involved.

> Yours very truly, WORLD UNITY CONFERENCE COMMITTEE By: T-forence Monton Secretary

January Seventh 1927

Miss Florence Morton, world Unity Conferences, 5 Wheeler Avenue, Worcester, Massachusetts.

My dear Miss Morton,

I am in receipt of the beautiful gift of books which you sent me on behalf of the World Unity Conference Committee. I want you to know how much I appreciate the thoughtfulness which prompted the gift. Kindly extend my thanks to my friends.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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The World Unity Conferences

List of Speakers to February 1, 1927

DR. DAVID STARR JORDAN Leland Stanford University DR. RUDOLPH I. COFFEE Temple Sinai, Oakland, Calif. DEAN J. W. GRESHAM Grace Cathedral, San Francisco DR. AURELIA REINHARDT President, Mills College DR. W. J. BYERS Colored Pastor, San Francisco HON, CLINTON N. HOWARD San Francisco DR. J. V. BREITWIESER University of California DR. TORAO KAWASAKI Japanese Consul, San Francisco JENABE FADIL Teheran, Persia MR. ALFRED W. MARTIN Society for Ethical Culture, New York MR. LOUIS GRECORY National Lecturer on Racial Amity ALI-KULI KHAN, N.D. Formerly Persian Minister to the U.S. REV. KAPRIAL BRODESIAN Church of the Martyrs, Worcester, Mass. DR. JOHN HERMAN RANDALL Community Church of New York SYUD HOSSAIN Editor The New Orient THOMAS QUE HARRISON Youth Movement PROF. CLARENCE SKINNER Tufts College PROF. HENRY W. HETZEL President, Esperanto Assoc. of North America REV. ALBERT R. VAIL National Lecturer on Religious Unity REV. LAWRENCE PLANK First Unitarian Church, Rochester, N. Y. PROF. JESSE HOLMES Swarthr. ore College DR. HERBERT ADAMS GIBBONS Princeton University DR. S. P. CAPEN Chancellor, University of Buffalo

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What Is Sought in the World Unity Conferences

(Reprinted from BOSTON EVENING TRANSCRIPT, Saturday, December 11, 1926)

NUMBER of well-known men, leaders in their respective fields, are publicly upholding the ideal of world unity as speakers at the World Unity Conferences which open in this city tonight. The phrase "world unity" is still so comparatively new that it probably summons up a quite different thought in every mind that considers it. Whether we regard world unity as a feasible program or a remote, unattainable, ideal, the fact that prominent scientists, educators and statesmen, as well as representative Christians, Jews and followers of other faiths are willing to participate in a public meeting devoted to this object is a very significant indication of the new trend.

To many, world unity implies something in the nature of a formal political organization, like an extension of the much debated League of Nations. To others, it suggests a further perfection of the machinery of communication, including airplanes for physical going about, and radio for the dispatch of ideas. There are some who perhaps feel that world unity suggests at least a tentative and working alliance between international capital and labor, while a few would undoubtedly point to the fact of increased religious tolerance as indicating a future possible unity between the various religious bodies of the East and the West.

It is world unity as a deeper understanding and stronger spirit of co-operation between peoples themselves, quite apart from their present political, economic or religious affiliations, however, which is the ideal promoted by the World Unity Conferences. This view considers that it is essential to arise above all partisan questions and appeal direct to the latent humanity obscured in the hearts of men. To achieve this result, the first beginning has been made by establishing a platform independent of any existing social organism, and thus capable of giving equal respect to the ideals and principles of all. Frobably no more universal public forum exists in this country today than the World Unity Conferences supply, since they offer the same hospitality to Jew and Moslem as to Christian, and to scientist or philosopher as to religionist, while the black and yellow races have also found on this platform a place not inferior to that accorded the white. The selection of speakers, however, does uphold a strict standard of suitability, in that each speaker must represent some approach to the problem of world unity.

It is an interesting experiment which is going on in these World Unity Conferences, whose sessions are held regularly in large cities of the United States and Canada. The variety of racial and religious, also mental affiliations the conferences have so far brought together in amity and co-operation, is attested by the list of speakers at some of the sessions which have been held: David Starr Jordan of Leland Stanford University; Rabbi Coffee of Temple Sinai, Oakland; Dean J. W. Gresham of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco; Dr. Aurelia Reinhardt, president of Mills College; Dr. W. J. Byers, leading colored pastor of San Francisco; Hon. Clinton N. Howard, Dr. Torao Kawasaki, Professor Breitwiesser, Jenabe Fazel, Rev. Kapriel Brodesian, Syud Hossain, Dr. Herbert Adams Gibbons, Chancellor Capen of the University of Buffalo, Dr. Teh-yi Hsieh, Professor Adolphus Miller, Rabbi Silver of The Temple, Cleveland, in addition to Professors Kirtley F. Mather and William E. Hocking of Harvard, and Rabbi Harry Levi, speaking at the Boston meetings this week.

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Office of the Secretary: 5 WHEELER AVENUE, WORCESTER, MASS.

March 18th, 1927.

Rabbi Hillel Silver, D. D ..

The Temple,

East 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

On behalf of The Montreal local Committee, I am writing to know if it will be possible for you to deliver an address at The World Unity Conference in that city, on April30th, of May 1st., in the evening, at the great Peoples Forum, upon the same subject as you spoke at The Cleveland Conference, "The One & The Many"?

They are planning one meeting at McGill University, and one at The Ritz Hotel, on Friday and Saturday evenings respectively; if these dates are more acceptable to you, they would be very happy to arrange the program in that way.

Whatever honorarium you may desire, we shall be very glad to pay, in return for your most kind co-operation, which is greatly appreciated in the midst of your very busy life. We do not think our program is in any sense complete without your message to The Conference.

Hoping to have a favorable reply from you in the near future. I am,

Very sincerely yours.

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JAMES WALDO FAWCETT

122 East 34th Street New York City

April 15th, 1927.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am compiling an anthology of opinion with respect to the World Unity ideal which appears to be in process of sweeping the nation.

You were one of the speakers at one of the recent Conferences, and at the suggestion of Dr. Randall I have the honor to invite you to contribute to this proposed symposium a brief expression of your own thought on the subject.

Copies would be sent to you immediately after publication, and I should be enduringly grateful for your co-operation.

With appreciation,

Respectfully, James tracedo Jaco

To: Rabbi Hillel Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

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122 East 34th Street · New York

April 23,1927

Rabbi Hillel Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

The new magazine, "World Unity", described in the enclosed prospectus, represents another working out of the ideals which I know have inspired your own life work and are closest to your heart today.

One of the most important elements in our plan is to secure the cooperation and endorsement of representative leaders in all parts of the world, who, as Contributing Editors, can play so large a part in maintaining a magazine worthy of this title.

We would esteem it a very great privilege and also a most effective reinforcement, to be allowed to include your name as a Contributing Editor of the magazine.

The enclosed prospectus carries the names of a few Contributing Editors, whom I have already found the opportunity to approach personally, but this is only a preliminary printer's proof, as I am arranging to increase their number by additional co-workers like yourself, before we issue the prospectus to our extensive international list.

It would be a distinct favor if I could receive your reply at your earliest convenience. Our intention is to put the prospectus to press early in May.

I will of course be most happy to lay before you any additional information you might require before coming to a final decision, but I feel that you can be assured that all those identified with the "World Unity" magazine are thoroughly imbued with the spirit of the new age and have sufficient resources necessary to produce a substantial and enduring medium.

I trust also that you will find the time to give the magazine at least occasional articles reflecting the particular principles of world unity operating in your own field of experience.

Yours very truly.

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April 26, 1927.

Mr. John Herman Randall, Editor, World Unity, 122 East 34th Street, New York City.

My dear Mr. Randall:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of April 23rd and for the invitation which you extended me to become a contributing editor of the new magazine, "World Unity" which you are to edit.

It will give me great pleasure to associate myself with you and with the other good people who will guide the destinies of this interesting new literary enterprise. We need just such a magazine which aims to interpret "the trend toward world-wide understanding and a humanized civilization".

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely,

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May 7, 1927.

AMNOUNCEMENT

In Chicago, November 18th, 19th, and 20th, there will be held a joint Conference of the National Federation of Religious Liberals, the World Unity Council, and the Chicago Forum Council.

the meetings will be held in a downtown hotel. The opening session will be on the evening of the 18th and will take the form of a banquet, with toasts on the purpose of the cooperating organizations followed by more formal addresses. A business meeting of the Federation will begin the Saturday forenoon session. The morning session will continue until 12:30 following which there will be a luncheon with addresses and discussion. The .. evening session will be addressed by leading representatives of various liberal movements. The Sunday afternoon session will be held in the Erlanger Theaser. The general subject for the afternoon will be "Inter-Racial Relations." There will be addresses by a Chinaman, A Negro, and a white man. The session will close with a Sunday evening program.

A MONTHLY MAGAZINE INTERPRETING THE SPIRIT OF THE NEW AGE

Editorial Office 4 East 12th St. May 20, 1927

122 EAST 34TH STREET · NEW YORK

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The editors and friends of World Unity are most appreciative of your willingness to cooperate as a Contributing Editor.

It is perhaps the essential character of this magazine that it can offer a truly universal medium of expression for men of your spirit wherever they may be found, eliminating entirely all secondary and nonessential considerations which divide, confuse and destroy.

Dr. Randall and I fully realize that the ideals and purposes of World Unity depend upon the adherence and active contribution of articles and suggestions from the Contributing Editors, and we hope that the present list can soon be increased by men and women in other countries. Will you not feel yourself one with us in every way; and regard the magazine as part of your own spiritual organism, an intellectual and moral outline or sketch of the future united mankind. We can all reasonably expect that a magazine which keeps faith with the ideal of world unity, and holds the balance in justice between the different human groups and values, will establish itself as an influence during these crucial years.

I enclose a copy of the stenographic report of your address on The One and The Many at the World Unity Conference in Cleveland. This is ideal material. Will you go over the text and let us have it for our first issue? We hope to receive it by June 15th.

Sincerely yours Colley



The filing time as shown in the date line on full-rate telegrams and day letters, and the time of receipt at destination as shown on all messages, is STANDARD TIME. Received at 2016 East 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio. Tel. Cedar 1867

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EDITORIAL OFFICE

4 EAST 12TH STREET · NEW YORK

June 16 1927

Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba Silver:

As one who has given us the privilege of using your name as a contributing editor on the staff of WORLD UNTIY magazine, you will be interested to learn that our prospectus has brought forth a number of very favorable comments. While we fully realize the months of hard work which must still be done before the magazine can be called a success from the public point of view, we consider that the response up to now has been such as to justify every hope.

At present we are in correspondence with a number of distinguished people in Turone, whose acherence we wish to secure in order that, as time goes on, the list of contributing editors may fairly represent a cross-section of the international conscience and mind.

It has been brought to our notice that Dr. John Haynes Holmes has telegraphed Professor Harry Allen Overstreet, one of cur contributing editors, protesting our use of the title, WORLD UNITY, as an infringement against the magazine "UNITY", published in Chicago, of which Mr. Holmes is the editor.

Since it is probable that Mr. Holmes may have sent similar telegrams to the other contributing editors, we desire to make it clear that WORLD UNITY magazine is published by a corporation duly organized for the purpose, under the laws of the state of New York. We have received an opinion on Mr. Holmes' claim from an attorney of high standing, Mr Melbert B. Cary, who assures us that the title "WORLD UNITY" constitutes absolutely no infringement against the magazine "Unity" or any other periodical. By a fortunate coincidence, in selecting Mr. Cary, we obtained the services of the attorney who has represented Mr. Holmes for twenty years. There can be no question but that Mr. Holmes' interests received full and scrupubous consideration.

In addition to this legal right we also assume that we have every moral right to enter the publishing field with a magazine whose purpose and character represents an original idea and not an imitation of any other magazine.

We have taken it for granted that anew enterprise of this inclusive character might readily be misunderstood and even criticised by some few people here and there whose sole conception of world unity is a reaction against some controversial social theory or experiment. We had scarcely anticipated, however, that a deliberate attack would be made by one whose public reputation and expressed ideals should have enlisted him among our most enthusiastic well-wishers and loyal friends.

In pleasing contrast to this attitude has been that of magazines like THE WORLD TOMORROW, which have extended hearty congratulations and offered every cooperation.

There is nothing in the present situation which can possibly cause you any annoyance or to incur any unforeseen responsibility.

WRHS Yours sincerely

Horace Holley Managing Editor

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EDITORIAL OFFICE 4 East 12th Street · New York

July 11 1927

Rabbi Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I would very much like to know whether we are to have the privilege of publishing your article on "THE ONE AND THE MANY", in the Oct. issue. I am making up the list of contents and will leave room for your article up to the last minute. We expect to go to pressabout September 1.

Yours sincerely

Managing EDITOR

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David Stare Jordan is now a Contributing Editor.

July Thirteenth 1927

Mr. Horace Holley, Monaging Heitor, World Unity, 4 East 12th Street, New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Dr. Silver left Gleveland during the last weak in June for a trip to Europe and blestine, and your letter to him of July cloventh has been opened by me. I regret to advise you that Dr. Silver is not expected to return to Gleveland before the fiftcenth of September, which will, of course, be too late for the article about which you write him.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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EDITORIAL OFFICE 4 East 12th Street · New York

October 8 1927

Dr.Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

Some months ago I sent you the manuscript of your address at the World Unity Conference in Cleveland, with the request that you permit us to reprint this in World Unity Magazine. Your secretary informed me that you had gone to Palestine and would be back in September.

We would appreciate the privilege of publishing this article in an early issue.

Yours sincerely,

MANAGING EDITOR Halley

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A New Magazine for those who seek the World Outlook upon present developments of Philosophy, Science, Religion, Ethics and the Arts

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N 1914, when the storms of world-change began to rage, people could not realize the immensity of the forces being released. Today, the clouds gather again, even blacker than before. We work and play among titanic powers capable

of producing a new civilization through peace or through overwhelming disaster. As H. G. Wells has said: "It is a race between education and catastrophe."

To get at the truth distorted by the tumult of passing events, the seeking mind must piece together the testimony of workers in many different fields; must correlate the facts and principles emanating from widely separated experiences; must direct observation toward the ends of the earth—and be able to draw fresh conclusions from week to week, from day to day. The ideal outlook upon the evolving world in ordinary times is the established magazine, by which multiple observation can be organized and currency of conclusion maintained. But these are not ordinary times!

The new world outlook has not yet created the adequate medium, responsive to purposes larger than national, racial or class consciousness, striving from the very first to adjust the lens of sympathy to focus on universals—universals in terms of the entire human area, and universals in terms of the nature of man.

WORLD UNITY has been founded in order to serve this newly created human value—the world outlook. Its aim is to create a medium capable of effecting an organic synthesis of the fundamentals of philosophy, religion, science, ethics and the arts, as these are transmuted in the alembic of presentday world-change. It intends to present life as a whole. It has faith in the new humanity.

This has been termed an age of dominant materialism. Conspicuous prophets of woe have lamented the passing of old, once fertile ideals. The lack of true, creative idealism stands today in the estimation of many as the most sinister portent of the age. But, after all, should ideals be measured by loyalty to thoughts, beliefs, customs or institutions with which they happen to have been long associated, or by loyalty to the necessary requirements of a society whose life has been miraculously enlarged? The tide running out from the little harbor is not lost to the sea: a thousand dead loyalties are resurrecting today in devotion to the supreme ideal—world unity.

There can be no more vital interest for the present generation than contact with this ideal, the underlying spirit which is stirring the nations and races to the very depths, redirecting the activities of science and religion toward new and higher ends, preparing the way for an ethics of international cooperation, releasing fresh energies for the creative arts, extending the horizons of education, and reviving sources of faith and enthusiasm choked by the myriad propagandas of the sullen decades now past.

The magazine capable of producing sincere and adequate interpretations of current thought and action in the light cast by the movement toward world unity should, the editors are convinced, attract its own distinctive group of readers. But because those desiring access to material of this nature are widely scattered, a group possessing no name, organization or directory, the editors hope that each subscriber to *World Unity* will carry the magazine to his own circle of friends and feel himself an active partner in its success. *World Unity* will estimate its achievement not merely by the quality of its contributions, but also by its ability to create readers who are partners and friends—an unorganized but true community of interest bridging every chasm of race, class and creed.

Editorial Announcement

ORLD UNITY, as its title implies, will endeavor to interpret and record those significant changes in present-day thought which mark the trend toward world-wide understanding and a humanized civilization able to release the finer aspirations of mankind.

Each issue will contain contributions representing a balance between the values of philosophy, science, religion, ethics and the arts—the vital fields of human effort and attainment.

The essential purpose of *World Unity* is to make accessible to awakened minds the views and conclusions of creative workers on subjects revealing the inner and true principles controlling the major movements of the age. Its pages will not be given up to merely abstract essays on the one hand, nor to programs representing political or economic propaganda on the other.

WORLD UNITY will maintain the following special departments.

- THE WISDOM OF THE AGES: excerpts from the Sacred Scriptures of all races. This department will be contributed by Mr. ALFRED W. MARTIN.
- E PUR SE MUOVE:--interpretations of important current events as factors in the evolution of a united world.
- THE RISING TIDE:--brief reviews of current books which possess special significance from the point of view of the world outlook.
- ACTIVITIES REFLECTING THE IDEALS AND PRINCIPLES OF WORLD UNITY:--notes on movements and organizations serving humanitarian ends.
- THE WORLD OUTLOOK:-statements by representative leaders in different countries expressing their views of the immediate future.

In addition to the list of Contributing Editors given below, World Unity is arranging to secure the services of distinguished writers in Europe, South America and the Orient.

WORLD UNITY will contain a minimum of 768 pages yearly, and uphold a high artistic standard both in paper and typography.

JOHN HERMAN RANDALL, Editor

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WORLD UNITY will appreciate receiving names and addresses of friends who would be interested in this announcement.

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A Statement of Purpose

A NEW magazine bearing the title WORLD UNITY is already half explained. No other two words could be found which convey more varied meaning, more fruitful promise and more challenging interest to awakened minds.

The ideal of world unity embodies the supreme effort of a generation overshadowed by the possibility of universal conflict. It gives the clue to the hidden motive of unrest disturbing long established social relationships. It upholds a standard of reality before which every form of faith and truth must eventually bow. It reveals a general aim and purpose capable of subduing that greatest of anarchies, the opposition of science and religion. The ideal of world unity supplies the only focus blending sight and insight, knowledge and love, into deeper vision to understand the tumult of a humanity thundering at the gates of the future throughout the five continents and the seven seas.

There can be no more vital interest for the living generation than contact with this ideal, the spirit of which is potently transforming the world of men by transforming man.

The purpose of WORLD UNITY is to create a medium capable of interpreting the underlying forces at work in this hour of transition between two distinct eras. The magazine will endeavor to respond freely and adequately to the emergence of new human values in all fields—science, philosophy, religion, ethics and the arts. WORLD UNITY will aim to keep its readers informed about the essentials of progress as something vastly more important than the facts of change.

This magazine, in fact, has been founded in the conviction that a periodical of such a character has become inevitable. The world outlook has imbued an unconquerable vanguard of awakened people in all lands with identical aspirations, curiosities, sympathies, beliefs and ideals. The age is new in its myriad possibilities: it demands a medium of expression born of the living present, fearless of the future, independent of any negative, destructive influence, completely devoted to the concerns of humanity as a whole and desirous of putting the new wine into new bottles.

> WORLD UNITY is for those who seek the universal outlook upon present developments of science, philosophy, religion, ethics and the arts. Its aim is to contribute to the new understanding which has become the price of human survival.

Opinions and Endorsements

DESPITE wars and rumors of war, the peoples of the earth are seeking more and more to realize the humaneness that renders us all a unit in spirit, accomplishment and outlook.

Of all lands our own country is one that resembles most the world-state of the future. Here are representatives of many nationalities brought together into a community of singleness. Alike a pattern and a symbol of the unity some day to be effective everywhere on earth, it reveals the possibility of men of diverse origins assembling and dwelling side by side, animated by the ideal that to each shall be yielded the measure of his worth and nought of privilege inherited of hatreds born of ages. Here as nowhere else may the thought of world unity find expression, here derive inspiration from conference upon the essentials of action needed for its diffusion throughout the globe. By it we may hope to aid humanity at large in its groping toward the dawn of that happier day, when there shall prevail upon earth, not the condition of peace alone, but the spirit of universal understanding and good will which assures its permanence.—WILLIAM R. SHEPHERD, Ph. D., Seth Low Professor of History, Columbia University.

The spirit of world unity is prevalent in the world today and needs to be kept before the people in every possible manner.—Augustus O. THOMAS, State Commissioner of Education for Maine; President, World Federation of Education Associations.

I am very much in harmony with the purpose of the World Unity Magazine.-H. A. MILLER, Department of Sociology, Ohio State University.

We need just such a magazine which aims to interpret the trend toward worldwide understanding and a humanized civilization.—RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Congratulations on so fine and necessary a venture. I shall be more than happy to serve as contributing editor.—HARRY A. OVERSTREET, A. B., Department of Philosophy, College of the City of New York.

You may count upon me to support every move which will create harmony and understanding among religions, nations and classes.—RABBI RUDOLPH L. COFFEE, *Temple Sinai*, Oakland, Calif.

A ringing challenge from earnest leaders will, I feel certain, receive a response which will astonish the world. The devoted of every nation are crying out for such oneness of spirit—and the end of wars, exploitation and shame.—FRED MERRIFIELD, *Divinity School*, *University of Chicago*.

I shall be glad to send you some of the fruits of my studies in Europe this summer.—LUCIA AMES MEAD, National Women's Peace Society.

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WORLD UNITY, as its title implies, will endeavor to interpret and record those significant changes in present-day thought which mark the trend toward world-wide understanding and a humanized civilization able to release the finer aspirations of mankind.

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The essential purpose of *World Unity* is to make accessible to awakened minds the views and conclusions of creative workers on subjects revealing the inner and true principles controlling the major movements of the age. Its pages will not be given up to merely abstract essays on the one hand, nor to programs representing political or economic propaganda on the other.

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EDITORIAL OFFICE

4 EAST 12TH STREET · NEW YORK

December 3, 1927.

Dr. Abba H. Silver, The Temple, East 105th Street and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

You will receive your editorial copy of the December number in a day or two, and we sincerely hope that you will consider it an improvement over the first two numbers. We are particularly pleased at the adherence of a number of new contributing editors from various countries in Europe. Perhaps some of them are known to you personally.

We have been hoping to receive the manuscript of your address entitled "The One and the Many", the stenographic transcript of which I sent to you in June. We would appreciate it greatly if you could place this manuscript at our disposal during the next few weeks and we will at all times heartily welcome any suggestions you care to make for the improvement of the magazine in any respect.

Yours sincerely,

Horace Harley Managing Editor

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Because the attitude and aim of World Unity Magazine reflects the outlook of an increasing host left unsatisfied by the extremes of purposeless culture and self-centered propaganda, the editors are confident that a medium of this character has become inevitable at the present time.

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MORNING WORSHIP-MARCH 27, 1927

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Prelude ''Te decet Hymnus''	Ashmall
Processional-419	
Doxology, Invocation and Lord's Prayer	
Scripture	
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Chorus-"'Far Down the Ages"	Hall
Prayer-Response-"Father, My All"	Brackett
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Offertory-Organ and Piano	
Quartette-"Saviour, Source of Every Blessing"	Otis
Hymn—507	
Sermon-"'The Privilege of Believing"	
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today, 5.45 P. M. Senior C. E. Meeting in the Parish House. Vern MacCullough of Springfield, Y. M. C. A., will lead a discussion on "Christian Ethics in Sports." All young people of the church who love sports and athletics are invited to be present. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.
- Today, 5.30 P. M. G. R. C. Group of Christian Endeavorers in the Parish House.
- Tuesday, 10.30 A. M. All Day Meeting of the Woman's Association in the Parish House to sew on choir surplices. Basket lunch. All ladies of the church cordially invited.
- Tuesday, 4.15 P. M. Girl Scout Meeting. We congratulate the leaders in the absence of Miss Inman. Average attendance about 20 girls.
- Tuesday, 6.00 P. M. Gamma Sigma supper and meeting in the Parish House.
- Tuesday, March 29, at 3.00 P. M. Donald R. Taft, Ph. D., Professor of Economics and Research, Wells College, Aurora, N. Y., will deliver an illustrated lecture in this church under the auspices of the Women's Federation. Subject: "Polish Peasant Life." No admission charge will be made but a silver offering will be taken.

Wednesday

5.45 P. M. to 7.00 P. M. Supper, 35c.

- 7.00 P. M. Study class for new members of all ages, led by the Minister.
- Study Hour for adults. Subject: "Facing the Moslem 7.00 P. M. World," led by Mrs. Rust.
- 7.00 P. M.
- Men's class in men's room. Special speakers. Paul R. Swan. Subject: "College Boys' Attitude Toward Religion."
- 7.00 P. M. Young People's Mission Study Class led by Mrs. Kurtz.
- Devotions. Two short plays presented by girls in the Junior Department; "Ferideh" and "Black Temts." 7.45 P. M.
- Thursday, 3.00 P. M. Mrs. Harry Whitcomb will open her house, 6 Harvard St., for an afternoon tea under the auspices of the Woman's Association. All lalies of the church and their friends are invited. Entertainment will be a fashion show. Admission 50c.

The pulpit flowers last Sunday were given by Mrs. Henry Winn and family, in memory of Henry Winn who died March 25, 1926.

EVENING WORSHIP-7 o'clock

Prelude—"Festival Processional March" Processional—Invocation—419	Faulkes
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Hymn 492	
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Prayer	rours
Bass Solo-"For Thee my Soul Longeth"	Hahn
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The flowers today are given by Mrs. William T. Mitchell in memory of her mother Mrs. George M. Barron, who died September 21, 1917.

The Flower Committee, Miss Evelyn Barraclough, Chairman, would be glad to hear from those willing to give lillies for the pulpit on Easter Sunday. The plants will be returned to the giver at the close of the evening service or will be distributed to the sick and shut-ins by the committee.

To Be Sure of a Seat, Be On Time

Large numbers of new faces are seen in our church services each Sunday. You may find some strangers in your pew today. Please make it very pleasant for them and invite them to come again to your pew. Come at 10.50 each Sunday morning if possible and be ready to receive them.

A TEST FOR PARENTS

A Self-Examination for Fathers and Mothers

- 1. Are all of my growing children enrolled in our Church School? Why not?
- Have I ever visited the school? Do I know its curriculum? Or, 2. what it is trying to do?
- Do I know anything about the aim and method of modern Church 3. School work, or am I still judging from impressions formed in my childhood?
- 4. Do I realize that the Church School is at present a necessary link in the education of my children, supplied by no other agency?
- 5. Do I appreciate the difficulties under which the Church School does its work, viz., voluntary attendance? and, very largely, at least. voluntary instruction? Have I given the Church School credit for what it has accomplished in the face of these difficulties?
- 6. Is my own attitude toward our school such that my children, through me, respect the Church School?

UNITING WITH PLYMOUTH CHURCH AT EASTER TIME.

I desire to identify myself with Plymouth Church, and become a member at the coming Easter season.

Invite others to sign this and then you hand it to the minister.

THE CHOSEN PEOPLE By Charles Herbert Rust

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WHO WERE THEY? They were the Hebrews. The Jews. Originally Semites. They believed themselves to be a chosen race, a favored people. History reveals that they were distinctive. Their God consciousness became an obsession. They assumed that God had selected them from among all other nations. Today, this seems to indicate a superiority complex. It was a pronounced mental attitude. It colored all their thinking. They dared to think that they were a chosen people. This mental attitude developed a choosing people. They must choose what they believed they were chosen for. Their leaders made superlative choices and led them forward. They were, without question, mentally discriminating. Their choices progressed from the crude to the intelligent. Their prophets were audacious thinkers and choosers, They chose the Father God, and the Shepherd God. The God of Love, of kindly interest, of justice and mercy, of righteousness and truth. They chose a high concept of man. They chose a noble family ideal. They chose a social interpretation of religion. They chose a social interpretation of religion. They chose a religion of righteousness man with man. They chose sacrifices of the spirit and heart rather than those of animals. They chose a Kingdom of love and good will and peace. They chose a religion for the individual; for the nation; for all nations. They made superlative choices. They became a people of determined choosers. They produced Jesus, the divine man of highest choices. They, in him, chose the noblest religious and ethical life known to man. God did choose them and because they made such worthy choices. The universe sanctioned this choosing people. The universe sanctioned this choosing people. To be sure, some of their people, refused to choose Jesus as their leader. Prophets before him had been stoned and rejected. They misinterpreted him. It was a great mistake. But Italy imprisoned its Galileo and killed its Savanarola. England killed its Wycliffe, and its Latimer and Ridley. A group of American secessionists, led by Booth, killed our prophet Lincon. Other nations have been blind, have blundered, have sinned. Time substantiates true values and corrects mistakes. Time substantiates true values and corrects mistakes. The world today senses as never before, the choices of the Jews. The Judaism of Jesus is the vital Christianity of this hour. His religion is the first in the world. Humanity has chosen it because Jesus chose the best. Ilis religion of love to Gcd and man is universally fundamental. The choices of time prove that the choosing Jews were a chosen people. WHO ARE THEY The Jews are still with us and their leaders are men of high choices, We recognize them, Rabbis—Wise, Krass, Silver, Heller, Malluck, We know them, Statesmen—Straus, Warburg, Filene, Reading, Montefiore, We bow to them, Scientists and Philosophers—Weizman, Einstein, Mickelman and Bergson. They are still a choosing people and they are claiming Jesus as their own prophet. They choose to respect his teachings and live out his spirit. They encose to respect its teaching encoded among them. There is a mighty progressive movement among them. They have capacities of leadership in present day life. They now give evidence of being God's chosen people. BUT GOD HAS NO FAVORITES. He is not a jealous God. He is not a partisan DIETY. He never was. His truth and spirit have pressed upon all peoples. Each race has had the same opportunity as the others. The phenomena of life are everywhere and are open to all. God is hardening no hearts, blocking no minds and stopping no inquiry. The truth is free for any one to discover. The chosen people today are the same as ever, namely the choosing people. Individuals who choose rightly, as well as nations, are chosen of God. No age takes precedence over this age. Each age must choose for itself. The universe sanctions those who choose wisely. We are to be held responsible for intelligent and righteous choices. God awaits man's perception, choice and action. The people who choose the good of humanity are his chosen people. The United States of America may be a chosen nation today.

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EDITORIAL OFFICE

4 EAST 12TH STREET · NEW YORK

Dr. Abba Hillet Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

By now you have received the first three copies of World Unity Magazine, to which you have kindly consented to become one of the Contributing Editors. We sincerely hope that both the appearance and contents of the Magazine meet your expectations and justify your adherence and co-operation.

You will be glad to know that we are receiving many letters from distinguished leaders of thought, as well as other forward-looking people, in appreciation of the new magazine and its purpose. And our Business Manager is hard at work in promoting the circulation which such a publication merits, both in this country and in Europe.

It is obvious that a publication of this character can only fulfil its promise if every detail represents the combined thought and experience of a truly representative group. The editor therefore will greatly appreciate any advice and suggestion you may care to make with a view to improvement in the contents or arrangement of the magazine, and will welcome from you at any time articles on subjects devoted to any phase of the World Unity ideal.

Our business department is prepared to send out a copy of the enclosed announcement to any list of friends or associates you think would be interested either as authors or readers.

We are now planning to print each month, in the advertising section, a list of the books published by our Contributing Editors. In order that this list may be complete, kindly send us the titles of your works, with the mame of the publisher. We hope that this will lead to sales of your books among the readers of World Unity Magazine.

Very sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Since forwarding you the stenographic transcript of your address on "The One and the Many" at the World Unity Conference held in Cleveland last spring, with the request that we be permitted to use this manuscript in World Unity Magazine, I have written one or two letters stating our eagerness to use the manuscript and inquiring whether my original letter was ever received.

I do not wish to inconvenience you in any way, but I would greatly appreciate some word from you in the near future.

I trust that you have been receiving World Unity Magazine regularly since the first issue October last, and that after the experience of the first five issues you consider it a worthy medium for your essay.

Yours sincerely,

Managing Editor

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March 21st, 1928.

Horace Holley, Managing Editor, World Unity, 4 East 12th St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Holley:-

I trust that you will pardon the long delay in acknowledging your letter. I have been waiting for an opportunity to revise my address on "The One and the Hany". I have been out of the city so much of the time and so overburdened with work that it was not until this week that I was able to put any time on the address. I am enclosing it herewith and I trust you will find it satisfactory.

I am delighted with the World Unity. It is splendid. Good luck.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

We deeply appreciate your kindness in sending the long awaited manuscript and also your cordial praise of the magazine.

We are quite conscious of our opportunity to create a helpful medium capable of serving the universal ideals but at the same time are more than modest about what has been done to date. It is only through the cooperation of men like yourself that we will ever be able to produce a magazine worthy of the name.

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Yours sincerely,

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EDITORIAL OFFICE 4 EAST 12TH STREET · NEW YORK

September 18, 1928.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105 Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

Dr. Randall has requested me to answer your letter of September 11.

We have been holding this article for use in a special issue, the material for which it has taken us longer to secure than we had anticipated. The material is now all in hand and I am happy to state that your article will appear in the November issue.

Yours sincerely,

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HH Managing Editor. It will be the leading article.

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EDITORIAL OFFICE 4 East 12th Street · New York

November 8, 1928.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Doctor Silver:

By now you have received your copy of our November issue containing your article. We shall be very happy indeed to send you extra copies on request, and if you care to send a list of friends and associates, a complimentary copy will be mailed to each.

Both Dr. Randall and I sincerely hope that you will find the time to contribute another article in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

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Managing Editor.

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Nov. 9th, 1928.

Mr. Horace Holley, World Unity, 4 East 12th St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Holley :-

Permit me to thank you for your kind note of November 8th.

I would appreciate if you would send me three or four copies of the November issue of World Unity which contains my article.

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With kindest regards, permit me

Very sincerely yours,

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> January 31, 1 9 2 9

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, 105th Street and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Our International Secretary, Mrs. Robert L. Moffett, who had in charge the work of organizing the World Unity Conferences which were held in Cleveland January 16th and 17th, has given me your name as one of a group of some 20 representative men and women in Cleveland who have very kindly consented to serve as a local World Unity Council under the Chairmanship of Mr. Thomas J. Holmes.

For myself personally and also for the World Unity Foundation, I want to express our very deep appreciation of this sympathetic interest you have shown in our work, and your willingness to co-operate in the further extension of the ideals and spirit of World Unity in your own community.

I have written the Chairman of the Council, Mr. Holmes, calling his attention to the various methods of extending this educational work, as they have been demonstrated in a number of our cities in the States. And when the Chairman shall call the Council together, he will doubtless inform you as to what is being done elsewhere along these general lines.

I am also sending you under separate cover, the literature of the Foundation, including the prospectus which sets forth the aims and methods of our work, information concerning the World Unity Magazine, which publishes the best of the addresses given at our public conferences and also contains leading articles by representative scholars throughout the world bearing on various phases of the world unity problem, and also a copy of the program of our Summer Institute of World Unity this last season. I hope you will go through this literature carefully at your leisure in order that you may understand exactly what we are trying to do and the spirit in which we are doing it.

I am sure you realize that the work of the World Unity Foundation has no intention whatever of superseding the splendid work that is being done by other existing organizations, all of which has a direct bearing on the problem of world unity and understanding.

What the Foundation is seeking to do is to create, through the co-operation of our leading scholars in church and university, the mental attitude out of which may come at length, the intelligent international mind in our approach to all world problems; and also the new world consciousness — that as races and nations, classes and creeds

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we are all, in the deepest sense, "members one of another" and that in the kind of world into which we have come, we must learn the lessons of mutual respect and toleration, and must find the way to a deeper sense of our moral and spiritual unity through an increase of the spirit of co-operation.

Because of this fundamental object which we have in view, other existing organizations, such as the League of Nations Society, Peace Societies, etc. that are working for particular and highly desirable ends, have assured us that we are doing the fundamental work that must be done in creating this new mental attitude and spirit, if they are to succeed in achieving the particular objects for which they strive.

Thanking you again for your willingness thus to co-operate with us through the local Council of World Unity in Cleveland, I am

Yours very sincerely,

John Herman Raudall DIRECTOR OF WORLD UNITY FOUNDATION

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The complete list of those who have consented to serve on the Cleveland World P.S. Unity Council is as follows:

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EDITORIAL OFFICE 4 East 12th Street · New York

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To the Contributing Editors of World Unity Magazine

Dear friends:

Plans are in process of formation by which <u>World Unity</u> may deal more directly with international affairs. The editors are preparing a schedule of leading articles on vital current problems, and your cooperation is urgently sought in order that the magazine may truly represent the collective viewpoint and knowledge of its seventy-three Contributing Editors.

The situation produced by the Briand-Kellogg Treaty, and the very general realization of the fact that disarmament must somehow be effected during the next few years, conduce steadily to the interest and value of the Magazine, and with your cooperation and advice we hope to meet the challenge effectively.

Specifically, we desire statements of from two hundred and fifty to one or two thousand words on the following subjects:

- 1. The Briand-Kellogg Pact what is the mext step?
- Disarmament what is really meant by this term; what immediate action should be taken to attain it.
- 3. The war debts, reparations and world peace.
- 4. The international significance of present industrial and economic trends.
- 5. How Europe and the East regard Pan Americanism as a factor for peace or war.
- 6. How far public opinion in your country endorses the League of Nations as a Super-State.
- 7. China (or India) and the international ideal.

Brief statements will be incorporated in a Symposium, while longer articles will be published separately. Your assistance in our effort to extend the usefulness and influence of the magazine will be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

Herrow Healley

Managing Editor

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March 20th, 1929.

Dr. John Herman Randall, World Unity Foundation, 4 East 12th St., New York, M. Y.

My dear Dr. Randall :-

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of January 31st. I have been out of the city practically the whole month of February.

I shall be pleased to serve on the Cleveland World Unity Council although I am afraid that I shall not be able to give it much time.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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To the members of the World Unity Councils August 5, 1929

Dear Friend:

In view of the pronounced success which the public World Unity Conferences have received during the past year, and to take advantage of the plans already made for the extension of this activity next season, we desire to emphasize at this time the important part which World Unity Magazine can take in the development of each World Unity Council into a position of effective influence and definite recognition throughout its community.

During the two years since it was established, the Magazine has achieved a distinct status among students of internationalism and active workers for human solidarity and peace. The editors desire all Council members to regard World Unity as the organ and direct expression of the principles and ideals with which you are identified. As far as we are aware, no other movement of the day is represented by a magazine possessing the general scope and widespread interest of World Unity.

For the sake of more intimate and mutually helpful cooperation between the Councils and the Magazine, we suggest the following possibilities of service, and will heartily welcome your assistance and advice in our effort to promote the literature of the World Unity movement. The editors will appreciate:--

- 1. The privilege of publishing manuscripts you may send, or recommend, of the character of those already issued.
- 2. Names of local individuals and organizations who would be interested in having the Magazine brought to their attention. We would particularly welcome your personal endorsement of the Magazine at the Public Library, Y.M.C.A. and similar places where periodicals are supplied for general readers.
- 3. Any arrangement you can suggest whereby copies can be exhibited and sold at meetings held by your Council, or meetings having the same general aims.
- 4. Your influence with the local press to make use of the editorial publicity material (as enclosed) issued by World Unity €ach month.

A copy of the August issue is being sent you with our compliments, in case you are not already acquainted with World Unity either as author or subscriber.

To Council members desiring to subscribe, the Magazine is offered at the special rate of \$2.50 per year.

Yours sincerely, Managing Editor.

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TOWARD INTERNATIONAL LAW

It may confidently be expected that if Mr. Hoover's investigation goes far enough, it will lay bare the fact that national statutes are only valid when they exist as local applications of laws and principles controlling the welfare and vigorous development of humanity as a whole. Possessing this status, their observance and enforcement will be identical with those supreme moral and spiritual realities which can alone balance self-interest and social obligation on the part of individual men and women. Without it, national statutes are a defiance of reality, a source of chaos and an instrument capable of setting state against state once more, but for the last time. —Editorial, World Unity Magazine for August. vision for more than one wife. He conditioned divorce upon four month's support of the wife after separation had taken place and he required four witnesses to vindicate a charge of adultery, punishing with a hundred stripes and imprisonment any one who failed to prove the charge.

> -Alfred W. Martin in August World Unity Magazine.

A CHALLENGE TO RELIGION

A great parliament of religions should have been called immediately after the war to strike clearly the keynotes of brotherhood and good will. This parliament should have proven the inspiring precursor of all the constructive movements of statesmanship to achieve a warless world or, at least, to reduce the provocations to war. But, alas, the religions seemed either not to hear the voice of manifest destiny or to be indifferent to the call. They did not unite, but statesmen did. We witnessed the League of Nations, the World Court, the Paris Pact and other notable gatherings.

> -Rev. Charles Parker Connolly in World Unity Magazine for August.

JURISDICTION OF THE WORLD COURT

Speaking generally, the jurisdiction of the Court is voluntary, that is, cases are submitted to it only with the special consent of the parties, though there are more and more instances of international treaties which stipulate for the decision by the Court of questions arising under them. But the Statute of the Court contains in Article 36 the famous "optional clause." By this clause certain classes of disputes are indicated as particularly suited for judicial settlement; and nations which subscribe to the optional clause bind themselwes so to settle them.

-Dexter Perkins in World Unity Magazine for August.

THE FOREIGN STUDENT IN AMERICA

Can we students who are foreign born justify our presence here among you? Can we justify our intrusion into your campus life, into the classrooms of your schools and colleges? True, we come for knowledge, as all students in all ages have sought for knowledge. True, we come for training as all students everywhere seek for training. But we who have found welcome upon the shores of this North American continent will carry with us upon our return home that which is more valued than training, more precious than knowledge. With your help we shall carry with us the inestimable possession of good will. —Boris G. Alexander in August World Unity Magazine.

THE CRISIS OF THE WEST

Earth's convulsions have no meaning other than to usher in a New Age and open up a road to the future, by first throwing down all obstacles, by ploughing up the ground if needed. Wars, Revolutions, these are the ploughs which dig the ancient fields for the sower. These are the armies of Titans which pass in advance of the gods. They are the lordly footfall of the unknown master who from afar shakes nations, overthrows thrones, levels empires, and destroys in order to create. Chaos is the womb of the future.

> -Paul Richard in World Unity Magazine for August.

MUHAMMEDAN DIVORCE

In dealing with the problem of marriage and divorce Muhammed limited the number of wives a man could have to four, at the same time prescribing monogamy for all who could not make proper pro-

SCIENCE - THE HEIR OF RELIGION

Religion will at one fell swoop be freed from its inner self-contradiction, its otherwise endless conflict with science, and its crime of opposition to the goal of world unity, when it really identifies God with love as the best present symbol to describe the ideal of moral goodness, and masters the fundamental lesson of what sincere and intelligent love means. That lesson is to be learned mainly from science. Science thus proves itself in the modern world the true, if unconscious, heir of the best deposit of early western religion.

-E. A. Burtt in World Unity Magazine for August. June 18th, 1930

Mr. Horace Holley, Managing Editor, World Unity, 4 E. 12th St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Holley :-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of June 17th.

I have no objection at all to your reprinting my article "The Role of Religion in a Changing World" in World Unity and I am confident that Religious Education will give you permission to reprint it. I gave that magazine no exclusive rights to the article.

I have this day received an invitation from Mr. Archie M. Palmer to contribute an article to a Symposium on "The Coming World Order" which you have projected. I shall make every effort to write such an article, but I am afraid that I shall not have it ready by August 15th as he requests. I am in the midst of correcting a manuscript for a book of mine which will be published in the Fall and I put all my spare time in on it.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincarely yours,

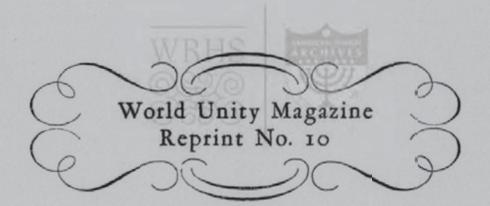
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"IN ALL AGES CIVILIZATIONS ARE BUILT OUT OF THE DOM-INANT IDEAS AND IDEALS THAT FORM THE LIVES OF THE BUILDERS. IF WE WANT TO REMOLD OUR CIVILIZATION, WE MUST SET ABOUT TRAINING IN NEW FASHION THE MINDS THAT ARE TO DO THE BUILDING. TO IGNORE THAT SIDE OF LIFE IS TO DEFY THE STRUCTURAL LAWS OF THE WORLD."

NEW emphasis of aim in education is greatly needed today and has been long overdue. Our educational methods were developed to fit the needs of a simple agrarian people who were busy conquering the virgin soil of a continent, and, before we were quite conscious of the transformation, we found ourselves a great industrial and commercial nation, more than half our people living in cities, a large proportion of them in cities of extensive area and swarming population. We have not yet built up any adequate educational system for the new conditions which confront us. The old world into which many of us were born has long ceased to exist, and we have hardly begun to shake ourselves awake to discover the new order of things, or to shape the type of culture and the social ideals that are needed for it.

No one with sound mind will question the importance of the scientific conquest of nature which has been for two generations the major aim and aspiration in higher education, both here and abroad. The dominant desire to understand the complex frame of things, to feel at home in the universe, to know how to control in some degree its immense forces and to use them for the maintenance and furtherance of human life, is altogether laudable and has without doubt added to the general welfare of mankind.

But with this discovery and control of forces have come an immense increase of creative power and the birth of a host of new rivalries. The staggering shock of the World War, however, has awakened many minds to the fact that control of forces and the possession of power to use and direct the energies and raw materials of nature cannot make our world "safe" for any kind of well-ordered living. In fact, increase of power through the discovery and control of forces appears to bring into play new and unsuspected dangers to civilization. Titanic forces put into the hands of unmoralized giants can only mean a terrible menace to everything pure and true and beautiful and good, a new all-powerful Zeus, bent on the crucifixion of every new Prometheus who tries to bring light and spiritual leading to men. There are signs enough already in every line of modern life to indicate that the possession of power and the control of forces and materials, without the training of the heart along with it, makes a new type of tyrant and puts once more all the noblest inheritances of man's spirit in jeopardy. Men of an earlier time "built Babylon out of their own Babylonish hearts," and in all ages civilizations are built out of the dominant ideas and ideals that form the lives of the builders. If we want to remold our civilization, we must first set about training in new fashion the minds that are to do the building, especially training in social ideals.

We must take pretty much the same attitude toward merely vocational and occupational education. Important as it is to be efficient, to possess skill and technique, it, nevertheless, brings a real menace to the best ideals of life to have the workers of the world trained only to be highly efficient tools for turning out work and products, without having developed capacity for appreciating the intrinsic values of life and unable to make any real contribution to the moral and spiritual assets of the world. Competition, rivalry and machine culture grow apace but the spirit does not bloom. All education, however much its final aim

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may bear on preparation for a profession, or for technical tasks, must be equally concerned with the formation of ideals of life, with the building of character and with the adjustment of the individual to the larger groups to which he belongs. To ignore *that* side of life is to defy the structural laws of the world.

It would perhaps seem wise at first thought, if we propose to educate for human brotherhood, to base our education quite definitely on a detailed study of social and economic questions, to start back with elemental problems of the social order and train up all our youth to hold, maintain, defend and practise a single, sound, sacred, basic theory of the social-economic system, somewhat the way every scientist, before doctrines of relativity came in to upset the easy method, fitted all his observations and calculations and predictions into a rigid, unvarying system of Newtonian gravitation. The first step for the would-be scientist was to master and understand the laws of gravitation and motion.

There are modern educators who consider it useless to talk of "a coming World Order" unless we propose to "clap down" on the passive minds of the next few generations of children the "right" theory of that "coming order." Let them be fed on it as a daily intellectual "pap" until they cannot imagine or conceive the opposite of it or any alternative to it. The new commandment of these educators would be: "thou shalt teach this 'right theory' diligently unto thy children, thou shalt talk of it when thou sittest in thy house and when thou walkest by the way and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind it as a sign on thy hand, and it shall be for a frontlet between thy eyes. And thou shalt write it upon the door-posts of thy house and upon thy gates."

In the first place it is useless to expect that educators could ever agree universally on any such "right theory." Human society, with its multitudinous, palpitating human units, cannot be reduced to such abstract simplicity that it can be organized and handled, as gravitating particles of matter can be, under some unvarying law or principle that always applies and always works. And in the second place, even if it were possible to make such a reduction and discover such a principle, that method of clamping or jamming fixed and ready-made ideas down on the passive minds of youth is not *education*. Regimenting minds to a settled system made in advance is a far more serious form of "goosestep" than that which drills and disciplines into shape the unrecalcitrant bodies of soldiers, who have surrendered the right to think or to will.

Genuine education does not present to minds, young or old, some ready-made conclusion. It trains minds to face complex situations, it increases their capacity to think them through, to organize the facts involved, to *find* their laws and principles, to arrive freely and solely under the compulsion of the facts, to the conclusion that fits all the *data* that are there. To learn by rote, to store up a stock of memories, to receive a lot of stampedin items, like a wax tablet, is not *education*. For better or for worse we are bound as educators to take the risks of turning our students loose for the great adventure of discovering for themselves how the new world is going to be built.

The most important emphasis in our new education will not be training for the conquest of nature, nor for the invention of machinery, nor for practical efficiency in output, nor for the formulation of economic theories, but for the fullest and completest formation of personal life in the midst of a social environment of other people. The most important function of education is the discovery of the potential aptitudes in the lives of boys and girls, the training and control of instincts and emotions, the formation of ideals and loyalties, the shaping of the trend of character and the infusion of life with magnanimous aims and purposes. In short, schools and colleges ought to be centers for the big business of life-planning and life-building as well as places for the accumulation and discovery of facts. One of these undertakings has been carried forward to successful achievement; the other has been only indifferently attempted.

In a remarkable address which he delivered recently at the University of California, Owen Young pointed out that the trouble with all the schemes to rehabilitate Europe since the

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war has been that the manipulators of them have been busy with abstract economics and politics, with leagues and conventions, with delimiting nationalities and finding ways and means of providing for *security*, while all the time *the actual human faces*, the palpitating human lives, that make up the population of these countries, are pretty well forgotten. Behind all these abstract schemes that are pushed back and forth like pawns on a chess board, are myriads of human persons, many of them young and expectant, whose lives never come in for consideration in all these conferences for the settlement of economic and political policy and for guaranteeing security. Owen Young does well to remind us of the vital fact of human faces wistfully asking to be considered as an essential part of the problem.

Too often the human faces have in the same way been overlooked in our educational schemes. Education has involved absorbing financial undertakings. The economic factor has swollen to an enormous size. Million dollar school buildings, immense equipment, wheels within wheels of mechanism have been contrived. Institutions have grown almost magically beyond all the dreams of their founders, and the persons entrusted with the management of them have found themselves forced to give a vast amount of their time and energy to the framework and the setting of the educational task. They have had little opportunity to ask what was happening to the human faces peering out there behind the framework and the setting.

Every time the expert impartially studies the output of the expanded schools and colleges which we have been laboriously building in America he gives us solemn warning that all is not well with us, that our education too often does not actually educate, that in our maze of pedagogical systems and schemes we are too oblivious of the concrete human faces and the potential lives with which we ought to be concerned.

We are still dominated by what Francis Bacon in the early seventeenth century called "idols." One of these present day "idols" is the assumption that a method of teaching that fits one mind must consequently fit all minds, and so we forthwith proceed to "wholesale" our supplies of truth to all who come, instead of studying individual aptitudes and adapting our method and our technique to fit the special needs of the particular case.

Another one of our "idols" is the fetish we make of educating for "credits" instead of educating for ends and values of life. We are busy asking what will get a person on from one grade in the educational factory to another as though he were a Ford car, instead of asking what will make a person richer and deeper in character. A disillusioned college president tells us that "students are considered as so many logs of pulp-wood to be turned into a certain number of paper degrees at the end of the senior year." Sooner or later we must smash that old bastile of examinations and grades and find new and freer ways of discovering and estimating intellectual progress. That will be the beginning of a new day. It may be said emphatically that education which focuses on passing off examinations is not in any true sense real education. Few things do more to develop hampering complexes in children and youth than do the grueling fears of grade examinations and the depressions that result from psychological tests.

Another of our "idols" is our fancy for a vast variety of casual lines and fields of scrappy information instead of the mastery of some continuous, unified, coherent and cumulative plan of work that brings a growing interest to the student and the steady development of his mental powers. A few subjects pursued with diligence and accurately mastered give a far better basic education for life than does a multitude of half digested fields of study. Time spent in getting a thin smattering of one or two foreign languages, not sufficiently mastered to be of any practical use or to supply any formative culture, is time wasted.

The most ominous of all the educational "idols" is our excessive emphasis on the mere accumulation of information and our failure to stress the importance of *formation* of personality, the cultivation of imaginative power and the appreciation of those things by which men truly live. Professor Whitehead, with his usual insight, says that "a merely well-informed man is the most useless bore on God's earth." These are some of the

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"idols" among others that must be smashed before there can be again, as in Bacon's time, a new "advancement of learning."

Fortunately the dawn is breaking and the new day is at hand. It has already begun in many places, especially in the lower grades of education. What is now called "progressive education" has passed beyond the experimental stage and is proving to be the inauguration of a new epoch for the child. Nearly every hope I have expressed as achievements of the new day has been already realized in some degree in some of these "progressive schools."

The culture of imagination, which I should consider the highest mark of successful education, has been carried to a very high level in more than one school. Hugh Mearns in his interesting book, Creative Youth, has shown how a school can set free the creative spirit and in his reports of actual work he has supplied us with a new basis of faith and hope for an era of creative education. Everybody who teaches knows that the arousal of interest and expectancy is the essential task that confronts the teacher. The "project method" has proved to be an immense stimulus in this direction. It introduces creative ingenuity, it gives scope for muscular activity and skill, it develops originality and leadership, it appeals to the dramatic instinct, it arouses international interests and sympathies and it gives every member of a class something personal to do. The springs of curiosity and discovery are brought into play and education is linked up as it ought to be with actual living. One of the most important laws of character formation is the law that control of instincts and emotions is best secured by the organization of systems of interest, or systems of sentiment and loyalty, under the guidance of ideal aims. The best "progressive schools" have been strikingly successful in that constructive task of education.

History teaching ought, as far as is humanly possible, to be liberated from the incubus of propaganda. One of the most terrible devises for the distortion of truth, and for the permanent injury of *souls*, is the use of a history class-room for the cultivation of hate in innocent young minds toward the people of a

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rival nation or race. It is bad enough to use the scenes of past battle-fields for the purpose of arousing national pride and for glorifying one country at the expense of another one, but it is far worse to make use of battles and of the enflamed passion that has been born of past wars to create a new passion in the hearts of children that can be cashed in as an asset toward preparation for new wars. History impartially taught can be made one of the most potent forces of culture for the discovery of the laws of life and for the formation of social ideals. The honest use of it as a genuine method of culture ought to be as sacred an obligation to the teacher as is the impartial study of the laws of nature.

It is peculiarly important that all education should clearly bring out the fact that no one in this world *can* live unto himself, that one person alone is no person, that every individual is like the half of a return ticket, "no good if detached." The selfish aspirations of a boy, his decision to aim to get his own isolated pleasure, his snobbery toward others, would tend to fade away and weaken if he were made to see with clear insight that there can be no such thing as an "isolated" person, that it is as impossible as having a stick with only one end to it, that in actual fact we are all "conjunct" with others in life, in interests, in gains and in relationships and that consequently we must share ourselves and surrender ourselves and give ourselves if we are to make any kind of life that is worth living.

The interesting facts of "mutual" aid among animals can admirably be used to illustrate the working of this "conjunct" character of life. The tribal habits of primitive man will supply another set of illustrations. Then may come vivid pictures of the impossibility of life for a child in the years of helplessness without the care of others, the supply of food and clothes, shelter and warmth. The pupil can quickly be made to see that no language can be learned unless one is embedded in a living group of persons who speak the language and pass it on to the new-comer. The same is true of our ideas and ideals. We must get all the material of our thinking and of our imagining from some social group. Nobody can be a getter and a receiver unless he is at the same time a giver and a contributor. All these solemn facts need to be driven in and made an inherent part of any true culture.

Some of our greatest authorities in science are telling us that the most inclusive law in the universe is the principle of concretion or organism, or, as General Smuts has called it, "organic wholeness"-the tendency to produce wholes out of units. If the principle is a sound one, as I believe it is, it means a momentous revolution in thought. However important the "unit" may be it can never be comprehended until it is seen as a "cell" in a larger organic whole. We do not understand an "atom" until we know how it is bent to conjoin with more atoms to form a "molecule" and the molecule, again, will have its nisus toward a larger whole. As soon as life emerges the organic feature is even more in evidence and we find ourselves carried on and up from single "cells" to ever higher organic wholes. A man is an immense congeries of cooperative cells, but a man is not a "person" until he, too, finds his place in a living cooperative social whole, of ever more inclusive scope and range. Genuine education in the future must aim to train personal units to become living, cooperative parts of inclusive social wholes.

Every opportunity must be seized during lessons and in sport to drive home the importance and the significance of cooperation. Young people need constantly to gain insight into the value of understanding other persons' minds and thoughts and emotions, and with these processes should go the cultivation of respect for personality at every stage of its development. Everything should be done that can be done to illustrate and demonstrate the effect of getting the other person's point of view and of coordinating with others rather than aiming to outdo and to worst those with whom one has dealings. The cultivation of kindness and thoughtfulness in all relations toward those who have physical defects and peculiarities is an essential part of true education and it ought to extend to differences and peculiarities of race and color, so that it becomes "second nature" to be respectful to persons of other races.

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In speaking favorably, as I have done, of progressive education, I do not want to say anything that would imply sympathy with any methods of education that neglect mental or moral *discipline*. I do not believe that robust personality can ever be formed without a constant insistance on the restraints and sanctions of nature and the no less important sanctions and restraints of society. If there is to be any freedom that is based on reality, it must be a freedom that respects everybody else's rights and, too, a freedom that conforms to the eternal nature of things. It takes long experience to discover where the curve of freedom runs and the wise teacher must not let those in his charge suppose that freedom is a soft and easy thing.

I am convinced that there ought to be a good deal of experimental work done on the deepening and expansive effects of silent meditation for children and for the discovery of ways to feed and fertilize the deep sub-soil of the child's mind out of which his ideas and his volitions emerge. When anyone discovers how to stir the deeps within, to free the child from fears and to bring this deep-lying life of the individual into closer relationship with the essential Life of the universe, great moral energies are liberated. Schools, which for one reason or another, do not have a daily period for Bible reading or Prayers would find a short period of corporate silence of great value for deepening the life of the children and for training them in control and concentration. It would be well if everybody gave some time each day to consider seriously his own deepest aspirations and to ask himself in a silent confessional what are his most cherished ideals for his life.

The time is coming when every sound teacher will realize that it is fully as important to have expert treatment for children's mental "complexes" as for their defects of eyesight and hearing. The child who is abnormally shy, embarrassed and bashful, or who withdraws from all social activities and sports, or who is possessed by peculiar fears or who is sullen, moody and petulant, will never be successfully educated until he is delivered from his handicap, and no ordinary teacher can set

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him free unaided. An expert in mental hygiene, or, for extreme cases, a thoroughly good psycho-analyst can work what seems nothing short of a miracle in a boy who has acquired the unfortunate reputation of being "bad." The men and women who swell the ranks of the criminal class and who seem distinctly antisocial might under the right guidance and skill be on their way to be good citizens, if not forty horse-power saints, instead of criminals.

One of the greatest advantages in introducing some degree and some form of self-government in schools will be found in the way in which it develops a sense of responsibility for honor and truth in the life of the school and for corporate order. It helps to make every pupil realize that he bears obligation not only for his own personal conduct but that he enters into and shares in the successes and the failures of the whole group to which he belongs. He thus discovers through experience what it means to be a *unit in a social organism*.

In connection with discipline and control every one needs to receive instruction both by practice and teaching, in the use of gentle forces. It is a well-known fact that persons who shout and scream and threaten have no power of discipline. A calm and quiet tone and manner accomplish vastly more than storm and bluster do. Every way that can be devised of getting moral results by other methods than resort to force should be tried, if, for no other reason, because of the educative effect of it on the pupils and students themselves. There are few things more worth learning than the secret that the greatest forces are *soul-forces*, that the supreme power of one life over another one lies in the spirit and not in the muscles.

It is a notable fact that the children in schools which are efficiently using progressive and creative methods test in mental scope and power all the way from six months to two years ahead of the average in other schools. Interests are quickened, imagination is kindled, loyalties are formed and there is a steady, unconscious pull forward. Discipline has ceased to be a major problem for teachers, and parents in many cases have found their

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children almost re-created by their newly awakened interests and expectations.

What we need to do next is to adapt and carry these successful new principles of education up into the work of the college. Good beginnings have already been made in some institutions. Way must be opened for an increased degree of individual initiative for search and discovery under expert guidance in place of the general lecture method. To a large extent the trained tutor must supplant, or in any case supplement the lecturer, and that will sooner or later end the great factory system of education in favor of a small, compact college of hand-picked, wisely guided students, every one working under expert direction. Each student's work must become more correlated and concentrated and he will be tested on it to discover his insight and mastery rather than his capacity to pass off a given course.

The present system of high-powered, competitive mass athletics with its commercialism and its close kinship to professionalism, must give way to real sport of many types, with the opportunity for every student to play some game himself instead of being lined up to produce mass enthusiasm for the inspiration of a few highly trained players in an arena.

There can be no question, I think, that our youth today have suffered an immense loss in their education in that they have not been held more seriously to the task of carrying their intellectual problems through to *ultimate issues*. That has not been considered to be the concern of science. Science has quite properly confined its operations to a less ambitious mission. It never pretends to go beyond the domain of things and events that occur in time and space. It declines to deal with mind or spirit as an actual factor in the processes of the world. It refuses to raise ultimate questions of origin and destiny. It cannot, therefore, make the universe a completely intelligible affair. The world that science deals with hangs loose in space without any rational ground or foundation. It tends to become a meaningless clank of spinning atoms. Life, too, seems to have come from nowhere and to be going mowhere. And this confusion of thought is

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playing havoc with our generation. We are no nearer any rational solution when we go back of the little old-fashioned golf-ball-like atoms to the genuine ones, as we now believe, composed of electrons and protons. We are no nearer a meaning when we define in terms of knots or kinks of energy instead of the old solid particles. The discovery of a new planet or planets out beyond the orbit of Neptune throws no light on the *significance* of the solar system. We need to find a principle of intelligibility and insight rather than more new facts in behind old facts. Here lies the central weakness and the main confusion of our present educational methods. This emphasis has swung the center of gravity very strongly over to the material side and the mental and spiritual and social factors of life have been missed to far too great an extent in the culture of our time. That is one of the deepest tragedies in the life and thought of today.

The tide has already turned, the new and deeper currents of thought are in evidence. The wiser leaders are conscious that the whole business of life suffers and goes awry as soon as the meaning and significance and high destiny of life fade away. That means that the scientific method of approach in all college work must be supplemented and balanced by a discipline of philosophy, by the study of the fundamental nature of mind and by a consideration of the central values of life and the social issues of it, as they have been revealed in the spiritual history of the race.

Science has given us a new perspective in its prediction that man has a prospect of a thousand million years more to go here on the earth. That opens up quite a vista of hope, no doubt, but it does not guarantee *progress* unless we ourselves take the steps that will achieve progress. And the most important single step is a progressive and creative educational system for the children and youth that God has given us.

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