



VALUABLE ADDITION TO UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

Dr. Daniel Lewis Presents Library With Choice Collection of Books

A valuable collection of choice and handsomely bound books has just been acquired by the University Library. It is the Dr. Daniel Lewis private collection consisting of about seven hundred volumes, six hundred of which are in the very best of full, three-quarters and half morocco bindings. This collection is especially rich in French and English history and literature. In the collection are a number of volumes from the private library of the late John B. Gough.

Dr. Lewis has been a collector of rare and beautiful books. He is a connoisseur in handsome bindings. For many years he was library committee for the Union League Club of New York City. He has always taken a deep interest in the library of Alfred University. It was through his suggestion and influence that the various separate libraries were consolidated into the University Library about thirty years ago.

Dr. Lewis' private library is the most valuable addition ever made to the University Library at one time, and is probably the finest collection of books ever assembled in the county.

For years, Dr. Lewis has desired to make it possible for the University to acquire this collection that it might be made available for the teachers and students as well as the citizens of the village. Dr. Lewis therefore made a proposition to contribute a large portion of the value of this library to the University agreeing to accept in cash compensation a sum which is but a fraction of its value. This proposition the Executive Committee of the Trustees accepted.

The entire library has been placed in the office of the President and is being accessioned and catalogued as a part of the University Library. Believing that many people would be interested to see this collection of books, it is planned to arrange for an exhibit of them in the near future when Dr. Lewis can be present and when any who desire may look through the library and acquaint themselves with the many rare and beautiful volumes in the collection. Announcement will be made at some later date of the time fixed upon for this exhibit.

MID-YEAR EXAMS NEXT WEEK

The regular mid-year examinations will be held next week, Thursday and Friday, February 7 and 8. In order to conserve time, and because of the inevitable handicaps caused by the long vacation and the shortage of fuel, the faculty has decided to give only one hour examinations. These will take place at the regular class hour with few exceptions. The second semester will begin Monday, February 11.

GLEE CLUB DATES COMING IN FAST

Director Wingate and Manager Sherwood have completed schedules for the Glee Club concerts. A few concerts will be given near home to get the Club in shape for the larger trips. The first long trip will be during the first week in March to Olean.

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BUFFALO HIGH SCHOOLS TO TAKE PART IN INTERSCHOLASTIC MEET

This seems rather early for us to hear about Interscholastic Day, the fifteenth of May. But the High Schools of Buffalo do not think so. Both Lafayette and Technical High School have written inquiring about the date of the Meet. And that gives the hope of another fine Interscholastic Day. As yet the manager of the Meet has not been elected by the Athletic Council. Last year's assistant manager Sherwood is at present taking care of what work there is to be done.

THE DAWN OF THE PEOPLES—APROPOS OF THE AMERICAN INTERVENTION

(Translated from the French)

The Assembly address last Wednesday was most interesting, when Mr. Morton Mix read to his audience an article from a French magazine, "Reveu Chretien." Mr. Mix had translated the article from the French, and it is interesting to us to get some conception of the real sentiments of the French people:

Révue Chretienne, Juin, 1917

We are again in the shadow. This is the 1000 and 30th day of the war. A thousand times our eyes have opened in the morning upon the sights of the war. We are like a boat beaten about by the tempest, but which is sailing toward port. We are like the sailors of Christopher Columbus near the shores of the new country. "Yet a three days," said Columbus to them, "and I will give you a world."

A little more patience, courage and sacrifice, our Divine captain tells us, and I will give you a world, also, the world of justice, liberty, peace. This promise causes us to raise our eyes, we try to pierce the clouds, the events, the future; we perceive God through the events.

This certainty of the triumph of God we have preached here since the first day of this terrible trying of souls. It has sustained us, all of us in the darkest days; but what brings it near to us, so close that it seems sometimes that with our trembling hands we are going to seize it immediately is this worldly event which enraptures our people, which sows in our hearts the courage to follow to the end, I mean the entry into war of the United States of America, into the great combat which the allies have been maintaining these three years for the restoration or installation into the world of the eternal principles of right and liberty.

And, do not misjudge, if I broach this subject here, it is because this event which our hearts salute with patriotic joy is above all a religious event. They are religious and moral motives which have induced our brothers of the U. S. to enter this new crusade, and it is that which gives a world significance to a political decision, it is that which will give to a decision consequences of incalculable value.

But in order to better understand the truth I am advancing it will be necessary to recall how the people of the U. S. was formed. We must look at the hale and sturdy roots of the tree in order to understand the beauty and richness of its foliage. America is essentially the product of the protestant and puritan spirit. Let us

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VARSITY BASKET BALL SQUAD TO PLAY HORNELL Y. M. C. A., FEBRUARY 2

Practice Game Last Saturday Night

VARSITY VS. RESERVES

In a practice game last Saturday night the Varsity basketball team defeated the Reserves in a fast and exciting game. Lobaugh at center and MacFayden at forward showed excellent form and were responsible for most of the Varsity scores.

Line up:

Varsity		Reserves
	C.	
Lobaugh-McFayden		Spink-Carter
	L. F.	
Hagar (Capt.)		Cole-Spink
	R. F.	
MacFayden-Cole		Ellison
	R. G.	
Negus		Kane-Ockerman
	L. G.	
Witter		M. DeWitt

Summary—final score, Varsity 50, Reserves 14.

SOPHOMORE GIRLS DEFEAT ALLSTARS

The first girls basketball game of the season was played Saturday evening between the Sophomores and an allstar team picked from the rest of the college girls. The game was close and proved very interesting for the spectators. Miss Edna Strait as forward and Miss Myrtle McPhillney at guard starred for the Sophomores, Miss Strait scoring all of the points. For the Allstars, Miss Enid White, Miss Alice Baker and Miss Dorothy Baxter all played consistently and showed excellent form.

Final Score—Sophomores 6, Allstars 4.

Line up:

Sophomores		Allstars
	R. F.	
H. Keis		Lois Holmes
	L. F.	
E. Strait		E. M. O'Brien
	R. G.	
H. Law		E. White
	L. G.	
M. McPhillney		A. Baker
	C.	
E. Henry		M. Newisinger

Summary:

Substitutes—D. Baxter, L. Kugler.
Referee—I. Fiske.
Scorekeeper—Iola Lanphere.
Timekeeper—A. VanHorn.

Next Saturday evening, February 2, the Varsity team will play the Hornell Y. M. C. A. This promised to be a good game. There will also be a good preliminary game between the Freshmen Girls and the Noisy Five.

REPORT OF FACULTY COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION IN CONSERVATION

Your committee recommends that during the second semester of this year a class be organized three hours weekly upon the subject of conservation.

Two weeks, 6 lectures on Economics, Prof. Norwood

Three weeks, 9 lectures on Household Chemistry, Prof. Watson

The remainder of the semester, 11 or 12 weeks, lectures and instruction on Dietetics and Food, Miss Wood

Full college credit to be allowed for this class.

That the arrangement of the credit hours be made either by substitution

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ALFRED TRUSTEES TO THE FRONT

Alfred College has four trustees who are giving the whole or a part of their time to the government for \$1.00 a year each. C. Loomis Allen of Syracuse is in charge of the transportation of aerial and signal service equipment and men to France; H. B. Ayars of Pittsburg is superintending the construction of locomotives and their transatlantic transportation; W. J. Tully of Corning is taking care, for New York State, of the two billion dollar Thrift Stamp sale; and C. W. Spicer of Plainfield, N. J., is looking after the auto-truck production for the U. S. army.

MILITARY WORK FOR ALL BOYS

All Youth Residing in New York State Are Affected by Regimental Organization Plans Announced by State Military Commission

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 15—A complete plan for regimental organization, affecting every boy in the state, subject to the Slater-Welsh compulsory military training law, was announced yesterday by the State Military Commission. The plan was contained in a series of general orders issued by the bureau of technical military training of the commission, of which Colonel William A. Chapin is the head. The orders also transmitted the authority for the appointment of cadet commissioned and non-commissioned officers, the first time such designations have been authorized since the establishment of the compulsory training system.

The orders provide that two squads of cadets shall constitute a group consisting of one corporal, one private first class, and six privates in each squad. When an enrollment of four squads has been made, a platoon may be organized with one second lieutenant and one sergeant. Squads may be added until eight are combined with two lieutenants and two sergeants, and when enrollment warrants companies will be formed. This will consist of seventy-two privates and the usual officers.

Cadets enrolled for training throughout the State according to the latest report were 25,465. If completely organized this number would provide for more than nineteen regiments under the plan outlined. According to zone enrollment, the maximum number of regiments which could be provided for in each zone follows:

New York, six; Long Island, four; Hudson Valley, two; East Central zone, two; West Central zone, two; and Western, two.

The examination of cadets for commissions will be in the following subjects:

	Points
Infantry Drill Regulations to and including the school of the company	4
Guard duty and the service of security	2
Knowledge of rifle	4
Military Law in so far as it applies to the Military Training Commission	2
Military Hygiene and Camp Sanitation	4
Fitness, determined by general efficiency	6
	22

A candidate must obtain a final mark of at least 75% on his examination in order to be incorporated favorably.

DEAN MAIN DELIVERS INSPIRING TALK TO STUDENTS

The Social Ethics of a Seer

A week ago Wednesday Dean Main gave the assembly something different from the usual assembly address. After describing something of the life in the Northern Hebrew Kingdom, he said that the morally bad civilization of that Kingdom must, of necessity pass away. And one may be pardoned for dreading now and then the possible down fall of our own great and beloved country unless we face with intelligence and conscience these supreme moral facts—Jehovah God exalted in righteousness, our individual and collective sins, and the certainty of punishment; and then give a far larger place in our Church, educational, social, industrial, and political life, to a holy God, to justice, kindness, and humility.

To men in high places who turn justice to wormwood, and cast down righteousness to the earth; who afflict the just, take bribes, and turn aside the needy from their rights—to such the prophetic message is:

Hate the evil, love the good, establish justice in the courts; it may be that the God of hosts will be gracious; for he would have social justice roll down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream. Woe unto us, if, in the enjoyment of ten thousand comforts as forget the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick and prisoner!

Again the seer cries, When they that would swallow up the needy and cause the poor to fail, exclaim, when will the new moon be gone that we may sell grain? and the Sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the eph small and the shekel great, and deal falsely with balances of deceit? Which being interpreted means, O Lord, I go to church on the Sabbath; sing hymns of praise; and I contribute toward sending the Gospel to the heathen: Now Lord, please look the other way while I sell 15 ounces for a pound; 35 inches for a yard; 31 quarts for a bushel; sand for sugar; defraud the immigrant; bring army clothes for the men in the trenches up to contract by weighted shoddy; and furnish dirt and stone to keep the Brick warm!

When such conditions exist, then individual, social, business, industrial, and political life have become so

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SUPERINTENDENT POOLE TO LEAVE ALFRED

It is with regret that we announce the fact that Supt. E. E. Poole, who has been connected with the State Farm for the past five or six years, is to sever that connection on April 1st, when he goes to Batavia, to assume the superintendency of the large 400-acre farm of R. E. Chapin & Son. On this farm is a fine herd of 165 Holsteins, and the position that Mr. Poole will assume will be one of great responsibility, but we all know that he is perfectly able to cope with anything along this line. The position carries with it a salary much larger than that paid by the state.

Mr. Poole and family have made many friends while in Alfred, who will be loth to have them leave, but who will wish them all kinds of success and happiness in their new home.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL NEWS

Miss Barkhouse has been ill and confined to her rooms since Tuesday.

The Allegany Ayrshire Club will hold their annual meeting here Farmers' Week.

Director W. J. Wright has been appointed director of the Agricultural census for Steuben County.

Director Wright was in Belmont, Tuesday to attend a meeting of the directors of the Allegany Farm Bureau.

J. M. Ennis left yesterday for his home in Patersonville. He has been here to conduct some special work in Dairy Demonstration.

The School recently sold seven head of cattle to parties in Warsaw. They also sold a Percheron stallion to a Mr. Champlin of Ceres.

The regular meeting of the directors of Special Agricultural Schools of New York State will be held here Thursday, February 7th, and will be the guests of the School.

Of special interest to students of both Ag School and College at the coming Farm and Home Week will be the addresses of Professor Warren

of Elmira, H. W. Collinwood, Editor of the Rural New Yorker, and a representative of the U. S. Food Administration. They will speak in evening as well as in the day time.

COUNTRY LIFE CLUB

The regular meeting of the Country Life Club was held on Thursday evening of last week. The features of the program were the Gleanings by Harold Langworthy, and a mock trial given by the Bachelor Club. The mock trial proved a success and the Bachelor Club is to be commended. The program was as follows:

Gleanings Harold Langworthy
 Mock Trial,
 Judge Lewis Gasper
 Prosecuting Atty. W. Anthony
 Defending Atty. Fenn Wheeler
 Clerk Erving Danser
 Defendant Jerome Powell
 Bailiff Arling Saunders
 Witnesses—Prof. Sheffield, Lamphere, DeWitt, Tallman, Jones, Lautz, Misses Barkhouse and Beebe.
 Jurors — Langworthy, Mullaney, Traphagen, Tatje, Green, Miss McAndrew.

Y. W. C. A.

The "Mansion," a telling little story by Henry VanDyke, gave its lesson to a well attended meeting last Sunday night, under the direction of Mildred Place and Lucile Robison. At the next meeting it is hoped that the new topic cards will be ready for distribution. The subjects cover a large range of interesting material, including a series on college women's problems. There are to be some outside speakers, possibly Dr. Norwood and Prof. Binns.

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Ridgway, and Kane. During the latter part of March a trip will be taken which will include Corning, Binghamton, Norwich and probably Utica. The Buffalo trip will be taken the first week in April. Buffalo, College Hill, Orchard Park, North Collins, Akron, and Silver Springs will be visited. Trips are also being planned to Hornell and Rochester.

The Glee Club is the best advertising medium of the University. Not only does the Glee Club sing before a large audience in the evening, but during the day they sing in the High Schools of the places visited. Last year they sang in Lafayette and Technical High School in Buffalo, Orchard Park High School, Pleasantville High School, East Orange High School, New Rochelle High School and Washington Irving High School in New York City.

THE HONOR SYSTEM

Alfred University

In accordance with the Constitution of the Honor System, it is herewith called to the attention of the students, that they may properly conduct themselves during the coming examinations:

Constitution

ARTICLE I

The Student Body of the College of Liberal Arts and the New York State School of Ceramics at Alfred University create an Honor System under which each student by his attendance pledges himself to be just; to be fair; to be honorable in all matters relative to or pertaining to scholarship in this University.

ARTICLE II

Section 1. The members of the Student Senate shall be a committee to represent the Student Body and deal with all cases involving violation of the Honor System.

ARTICLE III

Section 1. The committee shall have power to summon the accused person and witnesses and conduct a formal investigation. In case of conviction, recommendations shall be made to the convicted of his separation from college and, if such separation is not made, the committee shall then make to the Faculty for consideration the same recommendation with a brief resume of the evidence in the case.

Section 2. The committee may at any time summon a mass meeting for instruction or to support their action in any disputed question, or to report the name and case of any extreme offender.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1. The trial of the accused shall be conducted as follows: Witnesses against the accused shall be examined first and their testimony taken in full. The accused shall be called separately and allowed to make his statement, presenting his defense. All witnesses and the accused may be questioned by members of the committee. A decision shall be made, rendered according to the evidence.

Section 2. Six (6) out of seven (7) votes shall be necessary for conviction.

Section 3. All evidence possible shall be procured in every case and in no event shall a man be tried the second time for the same offense, except in the light of new and important evidence.

ARTICLE V

Section 1. Each student must, in order to make his or her examination or test valid, sign the following pledge: "I pledge my honor that I have neither given nor received aid in this examination."

ARTICLE VI

Section 1. The Student Senate shall keep and preserve a record of all cases acted upon. In no case shall a member of the Student Senate make mention publicly or privately of any case brought before the committee except through action of the committee as a body.

ARTICLE VII

Section 1. Every student is honor bound to aid in enforcing this Constitution.

ARTICLE VIII

Section 1. This Constitution may be amended by a three-fourths (¾) vote of those present at a mass meeting, notice of which must be given at least one week previous.

ARTICLE IX

Section 1. The committee shall make provision for interpreting the Honor System to the members of the Freshman Class within three weeks after the opening of each school year.

Section 2. Copies of this Constitution shall be posted in recitation rooms, on College bulletin boards, and in the Library.

Section 3. The Constitution shall be published in the Flat Lux three (3) times each year—the first number of the first Semester, the last number before the final examinations of the first Semester and the last number before the final examinations of the second Semester.

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or additional hours or both, according to the judgment by the Faculty in each case. Students will register for this course in the usual way and will request permission either to substitute or to carry additional hours.

That a series of six or more popular illustrated lectures be arranged to be delivered weekly in Kenyon Memorial Hall by members of the University Faculty and others who may be secured. The following subjects are suggested:

- Conservation in General
- Wheat and its substitutes
- Sugar
- Meats
- Fats
- Fuels
- Transportation

A letter of appreciation was received from the Food Administration expressing their gratitude for the prompt action taken by the colleges of the country, and to those who expect to go into the country's service this coming summer.

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And you dare to complain,—you who know nothing of the sufferings and sacrifices which this world conflict has brought upon so many,—you who can enjoy the comforts of life which to thousands are only pleasant memories of the peaceful past. You are selfish enough to complain because your lights are a little dim, and weak enough to let yourself be "blue" just because your fire is low. Yet, were circumstances otherwise, you would grumble just the same—you'd try to make yourself uncomfortable somehow. Furthermore, these coalless and heatless days have their convenient aspect too, for what a fine excuse this makes to offer next day as a very adequate reason why you haven't prepared your lesson. By the way, you'd better be using your mental faculties to create something new in the line of excuses, for they tell us that the steam heating plant is to be in working commission within a week.

The real trouble with us all, is that we can not seem to realize how really fortunate we are. Many colleges have had to close their doors—Rochester University has been closed indefinitely, Milton College has voted to close its gym for the winter because of the shortage of fuel. At no time have we really suffered here, and the townspeople have been very kind to open their homes to the students whose rooms were uncomfortable.

Instead of grumbling, why don't you grin. You will feel better, and so will those around you.

ATTENTION !!

Mr. Fiske will hold a gymnasium class Friday afternoons from four to five for any of the men of the University who care to come. Apparatus work will be the main feature of this class. It is hoped that many of our gymnasts will better themselves by taking advantage of this opportunity.

BASKETBALL FOR WOMEN

College women are beginning to realize their responsibility in maintaining the athletic reputation of the college. There is more interest manifested this year in basketball than in any previous year, and much of it is to be credited to the women. All four classes are training teams for inter-class series and for mixed team games, and although a Varsity team may not be feasible, these class activities are highly entertaining.

There is an advantage in this practice among girls other than the mere ability to play. Coaches are in great demand among women teachers, and for the present there is the physical training involved which we are apt to neglect in the pursuance of other activities.

FIAT LUX BOARD MEETING

At a recent meeting of the Fiat Lux Board it was decided to change the date of publication of the Fiat Lux from Tuesday to Friday. The cause of this change was the Garfield War Measure which states that concerns not engaged in Government work shall close on Mondays for the next ten weeks. It was also decided that the Fiat Fair would be held sometime after mid-year exams. Probably during the month of March. The Fair will be somewhat different from what it has been in previous years in that it will be run on a war base.

RED CROSS

If you want to knit
You must do your bit,
For yarn costs money
And funds are low!
A quarter a week
Would stop the leak
In some poor sock's
Unfinished toe!

The above quotation is from a poser which is also a depository for red cross contributions. Several requests for yarn have been handed to the president, and lack of funds has obliged its refusal. The attendance at the meetings is decreasing, which is especially to be regretted at present, for there is a great deal of work to be done. Don't be a slacker.

GYPSUM PRODUCTS IN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

Friday, Feb. 1, at 3 P. M., at Agricultural Hall, Virgil D. Marni, consulting Engineer of the United States Gypsum Co., Chicago, will give an illustrated lecture on the subject: Gypsum Products, and their uses in Building Construction. There will be no admission and everyone is invited to attend.

CAMPUS NEWS

On account of mid-year examinations there will be no issue of the Fiat next week.

Dr. Titsworth and Dr. Jones are working in Hornell this week in the interests of the Improvement Fund.

Prof. W. C. Whitford, who has been studying at the Union Theological Seminary in New York City, returned home Sunday night.

Pres. B. C. Davis spent several days this week in Albany attending a meeting of the New York State College and University Presidents' Association.

President Davis and Dean Main were in Hornell on Monday of last week, in attendance at the Ministers' Association, held at the Park M. E. Church.

Dean Mian will give his first lecture on "The Social Teaching of the New Testament" tomorrow during Sabbath School hour. A large number have signed up for the course.

On account of the scarcity of fuel, the Sunday morning service has been suspended for a few weeks. The afternoon Episcopal service will be held as usual at four o'clock in the Gothic.

Mr. Hamilton, acting Field Secretary of New York State Christian Endeavor, will speak Sunday night at the Church, at eight o'clock. All College and Agricultural students are especially invited to attend.

Students are invited and urged to associate themselves with the congregation meeting on Sabbath day in the village church at 10:30 A. M. and especially to attend the respective meetings of the Christian Associations which occurs on Sunday evening.

ALUMNI NEWS

2d Lieutenant Charles Chipman, now stationed at Camp Upton, has been promoted to 1st Lieutenant.

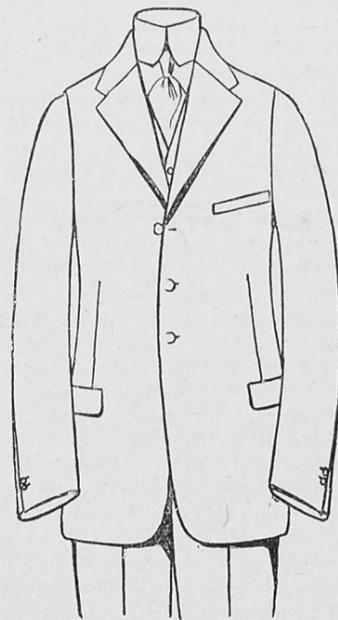
Harold Saunders has been home from Pittsburg during the past week. He has given up his position there and is to go to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the balance of the year.

Capt. Arthur M. Cottrell spent a few days with his family here during the past week. Capt. Cottrell has been transferred from Camp Dix to the aviation field at South San Antonio, Texas, but as that field is now in quarantine he has been ordered to report at Waco, Texas, until the quarantine is raised.

Stanton H. Davis, class of 1917, elder son of Pres. Davis, now in his medical course at Yale University, has enlisted in the Medical Reserve Corps. He has been accepted and has been sworn into the service. He is however placed on the inactive list, temporarily, in order to continue his studies in the medical college until he is needed in active service.

Grover Babcock, A. U. '15, is at present employed by the American Refractory Association establishing a part of a plant at Rochester, Pa., for the manufacture of glass pots. He has secured the recent data of the Bureau of Standards concerning glass pottery and will attempt to put the manufacture of glass pots on a paying basis. During the month of February he expects to be in St. Louis on further work for the Association.

Dr. Benj. R. Crandall, Alfred '99, of Holtville, Cal., has been appointed one of a committee of twelve for the state of California to revise the course of study of the high school of the state. In appointing Dr. Crandall the state superintendent of schools said that the appointment came to Mr. Crandall on account of the character of his work as an educator. Ben's Alfred friends are not surprised in any honors that he receives as we all know him to be capable and worthy to fill them all.



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**THE DAWN OF THE PEOPLES—
A-PROPOS OF THE AMERICAN
INTERVENTION**

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abandon our vulgar considerations and penetrate farther, even to the soul, were it possible, of this enchanting continent which designates itself under the name of the United States of America.

What strikes our attention at once is the immensity of its territory. All England could lie at ease in the State of Iowa and there are 45 of these states. In 1776, at the time when Franklin was pleading the cause of his country then oppressed by England, the U. S. A. contained three million inhabitants. We counted five million toward 1780. Today there are a hundred millions. If the progression continues in fifty years there will be three hundred million Americans. And what is the soul of this people, its directing spirit. It is protestantism, it is its most logical and most active form, it is deep-set puritanism of their race and institutions. Puritan! This splendid word has lost its meaning with us. It constitutes almost an insult. It designates the religious spirit in its most narrow and sectarian form. In England, on the contrary, the protestants chose it to denote their search for the religion at once most spiritual and the freest of all that is human, religio purissima. The Puritans are those who wish only to hear God speaking in his immortal Book, the Bible. Persecuted in England the Puritans took refuge in the still free land of new America. It was there that the sacred bark, the Mayflower, came to land, the name of which has remained over there the symbol of free, active, energetic faith, a symbol at once of freedom and submission to conscience and duty. The founders of the United States were men and women who, in order to remain faithful to their convictions, abandoned their homeland, their property and their relatives to come to worship God in freedom, guided by a few pastors, on a soil as yet owned by no one. The spirit remains—and even today after so many mixtures and (contributions) additions, the Puritan spirit remains in the double affirmation of the national conscience which puts on the same level religious

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life, that is the rights of God over the conduct of men—and the rights of man toward the individual, or collectivity. It is because he believes in God that the American is a republican: "The republican," says one of them, "necessarily has respect for the laws of his country and the laws of God which make him the equal of all other men."

Finally there are only two ways of conceiving the direction of human societies. There is the strong way. There is the idea of domination which maintains peoples in tutelage for their pretended well being. This is the antique way, the way of pagan societies who reduce their peoples by conquest, who govern them in the name of the right of state. It is the method of authority which is prolonged in the Roman Empire and is transmitted to the Papacy. It puts religion at the beck of despotism. The other idea affirms the rights of man on the basis of divine fatherhood, it establishes man's right to liberty, equality and fraternity! But since men have rights to claim, they have then, the right to be represented in the council of nations. They are no longer minors. They have their interests, their affairs to weigh—to decide peace or war. This is the liberal, protestant, huguenot, puritan method. It makes religion serve to establish on earth liberty, justice and peace. Until now and in spite of all the blood it has caused to be shed, it is the first method which seemed to triumph in the world. It was the German, Austrian, Turkish method, it was the method of the Russian autocracy. But here in the face of it rise up the liberated Russia, the last arrival of liberty, and the old English democracy, and the emancipated France, and the great republic of across the seas. That is new, certainly, unheard of, almost beyond belief.

Hear these words that greet us everywhere that the allies speak today: The people will no longer be constrained. They will decide their destinies. They shall speak the language which pleases them. They will no more be forced to die for a motive they know not of. The haughtiness of their masters will no more send them to rot in the trenches. The nations are called upon to organize, to better their condition of life in order and in freedom. If need be, a police of the nations will be organized to force the last fighters to peace. There will be a public right for the peoples as well as for individuals. Oh! what an unexpected result, un hoped for from much the most terrible of wars! This is the promised land, that land which Moses perceived from Nebo, into which he did not enter himself but which was reserved for his people. Nor we either, we shall not enter the promised land. We have suffered this war and even to the end of our earthly life, we will remain impoverished and wounded from it—but our children will enter therein. And for that from the bottom of our sorrowful spirits, for that we bless God. Courage therefore. Do not let us wander. A little more patience and suffering, the light is being born, I see the dawn of the people!

It is this admirable idea of the new democracies founded on right and justice which shines through all the pages of the admirable discourse pronounced by M. Ribot, president of the Council, at the convention of Chambers. We read here with joy its magnificent conclusion which gives a superb ending to our reflections.

"We shall see in what terms we can establish complete harmony with our allies at the end of the war. We shall do it without reticence. Nothing fundamental separates us. What the two governments want in essence, is durable peace. That will be the end of this nightmare which has too long weighed upon the world, a peace founded on justice and the right of the people, with this additional requirement of the disappearance of this military depotism which has been the

terror of the world, and which tomorrow might destroy the equitable peace which we desire.

And when the German people to whom we do not deny the right to develop like another, shall understand that, peace will be easier to obtain. That is what they say at Washington as well as at Petrograd, this is what is at the heart of the French democracy.

And now the Russian army must understand its duty, let her make a victorious offensive while the United States prepares to send divisions to our front, and then we shall have no fear neither any doubt, and our enemies will see the destruction of their homes and pride.

They will come to ask for peace, not hypocritically as today by cowardly and underhanded methods, but openly and we will make peace on conditions worthy of France, of her past, of her present, and if they do not ask it of us we shall know how to impose it."

JOHN VIENOT.

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**THE SOCIAL ETHICS OF A
HEBREW SEER**

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morally crooked that the Divine Builder's plumbline of personal righteousness and social justice will reveal a ripeness for destruction; the land must come to trembling and the people to trouble.

But fall not into pessimistic despair, again interpreting the Hebrew Seer. The God of Nations and the Father of men is now mightily shaking and shifting the peoples of the earth. And, when the wheat has been separated from chaff, smiling skies will look down upon a new world, living a new life because it died; upon goodwill and prosperity, hope and happiness; upon safe oceans and free lands; upon a united church, a solemn league of nations, a world-wide brotherhood; upon a Democracy of God!

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