

Glowing Report of Student Meet Given

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in overdoing athletics and the educators of the country should provide the students with a program in which there is a link between recreation and work. A constructive, inclusive, progressive and appealing link must be provided for the Kingdom of God, which is the greatest thing in all this world.

Dr. Truett's sermons given on Friday evening and Saturday morning were enough in themselves to travel to Chapel Hill to hear. "Authority Sufficient and An Adequate Response" was the subject on which he spoke on Friday morning. In this sermon, Dr. Truett preached Christ as the powerful authoritative Saviour. A reference made to Charles Lamb's life expresses the thought of the discourse. At one time Lamb and several of his distinguished friends were sitting around his fire in the evening discussing the notable people of the world whom they would like to have known. After almost all of the leaders of art, literature and conquest were mentioned, Lamb in his quiet voice said that there was one other who if he came into the room all would feel like kneeling. All the other notable people would seem insignificant. The room was still and quiet as he mentioned the name of Jesus. Was not that enough of a tribute to Him who died for us that we should recognize His authority and adequate love?

"The Kingdom of God Cometh By Observation" was the topic on which Dr. Truett spoke on Saturday morning. The heart of the discourse was "a life fully consecrated to God can accomplish any victory." He plunged into his subject with these words, "How much life means for the betterment of the world, and how much it could mean if it were fully lived. If you would have your life count for the finest things and the best, what would your answer be? It must be in harmony with the will of Christ; it must be made to move at His guidance and government. The highest and best gift we can make is the gift of life. I seek not you but yours. The supreme gift is the gift of life of Christ. This sacrifice was represented in the Old Testament by burnt offerings. Burnt offerings stand for the gift of life. Here they begin, there the songs of the Lord begin also."

Then moving on to the strength of character when men and women must deny or acknowledge their Lord, Dr. Truett said, "There are times when the candid yes and no need to be said without any hesitation. It is only that person who has fully consecrated his life to God who is strong enough to stand up and defy evil in the face of sure opposition and persecution. Carlyle was right when he said that religion is the determining factor in civilization. If we nurse sin, pamper it, and cuddle it, God will not hear us. 'He that hath clean hands and a pure heart shall stand in the day of final judgment'. Whenever we give ourselves whole heartedly to the task before us, we will always be able to sing the song of triumph. Let us be faithful to duty; and where we are losers in one point, that loss will be made up to us in another way." At this point Dr. Truett laid particular stress upon the statement of Paul, which has helped so many Christians to be happy in adverse circumstances, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am therewith to be content."

He then continued on the theme of the consecrated life. The best is none too good to give Christ. When Martin Luther decided to give his life for the Lord, his friends told him it would be pure insanity for him to sacrifice all his wonderful talents and be a foreign missionary. But today Luther's name is handed down through the years as a beacon light for all the world and the names of his friends are not mentioned. To this inquiry Martin Luther replied that Christ had given His life for him and all that he could give to Christ would still be too small. Too many Christians live tepidly and halfheartedly. A soldier of the U. S. Army lost both his legs in the war for his country. When a friend tried to comfort him he pushed him aside, and said: "I offered my country my life and it only took my legs. Why should I complain?"

Dr. Truett ended this sermon by discussing the two kinds of lives—the self-centered and the Christ-centered. The self-centered life is doomed. "Lest We Forget," let us hold before us the line from the hymn, "Stil stands thine ancient sacrifice, an humble and a contrite heart." With a powerful appeal he followed this with "Young people the Christ-centered life is what I am summoning you to today. The question of leadership falls to college men and women. Woe unto me, Oh Lamb, when thy leader is a child! Jesus cannot command big situations with little men. The difference between men is largely a difference in spirit. Quit ye like men be

strong'. That is giving Christ our best, and is serving Him without restriction. Young people, I plead with you to be men in the ranks of God. When the bugle sounds for war put your games away. Meet great situations with the strength of God behind you. I am pleading this noon day hour that we give the best we have without question to God. There are enough students in this convention to remake North Carolina. It is always the few who do the great reconstruction works, the few who set the pace for the world to follow."

In making this statement, the tremendous power and strength of Dr. Truett so manifested itself that in one listener's heart was born the desire to possess power that makes such strong character. It is men like him who are able to be called one of the saving few. And sometimes it is the small unknown people who cause the beginning of the work of the big visioned and powerful leaders. A good illustration of this is the story of the wizened little face of a man who peered up at Mr. Moody after one of his early sermons and said, "Young man, the world is waiting to see how much Christ can do with a man fully consecrated." With that goal to work for, Moody consecrated his life to God as perhaps no man had for centuries, and the fruit was brought forth in abundance. Yet Moody himself was not fully consecrated. "If ye have faith the size of a grain of mustard seed," said the Lord. And when we succeed "Forbid it God that we should boast save in the cross of the Lord our God."

The final admonition was "As we go our scattered ways, my fellow students, let's give Christ our all; and say with conviction 'I cannot die, I cannot die. God needs men!'"

Campus Conditions

A discussion of facts which related to the campuses of the state was enjoyed by the delegation. In treating the social conditions, J. R. Bobbitt, student of the University, brought forth the assertion that there exists a feeling of superiority among the fraternity men over the non-fraternity men. While this is not a prevalent condition, it still manifests itself and is to be fought and overcome. This is a small social condition in itself, but is one which students can remember and gain therefrom experience and assistance. It is from the small units that the larger social evils spring. This is a problem which students should solve once and for all—that it is not money nor possessions that count for most in life, but it is humanity, common sense and intellect.

The greatest religious problem for the students was presented by Miss Elizabeth Cowan, student of North Carolina College for Women, under the name of indifference. This indifference is shown by the irreverence of students everywhere. Even scepticism is not to be feared nor dreaded so much as the indifference of the student body, for the number of sceptics is small when compared with the number of careless Epicureans. No solution was offered for this condition, only a statement that this thing exists in all its sinister and alarming power.

Possibly to some extent each man has a code of honor which fits his own conscience, which code may be perfectly well suited to his particular life. Nevertheless there is an unwritten code which must apply to everyone's life alike and whether each one measures up or falls short depends upon his ability and willingness to apply himself. Miss Annabel Abbott, student of Meredith College, made statements concerning standards of honor which might be well to present for the thought and discussion of the rest of us. She stated that the motto of too many students is to get by instead of "I will do my best." Are you guilty of cramming? Are you guilty of bluffing? You may be cheating only yourself, but whom could you injure more? The student government honor system is to be commended, but do we uphold it all the time or just when

we are sure we will be caught up with? Do you stand up for the things you do, or uphold them? What would Jesus do? In driving the money changers out of the temple, He freed it from those who were cheating on its sanctity. Do you cheat on the sanctity of your own soul? There is an honor due to God of our time, and our money. There is honor due our friends in our relations with them. There is an honor due our parents while we are away at school more especially. Are you living up to your trust? It is a fine thing to be honorable with your friends, a finer thing to be honorable with yourself, but a much finer thing to be honorable with God.

In Miss Kellam's Y. W. A. luncheon, she made a talk about the possibilities of the young women of today. She called them "Young Wonders Abroad," not wonders overseas, but in our own land. We often wonder how a person can be so strong, so talented and powerful. It is truly wonderful, but even that is not the greatest thing. The power of Christ in one is the miracle, the one thing which makes the right sort of girl. And Miss Kellam is of the opinion that the right sort of girl is the rule and not the exception.

The conference was just so full of good things and worth while things that it is impossible for one little paper to hold them all. The part of the program given to Rev. J. A. Campbell, of Buies Creek, was a time of great inspirational benefit to everybody. When anyone has personally done great things and led many souls to Christ the world cannot help recognizing in them this work, and being interested in the report of such work.

Carrying on the idea of Christ, Commander of the Student Life, Dr. W. L. Poteat, of Wake Forest, spoke on the subject of "Maintaining the Surrender Through College Days." In this, Dr. Poteat stated that the fundamental demand of life of all life is that it be fully developed, to the limit of all capacity. It is not surprising that youth with its deep seated love of enjoyment will find it hard to accept the courage of self-sacrifice and self-denial. They ask themselves if they must give up the best of their life with the hope of fulfillment of their own nature. They ask, "Can you make such a demand of me?" Then Dr. Poteat showed where such a complete sacrifice of one's life to Christ is the only way in which true happiness and enjoyment may be found, the only way in which real triumph and victory may be attained.

We would not neglect to refer to the part some of Chowan's girls had on the program of this conference. The talk on the Y. W. A. by Miss Jewell Askew was one of the most beautiful applications of Christian living that can be expressed. The key thought in this talk was, "I thank the Lord that I have time to help others." That in itself shows that the complete surrender to Christ is the sure means of bringing real happiness.

The solo by Miss Nancy Parker, on Saturday morning, was so splendidly rendered and so thoroughly enjoyed that she was asked to sing again on Sunday afternoon. She did great credit to herself, her teacher and to Chowan by the soulfulness of her song. Sincerity is the basis of success of the Christian life; and Miss Parker knows how to stand forth in all sincerity in her singing.

The Chowan College group of girls was entertained in such a lovely manner by the Chapel Hill people in their hospitality and consideration that it was a task indeed for them to leave when the conference had ended. May each one of them not forget the principle of Christ's love and guidance as it was expressed in the many lectures, songs and prayers of the Baptist Student conference at Chapel Hill.

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Babb Makes Fine Lecture During Chautauqua

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People have found themselves handicapped in having bodies that can not fly and travel faster, but because of this they have devised methods of swift travel. Steam locomotion was brought into use to help overcome this difficulty. The human being can not swim, and is at a disadvantage compared to lower animals and fish. The brain began to work to devise means of overcoming this handicap and now you can go to Europe in six days. Not a fish in the waters could keep up with you. Man can not fly, but the intellect said, "Don't worry about it." "It will be a very short time before there will be a schedule for your town on an aeroplane route," stated Dr. Babb, "and you can fly across the continent in a short time."

"Don't blame God, and say He is not fair," said the speaker with force. "This is only a place where the soul can assert itself."

"There was never a man yet who was not handicapped," continued Dr. Babb. "To be perfect you have to be dead. Then everybody else must be dead too, so that there will be no literary liar to write your biography, or slanderer to twist tales into falsity."

Some of the great men of the country of whom Dr. Babb has made special study, according to his findings, were certainly not without handicaps. Edison, the great electrical wizard, had them. In extolling his eminence, we must not forget Mrs. Edison, who has been so faithful and devoted to him throughout the years and who has aided him in overcoming his handicaps and succeeding.

The life stories of some of the greatest artists in literature reveal that they had to master obstacles in the way before they reached the star of success. Homer was club-footed, and partly crazy. He had hallucinations and sometimes imagined that people were running after him on the street. Byron was club-footed, deformed, debauched and depraved. Mrs. Browning was handicapped. She was an invalid, but oh how she could sing! Fannie Crosby was

blind. Teddy Roosevelt was handicapped with one of the homeliest mouths you ever saw. To conquer it he capitalized on it by donning a perpetual smile, and he was always grinning. Abraham Lincoln would not have kept his desk full of joke books if he had not been handicapped with melancholia. He told funny stories and laughed to try to beat his handicap. "If you can not beat your handicap, bear it," Dr. Babb further said. "Everybody has a handicap," reiterated the speaker. "You must find your handicap and overcome it or capitalize on it."

THANKSGIVING AFFAIR WAS BRILLIANT EVENT

The Thanksgiving reception under the auspices of the Y. W. A., which is among the most important social events of the college year, was held in the college parlors Thanksgiving evening.

The spacious main hall was beautifully decorated with flowers and green plants, the color scheme of green and white being effectively carried out. The guests were ushered into the college parlors and one of the society halls converted into a reception hall for the occasion.

The evening was spent with much merriment and laughter by some, while others seemed to find time only for more serious and deeper subjects. The reception was not in its usual formal style, but was carried out rather informally.

Misses Madge Cooper and Rosalie Tolar stood at the punch bowl. Misses Elsie Orders, Lyndal Denny, Margaret West and Thelma Draper served ice cream and cake.

For the success and enjoyment of the reception creditable mention is due Miss Rosalie Tolar, president of the Y. W. A., and the committees who assisted her.

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