

## BRYAN ON PEACE

### ATTACKS ROOSEVELT AND TAFT SPONSORS OF ORGANIZATION THAT STANDS FOR FORCE

New York, June 19.—William Jennings Bryan, addressing a labor peace meeting at Carnegie hall here tonight, attacked former Presidents Roosevelt and Taft as leading sponsors of organizations which stood for the use of force in international affairs and which the former Secretary of State declared were inimical to the true interest of this country and to the cause of international peace.

Mr. Bryan began his address by declaring that he could find no more favorable auspices than those of tonight for beginning the work which he felt it his duty to perform—aiding "in the crystallizing of the sentiment in favor of peace in support of the President in his efforts to reach an amicable settlement of all differences that may, during the war, arise between this country and belligerent nations."

He alluded to the "labor element" as an "honorable appellation" and declared that no advocate of peace could have a deeper interest in its preservation than the laboring man, who, without any pecuniary interest in war, recognized that it was hurtful to him as bringing about enforced idleness, increasing taxes and in calling upon him probably among the first to take up arms, and leaving the aftermath of war to be borne in great measure by him or his family. Therefore, Mr. Bryan argued it was natural that a peace movement should begin with the laboring man and that organized labor, because of its readily operative machinery, should take the lead in such a movement. Mr. Bryan continued:

"Those who work in the cause of peace will find it necessary to combat the forces of militarism as well as to do educational work in behalf of the principles upon which the hope of permanent peace rests, and I deem this an opportune time and place to invite you to enter a protest against two organizations which are already asking the support of the public. Both of these organizations are officered and manned by men of great respectability.

"One of these organizations has for its object a large increase in the army and navy. It has set for itself the task of providing for the national security and it is busily engaged in minimizing force and effectiveness of our army and navy in order to furnish arguments in favor of the enlargement of both. Ex-President Roosevelt is the most potential factor in this group and it is quite natural that, on account of his prominence, his great ability and his extreme views, he should direct the general policy of the organization. He discredits not only the intelligence, but even the motives of those whom he contemptuously describes as pacifists and advocates of 'peace at any price.' He more than intimates that they are physical cowards and that their attitude on international questions is due to fear of bodily injury.

"It is not necessary to answer Mr. Roosevelt upon the low plane upon which he pitches the controversy. It is entirely possible to credit him with the purest motives and the sincerest patriotism, and yet resolutely oppose the methods which he would employ for the safeguarding of the country.

"Mr. Roosevelt might be excluded from the list of the nation's advisers on all matters relating to peace or war, on the ground that he is so anxious to get into any contest that involves blood-letting he cannot be trusted to deal with any phase of the subject."

Mr. Bryan declared that Mr. Roosevelt's plan of making this nation "a rival of the powers of the old world in military and naval preparation" would involve indefinite increase in expenditure for ships and men "to be continued so long as other nations continue to increase."

Mr. Roosevelt's plan, Mr. Bryan said, would make the United States "a vast armory, with skull and crossbones above the door, and the designing architect of the system will go into and out in uniform with the proud consciousness that our nation no longer contains molly-coddles or weaklings."

Mr. Bryan declared, however, that there was no danger of Mr. Roosevelt's organization securing a numerous following "when its real purpose becomes known," and he urged the laboring men of the country to see that its purpose was clearly understood and give to the President assurance of support "to counteract any influence that the jingoes may seek to exert."

Of the other organization, with former President Taft "its most conspicuous sponsor," Mr. Bryan declared that although Mr. Taft himself had been prominently identified with the cause of peace and men associated with him in the organization "were at least not antagonistic to peace," the idea that many persons may have had

of regarding "Mr. Taft's organization as the best weapon with which to fight the Roosevelt organization" was a mistaken one.

"When the plan of the Taft organization is understood," continued Mr. Bryan, "it will be seen that its effect is to aid rather than obstruct the Roosevelt propaganda. If the purpose of Mr. Roosevelt's organization is to make preparation for war pleasant, Mr. Taft's organization may be regarded as furnishing a plausible pretext for the preparation which Mr. Roosevelt advises."

Mr. Bryan called attention to the word "enforce" in the title of the declaration in a speech by President Lowell, of Harvard University, at the recent Philadelphia meeting that it was aimed to discourage war by "the threat to use force."

"Their plan," said Mr. Bryan "is to organize an international police force which will compel peace and compel it by the use of force. That means that we shall make ourselves partners with other nations in the waging of war. Before we can promise to enter into partnership with other nations in future wars we must repudiate the advice of Washington, who warned us against 'entangling alliances.' The American people will be very slow to enter into any agreement which will involve us in the quarrels of Europe.

"The plan would also involve a surrender of the Monroe doctrine. We could hardly enter into a settlement of European disputes and at the same time refuse to allow European nations to take part in the settlement of disputes in the western hemisphere. The American people will not look with favor upon so revolutionary a change in our national policy."

The speaker declared that the plan proposed by the league would vest the power to declare war in a group of nations in which the United States naturally would not exercise a controlling influence and he felt assured he said, that it would be impossible to secure a two-thirds majority in Congress for a resolution proposing the surrender of its rights to declare war, or that three-fourths of the States would approve such a constitutional amendment if the resolution passed Congress.

Still another objection was urged by Mr. Bryan against the league's plan in that it would be a departure from the American position as "the friend of all nations and the counselor of many."

This declared Mr. Bryan, would impair our influence and jeopardize our moral prestige.

"Listen not to those who measure 'world power' in units of force. We have been a world power for more than a century and we cannot afford to exchange the moral influence which we now have for the military glory of all the empires that have risen and fallen since time began. I appeal to you, therefore, to remain true to the ideals of the fathers. It remains for the common people of today to make known to the President their firm adherence to the principles which have made us the foremost nation in the advocacy of peace."

### LOCUSTS HAVE ARRIVED IN WESTERN CAROLINA

Millions of locusts whose coming was predicted recently by the Department of Agriculture have made their appearance and begun their ravages in Western North Carolina. It is reported from Henderson county that the insects can be found by the bucketful on fruit trees in the Mills River section of that county.

These insects are known to science as the cicada, but the ordinary citizen calls them the seventeen-year locusts. There are two races of these insects: one, the seventeen-year race, and the other, the thirteen-year variety. It is claimed that the 13-year variety is the one that appears from time to time in the Southern States, while the other variety has a predilection for Northern latitudes.

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## OUR COUNTRY

(By Bruce Craven, in News and Observer.)

It is not unusual in these times to hear a group of American citizens discussing the greatness of nations without referring to their own land. Just how any good can come from personal opinions as to which nation is greatest, is hard to perceive, but a few plain facts might do some good. It appears that there are many, many Americans whose souls are so dead that they never say "this is my own, my native land," and never stop to think about it at all.

It is a common tenet of all philosophers as well as all common sense, that that man alone does good in the world who produces something in the world. It is the creation of wealth or of new instruments of progress that shows the greatness of a man or a nation, because in creativeness, in actually making something new, he comes closest to the power of the Creator Himself.

Which of the nations of the earth produces the most wealth from the soil every year in proportion to population?

Which of the nations of the earth in the past 139 years, which comprises the History of the United States, has produced the most creations such as railroad building, telephones, electric lights, the cotton gin, steam navigation, canal building, and all the other things that tend to the actual production of wealth and the improvement of the condition of the people?

Which of the nations in that time has been the haven of the oppressed of all other nations who were in search for a land where they might be guaranteed the fruits of their own labor?

The answer to all these questions is the United States of America, and these are facts, not personal opinions. It is not popular now to make such an argument, and it is considered evidence of broadmindedness to run down your own country and glorify others, but I thank God there are some people left who are so narrow-minded that they still believe in the nation that has been the synonym of freedom and happiness through the test of a century in which the rest of the world was cursed with wars and poverty and tyranny. With our record in facts that we lead the world in producing the things that make for progress and civilization, that advance enlightenment and Christianity should we begrudge to others their superiority in making the worst engines of destruction and the producing of the most bloodshed and misery?

If there ever was a time in our history when our annual Independence celebration should be genuine and enthusiastic, it is in this year of 1915. The man who does not thank God now that he is an American citizen, is not fit to be one.

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Austria-Hungary.  
France.  
Germany.  
Great Britain.  
Italy.  
Japan.  
United States.

They are all at war save the United States. We have no ungratified territorial ambitions, and no boundary disputes, and no commercial desires, the fulfillment of which is sufficiently threatened by the rivalry of other powers to justify an appeal to arms. We are assured by our place in the sun by 3,000 miles of sea on the east of us and by more than 4,000 miles of sea on the west of us. The cold salt water leaves our shores and tempers whatever war spirit there may be. It makes our invasion of foreign lands difficult and discourages foreign nations from contemplating any invasion of our shores.

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