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## THE NEXT WAR

There seems to be a prevalent idea that there is going to be a next war. In almost every periodical we find the phrase, "the next war." People are getting ready for it; they are thinking of it as not only a possibility, but a probability. We are taking the next war as an accepted fact, and in the best way we know are preparing ourselves for it.

The next war need not be, and it will not be if the children of this age are taught aright. It is a dangerous thing to discuss the next war as a fact to be accepted. They will accept it, and will prepare for it, and those engines which they build for the next war must be used, and they will be used. During the late war we talked little of the next peace. Had we prepared for the next peace, as we are preparing for the next war, it would have been a glorious peace to which we would have come; but we did not prepare, and now we are spending the golden hours of our blood-bought peace thinking and preparing for the next war.

I do not believe in a fool's optimism, but I do believe with him who wrote, "As a man thinketh in his heart so is he," and I do believe that we will have the next war if we get ready for it. I believe, too, that we need not have it, if we will prepare for a lasting peace.

"A little child shall lead them," wrote the prophet, and very slowly we are coming to understand that the destiny of the world is not so largely determined by old men as by little children. The rudder of the ship of state is held not by the men in Washington, but by the hands of little children about the doors of our 20,000,000 homes. Those baby hands direct the course of states, those baby lips speak words of life or death, those baby hearts shall shout a triumph song or slow their beating to a funeral march. What shall our children say?

We are dropping into the gardens of their hearts small seeds today, and fear not, they shall bring forth fruit abundantly. "As a man soweth, that shall he also reap," was never meant for jest. The minds and hearts of little children are fertile fields to tend, and in them we may grow a "next war," or cause to blossom a glorious peace. We may teach those baby lips new hymns of hate to sing, or we may cause those lips to blend in mellow chimes of love to God, and "Peace, good will to men."

Knowledge is power—power for good or evil. The boys and girls of tomorrow will know more than we know. They will know more of chemistry and of physics. Shall they know more of Christ and His principles? It is a dangerous thing to train the mind and leave untaught the heart. To teach mathematics and the sciences is important, but it is infinitely more important to teach Christianity. Today we are placing in the hands of boys and girls the power to wreck the world or to build the Kingdom of God, and only the knowledge of, belief in and love for the Christ can determine their use of it.

The task of the Christian college is one of growing magnitude. The church people must save the world by sending their boys and girls to Christian colleges. State institutions do train the mind, but they do not train the heart;

and failing to train the heart, they fail. Our boys and girls must know the sciences that with them they may make ready the "Way of the Lord," but they must know the Christ that they may be "builders together with Him" of the Kingdom of God.

The next war will depend largely on where the boys and girls of today go to college. If their minds are trained and their hearts are left untaught, we shall have the next war, but if their minds and hearts are trained together in the Christian college, IT SHALL NOT BE. Shall we have the next war?

In this vacation time we are standing at the forks of the road. One way leads to the next war, the other to a glorious peace and God. In the choice of your college you will choose a road, and I'm wondering which you will take.

## DR. LAWRENCE GOES ON BIG BOOK-BUYING TRIP

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largest and most interesting. This store carries a stock of 300,000 volumes in all languages and on all subjects. It is recognized as the greatest second-hand book store in the United States. While it claims to be a second-hand book store, yet it sells tens of thousands of volumes of new books and of books slightly shelf-worn. For instance, I bought for the Elon Library a set of Warner's Library of the World's Best Literature, 45 volumes, gilt top, rough edges, good buckram binding, for \$27, and a set of the Century Dictionary, 12 volumes, half leather binding, for \$20, whereas the set burned when our library burned cost \$90.

But it was not all delight while in Philadelphia. The whole city awoke August 3 to a day of sorrow and mourning. Warren G. Harding, President of the United States, had suddenly and unexpectedly died at San Francisco, California, the evening before (about 11:30 p. m., Philadelphia time). Everywhere one turned as soon as the morning papers were out there was the flag of the nation at half mast.

Perhaps President Harding was not more beloved by any city of the great country he presided over than by the two million people that make up the population of Philadelphia. It is the custom of the great Wanamaker store, where 3,000 people are employed daily, even through the heated summer season, to close the day's work with a fifteen-minute concert by some noted musician on the massive organ that fills the vast store with melody. But on the afternoon following the President's death the tongue of the great instrument was silent. I happened to be present and saw the thousands of salesmen march solemnly into the sad sunlight of the great city and melt away in the throngs of humanity to find their various abodes for the night. It is a sad hour when a nation is called on to mourn the death of a sane and safe chief.

But there was a gleam of hope and calm confidence as the sorrowing mind realized that Vice-President Coolidge, perhaps an abler man than the good predecessor then pale in death, had taken the oath of office in the early hours of the morning and that between the hours of sunset and dawn one President had died and another had stepped in to fill the gap in the line of the rulers of the earth. Death yonder in California had set up a commotion in a quiet Coolidge farm house in New England. That Friday evening about the hour of nine, while I was making my way South on a fast New York-New Orleans train, we were forced to take a siding between Baltimore and Washington to give way for a special train hurrying the new President to Washington. It passed at such high speed that one of our passengers remarked, "It takes two to SEE that train." Only about once in a generation of twenty years are we called on to mourn the death of a President in office, and to experience the consequent rearrangement of the personnel in high governmental positions. But life is made up of a checker-work, in both public and private experiences, of alternate joys and sorrow. So may we submit willing-

ly to an overruling Providence that is both benevolent and wise.

My book hunt had other interesting experiences to come into but, but they are not permitted to be recounted here for lack of space. It is to be hoped, however, that the hundreds of volumes purchased will ere long be able to greet Elon students from the shelves of a new and handsome library building.

## CHAUTAUQUA IS LARGELY ATTENDED BY WORKERS

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under Mrs. Alice V. Morrill, and Stewardship was taught by Dr. J. O. Atkinson. The teaching faculty showed a deep interest in the work, and these courses were made practical for church workers by the specialists.

The evening meetings of the Chautauqua were given over to lectures and music, and the programs were of a high order. Monday night was the opening night of the Chautauqua, and was in charge of the Burlington Christian church. Dr. Thomas E. Opie, pastor of the Church of the Holy Comforter, Episcopal, was the speaker. He used the subject, "God and Education." It was a strong address, and a most fitting opening for such a meeting. Tuesday night was North Carolina night, and in charge of the First Christian church of Raleigh. Dr. W. D. Parry delivered the address on "The Great Game of Pretext." The feature of the evening was the fine humorous work of Mr. Sherwood Brockwell, of the Raleigh church. Wednesday night was in charge of the Virginia delegation. Dr. I. W. Johnson, Suffolk, Va., was the speaker of the evening, and Mrs. W. T. Walters, of Richmond, Va., gave a number of pleasing readings. Mr. Hermon Eldredge spoke on Young People's night, Thursday, and the subject was a most pleasing one. Mr. Eldredge delivered a stirring address on the theme, "The Law of the Road."

The Friday evening program was in charge of the First Christian church of Greensboro, and was an excellent musical program. Mr. W. B. Truitt, of the Greensboro church, delivered a short address. Saturday night was a stunt night, in charge of Elon College people. The program was much enjoyed. The devotional exercises were in charge of Dr. C. H. Rowland, who also delivered the sermon on Sunday morning. The final service of the Chautauqua came Sunday night, and was in charge of Mr. Hermon Eldredge. He spoke on "Opening Doors," and gave the outline of the many doors which were opening to the church of Christ at this time.

Throughout the week a children's chautauqua was run in the form of a Daily Vacation Bible School. The meetings were held in the mornings at the graded school building, and were in charge of Mrs. J. W. Patton. Mrs. Patton was assisted by Mrs. Anna Lee Harden, of Greensboro, who has special training in children's work. Others who aided in this work were Mrs. C. M. Cannon, Misses Mary D. Atkinson, Aline McAdams, Alberta Atkinson, Jo-

sephine Farmer, Mary Graham Lawrence, and Emma G. Lemon.

Miss Pattie Coghill was in charge of recreation, and handled that part of the work in a most efficient manner.

The Chautauqua was held under the auspices of the Board of Religious Education of the Southern Christian Convention, and was under the direct supervision of Miss Lucy M. Eldredge, the Field Secretary of the Board. Miss Eldredge spared no amount of effort to make this chautauqua the best in the history of the movement, and her success was beyond a doubt. Much of the work was planned by Miss Eldredge who carried the entire program off in the best way possible.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IS URGED BY PRESIDENT

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the Christian type gives us Kaiser Wilhelm and Prussianism. Much learning without Christian motive leads to personal, national, world chaos. Science in the service of man and of God is a beneficent force making for the joy, the pleasure, the happiness of mankind. But science in the control of unchristian men means World Wars and the destruction of every moral virtue and spiritual value of life. We know enough now to kill the race over-night. All that prevents it is the Christian principle of loving service. Should the Christian principle ever lose its sway over the hearts of men, sad will be the plight of humankind. Christian education alone can prevent such a catastrophe.

How? By motivating life in terms of Christian idealism, while the scientific discoveries of life and the truths of revealed religion are being co-ordinately taught the ripening mental powers of youth. This is the province of Christian education. The law of the land prevents tax-supported institutions from teaching our Christian faith. The Christian churches must find a way to teach religion to those who study in these institutions or they will be democracy's undoing.

Meanwhile in the Christian colleges positive Christian nurture is always to be had and these institutions, the real seminaries of spiritual altruism, are as matters now stand the hope and fate at once of our Christian civilization. Christian colleges stand for truth, the truth of revealed religion and the truth of scientific discovery. They recognize God as the author of religion and of science and can find no reason for conflict between these two paths of approach to Him. The ultimate good of science and of the Christian revelation is safe-guarded in the reverent atmosphere of spiritual faith characteristic of the genuinely Christian college.

Above all does such a college cherish as its inherent duty to introduce its students to God as Father and Jesus as personal Savior and ever-present Friend, with the Holy Spirit as a conscious reality directing and motivating all life and conduct. Christian education teaches those who come under its influence to use science and religion to promote

## SIMMON SEEDS

By "TOTO" DONOVAN

**BUDS THAT BLOOM IN '27**  
 Young people, listen in while an old timer broadcasts yesterday's ball game and tomorrow's advice to freshmen. You are headed for college; all right, hold on to your ticket.

You will find colleges places for you to grapple with the unseen. Not the way they teach you to be a medium, but what you brings away will come in your head P.O.B. the school of your choice.

First there is the bldgs. These are for you. Make yourself at home and put your feet on the table. Secondly there is the faculty. Faculty members from time to time immemorial been treated. They are a nice bunch of youngsters and good sports, but they can't hobnob too much with you for fear you will vote them pres. or sec. of the freshman class and that wouldn't look well on a commencement program.

To avoid discomfort all ways be on time at the dining hall. A student which is late to his meals don't show the same intelligence that a prompt one does. Does they?

You will get bids for this and that. Toss up a coin (avoid cracks in the floor) and if you haven't got a coin count centie-meenie-minie-mo, and you are sure to get in the right organization.

For sports you will need a good bottle of liniment. You will get more in the dollar size.

For reading it is best to start in the library at the end of the lower left hand shelf. Read when possible books with leather backs.

When you receives your spending money all ways buy a stamp with part of it. This all ways ensures a line of communication home for more.

Be ambitious but don't try to be a Senior the first year. You won't have the proper atmosphere.

When an any organization anyone says "Nominations are in order," nominate yourself. You can't tell who your friends are and a faint heart never gets anything but smelling salts.

Pick your friends with care. Those that can set 'em up the most make very satisfactory companions.

All ways speak in public. Its impolite to sit around moping and you will peeve the ones what has brought tomatoes and cabbages to throw at speakers.

Obeey all the rules during your spare time. Practise up on water throwing. This will cost you two-fifty per offence and its a dead loss if you don't hit your target.

Pardon personal reminiscences, but here are a few rules I followed and they are O. K. for I've taken my 3d degree.

Keep roommates shoes shined. Tip your hat to each lady that passes. Tip twice to stout ladies.

Argue gently with professors. They are your elders.

Never stop a through train for Sunday papers.

Keep to the right. Buy on credit.

As you test out each bit of my advice vice put your O. K. on it and pass it along to upper classmen.



## JAKE BLAKE SAYS:

De best beautifier what I hab seen yet am a bottle ob paint remover.



GIRLS' BASKETBALL SQUAD

the welfare of humanity and the coming Kingdom of our God.

And that is why Christian education is the hope of the world and is the faith of the Church of God. Thoughtful, reverent Christian parents and young people abounding in the altruism and philanthropy which are the native breath of youth must pause long and prayerfully in deciding the proper attitude to be taken in the choice days of college life as between Christian colleges and colleges not able for various reasons to inculcate Christian truth along with the secular knowledge of life and learning.