

War Inevitable

Dean Wilson Repeats Statement

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"THE UNITED NATIONS Organization offers no greater expectation for a lasting peace, under existing economic and political conditions, than did the League of Nations in 1918," said Dr. George E. Wilson, speaking before a gathering in the Dalhousie Engineering Common Room last night.

At a meeting sponsored by the Maritime Labor Institute, Dr. Wilson discussed "the fundamental principles of peace", exhibiting a very pessimistic outlook towards the possibility of a lasting peace in our time. The fundamental principles of peace take into consideration two main points, human nature and national sovereignty, said Dr. Wilson. For a lasting peace, for peace at all, one requirement is a change in human nature. Dr. Wilson stressed the need for this change, but added "human nature won't change." He supported this argument by stating that throughout history, there has been no evidence of a change for the better and present day attitudes give little reason for hope in the future. Dr. Wilson told his audience that "man is fundamentally stupid. People lack imagination." These elements are absolutely ruinous to a peace plan, he said, and have existed since the beginning of time.

TRACES EVOLUTION OF STATE

Dr. Wilson then traced the evolution of national states to the present age where the state is omnipotent. Sovereignty of the national state dominates all else today and the sovereign recognizes nothing above itself. He continued by saying that, with the advent of improved transportation the state became even more integrated. They began to feel the need for food and fuel for their peoples and factories. This caused them to look abroad for secure sources of supplies and secure markets. They also wanted a place to invest surplus capital.

Towards the end of the 19th century competition

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Dr. G. E. Wilson,
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ONLY DAL'S FLAG-
POLE KNOWS THE
ANSWER TO THIS
QUESTION PAY IT
A VISIT ON MON-
DAY.

IN MEMORIAM

IN MEMORIAM A. H. H.

Strong Son of God, immortal Love,
Whom we, that have not seen thy face,
By faith, and faith alone, embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove;

Thou wilt not leave us in the dust:

Thou madest man, he knows not why,
He thinks he was not made to die:
And thou hast made him: thou art just.

Our little systems have their day:

They have their day and cease to be:
They are but broken lights of thee,
And thou, O Lord, art more than they.

We have but faith: we cannot know;

For knowledge is of things we see;
And yet we trust it comes from thee,
A beam in darkness: let it grow.

Let knowledge grow from more to more,

But more of reverence in us dwell;
That mind and soul, according well,
May make one music as before,

Forgive what seem'd my sin in me:

What seem'd my worth since I began:
For merit lives from man to man,
And not from man, O Lord, to thee.

Forgive these wild and wandering cries,

Confusions of a wasted youth:
Forgive them where they fail in truth,
And in thy wisdom make me wise.

Alfred, Lord Tennyson

Gratitude

The act of liberation was sufficient to compensate the grateful Dutch people for the too great enthusiasm of the Canadian occupying army. Merely say that you are a Canadian, and what can be given in Holland is yours.

Much the most touching manifestation of this gratitude can be found in the sites given up by Holland for Canadian military cemeteries. Rare as are forest areas and hills, it is in regions like this that the rows of white crosses and stars of David can be found.

Bergen-op-Zoom, through which passed Montgomery on the impact of the first crashing drive into Holland: a field by a country road, surrounded by tall trees. Omman, in Holland's only real forest area: a clearing, beautifully terraced by the labour of German prisoners, the tall white cross with black sword on the upright has at its back dark evergreens, and before it a stretch of wild, hilly country. Nijmegen, a name now in Canadian history: the tops of two hills. The crosses look north over the wooded hills to the prosperous fields of Holland. At their backs, the now silent fields of Germany.

In a country incredibly flat, the grateful people have found places to honour their liberators such as could be found almost anywhere among the endless hills and forests of the Canadian homeland.

And strong was the feeling that overcame me as I read in small black letters the names of many who once played with me on such hills and in such forests at home.

Geoffrey Payzant

WHAT IS WAR?

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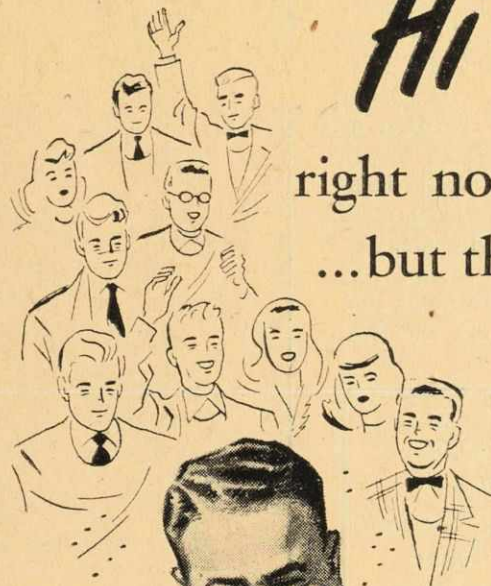
Gordon Lewis

Daily one reads in local newspapers stories of top-ranking war criminals being tried and executed by Allied tribunals. Had these men been on the side of the Allies they should likely still be fested and would still be receiving decorations from a various number of foreign powers. How can there be any linking of ethics with war when the essential purpose of war is to engage and slaughter as many of the opposing side as possible?—Who are we to judge whether a person is a criminal because he commanded a group of men who 'murdered' another group not according to the international code of war? Who are we to judge whether our so-called rights are right or wrong?

Possibly I am prejudiced in this view. Perhaps I should not be writing this; but if I am prejudiced it is possibly because I have seen one small phase of war, and I have seen staunch allied soldiers turned into looters and pillagers of private property, and I shall never forget the time that I saw a sergeant turn his Sten towards a German youth who lay slightly wounded. The animal fear of the youth is unforgettable, and more unforgettable is the savage snarl of the sergeant who fired a full burst into the youth's face.

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right now you're breaking records
...but the "breaks" don't always last



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