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TAKES GREAT INTEREST IN VOCATIONAL TRAINING

E. R. Dennis is a leading manufacturer and one of London's public spirited citizens. At the present time he is much interested in vocational guidance and vocational training for boys and young men of all classes. Mr. Dennis has been called the "Father of Technical Education in London" as it was largely through his efforts and energy that the first Technical and Art school was established in Western Ontario. He believes that the sincere efforts being made to re-establish a system of apprenticeship on modern lines cannot succeed and



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that boys of all conditions of life should be guided into vocations which they are suited for and in which they can be happy and successful through life. The schools in the future he claims, must be looked to to train our young people in the fundamental principles, and also in the practice, of the callings they are to follow in after life—and that the industries, commercial institutions and professors must co-operate with the schools in this work.

Mr. Dennis has, during an active career, taken much interest in matters pertaining to the welfare of the rising generation, having been chairman of the Board of Education in

A Christmas Message

December is again upon us and soon the whole of Christendom will once more be celebrating the birth of the infant Jesus. The very word, Christmas seems to carry us back to youth, transforms our ugliness into beauty, and our outward sorrows into an innermost delight. It makes of this old world a new creation, bringing about a re-birth; and so we bid this new born world a Merry Christmas. Sometimes we decry the commercialism of Christmas. Men have said business has crowded Christ out of His Christmas. Somehow I feel the Christ is coming more greatly into business. Each year we see a larger thoughtfulness for the comfort and welfare of the people who serve us at the counters. Each year reveals a more generous distribution of Christmas bonuses to employees. Thus subtly but surely the spirit of the season percolates the whole fabric of trade. Goodwill is becoming one of the new assets of every going concern.

Christmas should give us the disposition to generosity with our charity, we should look with a broader view and a sweeter reasonableness on all our human affairs. It's a good evidence of the spirit of Christmas if we can see hopeful signs in our skies, which look so ominous and overcast. If you catch a hopeful gleam in our skies are you not wiser for that insight; are you not like a shepherd, faithful to duty amid darkness? If you can see more human-

London; chairman of the Boys Work Committee of the Y.M.C.A. when far reaching improvements and extensions were made to the Boys' Department. He was the first president of the London Playgrounds Association, which, a few years ago did valuable service in creating public interest in civic supervised playgrounds. He was also the first president and one of the founders of the Manufacturers Athletic Association, ex-chairman of the Parks Commission and many other public and semi-public bodies.

ity and charity in the daily going of men in the market place, shall you not receive a Christmas benediction of peace?

The song of the Christmas angels signifies that the Christ child brought two gifts. First there was peace for the earth and then there was good will to men. Just now we need to chiefly value the second gift. We have peace on earth again, at least the semblance of it. But we need good will among men. No other gift can bring us social harmony or political tranquility. Above all, it is needed to restore spiritual health.

Good will is not an impersonal abstraction floating in empty air. It is the fundamental attribute of God; the essential nature of Christ; the characteristic quality of the Spirit. In its human expression it is the flowing of the divinest of the man in a love which is pure, just, generous and beneficent. People regard the words good will as interchangeable with peace, but will is active, good will is a constructive force. I've seen sick people get well merely as a result of two or three hearty good wishes rooting for them. I've figured it out that there's an influence circulating through all men when they'll permit it. Thoughts of fear, worry, hate, ill-health, poverty and unhappiness throw men out of harmony with this spiritual power and cause short circuiting in their lives. It is this that has happened in our world, and we need to get this influence circulating again in order to reconstruct the spirit of society. This is the gift which every Christ-conscious soul must give. We must develop the art of wishing well to all the world. We bestow it whenever we express appreciation of a good trait in another. We have given it each time we uncover the streak of forgotten gold in an unpromising life. So this is the Christ challenge for us to unfold the good in each and all. It calls for spiritual penetration, to be sure, but whoever has good will has the gift of the Spirit.

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A WHITE VIEW OF A COLORED PROTEST

(By The Associated Negro Press)

Aloa W. Taylor, writing in "The Christian Century," has the following to say concerning the stand taken by Mr. William Pickens, contributing editor to The Associated Negro Press, on certain forms of discrimination in northern and near-northern schools:

"William Pickens is one of the cultured intellects of the Negro race. His life story would stir the heart of any unprejudiced American, so much is it like that of the most honoured of our white leaders in their climb from poverty to education and success. He protests the attempt in certain northern states to prevent Negro youth from entrance to high schools and junior colleges. Many editorials of like temper are appearing in various journals and these bring to the front a vital problem in the migration of Negroes from the

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DR. WM. C. KELLY, Windsor, Ont. He graduated from the R.C.D.S. University of Toronto in 1923. Although he has only begun the practice of dentistry in his home town, he has built up a thriving practice. Dr. Kelly's office equipment is among the best.