

## ADDRESSES ON ILLS OF WORLD

Hon. N. W. Rowell and  
Fletcher Brockman Speak  
at Methodist Missionary  
Rally.

(Toronto Globe.)  
"The only hope for the world in the  
present situation is the receipt  
of the Saviour of men."—Hon. N. W.  
Rowell, P. C., K. C.

"If China is ever to be saved, Chris-  
tianity will save it, and if Christianity  
does not save China she is lost."

Fletcher Brockman.  
Thus did Hon. N. W. Rowell and  
Fletcher Brockman in the above state-  
ments emphasize to the 3,500 people  
who packed Massey Hall in its topmost  
gallery at the Methodist Missionary  
rally last night, what they considered  
to be the greatest need of the Far East  
and the world.

An overflow meeting in the Metro-  
politan church was also addressed by  
both speakers. The financial objective  
for Toronto in the present missionary  
campaign is \$200,000.

Mr. Rowell, who has recently spent  
some time in Africa, where he has had  
opportunities of studying the work of  
missions at first hand, spoke on the  
subject, "Are Missions a Success?" and  
Mr. Brockman, who has spent many  
years in the Far East, spoke on "The  
Far East as a Factor in the World's  
Future."

In the course of their addresses both  
speakers bore eloquent testimony to  
the value of Christian missions as the  
greatest agency that has yet been found  
to shed the light of peace and good-will  
among the peoples in the dark places of  
the earth, and expressed the conviction  
that if the torch of human civilization  
is to be kept alight it will only be by the  
adoption at home and abroad of those  
principles that are the foundation of all  
missionary endeavor.

Must Have Something Better.  
"Unless the Christian Church gives  
them something better than they have  
got," said Mr. Rowell, in speaking of the  
missionary situation in Africa, "it does  
not bode well for the one and a half  
million whites and the seven and a half  
million blacks in the days that are to  
come." The consecration of lives for  
service was urged by Mr. Rowell. "We  
have but one life to live," he said. "It  
may be long or it may be short. There  
is only one way that it is worth while  
living it, and that is in useful and un-  
selfish service for our fellow-men."

Mr. Rowell devoted the first portion  
of his speech to a reference to his recent  
visit to Africa, and to a description of  
the conditions which prevail on that  
continent in the area south of the Zam-  
bezi. In that great territory, about as  
large as our four western provinces,  
lived a million and a half of European  
stock, and about seven and a half mil-  
lions of natives and colored peoples.  
The native population, which in the  
past had been divided into many groups  
and tribes, hostile to each other, was  
now developing a national consciousness  
and a capacity of acting together. This  
was a fact of tremendous significance.

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These natives were asking for "some-  
thing better," and unless the Christian  
church gave them something better it  
did not bode well for the white and  
black races. "They must have some-  
thing more than the materialistic side;  
they must have the nobler, better side  
of our civilization as well," said the  
speaker.

Mr. Rowell gave some interesting de-  
tails of meetings he had had with a cer-  
tain native chief, a man over six feet  
in height and who, in spite of his ninety  
years, had a mind as clear and a foot as  
firm as twenty years ago. The man  
told him of talks he had had with David  
Livingstone.

"I said to this chief," Mr. Rowell re-  
marked, "one hears a good deal of dis-  
cussion about the effect of Christian  
missions. I would be glad if you would  
give me your opinion on Christian mis-  
sions, as I want to take it home to tell  
my friends in Canada." He made this  
answer, full of pathos and meaning: "If  
the missionary had not come we would  
not have known the way. Forget  
everything else I may say to you to-  
night," said Mr. Rowell. "Carry that  
thought home with you from that great  
black man in South Africa."

Mr. Rowell declared that this man  
was not only known as the greatest of  
native chiefs, but was the real prohibi-  
tion leader in South Africa.  
"He told," said Mr. Rowell, "when he  
came to the throne in 1872 he prohibi-  
ted the importation of liquor, within his  
territory, and he has maintained that  
prohibition up to the present time. I

asked him, 'why do you prohibit the  
liquor traffic?' He replied, 'The man  
who takes liquor does not respect the  
law. He does not respect his chief.  
Liquor is his chief.' What a suggestion!  
—Liquor is his chief! There is only  
one thing to do and that is to end it!'  
That is the testimony of the greatest  
native in South Africa."

Mr. Rowell stated that he found even  
in the heart of Africa that the high cost  
of living was a very embarrassing fac-  
tor, and he said this enforced the truth  
that our humanity is essentially one, and  
any great movement affecting the  
masses of humanity in one country, af-  
fects directly or indirectly the masses  
of our humanity in every other country.  
Our humanity was essentially one, and  
no nation could permanently prosper at  
the expense or adversity of another.

If on no other ground but sheer self-  
interest, every nation must be interested  
in the welfare of every other.  
"Today," said Mr. Rowell, "the world  
faces a situation vastly more compli-  
cated and difficult than the situation  
which existed during the war. Chris-  
tian peoples, like Canada, like other na-  
tions, must choose between playing the  
part of the priest and the Levite, and  
passing by on the other side, or the part  
of playing the Good Samaritan, and  
lending a helping hand. No nation can  
call itself Christian in the light of  
the world's need, and the world's misery,  
play the part of the priest and the Le-  
vite and pass by on the other side."

Religion Loses Grip.  
The speaker said the impression left  
on his mind was not what he had abroad  
was that there had been a marked re-  
cession since the close of the war in the  
moral enthusiasm of the people. "I am  
sorry to have to say to you," he de-  
clared, "and yet I am firmly convinced  
it is true, that the church today has not  
the power that it had before the war. I  
am convinced that religion, as we under-  
stand it, has less hold upon the people  
than it had before the war."

"Men's faith had been staggered by  
the horrors of the war, and they have  
been unable to comprehend, or under-  
stand, the situation in the light of what  
they thought of a Father and Love who  
guided the destinies of the world. But  
to be discouraged by such a situation  
would be both cowardly and un-Christi-  
an. That is but a superficial view of the  
world's situation."

Moral Force Wins Wars.

"The war occurred not because there  
was too much religion in the world, but  
too little; not because nations were  
Christian, but because in their interna-  
tional relations, and largely in their do-  
mestic relations, they were non-Christi-  
an or un-Christian. It was not the  
material force that won the war, it was  
the moral force that won the war. It  
was the final and decisive factor. If it  
had been the material force, Germany  
had not been the victor in the first two  
years, which should have enabled them  
to achieve the victory."

"Civilization was saved in that strug-  
gle because of the moral and spiritual  
forces at work in the world. The only  
hope of the world in the situation which  
confronts us today is the acceptance and  
triumph of the principles taught by the  
Son of Man; the God and the Saviour  
of Man; the supremacy of right in the

## U. S. WILL ENTER NATION'S LEAGUE SAYS MR. ROWELL

Took Two and a Half Years  
to Enter War and Are Re-  
peating—Tells Education-  
ists They Have Great Part

That the United States will eventu-  
ally join the other nations in some form  
of a league of nations, in order to avert  
the repetition of another world war, and  
make sure of the success of the "Great  
Experiment," is the opinion of N. W.  
Rowell, one of the Canadian delegates  
to the recent assembly of the League of  
Nations, as expressed to a gathering of  
educationalists at Convocation Hall in  
Toronto this week. In the course of his  
address, Mr. Rowell said:

"I have been asked many times  
'Will the United States come in?' My  
answer is, 'I do not know.' That ques-  
tion can be answered by the govern-  
ment and people of the United States,  
and by that government and people  
alone, and the less we or any other na-  
tions undertake to advise or criticize  
the better for all concerned. May I,  
however, remind you that we asked ex-  
actly the same question during the first  
two and a half years of the war, while  
the people of the United States dis-  
cussed and debated that question among  
themselves, but finally the judgment  
and conscience of the people triumphed  
over all opposition, and the United  
States came in. She threw herself into  
the conflict with such energy and en-  
thusiasm, particularly during the year  
1918, as to remove all doubt as to the  
final issue. And she made an invalua-  
ble contribution to the decisive vic-  
tory which crowned the efforts of the  
Allied and Associated Powers."

"I believe we are passing through the  
same experiences in reference to the  
peace and the League of Nations, and  
that when the discussion and debating  
are finished, the judgment and con-  
science of the American government and  
people will triumph over all obstacles,  
and that the United States will join  
the other nations in some form satis-  
factory to all concerned in order to  
avert a repetition of the awful horrors  
of another world war, and to make sure  
the success of this great experiment of  
a League of Nations for the preserva-

tion of the world's peace.  
Mr. Rowell pointed out that Canada  
entered the war at the very beginning,  
not because she feared an attack on  
her own shores, but to help to defeat a  
military autocracy which threatened the  
liberties of Europe, and the peace and  
security of the world. Canada did not  
become a member of the league because  
of what she might get out of it, but  
because of the assistance she might ren-  
der toward the preservation of peace  
and liberty her sons had died to win.  
"If we continue our co-operation with  
the same energy," said Mr. Rowell,  
"the same enthusiasm and the same un-  
selfishness as characterized our war ef-  
fort, Canada will retain the place of  
leadership her soldiers have won for her.  
"No nation can be truly great unless  
she is great of soul. One cannot feed  
the soul of a nation on the husks of na-  
tional selfishness. The soul must be  
nourished by the pursuit of great na-  
tional ideals.  
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of Canada are called, and on the fidelity  
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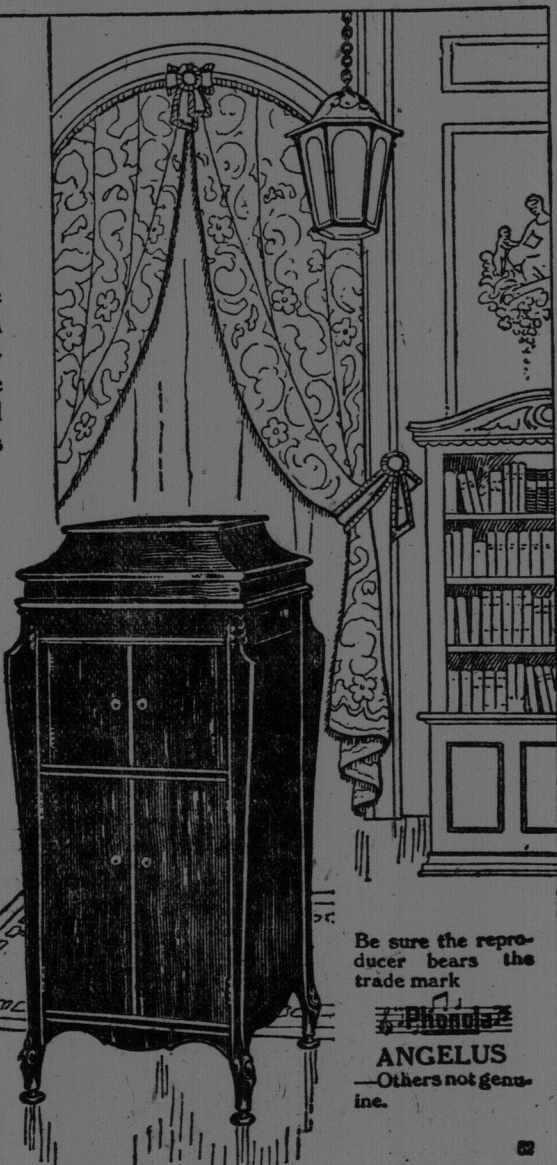
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the Great War "are still waiting, exploited, neglected, forgotten, for the draft of honor to be re-  
deemed." The Public Health Service, according to Harold A. Little, of the New York Evening  
Post, is months behind in dealing with urgent appeals from disabled soldiers needing treatment, as  
is also the Bureau of War-Risk Insurance in payments. The Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph, quotes  
Colonel Frederick W. Galbraith, jr., National Commander of the American Legion, as saying that  
"10,000 disabled veterans are quartered in cellars, poor-houses, and insane asylums."

The leading article in THE LITERARY DIGEST this week, January 22, 1921, presents facts  
that will astonish the American public and which have been incorporated by the American Legion in  
a dispassionate memorial to the President, the President-elect, the Congress, and the people of the  
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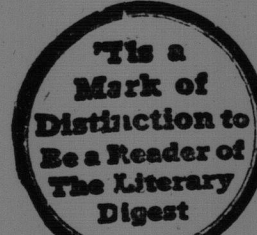
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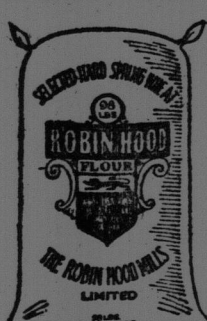
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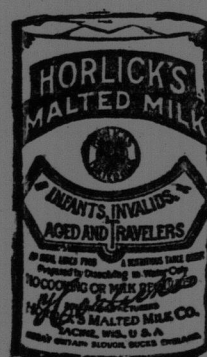


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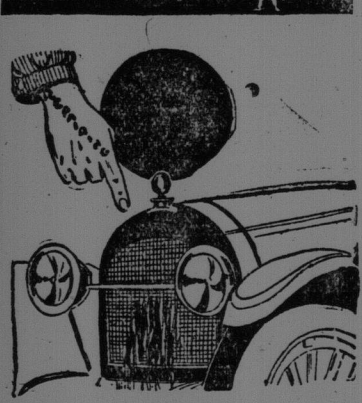
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