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FORD HALL FORUM

Under the Auspices of the Boston Baptist Social Union

Seventeenth Season — 1923-1924

EVERY SUNDAY EVENING AT 7.30

GEORGE W. COLEMAN, LL.D., Director and Chairman

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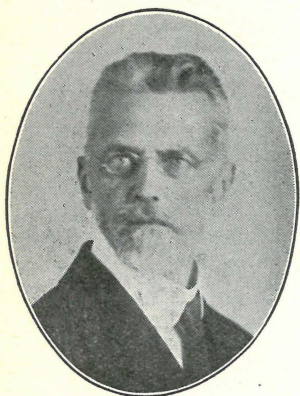
LOUIS G. GOLDBERG, Violin Accompanist



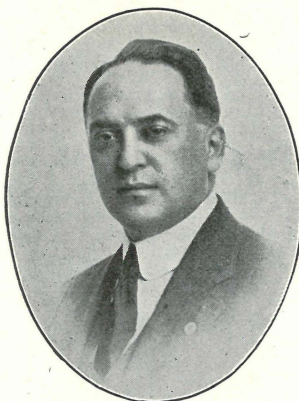
CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN
December 30



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**OUR
MID-WINTER
ATTRACTIIONS**

FORD HALL, Corner Bowdoin Street and Ashburton Place.
Doors open at 7.00 o'clock. Half-hour concert. Address by noted speaker.
Questions from the audience.

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Five Successive Programs

DECEMBER 30

Concert at 7.30 — DOROTHY FAIRBANKS, Soprano
HENRY GIDEON, Accompanist

Address by Mrs. CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN
"Lop-Sided Religion"

JANUARY 6

Concert at 7.30 — JESSIE HATCH SYMONDS, Violinist

Address by Rev. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES
"Five Years After the War: A Pacifist Looks at the World"

JANUARY 13

Concert at 7.30 — FLORENCE HALE, Soprano
ROSAMOND THOMPSON, Contralto

A Program of Solos and Duets

Address by Prof. VON SCHULZE-GÄVERNITZ
"Through World Economy to World Order"

JANUARY 20

Concert at 7.30 — DOUBLE QUARTET OF SINGERS
"The Jewish Idea in Music"

Address by Rabbi LOUIS WOLSEY
"What Race Owns America?"

JANUARY 27

Concert at 7.30 — RALPH SMALLEY, 'Cellist
HENRY GIDEON, Accompanist

Address by Miss MARGARET SLATTERY
"What Shall We Do with the Reformer?"

Forum Songs

*MAKER OF EARTH AND SEA

(Italian Hymn)

Maker of earth and sea,
What shall we render Thee?
All things are Thine!
Ours but from day to day
Still with one heart to pray,
"God bless our land alway,
This land of Thine."

Mighty in brotherhood,
Mighty for God and good,
Let us be Thine.
Here let the nations see
Toil from the curse set free,
Labor and liberty,
One cause and Thine.

Here let glad plenty reign;
Here let none seek in vain
Our help and Thine.
No heart for want of friend
Fail ere the timely end,
But love forever blend,
Man's cause and Thine.

Strong to defend the right,
Proud in all nations' sight,
Lowly in Thine.
One all in noble fame,
Still be our path the same,
Onward in freedom's name,
Upward in Thine.

—J. Brunston Stephens.

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O GOD OF EARTH AND ALTAR

(Webb)

O God of earth and altar
Bow down and hear our cry,
Our earthly rulers falter,
Our people drift and die;
The walls of gold entomb us,
The swords of scorn divide,
Take not Thy thunder from us,
But take away our pride.

From all that terror teaches,
From lies of tongue and pen,
From all the easy speeches
That comfort cruel men,
From sale and profanation,
Of honor and the sword,
From sleep and from damnation,
Deliver us, good Lord.

Tie in a living tether
The priest and prince and thrall,
Bind all our lives together,
Smite us and save us all;
In ire and exultation,
Afflame with faith and free,
Lift up a living nation,
A single sword to Thee.

—G. K. Chesterton.

THE NEW CRUSADE

(Tune: *Maryland, My Maryland*)

Men of strength with hearts of fire,
Earth's vast populations
Bleeding, sinking, send a call,
"Haste to save the nations!"

CHORUS

Round the world love's answer roll:
Shout, "God wills, God wills it;
For a world redeemed we work
Till His glory fills it!"

Souls in gloom and agony
After God are feeling;
To the moaning multitudes
Haste with light and healing!

Frightful are the foes we face,
Long mankind enslaving;
Bitter is our pain but paid
By the joy of saving.

Body, mind and spirit freed,
No more bruised and blighted,
Build the new humanity
Holy, strong, united!

—W. G. Ballantine.

GOD SAVE THE PEOPLE

When wilt Thou save the people?
O God of mercy, when?
Not kings and lords, but nations,
Not thrones and crowns, but men.
Flow'rs of Thy heart, O God, are they,
Let them not pass like weeds away,
Let them not fade in sunless day.
God save the people.

Shall crime bring crime forever,
Strength aiding still the wrong?
Is it Thy will, O Father,
That men shall toil for wrong?
"No!" say the mountains; "No!" the skies;
"Man's clouded sun shall brightly rise,
And songs be heard instead of sighs."
God save the people.

When wilt Thou save the people?
O God of mercy, when?
The people, Lord, the people,
Not thrones and crowns, but men.
God save the people, Thine they are;
Thy children, as Thy angels fair,
Save them from bondage and despair.
God save the people.

—Ebenezer Elliott.

THE VISION

(*Netherlands Air*)

Great hearts that have battled in ages behind us,
For love of their country, for Justice and Right,
Behold in a Vision, a People triumphant,
The shadow of dark error dispersed by the Light.

A heritage noble that bids us be worthy,
Be brave and be strong with the strength of the Truth;
A task fit for heroes, for highest endeavor,
A task for every one of us, maiden and youth.

Oh, what shall we make it, this land of our fathers,
This realm that expandeth from sea unto sea?
Be ours the fair Vision, the fairer fulfillment,
A nation shining glorious, mighty and free!

—Cordelia Brooks Fenno.

A FORD HALL HYMN

(*Austria*)

Come from many sundered races,
We from all the lands of earth,
Turn our sunrise lifted faces
Toward a whole world's glad rebirth.
Thou great Spirit, who existed
Under many names, art God,
Hear our footsteps, still persistent
In the paths Thy prophets trod.

One in passionate desire,
One in righteous wrath at wrong,
Thrilled by sacrificial fire,—
Here we lift to Thee our song.
Speed the dawn, so long expected,
Herald of the common good,—
Justice, full and resurrected,
Our triumphant brotherhood.

—Miriam Allen de Ford.

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Comment on the Speakers

CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN — December 30

Our speaker this evening is one of the noted women of America. Her best known book, "Women and Economics," has been widely read by all classes of people, was translated into several foreign languages, and was largely influential in changing the attitude of the mind of the entire country as to woman's place in life. In her most recent book, "His Religion and Hers," she points out that man has built up a lop-sided religion centering upon death, battle, competition and evasion, whereas a woman's experience centers upon birth, life, growth, love, service and care. It is a long time since so striking a pronouncement has been made about religion. In the November *Century Magazine*, Alexander Black, writing about Mrs. Gilman, speaks of her as "a brave, utterly honest, and ever stimulating champion of a larger humanism."

JOHN HAYNES HOLMES — January 6

Few men, even among ministers of the gospel, take literally, and follow through, such Biblical teachings as "Blessed are the peacemakers," "Resist not evil," "Forgive your enemies." Rarely do we hear sermons from these texts when industrial strife is rampant or when international war is raging. John Haynes Holmes is one of those rare men who were earnest pacifists before the war, all during the war, and ever since the war. He will tell us how the world looks to him five years after the war. Notwithstanding some people, still under the hysteria of war, class pacifists with rattlesnakes, the overflowing audience that will greet Mr. Holmes will demonstrate again that the human heart loves to follow (though not too closely, of course!) a man who has the courage of his convictions.

VON SCHULZE-GÄVERNITZ — January 13

Tonight we have the opportunity of looking into the face and hearing the words of a distinguished German professor, for twenty-five years head of the Department of Economics at the University of Freiburg in Baden, for twelve years (including the entire war period) a member of the Reichstag, and after the revolution of 1918 a member of the German National Assembly. Professor Gavernitz comes of a distinguished line of German educators. He is an author of wide repute. His book, called "Social Peace," written at the age of 24, dealing with the labor problem in England, made a great sensation. Another book on the Lancashire Cotton Trade was translated into five languages, including Russian and Japanese. His later book, "British Imperialism and Free Trade," is one of the most profound studies of the foundations and structure of British world power. In a pamphlet entitled "England and Germany," which had its fifth edition in 1922, he sought to bring about a mutual understanding and work out a common policy between the two countries. Professor Gavernitz is also a deep student of Russian life, having been a student at the Moscow University, and his writings on Russian economics had a large influence on Russian village life. During the war he fought against unrestricted submarine warfare and did much to strengthen liberal tendencies and oppose the militaristic leaders. He incurred the enmity of the Prussian land-owning classes by challenging the protectionist doctrine and assisted in organizing the German National Social Party. In the question period, both speaker and audience will have a fine opportunity to get an understanding of the other's state of mind.

LOUIS WOLSEY — January 20

Our distinguished friend from Cleveland, rabbi of the largest Jewish congregation in America, numbering about 4,500 souls, raises the interesting question, "What Race Owns America?" We wonder what the answer is to be. Those of us who heard Rabbi Wolsey when he was at Ford Hall two years ago will be glad to hear whatever he has to say on this or any other subject, while we all will be conjuring up an answer to his conundrum. The Red Indian owned America first, an Italian sailing under Spanish colors discovered it, everybody settled it, the "100 per cent. American" thinks he owns it, the Irish rule it, and Henry Ford is afraid the Jews will get it. Now, in the light of this evidence, who but Rabbi Wolsey can locate the title to the most promising land under the sun?

MARGARET SLATTERY — January 27

We never tire of hearing Margaret Slattery. It is always another big night when she comes to Ford Hall. She gives it to us straight, whether or not it goes across the grain; but she has a way of hammering it home that makes us sit up and take notice of every word she utters. She can put more moral energy and spiritual dynamic into an address than 999 speakers out of a thousand. When she asks a bunch of Bostonians "What Shall We Do with the Reformer?" she is striking pretty close home. We are all on the *qui vive* to know just what is coming, but you can be safely assured it will be a home run.

Speakers and Topics, 1923-1924 Season

(Mail this program to some friend)

- Oct. 21 REV. JONES I. CORRIGAN, S.J. — "The Social Menace of Divorce."
" 28 PROF. BRUNO ROSELLI — "Fresh from the Ruhr, the Fascisti and Fiume."
Nov. 4 HON. R. M. WASHBURN — "Calvin Coolidge: His Astonishing Rise."
" 11 DHAN GOPAL MUKERJI — "The Asiatic Menace."
" 18 GOV. WILLIAM E. SWEET — "Twentieth Century Democracy."
" 25 { REV. CHARLES H. RUST, D.D. — "A Christian's Appreciation of Judaism."
RABBI BERNARD HELLER — "A Rabbi's Appreciation of Jesus."
Dec. 2 OSWALD GARRISON VILLARD — "Europe Collapsing."
" 9 ARTHUR DOUGHERTY REES — "The New Biology and Long Life."
" 16 A. EMIL DAVIES — "The Economics of Internationalism."
" 23 WILLIAM PICKENS, LL.D. — "America's Race Problem."
" 30 MRS. CHARLOTTE PERKINS GILMAN — "Lop-Sided Religion."
Jan. 6 REV. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES — "Five Years After the War: A Pacifist Looks at the World."
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" 27 MISS MARGARET SLATTERY — "What Shall We Do with the Reformer?"
Feb. 3 NORMAN HAPGOOD — "Why Lie About Russia?"
" 10 SCOTT NEARING, PH.D. — "Is Life Worth Living?"
" 17 KATHARINE B. DAVIS, PH.D., LL.D. — "Education and Human Emotions."
" 24 ALICE SALOMON, DR. PHIL. — "Is There a Passion for Peace in the German Mind?"
Mar. 2 Speaker and topic to be announced.
" 9 Speaker and topic to be announced.
" 16 NORMAN THOMAS — "Why the Workers of the World Do Not Unite."
" 23 PROF. EDWARD A. STEINER — "Straight Thinking for a Crooked World."
" 30 Speaker and topic to be announced.
Apr. 6 RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER, "Is Progress a Myth?"

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