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MACMILLAN TO PUBLISH "THE PATHFINDER SURVEY OF CONSTANTINOPLE"

A cablegram and a letter of confirmation have recently come from the Macmillan Company of New York, agreeing to publish "The Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople," the volume containing the social studies made here last year. This Survey was carried on under the direction of "The Council of Fifteen" of which Mr. Fred Field Goodsell was chairman.

The officers of the Council were: Mr. Fred Field Goodsell, Chairman; Mr. Charles T. Riggs, Vice Chairman; Mrs. J. Wylie Brown, Secretary; and Prof. Floyd H. Black, Treasurer. The Advisory Committee of The Council consisted of President C. F. Gates, President Mary Mills Patrick, and Mr. Oscar Gunkel.

Those responsible for the different divisions of The Survey, together with the subjects studied, are the following: Rev. F. F. Goodsell, Historical Setting; Rev. Charles T. Riggs, Adult Delinquency; Mrs. J. Wylie Brown, Children; Prof. F. H. Black, Education; W. W. Peet, LL.D., City Administration; Major C. Claflin Davis, Refugees; Prof. L. S. Moore, Industry; Miss M. C. Phillips, Dependents; Mrs. G. H. Huntington, Community Organization; Dr. G. G. Deaver, Recreation.

Mr. W. E. Bristol, Mrs. A. R. Hoover, Mr. Samuel Anderson, Mr. F. D. Steger, and Miss Margaret B. White were members of the Council, but were not in charge of any section of The Survey.

The various organizations which cooperated through representatives on the Council of Fifteen included:

- Robert College
- Constantinople College
- The American Board
- The Near East Relief
- The American Red Cross
- The American Chamber of Commerce
- The Young Men's Christian Association
- The Young Women's Christian Association

The field work of the Survey was closed on May 25th when the Director left for America to negotiate regarding its publication and to consult with leaders in the social field concerning certain phases of the investigation. It was at that time that the Macmillan Company was approached as to publishing the manuscript, but no definite answer could be secured until their staff of experts had time to read the manuscript thoroughly. Their willingness now to publish

the Survey is therefore all the more significant, as it comes after careful reading of the Survey material by publishing experts, who suggest that there will be a wide sale for this carefully gathered information on the Queen City of the Near East.

Among the various leaders in social work in America to whom the manuscript was shown was Mr. Shelby Harrison, Director of the Department of Surveys and Exhibits at the Russell Sage Foundation, who looked over the whole manuscript and expressed the opinion that valuable surveying had been done. Mr. Harrison had generously given hours of his time in advising with the Director of the Survey regarding the field work, and had likewise made valuable suggestions as to the editing of the manuscript.

Another outstanding person in the field of Sociology to look through the manuscript and to express a favorable opinion was Professor James Quayle Dealey, for many years head of the Department of Sociology at Brown University and recently President of the American Sociological Society. Prof. Dealey had just returned from making a six months' trip to China, where he had delivered a course of lectures at the University of Shanghai, where he had also carried on Sociological investigations. Professor Dealey's Associate, Prof. Harold Bucklin, in charge of social surveys at Brown University, who read all ten sections of the Constantinople Survey, stated to the Director that we had done a unique piece of social investigation and expressed the opinion that the Departments of Sociology in all our American Colleges and Universities would want copies.

Dr. Herbert Adams Gibbons, formerly of the Faculty of Robert College and now perhaps the most widely read writer in America on current European topics, was deeply interested in the Survey, reading the whole document, and offered the editor of the Survey helpful suggestions out of his wide experience as an author.

Professor Franklin Giddings, the well-known Professor of Sociology at Columbia University, showed interest in the social study in Constantinople and invited the Director for an interview to discuss the findings in Constantinople. Paul Kellogg, described by Shelby Harrison as "The Arch Surveyor in America" because of his pioneer work when in charge of "The Pittsburg Survey," asked for several articles for the widely read magazine, *The Survey*, of which he is now Editor. These articles and also one for *The Moslem World*, requested by Dr. Samuel Zwemer, will appear in the coming months.

The Historical Section of the Constantinople Survey, written by Mr. Fred Field Goodsell, has made a deep im-

pression on its readers. On this section Harry Lyman Koopman, the distinguished librarian of the John Hay Library at Brown University, considered by some of his friends as one of the most widely read men in America, wrote the following letter:

My dear Professor Johnson:

I have read through at two sittings Goodsell's Historical Section of the Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople, and have found it in the highest degree interesting and illuminating. It has given me a picture of the racially composite character of Constantinople and a conception of their development and interaction such as I never brought away from the reading of longer histories. The sketch is made with a few bold and clear lines that make a definite picture and stay in the memory. How vivid and how tragic is the setting forth of tyranny and subjection as the historic keynote of Turkish life. How can we help or even deal with such a people until we really know it in its remoteness from our own origin and standards? You and your associates are for the first time really bringing us together, and for this both parties owe you a debt of gratitude.

Faithfully

July 19, 1921

HARRY LYMAN KOOPMAN

Professor Henry W. Holmes, Dean of the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University, after reading the section on the Schools in Constantinople, written by Professor Black of Robert College, wrote the Director as follows:

My dear Professor Johnson:

I am very glad indeed to have read the manuscript of Professor Black's chapter on the schools of Constantinople. It seems to me an excellent account of the schools. It is vivid, comprehensive, and careful. Although it could not be scientific in a strict sense, it is essentially thorough and well balanced. The recommendations are sane, constructive, and made with a full understanding of the difficulties and obstacles to be overcome in the improvement of the schools. The preception of values displayed in the recommendations is especially to be commended. The stress laid upon the improvement of the teaching staff through increase of salaries and the provision of more hopeful conditions for the teaching shows a clear understanding of what is fundamental in the improvement of any system of schools. I have read the chapter with pleasure, and believe that it is a reliable guide for effort in the field it covers.

Sincerely yours,

HENRY W. HOLMES

September 16, 1921.

President Gates of Robert College, Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople, has read much of the manuscript, and because of his long experience covering a period of nearly forty years in the Near East, his comments are of especial significance. Of Miss Mabelle Phillips' section on a study of four hundred widows, Dr. Gates says:

"Miss Phillips' report seems to me remarkably well done and will certainly contribute to the value of the Survey. It shows a great deal of hard and conscientious work." Of Mr. C. T. Riggs' section on Adult Delinquency with its description of the houses of prostitution, of the prisons, the courts, etc., Dr. Gates says:

"The facts are set forth clearly and interestingly and in a way to stimulate action for the improvement of conditions."

Dr. Gates writes of Mr. Goodsell's Historical section that "This section is of itself enough to make the Survey a very valuable book. Mr. Goodsell has rendered an important service in grouping together in this way the information drawn from many sources, which is of special value because of its bearing upon the political questions which center in this city at the present time."

On account of his intimate connection with the educational uplift of Turkey and because of his prominent position as President of Robert College for many years, perhaps the most significant comment by President Gates is in the following letter on the survey of schools:

My dear Prof. Johnson:

I have read very carefully Professor Black's survey of the Turkish, Greek, Armenian and Jewish schools in Constantinople. A glance at the table of contents shows that this survey is the result of a careful study of these schools. It supplies information which cannot be found grouped together any where else, and supplies a great lack in the previous bibliography of Constantinople. It also furnishes a basis upon which to complete plans for the improvement of the educational systems in Constantinople. Professor Black has done good work and pioneer work, and no library or scholar can afford to be without this educational survey.

Sincerely yours,

C. F. GATES

4 October, 1921.

This Survey also contains much valuable information on community organization, on orphanages, on industrial life, on civic administration, on refugees, and on the recreational life. An editorial Committee of three members consisting of the Chairman and the Treasurer of the Council of Fifteen and the Director of the Survey have been working for months preparing the manuscript for the printer. It is expected that the volume will be ready for distribution in March.

Five hundred advance orders for the Survey have been received. These have come from individuals and institutions all over the world. Eight countries are represented in the list of addresses: Turkey, The United States, England, Egypt, India, China, Bulgaria and Roumania. Among the American Colleges and Universities that have ordered the work in advance for their libraries are the following: Columbia, Amherst, Brown, Wellesley, Michigan, Wisconsin, Nevada, North Dakota, Union Theological Seminary, Pacific School of Religion, Andover-Harvard. Mr. C. V. Hibbard, in charge of the Overseas Department of the Y.M.C.A. in New

York, placed an order for one hundred copies. From Constantinople itself have come orders for two hundred and thirty copies. This list indicates the general interest in Constantinople felt by progressive people everywhere in the world, — a general interest in knowing the social conditions as they exist to-day in one's own community. Prague, in Czecho-Slovakia, under the guidance of Miss Ruth Crawford, and Peking, in China, under the direction of Mr. Sidney Gamble, are among the foreign cities which have recently had social surveys.

It is anticipated from the interest already shown that there will be a great demand for "The Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople" just as soon as it is off the press. Those wishing copies of the first edition may send their names to "The Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople," Bible House, Constantinople.

Department of Sociology, CLARENCE RICHARD JOHNSON
Robert College, Director, The Pathfinder Survey of
Dec. 26th, 1921. Constantinople.

THE YEAR 1921 IN REVIEW

Necessary as perspective is in forming accurate judgments of the significance of events, or even of the accuracy of observations, it may not be out of place at this early date to pass in review some of the outstanding occurrences of the year now closing. It has been a year so bound up with the history of the preceding one, and so incomplete without the one that is to follow, that one feels as though it were not ripe for consideration as a unit. Politically this is perhaps especially true, as far as the Near East is concerned. In 1920 the Treaty of Sèvres was signed, but not only has it failed of ratification by a single signatory power, it has also been so bruised and battered by the events of the present year that it seems well-nigh a fallen Humpty-dumpty.

In Asia Minor, the Greek offensive of the summer resulted in carrying the Hellenic armies nearly to the gates of Angora, only to be compelled to fall back on the line of Eski Shehir and Afion Kara Hissar. While territorially they made a substantial net gain, they do not seem any nearer winning the war than they were a year ago. Meanwhile Turkish confidence has gained immensely, due in the main to the Treaty negotiated between the French and the Kemalists at Angora, and the withdrawal of the French forces from Cilicia. Feelings as between Greeks and Turks have not been improved by the circumstances of the Patriarchal election, nor by the deportations and hangings of Greeks in Northern Anatolia. American relations with the Nationalist government have been affected more by the expulsion of the Americans from Marsovan than by any other one circumstance.

In the Caucasus, the little republics that were supposed to be independent have found themselves gradually but irrevocably drawn back into the control centering at Moscow. Whether this will eventually make for law and order or the opposite, remains to be seen in the years that follow.

Famine conditions in China have been followed by an equally appalling menace in the Volga and Don regions of Russia; and at present deaths from starvation are being recorded by the hundreds daily. But American and other relief operations under efficient management are saving a million or more of the children, at any rate.

Following the inauguration of President Harding, the attention of the world has been riveted on Washington, while the Conference on Limitation of Armaments and on Far Eastern Questions has been making remarkably gratifying progress. The world has seen a deliberate decision to stop naval programs and to put out of commission a large percentage of the leading navies of the world; it appears certain also that the chief interested nations will come to an agreement very soon about the integrity of China, even while the internal situation of that huge country is full of turmoil and uncertainty. The new quadruple treaty for preserving the peace in the Pacific has been signed, and all things point to its being ratified by all the governments concerned.

In the religious field, special religious interest was reported early in the year at Adana, Tarsus, Suk-el-Gharb, and other points. Subsequent events in Cilicia, and the wholesale migration of the population, have to a degree neutralized the effects of this in that region. The Student Conferences at Smyrna and Constantinople were full of interest and of genuine value. The year has seen the opening of new centres in old Stamboul of the Y.M.C.A. and Y.W.C.A., in both of which fine work has been carried on through the year. The American Hospital in Stamboul and the Language School in Scutari have each closed the first year of their history, and most successfully. In the Balkan Mission and the Western Turkey Mission, it has been possible to hold the first Annual Meeting of each since 1914. The mission work in Serbia has been turned over by the A.B.C.F.M. to the Foreign Mission Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church of America, and negotiations are in progress for a similar move in Albania.

Among our schools and colleges, the change of name at Beirut from Syrian Protestant College to American University of Beirut, taking place in the first year when the institution enrolled a thousand students, is noteworthy. At the other extreme of the record stands the fate of St. Paul's Institute, which began the school year with 267 students, but now finds itself with scarce thirty, owing to the great emigration from Cilicia. On the other hand, the two new high schools in Constantinople have opened with the brightest prospects of continued usefulness and good patronage.

The Council of Fifteen have during the year completed the Pathfinder Survey of Constantinople, a statement concerning which appears elsewhere in this issue; and the early publication of the volume containing the report is anticipated. It is a matter of regret to be compelled to record in this connection the withdrawal of the American Red Cross from its most needed rescue work among the Russian refugees in this city. The refugee and general economic situation of the capital has been further complicated by the great Scutari fire,

that forced hundreds of families out of house and home, and also by the influx of several thousand refugees from Cilicia during December.

The Near East Relief has continued its magnificent work during another year, under the managing directorship of Mr. H. C. Jaquith, who in April succeeded Col. J. P. Coombs in that office. Miss Annie T. Allen has acted as its representative before the Angora government. Its operations both in Syria and in the Caucasus as well as in Asia Minor and Constantinople have saved very many lives.

Several prominent persons have suffered violent death during the year, among them being the former German statesman Erzberger, the Tartar chief Djivanchir, and the Turkish Union and Progress leaders Talaat and Said Halim. Aside from these, the most prominent official personages in the year's necrology are the ex-Empress of Germany, Augusta Victoria, King Nicholas of Montenegro, and King Peter of Serbia; also the Locum Tenens of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the Metropolitan Dorotheos.

Among the deaths in the circles of missionary work were those of Mrs. Mary Cole Backly, President Thomas D. Christie, ex-President Americus Fuller, Miss Mary A. Graffam, Mrs. O. J. Hardin, Rev. William Jessup, Dr. S. A. A. Metheny, Miss Harriet G. Powers, Rev. Russell A. Richards, Rev. Robert Thomson, and Miss Cyrene O. Van Duzee; also Mr. Henry H. Proctor of the Prudential Committee of the A.B.C.F.M., Professor A. H. Haigazian, President of Jenyanan College, Konia, Miss Winifred Walker of Constantinople College, and Consul Milo A. Jewett, for many years American Consul at Sivas and Trebizond, and a son of Dr. Fayette Jewett of the Sivas Station.

Y.W.C.A. FINANCIAL CAMPAIGN

The Y.W.C.A. Service Centers of Constantinople are feeling gratified over the result of their recent finance campaign. This international organization of women for women has now been at work in the city for two and a half years, and has enrolled over 1200 members in clubs and classes, summer camp and employment bureau. Two Centers have been established, one in Pera and one in Stamboul. Club and class rooms, gymnasium, libraries, information desks, and other equipment make it possible for girls of all nationalities and religions to unite in serving and amusing themselves by serving and amusing each other.

The money for the running of this enterprise has come up to the present almost wholly from America. This year's budget was Ltqs. 32,540 exclusive of the salaries and living of six American secretaries. In other countries of course, the association is supported by the community which it serves. This has been impossible here under present unsettled business conditions but it was generally felt within the organization that some part of the burden ought to be borne by the people of Constantinople. A plan was made for raising during the month of October the sum of Ltqs. 3000. Twenty-seven leading women of the various nationalities of the city spread information concerning the need and the work of the

Y.W.C.A. in Constantinople and collected gifts from individuals and business concerns. The organization rejoices to be able to report a total amounting to Ltqs. 4000 instead of the requested Ltqs. 3000, or about 12 1/2 percent of the running expenses of the work in Constantinople. Donations were made by 172 business firms of the city and by 199 private persons of all nationalities not members of the organization; while 271 of the girls, members of the Service Center, gave from their very limited incomes. The members were of course specially interested in the campaign, and by the sale of candy, and by giving an afternoon entertainment to an audience of more than 300 people, added substantially to the receipts.

The interest felt is manifested by the fact that only 21 people solicited failed to respond. Great as is the value of the amount collected, the Y.W.C.A. feels that of even greater permanent value are the evidences of interest and cooperation, and the spread of information concerning the work and the aim of the Association.

In January of the new year 1922, a new term of educational work begins at both Y.W.C.A. Service Centers. Courses in modern languages, literature, gymnastics, typing and household arts are offered to women of all nationalities and religious convictions. The tuition price is most moderate.

The success of the organization in Constantinople depends upon the response made by the young women of the city to the opportunities offered. Of this response there can be no doubt.

MISS C. O. VAN DUZEE

Word has just been received of the death on October 8th of Miss Cyrene O. Van Duzee, in Gouverneur, N. Y., at the age of eighty-one. Miss Van Duzee was of missionary ancestry, her parents having been working among the Seneca Indians, near Buffalo, N. Y., where she was born. She came to Turkey in 1868 with the Parmelee, Pierce and Cole families, and went with them to Erzroum, where she labored for sixteen years. She rapidly acquired the language, and within a few months had a school of seventeen girls and women. She also made extensive tours, doing evangelistic work among the women and teaching them to read. In 1884, she was at her own urgent request transferred to the Persia Mission of the Presbyterian Board, where she had a sister working, and was for the next thirteen years stationed at Urumia. In 1897 she returned to the United States, and has been active in philanthropic work since that time, as well as in mission work among Armenians in America.

NOTICE

The Hissar Players will give J. M. Barrie's "The Admirable Crichton" in the Social Hall, Robert College, on Friday, January 6th. The doors will close promptly at 8:30 p.m. Admission, Ltq. 1.50.

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EDITORIAL SECTION

One can look back on the year just ending with a little more of satisfaction and somewhat less of chagrin than was possible with reference to the year 1920, in many respects. When we recall that the American Board has come through with a considerable reduction of its indebtedness and with the largest receipts in its history; and that the Washington Conference has already accomplished results that have surprised the world, and is still at work; and that the Irish question has received what at all events appears to be a real solution; and that Constantinople has been able to take care of more than a hundred thousand refugees in addition to its normal inhabitants, and this without increase in the price of foodstuffs, which on the contrary have actually gone down in cost;—even the present turmoil in Cilicia and the uncertainty of Hellenic affairs cannot prevent a considerable degree of justifiable optimism. We cannot help very much toward the final solution of world affairs by being pessimists, but there is much real helpfulness in the cheery face. If we cannot do our share in diplomatic or governmental lines, we can at least pass on a smile, and get our two neighbors to be friendly to each other. And in dwelling on the past, let us not spend all our time on the unhappy events, but, while fully recognizing them and their disciplinary value, "if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

For some reason, not entirely accounted for, the financial stringency in the United States has hit the supporters of the American Board more than it has those of the Methodist Episcopal Board. At any rate, the amount placed by the Methodists in the hands of their foreign mission Board has been much in excess of that contributed to the work of the American Board. It is very providential that just at the

time that the latter feels it necessary to withdraw from work in Serbia, the former is ready to step in and carry on. While we feel a natural regret at seeing a section of the work of the Balkan Mission turned over to another organization, it is with high hopes and fervent prayers for the success of these new efforts that we bid our Methodist brethren and sisters God-speed in their undertaking. "One soweth and another reapeth" is an old and oft proven motto. It has been so in the history of the American Board in more than one instance. Not to go so far afield as the work among the North American Indians and in the Hawaiian Islands and the Caroline and Marshall groups, we have but to recall the three gifts made in the Near East to the Presbyterian Board,—the missions to Syria and to Persia, in 1870, and the transfer of Mardin Station and field last year. We understand further that negotiations are about completed by which the work begun in Albania is being transferred to the Methodists also. The American Board still has far more work to care for in this section of the world than it had a few years ago; and with the restoration of peace conditions in Anatolia and the full opening up of that region again, the opportunities for growth there will challenge all its powers.

With this issue closes the eighth volume of THE ORIENT; and it now changes from a weekly to a monthly publication. This will be a matter of regret to a large number of our readers, and not a few letters have already reached the management protesting against the change. Were it possible to continue its weekly issue, it would delight us all; but the circumstances do not allow of this, and the step is fully decided on. We have little doubt but that most of our friends will be glad of even a monthly summary such as may now come to them. The responses thus far have been gratifying. We desire, however, to hear definitely from each subscriber that they do desire the paper sent them for 1922, so that there may be no mistake. Already several friends have subscribed for the monthly to be sent to new addresses; and we hope many more will do likewise. It will not be a very costly gift; but it will furnish your friends with a chance to get a whiff of the atmosphere of the Near East once a month. We shall try to make even the reduced sheet worth its price, and to put into it the news of missionary and educational and other events that will serve to stimulate interest in this section of the world.

We desire to take this occasion to express again our obligation and gratitude to our faithful correspondents in the various centres, who without remuneration have kept our readers in touch with the life of their localities, and have contributed so effectively to the value and interest of THE ORIENT. We have assurances in advance from at least some of them that they will continue to send in material, as occasion offers; and we trust there will be those in still other places who will keep us informed of all events of interest in their sections.

We would also urge that all who subscribe or who receive the paper do their best to pass along the information

to their friends, so as to secure an intelligent interest in operations in the Near East. The ordinary newspaper gives brief and disconnected items that can be understood correctly only when one already has a background. The various mission periodicals give at least equal space to so many other parts of the world that the Near East often gets neglected. If THE ORIENT is diminutive, it at least attempts to be accurate and vivid, and to give to its friends facts that will be of real value in attempting to estimate the situation here. Many of your friends will be grateful for accurate information, and you can give it to them.

ROBERT COLLEGE NOTES

The Hissar Players held their third meeting in the Hamlin Hall apartment on Monday evening, Dec. 12th. A group of members read with striking effect a very beautiful translation of a French play by Paul Claudel called "The Tidings Brought to Mary." The readers had taken great pains to rehearse carefully and the result was a very happy rendering of this mystical Christmas drama.

The College Club met on Saturday evening, Dec. 17th, to hear an excellent paper by Professor Morgan on "Some Phases of the Problem of Population." The subject proved of universal interest and there was long and animated discussion following the lecture.

The annual Yuletide Vesper Service conducted by Professor Estes with the assistance of the Intercollegiate Choral Society, took place on Sunday, Dec. 18th, at 5 o'clock. The Chapel was very tastefully decorated with garlands, the platform with greens and several miniature Christmas trees. Directly above the organ hung a five-pointed star. The program this year was unusually attractive. It included Bach's beautiful Toccata and Fugue in D minor, two selections from Handel's Messiah by the Intercollegiate Choral Society, two very charming old carols, and appropriate Christmas organ selections. The service is one to which the Community look forward with much eagerness, for it is full of the spirit of the blessed season and brings to mind memories of the homeland. The hall, this year, was crowded to its fullest capacity, a good many people being obliged to stand.

On Monday, Dec. 19th, Major Davis addressed the Political Science Forum on "Organization for Large Scale Relief," and gave a most interesting and comprehensive account of the practical details of relieving distress, which the Red Cross has so ably mastered. Major Davis, having been in France during the war, as well as in Constantinople since the armistice, has a great deal of personal experience from which to illustrate his points.

On Monday afternoon a very charming little program was given by a group of children, most of them members of the Community School, in the Social Hall. The program had been arranged by Mrs. Middleton Edwards, assisted by Mr. Dodge, for a Christmas celebration to be held at the British Y.M.C.A. in town. The Hissar Community was given the opportunity to see the dress rehearsal. The program was

simple but very effective. It consisted of a series of songs in costume, with appropriate gestures and simple dancing, and of several recitations. The two most popular, perhaps, of the songs, was the one which represented three straw men, whose movements were particularly wooden, and the last song, when the children went to sleep on the stage and the Sandman came and sprinkled sand in their eyes. Altogether the program showed careful and excellent training.

On Tuesday evening Dr. Watson read from "Twelfth Night" to a large audience in the Chapel. This lovely comedy of Shakespeare's never grows old and Dr. Watson's fine rendering brought out all the ancient humor of the arrogant Malvolio as well as the delicate beauty of the many lyrical passages. Mrs. Watson sang charmingly several old English songs.

College Assembly on Dec. 23rd was marked by an unusually successful Students' Concert. The main attraction was a student orchestra, consisting of 18 instruments which was responsible for two numbers on the program. It is hoped that the orchestra, which is new this year, will appear on many occasions. Other numbers were Christmas carols, two piano solos by Mr. Koundouris and Mr. Politis, and a violin solo by Mr. Theocharides.

The Community School gave a very pretty Christmas program in the Social Hall on Friday afternoon, Dec. 23rd at 4:30. Admission was 25 piastres and the proceeds were given as a Christmas present to the Bebek Russian Orphanages. A fairly large audience enjoyed very much the recitations, songs, play and tableau which the children had prepared. The final tableau was especially fine, — a group of angels, shepherds and wise men surrounding the Mother and Child. Miss Whittle and other members of the staff worked hard and long to produce so pleasing and effective a program.

On Christmas Day the Community enjoyed the hospitality of Prof. and Mrs. Huntington and Mr. and Mrs. Damon at the Huntington house, when there was tea and Christmas music. A quartet consisting of Mrs. Barnum, Mrs. Watson, Prof. Scipio and Mr. Colcord sang several very fine selections, with Dr. Fisher at the piano. Mrs. Tuysizian sang two delightful carols and there were the usual familiar Christmas hymns. These gatherings are always exceedingly happy occasions. The music, as well as the warm hospitality, is very much appreciated by every member of the Community.

E. T. S.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY MEETS

The first meeting of the Association for Friendly Relations in the Near East was held on Monday, December 19, at 3 p.m., in the Pera Palace Hotel, to whose management the Association is greatly indebted for free use of its room for the meeting.

Dr. Peet, honorary president of the Association, was unfortunately kept away. The chair was occupied by Miss Adams, chairman, who opened the meeting with an enthusi-

astic expression of her faith in the principles for which the Association stands, viz. to increase goodwill among nations and peoples in the Near East, to further the ideal of co-operation among nations, and to prepare and distribute literature that will promote international understanding.

Miss Adams then called upon the secretary, Mrs. Emrich, to report for the executive. Mrs. Emrich spoke of the activity of the publication, programme, and membership committees; and then reported that while the organization had had as its original purpose to disseminate in the Near East the ideals of a world league of nations, the delicacy of the political situation made it advisable to refrain from activity along that line at present, with the hope that the time may soon come when the Association may resume its original purpose. For this reason the executive, adopting the suggestion of Admiral Mark L. Bristol, honorary executive, recommended the name, "The Association for Friendly Relations in the Near East." A motion was carried that the name recommended by the executive committee be provisionally adopted as the name of the Association.

The chairman then introduced Admiral Bristol, American High Commissioner, who spoke on the need of international friendship and of the immense scope for the activity of such an organization as this in so cosmopolitan a city as Constantinople.

Admiral Bristol said in part:

There are four general heads under which the relations between individuals or communities might be classified:—social, religious, commercial and political. The social relations that exist in the world are the result of traditions that have established rules of procedure usually common to all civilized countries. Undoubtedly these rules had for their main object the cultivation of friendly relations in order that that life should be peaceful, happy and enjoyable. Yet there are rules which have been handed down in past decades which have been eliminated for the benefit of society; as for example, the resentment of insults by demanding satisfaction the morning after with pistols and swords. Many other customs have gradually given way to new rules of procedure that have made social life more civilized while being equally enjoyable and happy. Different societies in the world located in different places are governed by rules of procedure that one must acquire in moving from place to place, even in the same country, or from one country to another. May we not consider a codification of rules of procedure in social life that would tend to create more friendly relations? Such a condition would be like that of laws for legal procedure, and could readily be adopted in the same way.

When we come to religious associations we find rules most carefully prepared and laid down for the procedure of the individual. Yet, within the community of the same religion the rules provide for friendly relations on religious matters, even though there be different methods of performing the religious ceremony. Civilization advances and spreads over the earth because there comes a better understanding among peoples. In all the creeds and teachings of the

different religions, is some common ground of agreement. On this common ground we avoid the points of disagreement; we seek to agree and not to disagree.

Likewise, there are codes of laws that govern commercial relations. These codes have been gradually developed until practically all questions can be decided in a legal way and thus friendly relations in commercial associations are not or should not be disturbed. Here there are unwritten laws, which depend upon the integrity of individuals, and traditional customs which are characteristic of individuals, races and nations. A study of these traditions and a general application of them would undoubtedly further increase friendly relations in all commercial transactions.

There are likewise laws which govern political relations and these laws are the result of experience. International political relations are based upon international law which has been a gradual evolution. However, international law depends for its enforcement upon the triumph of moral obligations, or recourse to war. The moral obligation to obey international law is strongest in those countries where the civilizing influence is the strongest. The study and proper interpretation of international law and international relations is a study of the art of cultivating friendly relations. The peace of the world depends upon the still further establishment of friendly relations. It seems to me the work of this Association may be dedicated to this study of the art of cultivating friendly relations. It must include the study of social, religious, commercial and political relations, separately and together.

Dr. Giovanni Bianco, professor of French in the Istituti Medi Italiani of this city was then called upon to make an address in French. Dr. Bianco referred with sympathy and admiration to the initiative of President Harding in calling together an international conference on disarmament. But he felt that the most important share in the task of spreading the ideals of international justice and mutual respect belonged to the teacher who shapes the ideas of the rising generation.

After the two speakers of the afternoon, the chairman called upon General Franks, of the British forces. General Franks expressed his gratification that it was the purpose of the organization to avoid political issues. He spoke of the remarkably friendly relations prevailing between individuals of the various races composing the population of Constantinople, and then drew attention to the awful plight of the Russian, Armenian, Greek and Turkish refugees of the city, suggesting that the Association might find a sphere for its activity in supporting the work being done especially for neglected refugees.

The chairman thanked all the speakers on behalf of the society and stated that the date of the next meeting would be announced later. The meeting then adjourned.

Mr. H. C. Jaquith, Managing Director of the Near East Relief, returned last week from a trip to Tabriz, Persia, via Batoum, Tiflis and Erivan.

THE SILVER LINING

The universe demands that wars shall cease ;
The centuries tramp onward, one by one,
Each drenched with blood ; the latest, scarce begun,
Is livid with war's ravaging disease ;
By leaps and bounds the armaments increase
And, like stampeded herds, the nations run
To bankruptcy, — all fatuously shun
The open road to swift and sure release.

Yet will we hope while God His rule shall bear,
For sympathy and Christian love and ruth
And Anglo-Saxon brotherhood will dare
Defiance to the foes of peace and truth ;
Philanthropy will build the thoroughfare
Of common weal for all Earth's coming youth.

C. W. LAWRENCE

NOTES

CONSTANTINOPLE

Several of the ladies of the Constantinople College faculty left yesterday on a vacation visit to Egypt.

The municipal health reports show 1324 deaths during the four weeks ending Dec. 24, as compared with 1139 in the preceding four weeks, and 1353 in the corresponding four weeks of 1920. Of these, 244 died of tuberculosis; 212 of diseases of the respiratory system; 208 of those of the circulatory system; 145 were still-born or died at birth; 100 died of diseases of the brain; 73 of those of the digestive tract, and 76 of old age.

The attendance at Robert College this year is 582, of whom 132 are in the College department, 385 in the preparatory, 61 in engineering, and 4 graduate students, 283 are boarders, 299 dayscholars; 234 are Greeks, 167 Armenians, 71 Turks, 37 Jews, 22 Bulgarians, 13 Albanians, 4 Americans, 3 Persians, 2 Syrians, 2 Georgians, 1 each Roumanian, Arab, Swiss, Croatian, Yugo-Slav and Circassian.

The attendance at Constantinople Woman's College is 415; College, 190, preparatory 182, medical 19, nurses' training 24; 283 boarders, 132 day scholars; 123 Greeks, 120 Armenians, 45 Turks, 41 Russians, 26 Jews, 13 Bulgarians, 11 British, 8 Americans, 6 Albanians, 6 Serbians, 3 Persians, 3 Syrians, 2 Arabs, 2 Kourds, 1 each Georgian, Hungarian, Italian, Roumanian, Russo-Armenian, and Tartar.

Rev. F. W. MacCallum, D.D., reached Constantinople last Monday on his return from a trip to Cairo.

THE NEAR EAST

Last Wednesday an attempt was made in Athens on the life of Admiral Coundouriotis, who was Regent of Greece during the interval after the death of King Alexander till Constantine returned to the throne. He was badly wounded in the abdomen, but is making a good recovery, thanks to his splendid physique. Two of the three men concerned in the attempt were arrested.

Large numbers of Armenians from Cilicia have crossed the Syrian border, and are being established in villages in the Lebanon Mts. and elsewhere. The Catholicos of Sis is reported as intending to take up his residence at Beirut.

Dr. Riza Nour Bey, former deputy for Sinope, has been appointed Commissioner of Public Health at Angora.

OTHER LANDS

A conference of representatives of the Allied Governments will take place at Cannes, France, on January 4th, to consider problems in connection with the payments by Germany during 1922 and how to secure them. Ambassador Harvey has been invited to attend, to represent the United States. It is stated that Germany will pay to the Allies 200,000,000 marks gold on January 15th.

PERSONAL

Rev. F. F. Goodsell returned from Smyrna to Constantinople last Friday.

Secretary James L. Barton, D.D., LL.D., reached Boston December 5th, with his wife and daughter, on their return from their trip to Japan and China.

SUNDAY SERVICES January 1, 1921

DUTCH CHAPEL, 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Rev. Robert Frew, D.D.
ROBERT COLLEGE, 11 a.m. Pres. C. F. Gates
CONS/PLE COLLEGE 11 a.m. Mr. Areson
MEMORIALCHURCH 10.30 a.m. Rev. R. F. Borough

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(Values in paper liras)

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Pound sterling	7.25	20 marks	0.20
20 francs	2.79	20 kronen	0.01
20 lire	1.57	Gold lira	7.40
20 drachmas	1.26		

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