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...by J. B. McAfee, ...Secretary of the Board of Home ...Missions. He was deemed so ...valuable that distribution of the ...work was ordered. That the ...Word before the Church may have ...larger publicity it is hereby given ...in part.

...Back of and infusing all present day Home Mission policies is the demand that we dedicate ourselves to the new human brotherhood now forming on the earth in the name and in the power of the regenerating Christ.

The Nation has entered the War ...Many have joined the revolution. Begun as a neighborhood quarrel of states a continental war has become a world-wide social reconstruction. No land or nation now lies beyond its sweep; this land and this nation are plain in its path. We stand for removed from the inital aims and aspirations of the conflict. The Premier of Britain aptly remarked that the American Republic has waited until there can be no suspicion that she is joining a sordid scrimmage for power and possessions. Motives have been transformed since this conflict began. We have not been drawn into the old foul current. The stream has turned courses through channels well worn by our holiest national traditions. A sordid world has gone down to death that, please God, a new world may live.

Emblems we have from that army of honor. Each missing as well as each present is the token of high achievements which have been. Each must be the guarantee of holier benisons of human good yet to be. Nations on both sides of the European trenches have poured their life-blood into our national veins. Our present is loyal to all the true and pure and noble entered into our life with these floods. Our future will still be molded by sturdy Teutonic virtues which even barbaric rage and brutal might cannot vitiate. At war this nation not less but more than ever holds for the universal human commonwealth. It will not—it cannot—violate the common brotherhood by petty spites and ignoble hate, though cannon roar and blood flow and stricken brother reel and groan and fall. God keep us pure in heart!

Into the holiest sanctuaries of our life this purifying fire must penetrate. Our world must be renewed, not Europe's alone. Spiritual aberration must be cleared. Realities must be enthroned. The conquest of the spirit must sanctify all the material bases of men's lives and leave no corner of life's domain fallow or alien to its sway. In the glare of this holocaust, consuming immortal souls and making cinder of spiritual values, who can longer divorce religion from economics. Who can preach a salvation which insures the individual and dooms society? Who can limit the regenerating power of the Christ to a pocketbook or a corner or a fragment of the human life.

Commercial over-reaching precipitated this world-conflict. Greedy empires make war inevitable. Paganism triumphant in national and international councils, dominating every commercial policy, must cultivate the pagan harvest of blood and hate. A religious formalism which can find it self at home in such a world must go down in its wreck. It is accomplice in the crime when it invites men sodden in these ignoble purposes to the worship of a holy God; when it must ring the changes upon the formulas of yesterday to cover a craven silence about social abortions and economic injustice and industrial iniquity of today.

Surely men shall not die on ...willing to sacrifice their every selfish aim to service.

I plead in the name of Jesus Christ, God and God, Brother of men. I plead for the vindication of those historic ideals incorporated in our church system by great spirits like him; the only one of the foremost leaders of the Protestant Reformation who dared the bold achievement of incorporating in a social order the realization of the Reformatio ideals; who gave to the world not primarily a system of theology but a program of community life.

I plead for the larger realization of the Home Mission policy already established which has made the Presbyterian the only national organization at work among the 350,000 homeless men in the nation's lumber camps, where rewards can never be measured by statistical returns, which has established a Presbyterian work in Alaska equal to that of all other Evangelical forces combined in a region where results must be estimated qualitatively and not quanitatively, and where more money and more men are needed at once to save that fair land from the blight of sectarian rivalries which have made such spiritual havoc of countless communities in continental United States.

In the new age of brotherhood what place will be found for our sectarian structure, built to magnify differences and to frustrate impulses to brotherhood; conceived in faction and perpetuated to compel faction; careful second how others fare and careful first that this or that little coterie shall attain Heaven's bliss; honoring an arbitary, absentee deity and little responsive to God in Christ, to be made regnant and redemptive in every range and rank of human society; busy with inconsequentials while indifferent to much which men live by day upon day and which thus shapes their immortal destinies—will place be found for so unholy a thing in a world redeemed by these floods of sacrificial blood? Will not the clarified spiritual yearnings of this regenerted people sweep it with all the other trumpery of the old world into everlasting oblivion?

The fire must consume our provincial bombast and racial pride.

Our policy of aloofness and racial prudery has broken down all along the line. Elsewhere nation knows its neighbor across official barriers. Brother glares at brother from behind breastworks. Here we may know men of all races and climes humanly, brotherly. They dig the ditches in our streets, their children share the benches with ours in the schools, with them we transact our daily business, they mingle their blood with ours in the closest bonds of wedlock and in the last measure of devotion to common ideals of statehood. We are the one composite nation of the earth knowing neither east nor west, nor near nor far, except to conceive them as one; feeling no estrangement of race except as aborted antipathies of bygone civilizations flash up to reveal insanities we have escaped. Here and there older stocks of our population still indulge the follies of race pride. A belated Anglo-Saxon still conceives this land to be his. The dwindling sept whose forebears chanced to alight upon this or that territory plumes itself upon its decaying aristocracy. But these grow feebler and their pretensions comic in their decay. Saxon, Slav and Gaul; Teuton, Roman and Briton; Greek, Frank and Czech; Magyar, Dane and Swiss; Spanish, Pole and Norse; even Turk, Malay and Mongol own his own land as theirs and

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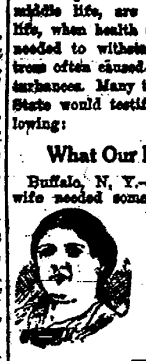

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