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BOTH BODY AND SOUL SELF, SAYS HOERNLE

Spencer Lecturer Discusses Several Theories.

SOUL HARD TO DEFINE.

James' Distinctions Between Two Kinds of Self Are Clear.

Professor Hoernle discussed in his lecture last evening the problems of self knowledge. The following includes, in part, the ground covered by his lectures of both Monday and last evenings:

He established the term, self knowledge, as used in his lectures, to denote whatever the self is in every person who uses the personal pronoun, rather than to mean an autobiographic knowledge of self.

The first theory about self knowledge considered was that the self is composed of two distinct substances, i. e., of a body and a soul. It was pointed out that this theory is incompatible with the unity of the self and therefore unfounded. Its main use is to separate psychology and physiology for working advantages.

Another view is that the soul is the essence of self, that the body is a mere temple of the soul. The main codes of religion which have recognized the resurrection of the soul have conceived also of a resurrection of the body. Moreover, if the soul, i. e., consciousness, is the self, what becomes of the self when consciousness is suspended as in dreamless sleep? The body is essential as a part of self to science, its continuity.

On the other hand, the soul has been looked upon as the by-product, considering the soul in this case as the whole of consciousness, of volitions, and of thought. The soul is liable to more fluctuations and alterations than the body, great though the changes of the body may be. What we rely upon to identify persons is their bodies. The body, then, is the real self according to this view.

One single comment is to be made for all of these theories. With the possible exception of the last, no view has formed a careful conception of what the soul is. It is this lack of definiteness which accounts for the difficulties arising therefrom.

The late William James has approached the problem empirically with more satisfactory results than any other modern writer. He divides the self into the subjective self and the objective self, the I and the me. This is the fundamental division.

If the subjective self is to be known, the objective self must be studied. Under the me or object self James made the following divisions: the material self, the social self, and spiritual

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BALMY WEATHER HASTENS OUT- DOOR MANEUVERS FOR BATTALION

The rapid disappearance of snow from the campus will soon make it possible for the Union R. O. T. C. to resume its outdoor drills and to take up branches of training now impracticable on account of the limited size of the Gym, where drill has been held since last November. The steady arrival of equipment to be used in the outdoor work will probably allow the battalion to begin its new training in skirmishing and making camp, etc., almost as soon as the three companies get outdoors once more.

The instruction of the battalion yesterday consisted in the formation of the advance guard, which performs a prominent part in the service of secur-

ity, now being studied by the corps. In the special class for officers held before the drill, the details of the formation of the vanguard of a marching army were discussed and the placing of the various units in the advance guard were indicated by diagram. With the previous instruction, the battalion officers were able to carry out in the drill the principles of the conduct of the advance guard. The limited area available for the disposal of the units made it impossible to carry out the instruction on the proper scale, a difficulty which will be overcome as soon as drill on the campus is again possible.

MAIN THING IS TO FIGHT SAYS ENGLISH PRELATE

Archbishop of York Tells Students Responsibility Rests With Them.

The Right Honorable and Most Reverend Cosmo Gordon Lang, Archbishop of York, who is on a visit to this country, last week addressed the students of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as follows:

"I wish first to say something about your share in this great struggle. Yours is the great share in responsibility. The universities of England have indeed been hard hit by the war. They have ceased to be. Out of 3,200 undergraduates at Oxford prior to the beginning of this titanic struggle there are now only 363. The majority of these are even now training for commissions. 2,100 have been killed upon the field of battle. From Cambridge 15,000 men have answered the call of their country; of these 2,000 have been killed. Over 4,000 students, the flower of England's youth, from these two great universities alone, have been killed on the field of honor. And so it has fared with all of England's other educational institutions. The students are working in shipyards, in the factories or fighting in the air, on the land and on the sea.

"The war must be fought with brains as well as with the body. Even now they are conducting scientific researches and investigations upon the battlefields. Many must be denied the privilege of serving with their bodies on the battlefield and must remain at home to serve their country with their brain. One is as equally important as the other. In either case resolute determination will possess all whether serving in the factories and the mills, or fighting in the front line and trenches. However, there is something more than body and blood required to beat the Germans. We must bring them out of the obsessions which have long obsessed them." The speaker

RARE OPPORTUNITY GIVEN BY SIGMA XI LECTURE

An extraordinary opportunity of hearing an authority on the subject of phonographs and phonograph records will be given students and faculty Tuesday afternoon, March 26, at 4:30 P. M. when Mr. John B. Taylor of the General Electric Company will lecture in the Electrical Laboratory. Mr. Taylor's subject will be "The Development of the Phonograph and the Microscopic Study of Records." The members of Sigma Xi, under whose auspices the lecture is to be given, consider themselves fortunate in securing Mr. Taylor for this lecture as it is difficult to secure him for such an engagement.

GYM PREPARES TO BLOSSOM FORTH FOR FRESHMAN PROM

Elaborate preparations are being made by the Freshmen for their dance, scheduled for Saturday evening. The committee is working out the details of decorating the Gym, where the affair will be held, with college and class banners of divers sizes and colors. The programs, which are of tasty design, are printed in green and white. Dancing will be from eight o'clock to twelve, and in the intermission, at ten-thirty, Caterer Thearle will serve refreshments. Both stag and couple tickets are selling at one dollar each. The committee, which consists of J. Reynolds, H. Kline, W. H. Tregurtha, F. Vaughan, W. Gregory and J. H. Wemple, ex-officio, announces that there will be no cut-ins. The patronesses for the dance will be Mrs. Charles Alexander Richmond, Mrs. Hartley F. Dewey and Mrs. Charles C. F. Garis.

er then declared that it is our duty to mankind to make the world a decent place to live in after the war is concluded and the victory won. The present duty is to put every ounce of our power and brain into the struggle. There is plenty of time to consider other things when the eyes of Germany have been opened and the falseness of her conceptions made

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MUST HAVE EXCUSES FOR DRILL ABSENCES

Then Drill Must Be Made Up, Says New Order.

STRICT DEMERIT SYSTEM

Absences Soon Lower Standing. No Graduation Till Failures Are Made Up.

The full text of the new General Order which completely changes the rules of the Battalion as regards absences was read to the members of the battalion yesterday. It is a more complete form of the same order read during drill last week and explained to the student body by Professor Opdyke on Monday noon. The rules under which absenteeism from drill and other military work will be dealt with place the military courses on an equality with other subjects of the college curriculum as regards the necessity for excuses for absences. They provide first of all that any student now taking the subject of military science, or enrolled in the special class for officers and non-commissioned officers must appear at all exercises with the understanding that no student will be absent except in the case of unavoidable necessity. After a legitimate absence, a cadet may apply, as he would in the case of absence from any other class, to the excuse committee on the Monday following the absence and make application for excuse. The excuse once obtained does not remit make-up work but permits the absentee to get full credit for his make up work. As regards unexcused absences, the penalties laid down by the new rule are very explicit. An unexcused absence from recitation or drill costs the student six demerits; absence from make-up drill costs him eight demerits. If he fails to get an excuse from drill for the day on which he was absent and is also absent from the make-up drill, fourteen demerits are registered against him. Each demerit will entail the loss of 1 per cent on the final mark for the semester. Thus, while excuses are as necessary for absences from military work as from any other class, the penalties laid down for such irregularities are very explicit, which is not the case with other subjects.

To illustrate how quickly unexcused absences may reduce the student's grade the following examples are given:

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Final grade	66
General grade on work	90
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Final grade	58

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Toleration.

The French chaplain who addressed the students in chapel Monday spoke winged words when he told of Catholic priests, Protestant chaplains and Jewish rabbis dwelling together in unity at the front and when he prophesied a greater freedom from religious and racial prejudices as a result of the war. Never do men show an ignorance more crass, a littleness more despicable, a brutality more cruel than when they are governed by such prejudices.

This malign and ignoble influence exists not only in religious and racial relations but in political, social, fraternal—wherever men stick a ribbon in their coats as a sign of differences in opinion, taste or often in a mere accident of birth. This influence breeds animosity, misery, social outlawry, lynchings, massacres, wars. It is against this influence that we are fighting. Democracy is toleration; autocracy is destruction to all but one party, one creed, one race—the supermen. As the ancient Romans when they ruled the known world said, "There are no noble men but Romans," so the Germans as they prepare to rule the world say, "There is no race which has a right to exist but the German." Far nobler than the Romans and bet-

ter entitled to exist than the Germans was the man, Abraham Lincoln, who said, "I would deny to no man any right which I claim for myself."

It is the part of delusion and folly to give way to this passion and prejudice when we are fighting against it. A man entered a music store the other day where he heard a record of German music being played on the gramophone. He smashed the record. Then he bought all the other records of German music that there were in the store and smashed them. This was good business for the storekeeper, but it did not help to win the war. It is too bad that such men cannot be armed with bayonets and sent to the front where their patriotic fury would be effective. Those who have been to the front say that the farther away they get from the first line trenches the more bloodthirsty they find people. The soldiers at the front are out to account for all the Boche they can, but professional pride inspires them, not hate. The closer one gets even to a German the less is hate likely to be engendered. So it is that Protestant chaplains, Catholic priests and Jewish rabbis, when they eat and live and lie down together, find that the other fellow is not so bad for all his heresy.

This is what we are fighting the war for: for the recognition of the divine truth that men differ in creeds, opinions and tastes, and that they have a right to differ. The toleration to which all are entitled is not limited to affairs of church and state. Its scope includes the every day relations of men.

GARNET TO APPEAR IN MAY MATERIAL NEARLY ALL IN

All copy for the "1919 Garnet" will be in the hands of the printer before the Easter recess, and the annual will probably be ready for delivery during the early part of May, according to the present outlook. Neutral Seniors who have not already done so are requested to hand in a list of the activities in which they have engaged since the last Garnet was published to G. D. Rosenthal '20 or to B. T. Taylor '19. Manager Barnett requests all organizations who have not yet had their official Garnet picture taken to make arrangements with the photographer at once, as he wishes to have the work of making half-tones finished as soon as possible.

PHI BETA KAPPA WILL INITIATE SIX MEN FRIDAY

The annual initiation of members into the Alpha of New York chapter of Phi Beta Kappa will be held on Friday evening. Six Seniors recently elected to the society will receive their keys at that time. They are F. G. Bascom, E. M. Cameron, Jr., C. A. Heatly, M. P. Poersch, I. R. Stein and J. C. Younie. Cameron, who is at present engaged in war work with the American Library Association at Camp Meade, Maryland, has obtained a furlough for the occasion and will be present for the initiation ceremony.

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HARD BUT HELPFUL WEEK FOR "FULL HOUSE" PLAYERS

The week is proving a hard but helpful one for the Dramatic Club, which is holding rehearsals often in preparation for the presentation of its season's offering, "A Full House," which will take place on April 11th. The cast of the farce was put through a hard drill Monday night by Coach Johnny Holland and will meet for more work to-night and Friday evening. The actors and "actresses" are steadily improving in the portrayal of their parts and the first and second acts have reached a high state of perfection. DeWitt Dewey, '21, is proving very convincing as "Simpering Susie, the Servant."

SIX "U"s; Five "aUa"s AWARDED TO BASKETBALLERS

Six "U"s were awarded to members of the basketball squad at Monday's meeting of the awards committee of the athletic board. The men of the regular team who received the decoration are Captain Yavits, '21; Collins, '20; J. Brucker and G. Brucker, '21, Jones '20 and Peaslee, '18. "aUa"s were awarded to Cassedy, '19; Lyman '19; Hanley, '20; Wilbur, '21; and Schwartz, '21. Wittner, '20, and Karn-gut, '20, were presented with numerals.

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plain, but the essential thing now is to fight."

From here the speaker digressed to the deeper issues of the war. In the first place he stated the motto of life, which has long been "Success," must be changed to "Service." All that one has to do with his body or brain is to put it into service. After the conclusion of the war he must remember the lesson that has been taught to us. Man must not think "how much money can I make," or "what success will it be possible for me to attain in the course of my lifetime." He needs rather think of how he can be of service to his brother men through his profession.

Addressing himself more particularly to the younger students, the Archbishop declared that they were at the most critical stage of their career, since the whole issues of life had been simplified very much. They are now

placed before one in the most direct and simplest manner. There is one great simple issue, where there is ordinarily a web of political considerations. The meaning of America's entering the war is the simplifying of the issue. It was difficult for those out side of Europe to see what is at stake, but many treacherous acts have caused men to realize that there is a power in the world which threatens the progress of humanity. The path of life and duty have now been made plain and is pointed out before men.

In conclusion the Archbishop paid tribute to the memory of the American Revolutionary and Civil War heroes, and particularly to the memory of Abraham Lincoln who in the opinion of the speaker proved to be a far-sighted and able leader when the integrity and safety of the Union was threatened. "The great men who formed your nation have all been men of simplicity and faith, and the greatest of all, Abraham Lincoln, was the simplest of them."

**EXHIBIT OF IMPORTANT R. R.
ON ENGINEERING BULLETIN**

The attention of all students is called to the exhibition on the bulletin board in the Engineering Library, concerning the New York Connecting Railroad.

The recent completion of the New York Connecting Railroad is another of the great engineering feats which have recently been accomplished. This remarkable railroad structure furnishes a connection through New York City for train service from Boston and the North to Philadelphia and the South and West. It does away entirely with the former ferry service for passenger and freight business, from the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, down the East River and across the harbor to Jersey City.

The exhibit comprises the map and two large colored views and is worthy of the careful study of all engineering students.

**TREASURY CERTIFICATE
ISSUE OVERSUBSCRIBED**

The issue of \$500,000,000 of United States Treasury certificates, the subscription to which closed March 5, was oversubscribed, the subscription in every district, except one, exceeding the quota assigned it.

The banks of the country in the past two Liberty Loan campaigns and in the purchase of Treasury certificates issued before the loans responded to the demands of the country with inspiring loyalty and liberality. The faith they show in the Government finances and the patriotic response they give to the calls of the Treasury are certain indications that their co-operation and assistance will help to insure the success of the Third Liberty Loan.

The Amherst Student Council has recommended holding a "limited" prom in May and discountenances holding house-parties.

**LIBERTY LOAN HONOR
FLAGS TO BE AWARDED**

A new and distinctive feature will be introduced in the Third Liberty Loan campaign, and every city or town in the country which subscribes more than its quota of Liberty bonds will be awarded by the Treasury Department an Honor Flag.

The flag will be 36 inches wide and 54 inches long. The body of the flag will be white with a broad red border, and three broad blue vertical stripes denoting the Third Loan. The flags, which will be of the same quality as the flags of the Navy, are already being manufactured and will be awarded as fast as the right to fly them is won. Though awarded by the Treasury Department, they will be distributed by the Liberty Loan committees of the different districts.

There will also be a National Honor Flag for each State, to be flown at the State capitol, with the name of each town winning a flag inscribed upon it. There will be also preserved in the United States Treasury a National Honor Flag, with the record of each State recorded on it.

Stars, to be placed on the flag of each city or town doubling its quota, will be also awarded, and an additional star for each time the quota is doubled.

An Honor Roll, containing the names of all subscribers, but not the amount of the individual subscriptions, will be kept in each community. A window card, bearing a representation of the Honor Flag, will be given each subscriber to the loan, to be displayed at the home or place of business.

**CHEMICAL SOCIETY SOON TO
PICK ITS NEW OFFICERS**

The Chemical Society met yesterday afternoon in the chemistry laboratory and listened to two papers. Oscar J. Schultz '19 read a treatise on the uses of "Gases in War" and Robert C. Cochurn '19 delivered a paper on the "Pasteurization of Milk." The annual election of new members and officers for next year will be held at the next regular meeting of the society, which will probably be on April 15th.

**ENGLISH INCOME TAX
HIGHER THAN AMERICAN**

In comparison with the tax levied in England on incomes our own income taxes are moderate, according to figures given out by the Treasury Department.

In England the tax on incomes of \$1,000 is 4½ per cent, in America nothing.

In England the tax on incomes of \$1,500 is 6¾ per cent; in America nothing for married men or heads of families, and 2 per cent on \$500 for an unmarried man.

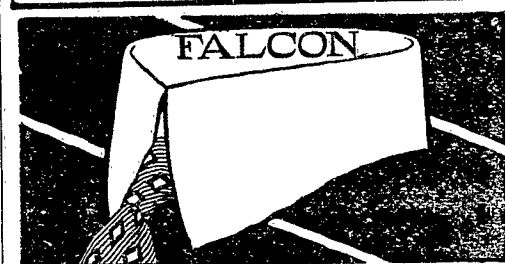
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self.

By the material self James means everything in the material world which one treats as a part of himself. Almost anything in the world may become a part of one's self. What ever belongs to one is he. For an example of the recognition of this principle, a newspaper in appealing for Liberty Loan subscribers made use of this statement: This is your war, this country is you.

By social self James means one's reputation. He shows that reputation has a great influence upon conduct for the better or worse according as his reputation is good or bad. The spiritual self is that influence which exemplifies itself in all of one's actions.

Another problem is that of personal identity. How can we preserve personal identity if the self is a fluctuating changing miscellaneous mass. The problem resolves itself into two minor problems. What distinguishes individuals? and what keeps them distinct?

Some thinkers reason that if a person changes, he is then no longer what he was, or in other words, his identity is destroyed. To meet this theory it may be said that there is still a kernel of self that remains the same and preserves the identity of the individual. Since no such kernel has ever been discovered the only way remaining to meet the proposition is to adopt the principle of identity in difference.

What distinguishes one individual from another? Experience teaches the child that there is a distinction between it and its surroundings. For example, the child learns that the hand which moves before its eyes is its own and that another hand is not its own. It learns that when its own hand moves it has a definite feeling and that when another hand moves it has no such feeling. Attendant sensations, then, render one able to distinguish between himself and others.

In this manner philosophers and psychologists are trying to explain other phases of self knowledge.

In the next lecture will be discussed the theories of knowledge of religious belief.

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MUST HAVE EXCUSES FOR BATTALION ABSENCES

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Following the general rule of the college, provision is also made in the orders for the dropping from any course in the military department of any member, the number of unexcused absences against whom is equal to three weeks of exercises in that course. Such students will be dropped from the course but must take it with the succeeding class.

For good and valid reason, the excuse committee may deviate from its rule of issuing excuses only for whole days lost and allow battalion members excuses from drill or other military work, although the applicants may have attended other classes during the whole day.

At yesterday's drill, President Richmond addressed the battalion for a few moments, explaining the necessity for enacting the new rule and expressing the hope that it would prove effective. He declared that it was the duty of the military authorities to the government to see that the battalion had the highest possible attendance average. He complimented the men on their improved appearance and military bearing.

The text of the General Order: Union College Battalion, Schenectady, New York, March 19, 1918.

Orders No. 32—

1. Hereafter, excuse for absence from the work of the Military Department will be given only by the Faculty Committee on Absences, which meets every Monday afternoon from 2 to 5 o'clock. Application must be made on the first Monday following the date of the absence.

Attendance at all exercises is required and it is expected that no student will be absent except in case of unavoidable necessity.

No excuse remits any work. The work lost by reason of the excused absence must be made up in a manner satisfactory to the Professor of Military Science and Tactics, unless the nature of the work renders this impossible, in which case the student's grade will suffer.

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Continued and marked excellence in attendance and in the performance of military duty will bring recognition in official records and statements of work done.

2. Responsibility for filing correct schedules of free hours for making up absences rests entirely upon the student.

If posted for make-up work on hours scheduled for regular college work, report to office at once.

Absences may be made up in advance of securing excusing for same. Students are urged to report for make-up work at first possible opportunity. 1:30 and 2:40 P. M. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Do not wait to be posted.

Excuses for absences must be presented at the military office on the Wednesday subsequent to the date of said excuse.

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