

twenty years and had never seen such rapid progress or played so well in such a short time as this band did.

Now, as I said at the beginning, I am not a talker, not a preacher, nor an orator but I promised I would talk to you before I went away and I am glad to do so and I think I am justified in saying that no man who would come to Chemawa and stay as long as I have with you could go away without carrying with him the fondest recollections. Well, I have brought with me my fondest recollections of my schools but I have taken Chemawa into my heart.

At the time I came here I found you preparing for the Christmas festivities and it was very nice to see how earnestly you were working. I saw brothers and sisters going up and down the walks with their arms about each other and a great many thoughts came into my mind as to this preparation for Christmas and I wondered if it would last. I wondered how the good spirit which seemed so prevalent throughout our land at this season of this year would remain with you. I imagine that almost all of the business world has ceased this spirit of Christmas festivities and resumed the energetic work of before the Christmas Days, but I saw nothing here among you boys and girls like that. You seemed to have cherished that spirit and held on to it and it is a pleasure to see the unity in which you all come together and the happiness of this school. I thought at that time what was your sense of realization in regard to the birthday of the man we were to celebrate—The Savior of Mankind, and it seemed a terrible thing that he should have to suffer and die to become the Savior of Mankind. I differ very much with most people that have theories in regard to religion. Of course

I believe it must have been very necessary that Christ suffer and die or it would not have come to pass. I believe that men should repent for their sins but I do not believe that it requires a man or woman to carry that repentance stamped on their faces as they pass through the world.

I do believe that the teachings of Christ throughout "embrace the brotherhood of man." It seems to me that the only thing that Christ came for was to establish brotherly love. It doubtless was necessary in the early days when people were brought to realize that Christ came to establish Love among mankind that they should be terrified, but as we see it now from our standpoint, it seems to me the only thing that he ever revealed that was new to mankind was the Brotherhood of man and Brotherly Love.

The Savior was born and has come into the world. And as we read in the papers the day after Christmas we see what men all over the world have been doing to show their love for mankind. We hear of their founding universities and donating millions and millions for charitable purposes, so we can see that the Brotherhood of Man is the all important and most important object.

I see a great deal of your festivities and joys and I conceive something of your sorrows. I remember how you were called upon to bury one of your schoolmates and carry him to the solemn grave. I said to myself: I wonder what their idea is of where that boy has gone? Now that is something that we do not know. Jesus has revealed nothing to us of the life that we would enjoy hereafter. It is a mystery and so left us, but we have a Hope and I thought I would like to know what sort of a hope the boys and girls had of going there, and I thought

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