CONVOCATION ON FRIDAY
Prof. Harry Fosdick to Speak on "Tests of Religion"

President Madison has called a Convocation for next Friday, March 23, at 1:30 p.m., in the Lyceum Hall, and to the student body will be addressed by Professor Harry Fosdick, Professor of Religion, of Columbia University. The subject of the address is to be "The Tests of Religion."

Professor Fosdick is a member of the Faculty of the Union Theological Seminary of New York, and also holds the pastorate of a church in Minneapolis, N. W. He is probably one of the best known preachers, authors and lecturers in the United States. At the Northfield Student Conferences which are held during the summer, Prof. Fosdick is one of the speakers most in favor. At the Conferences in Cincinnati and other places, he has inspired thousands of students with his vigorous, nearly interpretation of faith. He has addressed many of the colleges in the East and has spoken in Harvard three times this year. Last Tuesday Reverend Fosdick delivered the sermon in Jephson Chapel at Harvard, and the report states that literally hundreds of students were turned away from the door. This year, and every other year, he has been requested to do his work on the basis of "Method of the Master." His book being read in many discussion groups by college men. His "Second Thoughts" have been widely read by young men, and his book entitled "The Interpretation of Victor" is recently by Ten Thousand (the Faculty of Our University), so that "the best literature of the year ever read." You must be equal in philosophy, and he is also known for a clear insight into modern problems and the ability to present his subject in a most interesting manner.

ARCHITECTS HOLD SMOKE

Charles T. Main '76 Speaks on Mill Construction

Yesterday evening the Architectural Engineering Department held its annual smoke, at which Professor Main, the members of the mill engineering faculty, and the corporation of the architecture faculty, was the chief speaker. Mr. Charles T. Main '76 addressed the members on the subject of mill engineering, and the discussion which followed was a most interesting and instructive one.

"BACK TO ROGERS"

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From "Joseph," by Charles B. Colman.

The Society of Arts and Sciences, the National Academy of Design, and other leading clubs of Boston unhesitatingly responded to the invitation of the Boston Evening Transcript to hold a lecture in the Transcript Hall. The lecture was to be on "The Essays of Benjamin Franklin," and the subject was to be followed by a discussion of the art of writing essays. The lecture was held in the Transcript Hall on the evening of March 21, and was attended by a large and appreciative audience.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1917

OUR ARMED NEUTRALITY

ON all sides we hear criticism of the administration, cries for war, and for the war effort. We must come to the conclusion that most of these complaints come from one side of the page or the other to the side of the page to learn the status of ARMED NEUTRALITY.

Until quite recently the net of fate, which has drawn many another nation into the ditches of war, has been quite lenient with this country, and only at times have we felt that coming tug. It must be that the war spirit in a continent, and the nation which allows itself to be enticed too near to a war sick relative is apt to get the deadly germ which spread.

It is very hard at times to check ourselves from hazing all our side in this whirlpool of those. It is a wonder how the President has kept his head above water, with his clear eye in the storms which sweep tlie country and roar about him continually and insistently.

We have talked war, and in the brink of war within the past few days. We have had ample opportunity to watch the other nations throw themselves into the food and aid, having become exhausted, sink from sight, and hasten on to Belgium and Servia, or like those who put out in flail style, as Turkey, became shipwrecked and probably maimed for life. We have been listening about and hear their cries for help. "Come on in the war is fine," but if our ears do not play us false there is horrible anguish in their cries which should be a warning to us on the brink to think twice or we take that wild plunge with the other nations into Europe—by the illusive arms of that hirsute monster, War.

Can we be content to profit by the example of Norway, Sweden and Holland, all of whom have had their rights (asis) hopelessly betrayed? Every day it is becoming more and more a reck less bit or more affair with rights, relative absurdes at beast, grown to the four winds.

We have talked war, but in quieter moments we do wonder if we have been viewing but one side and whether, possibly, the other side of the page also is meant for us to read—for to enter the war seems much like the folly of making an irresponsible and revolutionary faction in Mexico salivate our flag. We may as well tell Fido to jump over the moon or be whipped for it.

This does mean that we should unite inly and allow our honor to be dragged through the mire, nor that we should suffer our rights to be disregarded. For this we should be prepared to meet any emergency, we should sail our ship's o'er the same safeguarded, and be in a real state of preparedness, not, however, to enter this reckless and irresponsible war, but rather to guard our visas from the wild futilities of the small boy.

The spirit to be, the spirit they who disgrace and try, "Where is patriotism gone?" To such we would say that there has never been a greater need than at present for patriotism. Feel of your pulse—it takes a bigger man to stand in it now than it did to lead by the crown. Stated basic of the President, who may be trusted to lead us right. Response to the present call for ARMED neutrality against all odds, for in this way we avoid entanglements and give our services to our nation save our own, and we serve under no banner but that of the glorious stars and stripes above our land. An express declaration and the armed neutrality we have so far lived up to will turn itself effectively to the task of securing that honor and safeguarding those rights from the alien nations.

Back to Rogers—Tonight!