AN ODE TO PEACE

Set to music for, and first sung at The Twentieth Universal Peace Congress at The Hague, August 20th, 1913, by International Representatives of the Râja-Yoga College (Foundress-Directress, Katherine Tingley), Point Loma, California

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Four Part Song for Mixed Voices, Unaccompanied



THE TWENTIETH UNIVERSAL PEACE CONGRESS AT THE HAGUE

International Representatives of the Râja-Yoga College of Point Loma, California, at the entrance to the famous Ridderzaal at The Hague, after singing at the First General Session of the Twentieth Universal Peace Congress, August 20, 1913. The Ridderzaal (which dates back to the Fourteenth Century) is where the Queen of the Netherlands opens the Dutch Parliament. Professor Daniel de Lange, Founder-Director of the Amsterdam Conservatory of Music and one of the best known musical critics and teachers in Europe, is the central figure of the group. Some Delegates to the Peace Congress are back of the group of students.

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WHY tarriest thou, Peace, O flame-fashioned
One, Child of the Gods and the Stars,
That art star-fire and God-fire impassioned
And stronger than Mars?
Why tarriest?—in drear dereliction
We have wondered and sought thee in vain;
Through our sloth, through our dearth, our affliction
Draw near us again!

Behold now these thy nations, sleep hath taken them;
How wonderful they are, and fair of soul!
Shalt thou not come with quickening light and waken them,
And make their beauty shine from pole to pole?
They know not whereunto to turn, what goal
To battle toward; the tyrant fear hath shaken them
To hate and strife, and wisdom hath forsaken them?
Shalt thou not come, and heal and make them whole?

We are tossed on the self-tides, and go where Sloth calls, or a profitless strife;
We are driven to and fro, and find nowhere The splendor of life,
Nor its peace, nor are freed of restriction
While self wraps us round as a chain;
O Angel of fierce benediction,
Draw near us again!

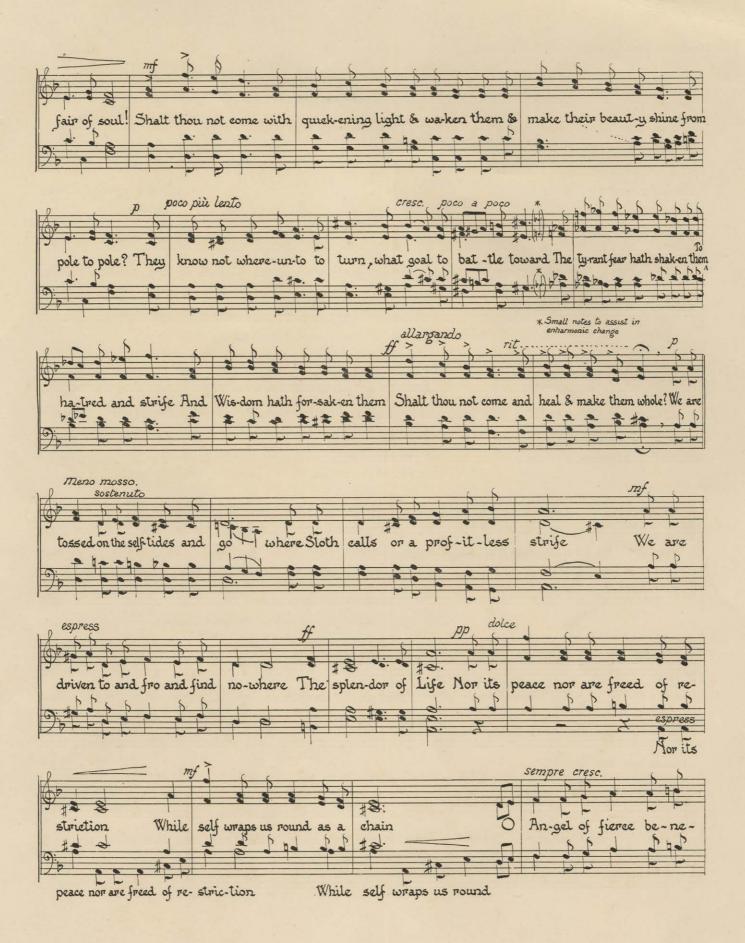
We will not let one nation die! Behold now!

These that so sorrowful were, so fraught with pain,
Touch them, and their poor rags are woven gold now,
Comfort, and their old loss is turned to gain!

Thou art immaculate love; here from thy fane,
Spread healing through the brotherlands! Enfold now
In quickening union Nation hearts acold now;
Call forth their glory, their star-souls again!

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Parliament of Peace and Universal Brotherhood

To be held in the Greek Theater, Point Loma, California

1915

THE Parliament of Peace and Universal Brotherhood was founded as a permanent organization, March 3, 1913. The Parliament will convene in the Greek Theater, Point Loma, San Diego, California, in 1915, the year of the Panama-California Exposition at San Diego, and of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco. The announcement of the date of opening the Parliament will be made later.

While due recognition must be given to the splendid efforts of Peace Conferences and Peace Societies in different countries, we must all realize that there is much to be done before permanent results can be obtained in the cause for which they are working. The main efforts of workers for Peace have been directed so far towards the amelioration of outer conditions, and of the relations between governments in their political and economic aspects. These efforts have not, however, gone to the root of the matter though they have their place as rightful and most important factors in the Peace question.

If Peace is ultimately to be consummated, the truly progressive people of the age must find the key that will open the way to a broader conception of freedom and of their responsibility to their homes and their fellow-men. Do not the conditions of the world challenge and invite all lovers of humanity to a closer co-operation in this sacred cause of Brotherhood and Universal Peace?

While immediate appeals on behalf of Peace must necessarily be addressed to the men and women of our time, the results that follow will at best be only temporary unless the children of today and of succeeding generations are educated rightly on lines that shall make war and strife impossible both between nations and individuals. It is upon the children of today that will depend the Peace of the world tomorrow. Realizing that permanent peace was not possible until a sure foundation had been laid through right education of the young, it was my privilege in the year 1896 to found The School of Antiquity, regarding which I then declared that

[&]quot;Although American in Center, this school is international in character—a temple of living light, lighting up the dark places of the earth.

[&]quot;Through this school and its branches, the children of the race will be taught the laws of physical, moral and mental health and spiritual unfoldment. They will learn to live in harmony with nature. They will become compassionate lovers of all that breathes. They will grow strong in an understanding of themselves, and as they gain strength they will learn to use it for the good of the whole world."

As a department of the School of Antiquity, it was my further privilege in the year 1900 to organize the Râja-Yoga system of education, and found the Râja-Yoga College at Point Loma, California. One of the objects of this system is to inculcate the spirit of mutual respect, toleration and love between the children of all nationalities. The Râja-Yoga College has now some twenty different nationalities represented among its pupils.

Workers for Peace all over the world are now coming to realize the importance of education as a factor in the Peace problem. Much, however, still remains to be done along this special line of work, and the importance of education on higher lines as the prime factor in the establishment of Peace will receive particular attention during the proceedings of the Parliament of Peace and Universal Brotherhood.

To assert that war is the normal state of mankind, and that Peace is but as it were a breathing time in which to gather new energy for fratricidal conflict, is to go in the face of all the nobler aspirations of the heart and mind. Human Solidarity, another name for Universal Brotherhood, cannot be held merely as a fiction of the imagination, or as a sentiment. On the contrary, it is the law of our being and the natural condition of an enlightened humanity. In the deeper sense Universal Brotherhood is a fact in Nature; humanity is fundamentally one; and all nations are indissolubly linked together. A truer spiritual insight and greater moral courage would lead nations as well as individuals, to realize that their best interests are served by the application of this great principle in international as well as in private concerns.

The Parliament of Peace and Universal Brotherhood presents therefore, the following as its main purposes:

- (a) To accentuate the basic principles upon which alone a true and lasting Peace alliance can be made between the nations of the Earth.
- (b) To present for consideration the means whereby such principles may be made operative.
 - (c) To inaugurate such practical measures as shall make those principles effective.
- (d) And in general to show the basic causes of war and to proclaim and apply the remedy.

By reason of its world-wide extension and single-hearted aim this Parliament is peculiarly fitted to inaugurate and safeguard this effort to unite the peoples of all lands on newer and higher lines of practical co-operation in the interests of Peace.

Friends of progress and Universal Peace, is it not our duty to grasp this great opportunity?

KATHERINE TINGLEY

Point Loma, California, June 16, 1914

NATION shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.—Isaiah II. 4

LET us, by playing our part well, invoke the God of Peace, that it may brood over our fair land and breathe into the hearts of all a larger tolerance and a greater love for each other, for all nations, for all people.—*Katherine Tingley*



Râja-Yoga Students on their way to their hotel after singing at the Twentieth Universal Peace Congress at The Hague, accompanied by Professor Daniel de Lange (on the left), Founder-Director of the Amsterdam Conservatory of Music

WE cannot have a strong body of workers for peace here in America, or anywhere else, until each individual has sounded the depths of his own nature and has found out the meaning of life in such a way that he can apply the knowledge he has gained, and will gain, to the adjustment of his own life. Let each man and each woman begin to do this and find a deeper, more profound definition of the meaning of life and the meaning of peace—peace within oneself, the Kingdom of Heaven within oneself, the knowledge of the divine life, of the soul life, of those powers that belong to man's higher nature, and that should govern all humanity.—From Katherine Tingley's address at the Centennial Celebration of the San Diego Federation of State Societies, at Coronado, California, July 13, 1914.

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