

CANADA, U.S. BAHA'IS CLOSE 29TH CONGRESS

Writer Sees' Religious History In Making

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"The Goal of a New World Order," theme of the 29th annual congress of the Baha'is of the United and Canada marks a real epoch in religious progress in America—sending with added significance throughout the world the unwavering faith of the order: "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

More than 2,000 people, from all parts of the United States and Canada, gathered for the final service in Foundation Hall of the magnificent Baha'i House of Worship, Wilmette, Ill. There was a scene and an occasion resplendent in its magnificence.

An added feature of the closing occasion was the rendition of several numbers by the Elsie Breeding Glee club of women, under the direction of Mrs. Jackson. It was one of the rare occasions when there has been music in Foundation hall, and the fine group of singers acquitted themselves with honor and graceful melody, as they rendered selections all through the service, one of them composed by a leading Baha'i, and, closing with the inspiring Baha'i benediction.

One of the addresses was by Dr. Dickson, religious radio editor of The Chicago Tribune. Dr. Dickson declared that the radio is one of the chief factors in bringing to a realization of all the people of the world the true meaning of "The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man."

Dr. Mills Chief Speaker

The main address of the closing session, which thrilled the vast assembly, was the address of Dr. Mountfor Mills of New York, president of the Baha'i Association of the United States. Dr. Mills brought to the audience, in eloquent words, uttered with thoughtful and convincing restraint, the unwavering teaching of Baha'u'llah, founder of the Baha'i order of worship, and described how the happening in the world of today are none less than the prophecies vouchsafed by many great religious teachers, for the readjustment of better understanding. Dr. Mills declared that there should be too much worry about the world of changing events, for out of all there will come a new order, a militant realization that "All men everywhere are brothers."

A sentence from one of the prayers of Baha'u'llah carries the central idea of the wider vision of the coming days. It was used on the announcement leaflet, distributed for the afternoon: "Beseech ye the one true God to grant that all men may be graciously assisted to fulfil that which is acceptable to our sight. Soon will the present-day order be rolled up, and the new order spread out instead."