

WISCONSIN HOPES TO DISPELL LETHARGY THAT HINDERS CHINESE

Extracts From Ross' "Changing Chinese" Illustrate Condi- tions of People Today

The following extracts from Prof. Edward A. Ross's "Changing Chinese" illustrates nicely the sort of conditions that exist among the Chinese people today, and emphasize the great need for the introduction of a set of ideals and a civilization such as the "Wisconsin in China" movement has as its aim.

"Chinese children do not romp, run, and climb like ours. Their school boys are less riotous than white boys. Athletic sports are unknown. One recreates with kite flying, cricket fighting, gambling, chess, or letting off fire crackers. To sip wine and cap verses in a shady arbor or a cool grove by a lotus pond is a gentleman's ideal of happiness. There is game a plenty in some parts, but no one shoots save the pot hunter with his rusty matchlock. No one bestrides a horse for pleasure. The placid mule is preferred to the horse and a gentle amble to a brisk gallop. When the mounted soldier gets up speed the sight is a salve for the eyes. Boxing would never occur to anyone as a sport. Fighting is rare, and far from being a manly exchange of blows, is waged girlwise, with scratching and hair-pulling. The singing of the men

is a strange contrast to the terminal bellow of the Western males.—

Let Nails Grow Long

The scholar shuns vigorous exercise lest he should spoil his skill with the writing brush. Possibly he lets his nails grow and when they reach some inches of length protects them with a silver case. It is considered shameful to weep and one often hears of men dissolved in tears. Yet the Chinese meet pain and death like Stoics, and Gordon and Wolseley declare they make brave soldiers when well led. "When well led," aye, there's the rub! For Chinese pusillanimity testifies not to want of natural grit but to the fact that the bold manly qualities have not been stimulated among them, as they have among us, by social appreciation.

Chinese Need New Ideals

"For ages Chinese manhood has been scaled by the maxims of the Sages.—The ascendancy of the intellectuals has dampened the virility of the race and lies like a wet blanket on its active and combative impulses. Hence the Chinese will not cut their tails and harden their muscles till they have new ideals. Perhaps the Young Men's Christian association with its slogan so inspiring to the young, "all-round development—physical, intellectual, moral and religious and for others—" is the best physician for the lethargy that lies like an evil spell on the energies of the yellow race."

TO CONTINUE "WISCONSIN IN CHINA" CAMPAIGN

Following the reports of the captains in the "Wisconsin in China" movement yesterday noon, it was decided to extend the campaign until the first part of next week, at which time a final accounting will be made. The teams all reported an inability to cover the territory assigned to them and because of the fact that relatively few students have been approached it was thought best to hold the campaign open over the week end at least.

Yesterday's contribution shoved the grand student total up considerably well over the \$800 mark and returns from the faculty solicitors told of splendid progress among the professors.

Professor Edward A. Ross addressed the workers in a short enthusiastic talk preceding the reports of the captains. With a total of \$44, the team under Gus Bohstedt carried off the honors for the fourth day of the campaign.
