

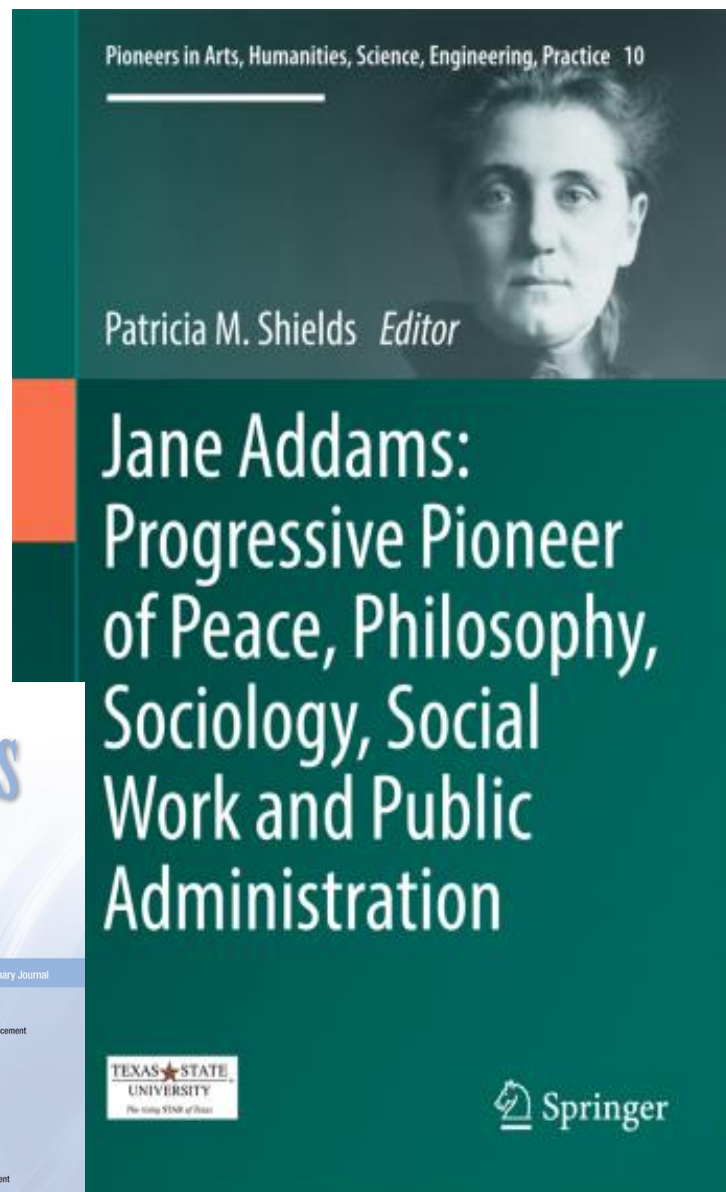
## Women's Peace Movement

Patricia Shields PhD

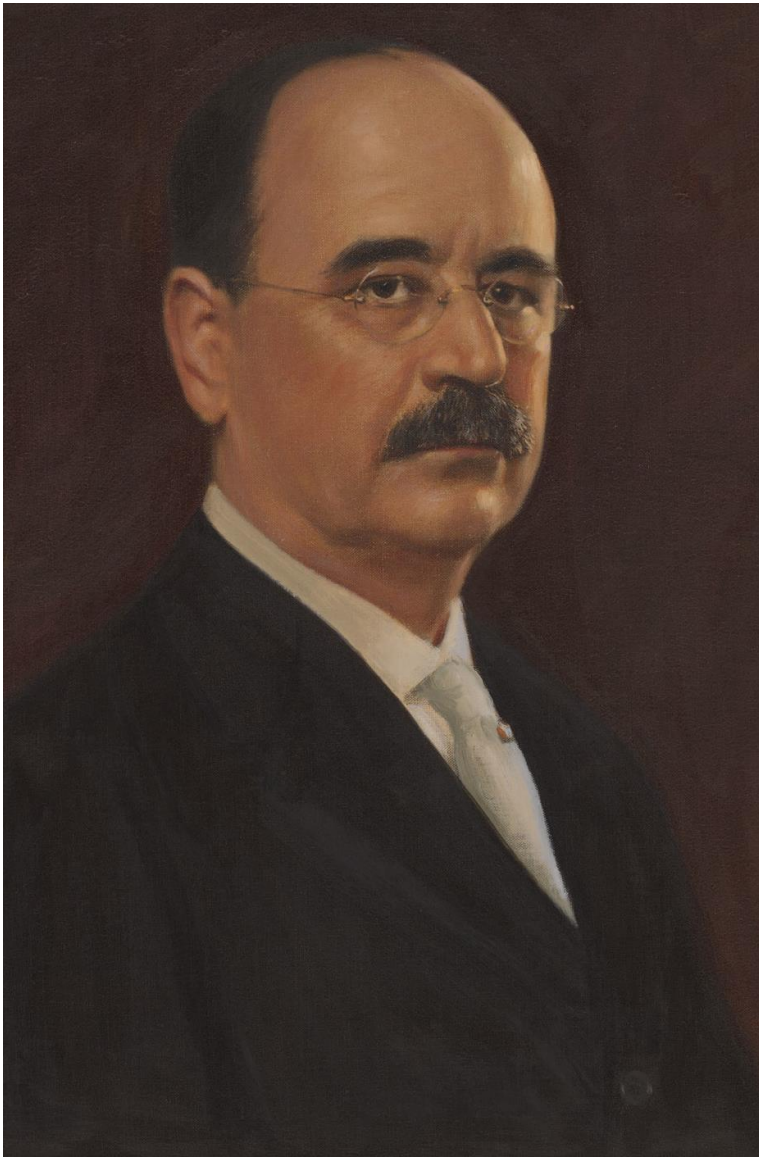
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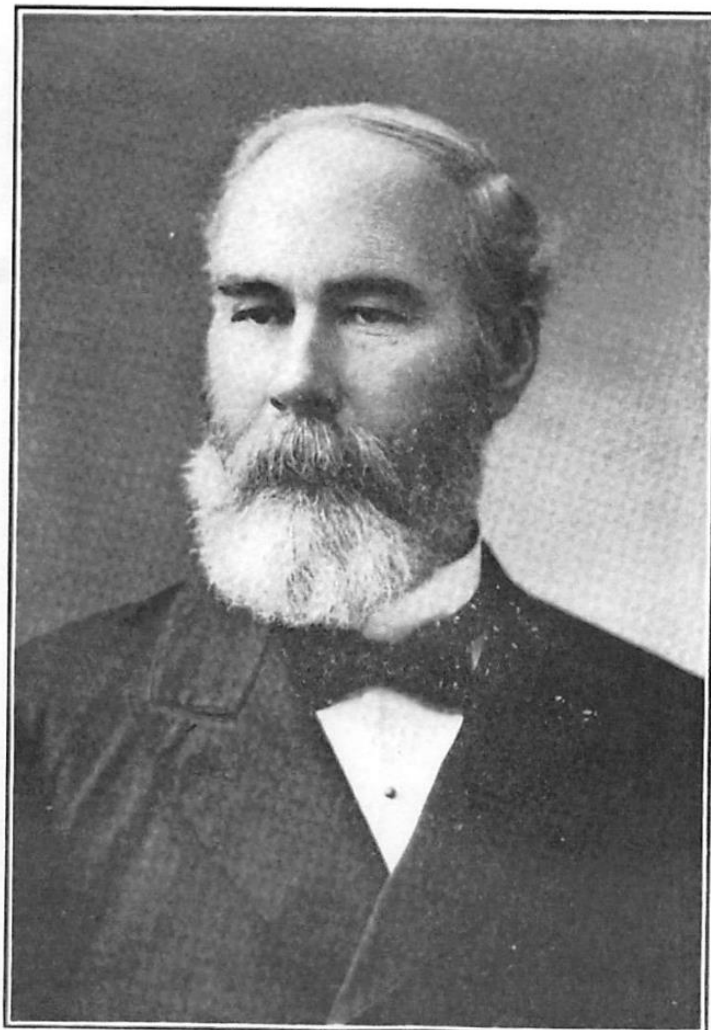


Israel, Sea of Galilee



Samuel Palmer Brooks  
President Baylor (1902- 1931)

PROCEEDINGS  
OF  
**THE TEXAS PEACE CONGRESS**  
HELD AT  
**BAYLOR UNIVERSITY**  
WACO, TEXAS  
November 19-21, 1907



BENJAMIN F. TRUEBLOOD, LL. D.

Secretary of the American Peace Society  
Editor of The Advocate of Peace

# THE LARIAT

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BAYLOR UNIVERSITY, WACO, TEXAS, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1907

## FEELING FOR Y AND GIRL

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### and Child Wears

### Waco's Best Store

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The audience then enjoyed the  
the cultural value of four ex-  
pose speeches by Messrs. Stack,  
Connor and Behrman on the  
singly important subjects,  
ting been," "Consubstantiation,"  
substantiation," and "Antitrans-  
ntalism." The climax of the eve-  
merry-making was reached

## FIRST TEXAS PEACE CONGRESS

### Initial Convention Proves to be a Great Success—Joint Programs With Federated Clubs

Waco has been the mecca of num-  
berless pilgrims this week. From  
every corner of Texas, men and women  
of note gathered for the meetings of  
the first Texas Peace Congress, and  
the tenth annual gathering of the  
Federated Women's Clubs of the  
state. These two great organizations,  
having in common so much of benefit  
to the world at large are to be mutu-  
ally congratulated upon the success  
that attended their efforts this week.  
The first joint meeting of the two  
bodies was held on Tuesday evening  
in Carroll Chapel, and proved most  
successful, in spite of the fact that a  
heavy rain accompanied by lightning

audience with her ease, grace, and  
strength of delivery. Her words were  
full of humor and witty allusions, yet  
she showed, at the same time, a  
depth of thought that was equalled by  
few of the other speakers of the Con-  
gress. In eloquent words she pictured  
the scene of the unveiling of the  
Chloe Coatsworth monument. "The

## SATISFACTORY

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## MATTHEWS

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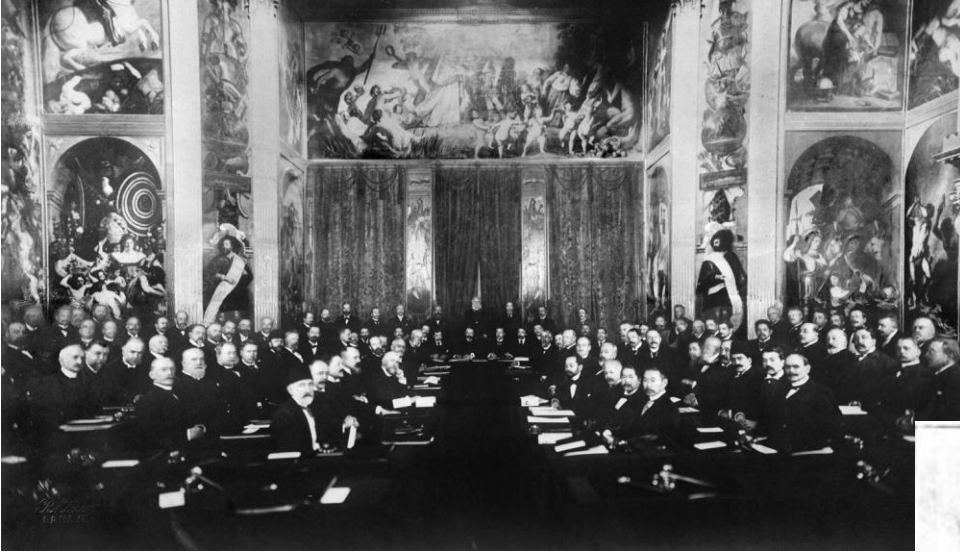
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Co-Sponsored by:  
Texas Federation of Women' Clubs

Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker (Anna)

# Peace Movement 1899 – 1917: US and Texas



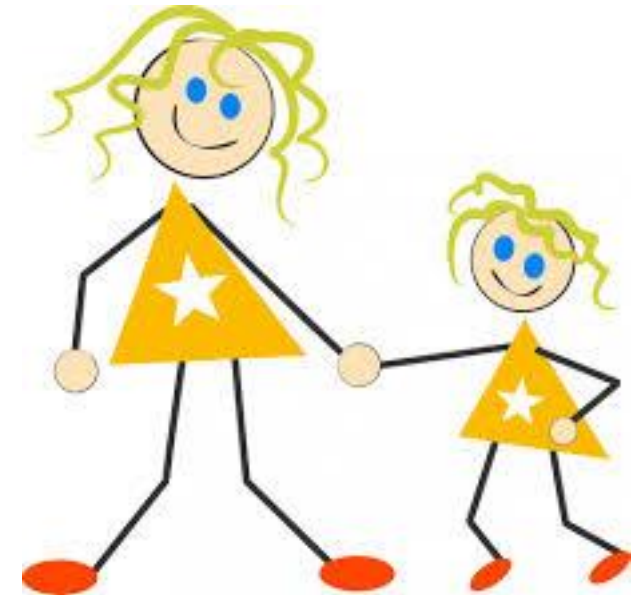
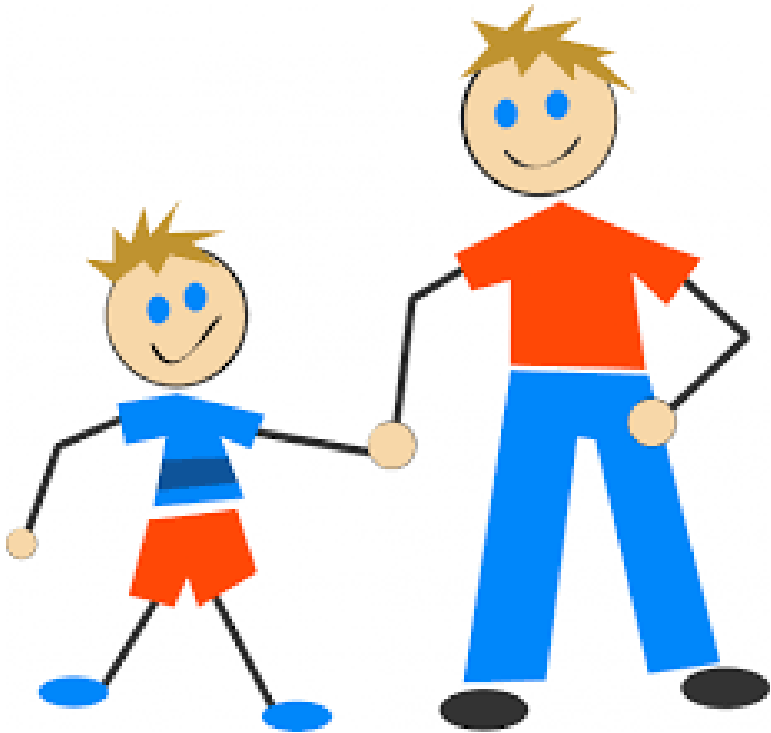
The Hague  
1899 & 1907

Baylor 1907



Partial view of Baylor University Campus, where the Peace Congress was held

# US & Texas Peace Movement

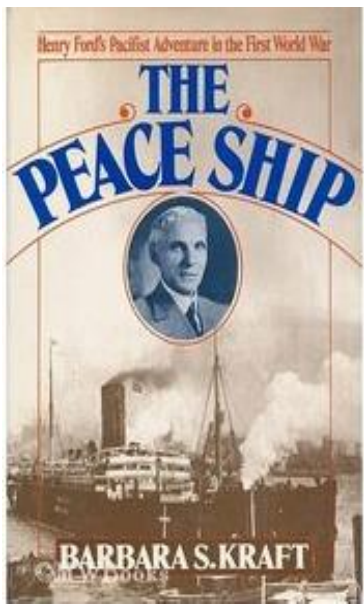




## US Peace Movement (1890s – WWI)

- Establish International “**Law and Order**”
- Arbitration
- US Supreme Court as Model
- Peace Good for Business
- Christian Values
- Women’s social policy agenda





Peace Organizations (Elite)  
Social conservative  
National political figures  
Important Businessmen

Ford



Roosevelt



Wilson



Addams



Taft



Carnegie

# International Peace Conference



The Hague 1899 & 1907

World leaders actively sought new institutions, legal frameworks and policy tools

- multilateral treaties
- Permanent Court of Arbitration
- 1<sup>st</sup> formal statement laws of war, war crimes

War replaced by a system for the peaceful settlement of disputes among states.



1915



- Women's Peace Conference  
The Hague
- Delegation visited capitals warring  
Nations -- Mediation



1914

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF WOMEN

THE HAGUE — APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup> TO MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 1915

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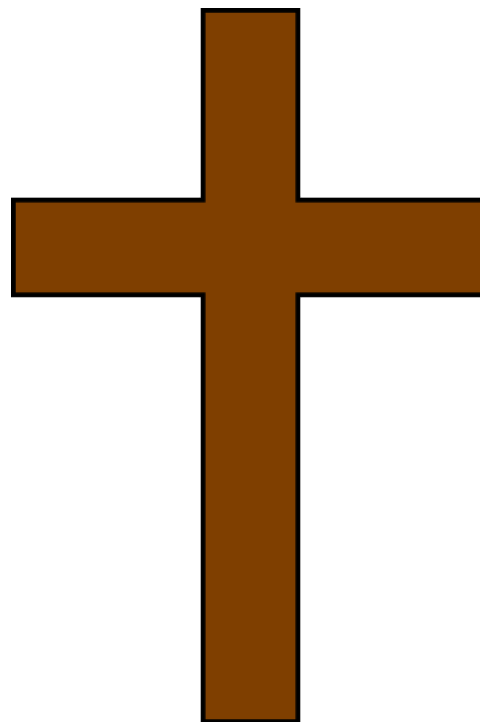
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RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

- Begin peace negotiations immediately
- Organization “Society of Nations”
- **Acknowledge women’s suffering during war**
- **Give women right to vote**
- **Women participation in Peace Processes**

Blessed are the  
peacemakers: for  
they shall be  
called the  
children of God.

Matthew 5:9





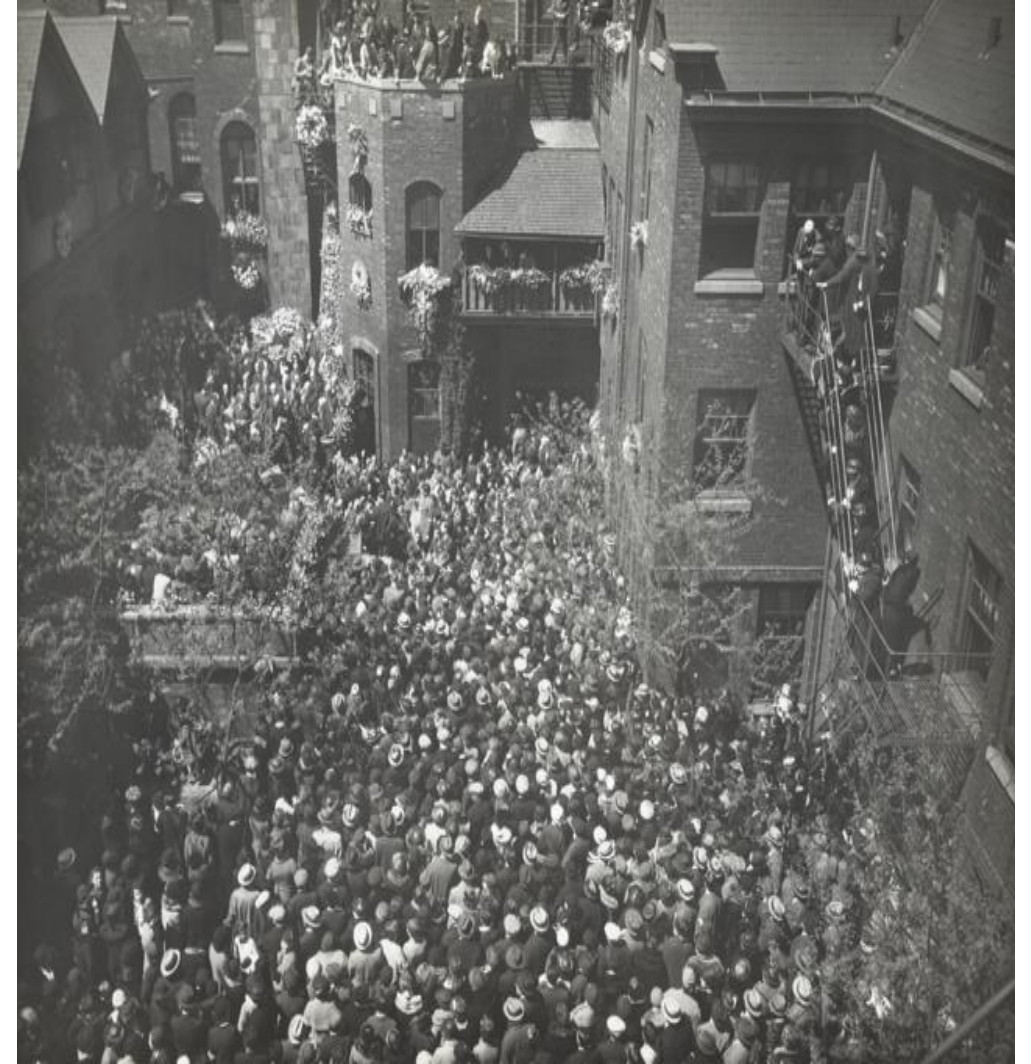
World War I

Like an extinction event

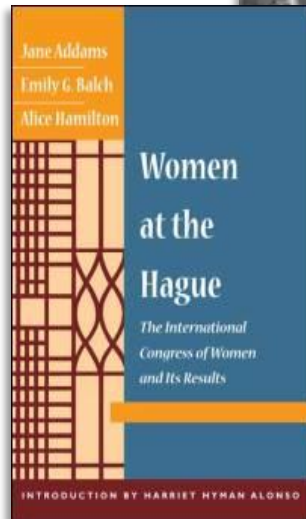
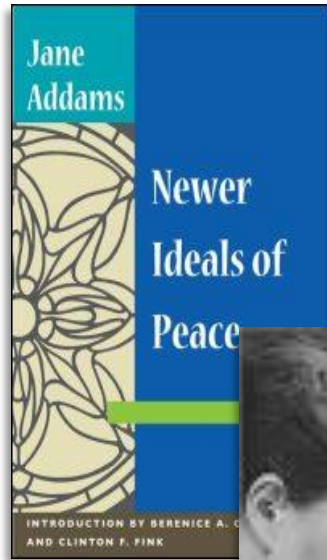
- German sympathizers/traitors
- Communist sympathizers
- Quick to judge/unsupported claims – press/politicians



Jane Addams  
1860-1935



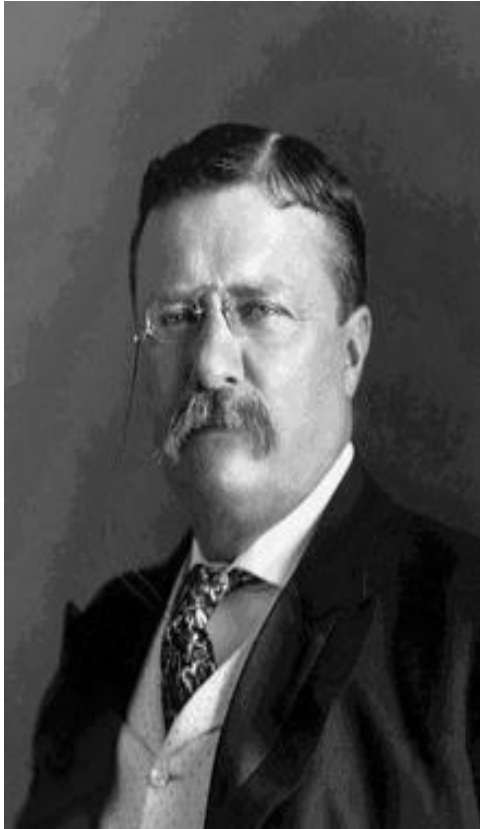
Funeral  
Steps of Hull-House



Nobel Peace Prize  
1931



Founder



26<sup>th</sup> President

She nominated Progressive party presidential candidate.



28<sup>th</sup> President

Wilson nominated her for Nobel prize



31<sup>st</sup>  
President

She and Hoover worked on post WWI humanitarian efforts

# Leader Settlement Movement

1880s – 1920s

Problems of  
Industrialization & Urbanization

Poverty

Health – Sanitation

Health – Industrial accidents

Education



Inspired by trip to  
England's Toynbee Hall

Top Down model of reform



Immigrant Community  
Lab – conflict resolution  
Women's ideas

Bottoms up model of reform

## Hull House (Chicago)



Hull House –  
**Settlement Workers** gathering  
1920

# Recovering Jane Addams



1889

Celebrated

1915

Demeaned  
Traitor  
Communist  
Silly old woman

1935

DOJ Surveillance

# Roots of Women's Peace Movement

Women organizing politically

North

Abolition  
US Sanitary Commission  
Women's Clubs  
Settlement movement

South

Literary Clubs  
Women's Clubs

Moral authority of the Mother





## Texas Federation Women's Clubs

### Northern Women

Abolition organization  
Sanitary Commission (Civil War)  
Urbanization  
Immigration  
Women's Club tradition  
Settlement movement

Literary Tradition  
Urbanization  
Focus – rural poverty  
Upper class  
Volunteerism  
White experience



Jane Addams

1860 - 1935

Founded Settlement movement

Single (niece/nephew)

Author/Speaker

Non profit administrator

Hull House

Higher Education

Upper Class



Anna Pennybacker

1861 -1938

President Texas Federation of Women's Clubs

Widowed – 3 children

Author/speaker

Teacher/ Principal

Higher Education

Upper Class



## Hull House Activities

drama classes,  
day care programs,  
Kindergarten,  
coffee house/theater,  
art and labor museum,  
Sunday concerts,  
Speaker Series, choir,  
over 25 clubs,

### Urban Neighborhood Services

meeting rooms for organized labor,  
cooperative apartments for young women  
College Extension courses  
Voter Registration

**First in Chicago to establish a public  
bath,  
gymnasium,  
kitchen,  
playground,  
swimming pool.**

## Texas Women's Clubs

Libraries  
School playgrounds  
City playgrounds  
Traveling Art Exhibits  
Literary groups  
Civic beautification  
"soap & water days"  
Concerts  
lectures



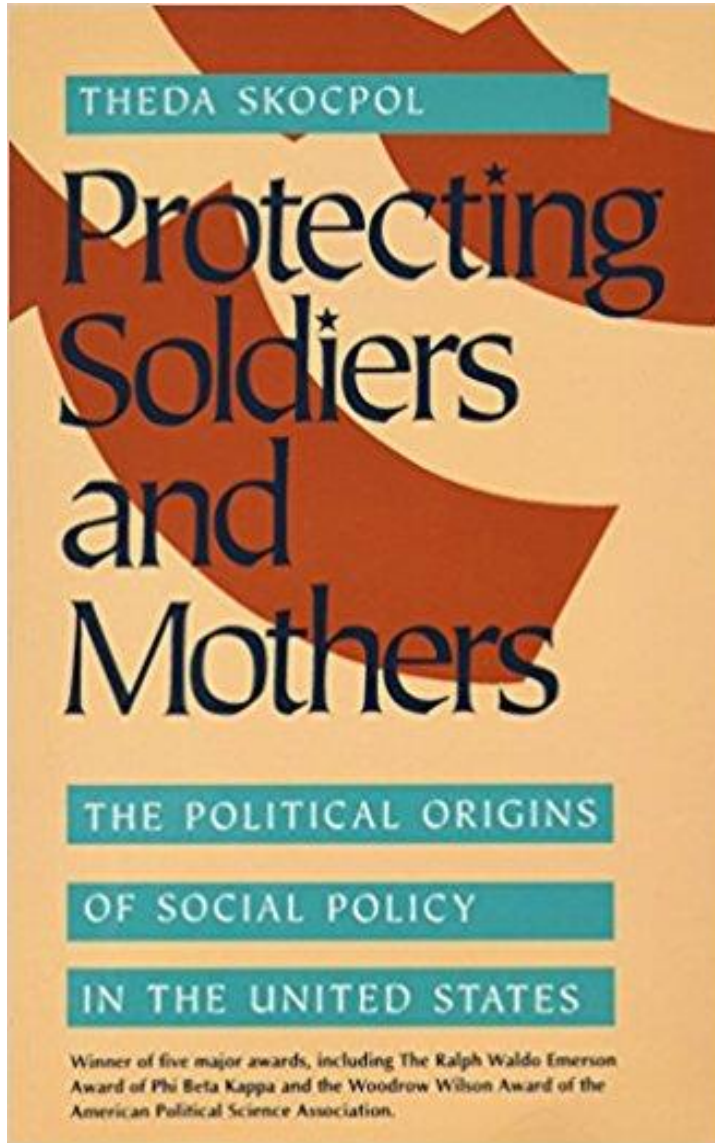
## Active social reform



- Street Cleaning/garbage collection
- Water/Sewer
- Healthier workplace

- Child labor laws
- Playgrounds
- Juvenile Courts





# Maternalism-social activism

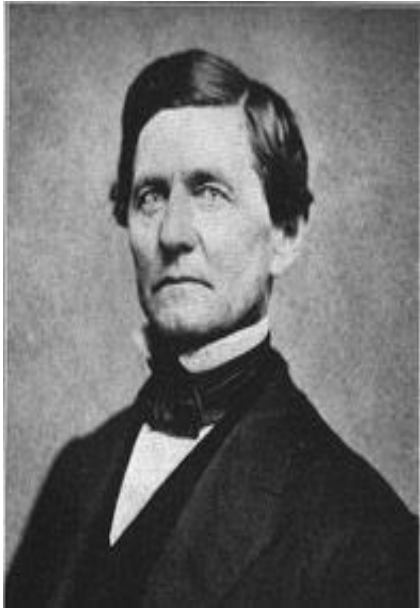
Moral Authority of Mother

Claim policy areas that  
affected women and  
children



Peace

# Paternalism



Public Sphere – male domain

Woman's sphere  
Private Sphere



Duty  
Moral Absolutism

# Municipal Housekeeping

Criticized outmoded model  
of city governance



Women's  
experience



Argued in favor of a  
more caring model of  
city government.

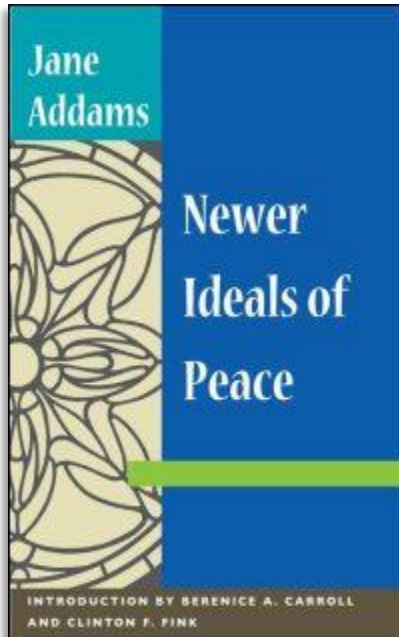
Widen Social  
Claim

# Civic (Social) Housekeeping

1907 “Survival of Militarism in City Government” (chapter 1)

“Failure to Utilize Immigrants in City Government

“Utilization of Women in City Government”

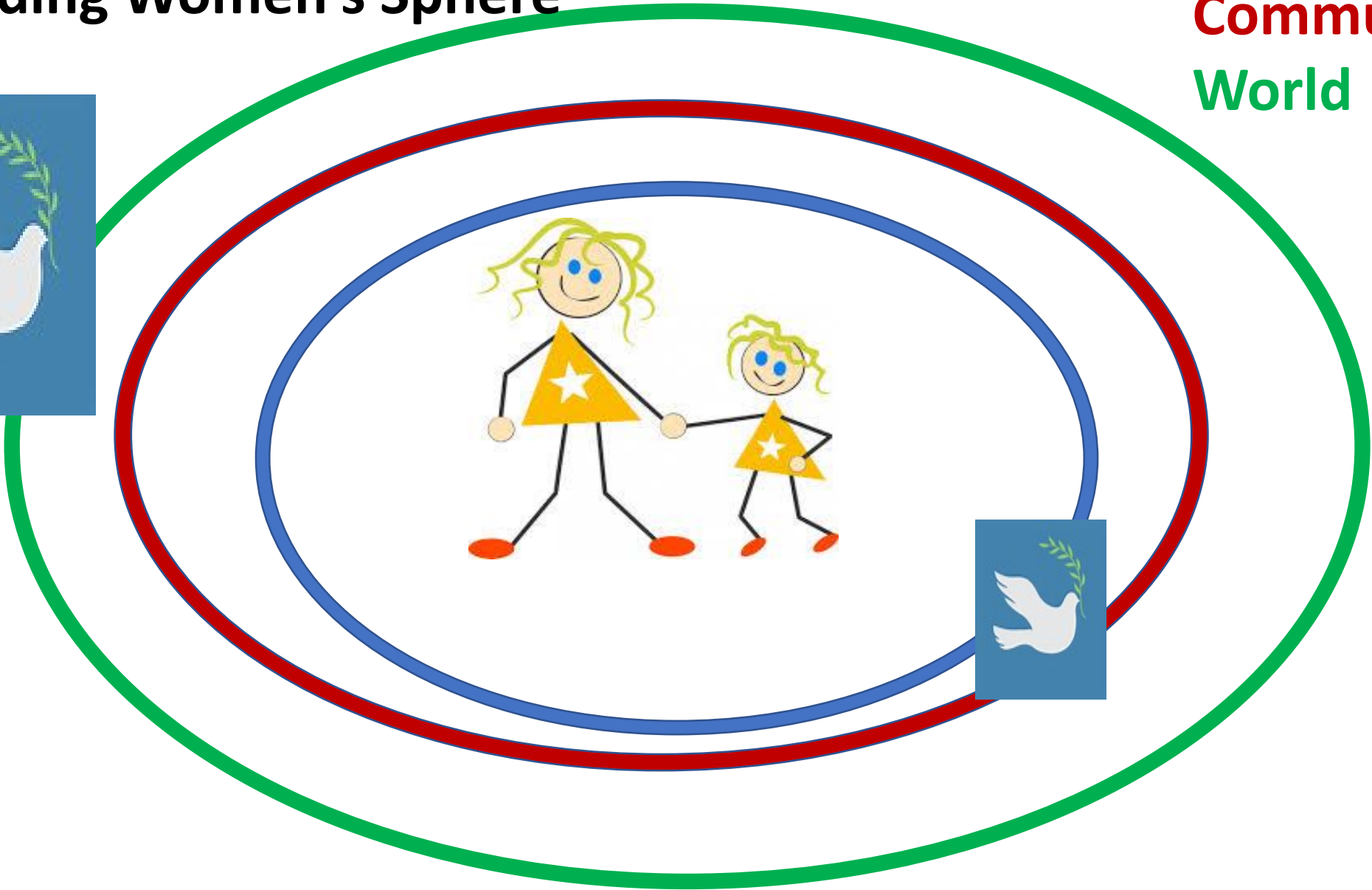


Social claim linked to Women's Experience

Natural Leader of Women's Peace Movement

# Expanding Women's Sphere

Home  
Community  
World



Newer Ideals

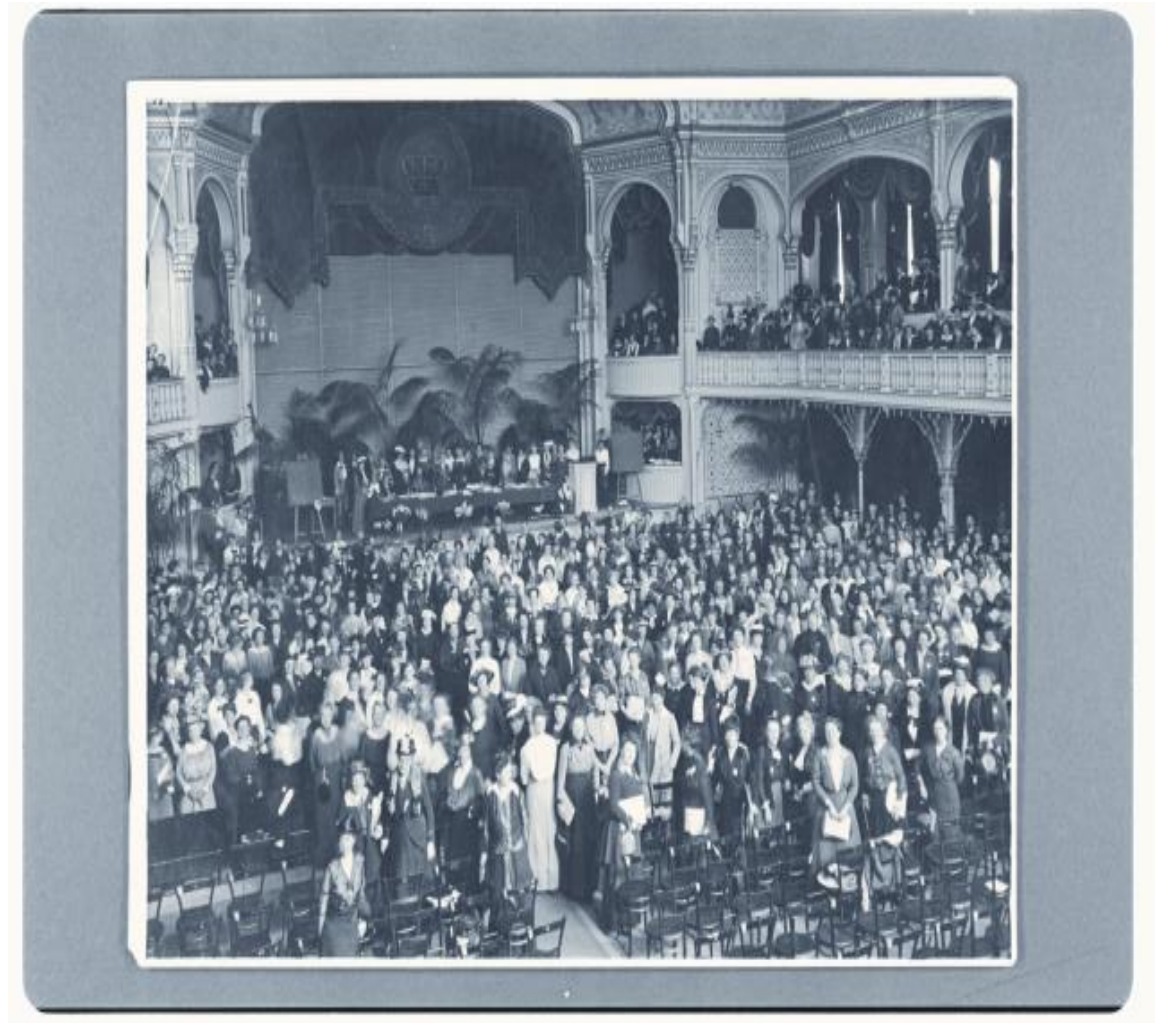
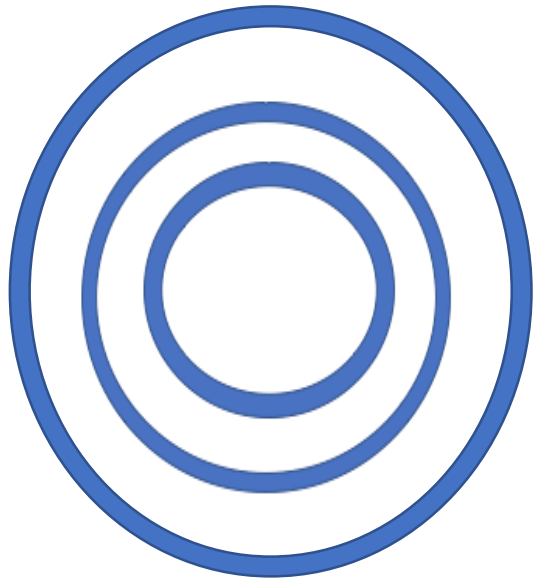


- Women have an instinctive and rational opposition to war
- Women & Children suffer but not at table
- Need increase participation of women in politics.
- Linked to Suffrage Movement



International Peace Congress of Women at the Hague  
April 1915

Social Claim



International Committee of Women for Permanent Peace

April 1915



During WWI

Suffrage movement   Pro-war

US Food Administration

Addams traveled  
Including Texas



American Relief  
Administration

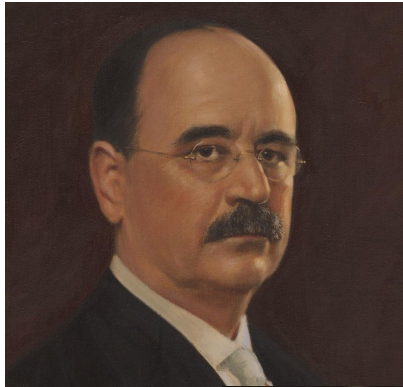
4 million tons of supplies  
23 countries

Herbert Hoover

# PeaceWeaving

– building the fabric of peace by emphasizing relationships. These positive relationships are built by working on practical problems, engaging people widely with sympathetic understanding while recognizing that progress is measure by the welfare of the vulnerable.

(Shields & Soeters, 2015)



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# THE TEXAS PEACE CONGRESS

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## Program

Nov. 19 – Mrs. Pennybacker TFWC  
Hallelujah Choir

Nov. 20 – Nat Washer – Grand Master, (Mason) & President Business Men's Club of SA  
W. H. Atwell US District Attorney  
Geo. Burgess, Member of Congress  
Geo Turett, Pastor, 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist, Dallas  
T. M. Campbell, Governor of Texas

Benjamin Trueblood, Secretary of the American Peace Society, Editor, *Advocate for Peace*

J. Kirwin, Rector, St. Mary's Cathedral  
Clarence Ousley, Editor, *Ft. Worth Record*

Mrs. Pennybacker (Pres, TFWC)

“What the women of America should do is to believe and make other people believe that Peace is the best thing for the World, and that arbitration is the best way in the world to settle all differences.”



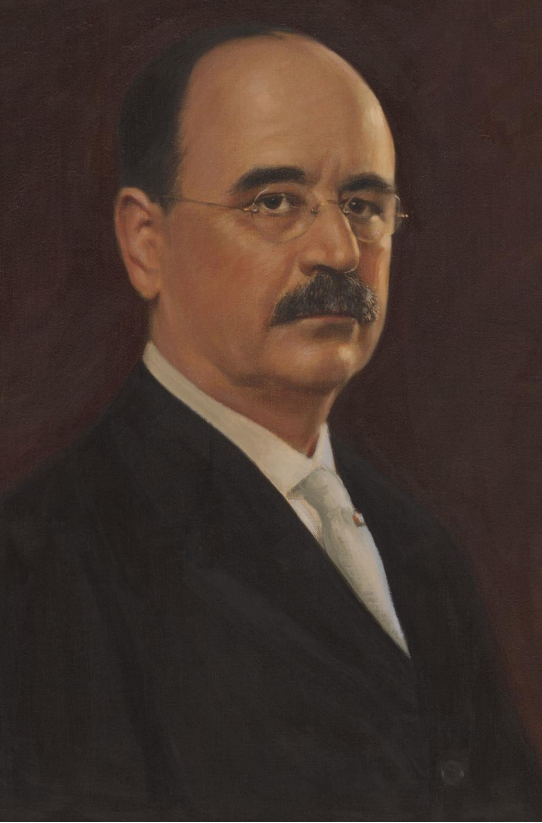
Nat Washer (Pres. Businessmen's Club)

“Peace is already accepted as an ally to industry, as well as to every other civilizing factor....”



Rev. Truett

“If this nation is to be saved from the doom of the proud nations of the olden days, we must learn from the Son of God Himself the priceless value of human life.”



Samuel P. Brooks

“The Price of Peace”

“The price of peace, to the shame of modern civilization, is the cost of war.

I do not as a citizen, and I would not under right occasion in war, fail to respond to the needs of my country.

But I appeal to teachers, who study the history of mankind, and who teach the rising generations ... we have reached a time in the development of the race when **diplomacy and arbitration are better than war.**”

Address to the State Teachers Assoc. 1913



Lindley M. Keasbey  
UT Professor  
Released from UT for  
Peace activism (1917)



Eduard Prokosch  
UT Professor forced to  
Resign from UT for German  
Leanings 1919



WWI

**Casualties**

## Legacy of Peace Movement -- *Newer Ideals of Peace*

Hidden in Plain Sight



Dinosaurs -- birds

- Municipal Libraries
- Public Parks
- Child Labor Laws
- School Playground equipment
- Sewers
- Clean water
- Garbage Collection
- Sanitary meat markets, restaurants
- Etc.

**2017** -- Jane Addams



## UN Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security

Increased participation of women in decision making related to, prevention, management and resolution of armed combat.



2015

Mrs. Pennybacher



Support “Peace” broadly defined by  
Targeting **family violence**



**NOW Is The Time!!!**  
**TFWC - Speak Up!**  
**Be Counted In The Texas**  
**Legislature This**  
**Session Via**  
**← This**  
**Purple Card!!**

- Act Fast - Needed in March!!
- Electronic Version @ <http://www.tcfv.org/purplepostcard>

*We prioritize our appropriations efforts for family violence services above all other activities at the Legislature. The Purple Postcards Project represents our premiere approach to galvanizing our constituents and the legislature in support of funding.*

*--Texas Council On Family Violence President Gloria Terry*

**This is our organization's opportunity to**  
**“SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE!”**

- Postcards are easy to fill out with pre-paid postage.
- Available through club presidents, also online.
- Can count as club project.
- Time is of the essence, **HURRY!! Needed in March.**

*Despite great strides in our state and communities, the voices of family violence victims are still too often silenced. Each of these purple postcards gives voice to those survivors, sending a powerful message to the Legislature that domestic violence services must be a priority.*

*-- Texas State Senator Jane Nelson*

