

NOTABLES ATTEND OXFORD GATHERING

Meeting of Group Is First of Series to Be Conducted at Shoreham Hotel.

A distinguished and cosmopolitan audience last night attended the series of meetings being conducted here by leaders of the Oxford group movement at the Shoreham Hotel. The movement is described as embracing a modernized version of their tenets of the New Testament.

Justice Harlan Fiske Stone, of the United States Supreme Court, members of Congress and Diplomatic Corps, clergymen, educators and Army and Navy officers, were in the throng which attended the gathering.

Francis Elliston, young Oxford graduate, was one of the speakers, who drew the rapt attention of his audience. Mr. Elliston told of the mental processes experienced by himself which led to his accepting the principles embodied in the movement drawing its designation from his alma mater.

Baroness Lillian van Heeckeren, of De Steeg, Holland, spoke of progress among the Dutch people of the new movement.

Carl Vrooman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture during the administration of President Wilson, was among the speakers. He said that the Oxford movement is the answer "to the present world crisis," and that its universal acceptance would bring about a large measure of world tranquillity.

Other speakers were Col. Hugh Belgrave, retired British army officer, who, with Mrs. Belgrave, addressed the gathering. Col. Belgrave told of experiences during the Boer War in South Africa and recounted incidents which he said indicated to him the feasibility of the new movement.

A Post reporter was informed by members of the 22 Britons who came here recently to advance their cause here that there is "nothing new" about their theories. One of them said that "out of self, into Christ, into others" is an apt condensation of their ideas.