UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA CHARLOTTESVILLE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT February 23, 1917. Mr. Ernest Dressel North, 4 East 39th St., New York. My dear Mr. North: The topic upon which I will speak before the Athenaeum, on March 8, is the consideration of the effect upon democracy of the world war. The title is Can Democracy be Organized? I do not think from your report that you have had this subject brought before you in some years, if ever. I am greatly saddened at the thought that I shall not be able to greet my old friend, Hamilton Mabie, but I am pleased at the knowledge that DeLagnel Haigh, with whom I spent many happy college days, is a citizen of Summit. Anticipating much pleasure in meeting you, I am, Very truly yours,