GOOD AUTHORS HERE FEW, SAYS WALPOLE

British Novelist Asserts Amer-Ican National Conditions Should Be Inspiration for Writing

SPEAKS AT BRYN MAWR

A distinguished British povelist of the newer school paused briefly in Philadelphia last evening. During the pause he spoke, after the way of folk literary, about books and about America.

And America can find both joy and serrow in what Hugh Walpole, author of "The Golden Scarcerow" and "Jereny," thinks and says about these

Justice first place he has much more admiration for our land than for the men who write of it.

"I'm surprised," he said, "that with the inspiration of so wonderful a country there are not more promising young novelists anyearing on the horizon."

Mr. Walpole said he did find plenty of "life" and spirit over here, but out side of Joseph Hergesheimer, whose West Chester home makes him a Phila delphin product, and of James R. Cabell, he did not seem overly caldiusiastic about American products.

astic about American products. Lauds Christopher Morley

Mencken, as a critic and Frost, as a poet, found favor with him; and he had a most appreciative word for Christopher Morley, the Evening Punite Lancer, "Socrates," whom he met recently in New York.

cently in New York.

He expressed admiration, and at the same time astonishment, that Mr. Morley could get out his column day after day; and the last thing he did before hearding his train for New York was to buy a copy of the EVENING PUBLIC LENGER and read Mr. Morley's "Chaffing Dish."

Mr. Walpole snoke in Taylor Hall at Bryn Mawr College yesterday afternoon, The address was arranged by the English Club there. He had a jammed "house," despite the competition of a hockey game. Girls hung over the narrow balcony at either end of the hall.

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percied on window ledges and sat it "Ohs" and "Alis" of pleasure and fidmiration were heard when Mr. Wal-pole, a striking figure, appeared on the



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The British novelist was besieged after his speech by a throng of graduates and undergraduates, many of

them thrusting copies of his novels into his hand for him to autograph, or clamoring to shake the hand of "the clamoring to shake the hand of "the man whose work they had always admired so very, very much."

He was entertained at supper by Miss Alice Harrison, of Baltimore, president of the English Club. He came into the city on an early evening train, and it was on the way here, in the smoking car of a Main Line train that he was cornered and made to divulge

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platform, immaculate and very English, and charmingly tolerant of his audience. The hockey sticks stopped clattering on the floor and the sibilant whispering was stilled. All eyes were directed on Mr. Walpole's bright, clean-shaven face.

He gave the Brya Mawr girls good advice about books and reading, and it doesn't seem unlikely that the librarian at the college will wender in the next few days why Joseph Conrad's "Nostromo" has become suddenly so popular. Mr. Walpole is first, last and always a great admirer and champion of Mr. Conrad.

Besieged by Girls

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Some of his darkest secrets concerning literature and authors. He was most charming about it.

Here, as at all other times, one couldn't help being impressed with the bright, twinkling eyes and square, resulting eyes and square probably be repeated. I generally way, instead of writing short stories, the first ha



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various kinds of communities such as a model. Of Conrad and the old school, and cathedral towns, sea-coast towns, manufacturing centers, and the rest. They will not be taken from events colden and people in my own life, but from the life around me."

Alreraft Men Honor Coburn

Both in his address and on the train.
Mr. Walpole decried the type of autobiographical novel so common in England before the war, which started the hero in his cradle, "with much about his pink toes," said Mr. Walpole, and carried him to his death or to a very was presented with a traveling bag. unhappy marriage.

"We thought ourselves very brilliant indeed," declared Mr. Walpole, laughingly, who predicted that romanes, though far from the swashbuckling variety, would and was already coming

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