

THEN AND NOW

Last fall, while talking to a Republican chap,
I remarked in a casual way:
"The war's caused cotton to take a mighty 'drap."
And this is what he had to say:
"The war's got nothing to do with it 'all,"
Woodrow Wilson is the cause of it all."

I met the same chap within the last few days,
And I said in a matter-of-fact way:
"Wilson's caused cotton to take another raise."
And this is what he had to say:
"Wilson's got nothing to do with it 'all,"
The European war is the cause of it all."
—P. M. PARKS.

PLEA FOR LARGER ARMY

Secretary Garrison in His Annual Report Insists on Larger Army—Makes Remarkable Report.
Secretary Garrison declares in his annual report to the President that if the administration plan for a continental army fails, the United States will face some form of compulsory military service. Mr. Garrison passes quickly over the widespread routine activities of the War Department and devotes practically all his words to the subject of military preparedness, the need for which he sums up by saying:
"So long as right and wrong exist in the world there will be an inevitable conflict between them. The right-doers must be prepared to protect and defend the right as against the wrong."
Unsparring in his arguments in answer to those who would have no increase in the country's military preparedness, Secretary Garrison declares that the American people must view their responsibilities and measure up to them and then goes on to take up the various arguments of the opposition separately. In conclusion the Secretary says:

"If determination arrived at by those whose knowledge, skill and experience makes their judgment practically conclusive is accepted, we should have in this country a force of at least 500,000 men ready for instant response to a call in the event of war or the imminence of war. It is surely not necessary to state the many reasons why this force may not be supplied by a regular standing army of that number constantly under arms. There is no legal way that the National Guard can, in time of peace be governed, officered or trained by the national government; and there is no legal way, excepting by volunteering, that it can be made available to the nation in time of war to any greater extent than specified in the constitution, which confessedly falls short of the necessary uses to which an army may have to be put in the event of a war with a foreign nation.

"It became necessary, therefore, to devise some method of making available for the use of the nation in time of war a national force, to-wit, the regular army, which is constantly under the arms; a part of the army in other words, to be raised and maintained by Congress and governed in all respects in accordance with its directions. When this system is devised and made operative the nation would militarily be in this situation: It would have, as the constitution provides, an army raised and maintained by it, composed of a certain number constantly under arms, and a very much larger number definitely identified in personnel, provided with equipment and organization, possessed of some training, and subject to instant call. The states would have the organized militia, developed with Federal assistance to the highest practicable point of efficiency, available for the purposes specified in the constitution and so circumstanced that in the event of a war with a foreign nation they could, by their own volition, immediately take their place with the other military force of the nation."

HONOR ROLL NEW CENTER SCHOOL

High honor roll—Maie Way, Helen Garner, Callie Albright, Robert Williamson, Walter Williamson, Hal Garner, Alfred Williamson.
First grade—Conie Garner, Nora McNeill, Maie Christie.
Second grade—Laura McNeill, Frank Garner, Clyde McNeill, Louella McNeill.
Third grade—Frank McNeill, Ben Christie.
Fifth grade—Viola Cox, Alma Cole, Clarice McNeill, Carl Christie, Dolphus Garner, Dalton Garner.
Seventh grade—Mittie Johnson.
Hester Stuart, Teacher.

MOONLIGHT SCHOOLS ELIMINATE ILLITERATES

The moonlight school movement in the State has grown to greater proportions than was even hoped for by the department of education. Encouraging reports have come in from all parts of the State, and from these it may be inferred that great inroads have been made on the army of illiterates in North Carolina. More than half the teaching force of the State is enrolled in the movement.

FRED TATE ON LIFE OF BOOKER WASHINGTON

In a speech recently before the Epworth League of the Morris Methodist church, negro, at High Point, Mayor Fred N. Tate spoke on the life of Booker T. Washington and held him up as a worthy example for the negro people of High Point.
"Not only is the negro race a loser in the death of Dr. Washington," said Mr. Tate, "but the white race as well."
The speaker praised the High Point negroes for the thrift and declared in his opinion High Point had the best negroes in the State.

A SHAMEFUL ALLIANCE

To such Republicans as manifest a willingness to espouse almost any cause that promises to embarrass President Wilson we commend this utterance of the venerable Joseph H. Choate:

There is one other word I want to say about the President, and that is to express the fervent hope that no partisan spirit will enter into this matter of national preparedness, and I for one should be heartily ashamed of the party to which I belong if it tried in any way to make capital out of the sincere efforts of the President to make this country ready for war but for peace.

It is plain enough that the peace societies, neutrality leagues and truth vereins have political as well as military and commercial purposes. They celebrate the loss of every transatlantic liner. They rejoice when a munition factory is blown up. They look with as much disfavor upon the use of arms by the United States as upon the shipment of arms to the enemies of Germany. In promotion of these sentiments they offer to any party adopting them a solid German vote.
If a great alien movement of this kind were possible in the Republic the fact would have immense significance, but of vastly more importance would be the degradation of any political organization that undertook to profit by it. Shame indeed would attach to a party adopting such an issue, and infamy also.—New York World.

CONSCRIPTION IN THE UNITED STATES

The talk of conscripting soldiers for the English army revives the conscription of soldiers in the United States.

The Continental authorities were compelled to resort to conscription in 1776. This method of recruiting seems to be contemplated by the "Militia Act" of 1792, by which Congress made "every free, able-bodied white citizen of the respective States" a member of the enrolled militia and liable to be called out for the national defense. In October, 1814, the acting Secretary of War, James Monroe, proposed vigorous measures—conscription acts, in fact—for increasing the army and adding to its strength. There was a falling off in volunteering, and Monroe proposed to raise by conscription or draft, a sufficient number to fill the existing ranks of the army to the full complement of 62,448 men; also an additional regular force of 40,000 to be locally employed for the defense of the frontiers and seacoast. Bills for this purpose were introduced into Congress October 27, 1814, but met with strong opposition and were denounced as unconstitutional.
During the Civil War conscription was resorted to, but this step aroused the hostility of the champions of States' rights. The failure of the States to provide either conscripts or volunteers to fill their quotas in 1862 resulted in the enactment of a general law for a draft under the supervision of provost marshals appointed by the War Department. The law was made unpopular by a clause allowing commutation for \$300; and after serious riots in New York and other cities this proviso was repealed; but substitutes were accepted up to the end of the war. About 85,000 men paid commutation, and the number of substitutes was still larger. The conscription acts did much to stimulate recruiting; the substitute clause led to the enlistment of many aliens; and the inclusion of negroes, slave or free, drew large contingents from the border States.

PLAN TO CARRY ON ACTIVE WORK

The High Point branch of the society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals held a meeting recently and discussed ways and means of carrying forward work in High Point. An entertainment will be given soon at the school building which will set forth the aims of the work and will attempt to arouse interest. Literature will be distributed freely in order to form a sentiment in favor of the humane treatment of dumb brutes.

HONOR ROLL PLAINFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL

First grade—Lessie Rich, Jewel York, Pearl Allred, Roy Millikan, Lois Canoy.
Second grade—Alta Davis.
Third grade—Della York, Ivey Millikan, Theodore Skeen.
Fourth grade—Ollie Powell.
Fifth grade—Ottwell Davis, Bessie York, Lena Powell, Jefferson Canoy, Ollie Millikan.
Sixth grade—Roscoe Powell.
Seventh grade—Fred Davis, David Powell.
Neal Sheffield, Teacher.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method to extend to the good people our sincere thanks for their many deeds of kindness and sympathy shown us in our state of sorrow in the loss of our mother, also for their beautiful floral offerings. We pray that heaven's richest blessings may abide with them all.
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THE IMITATIVE REPUBLICAN.

(News and Observer.)
As imitators, the North Carolina Republicans would be successful competitors for the blue ribbon. They trail along after the Democracy and pick up things which have been used by it.

There was a demonstration of this in the Republican meeting yesterday. One of the speakers of the day demanded that there be an investigation of the books of the Democratic State administration and with fervor exclaimed: "Let's take a look at the books." That's an old time Democratic cry when there was need to "take a look at the books" which had been in charge of Republicans. And there were things in those books which caused the people to run the Republicans out of power.

The Democracy of North Carolina bids the Republicans welcome to "take a look at the books." They will be found all right, for they have been in the hands of honest men.

And there was another spiel of "Turn the rascals out." Again the Republicans were trailing the Democracy, for it was the Democratic cry of "Turn the rascals out," which was an aid in turning out of office the Republicans. The "rascals" having been turned out the people of North Carolina are not going to turn them in again.

The North Carolina Republicans should find something new to say. They are trying to crib Democratic sayings. But it isn't going to work.

NOT ENOUGH CHILDREN

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SEVERE PUNISHMENT

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DENTON NEWS

Denton is getting to be right much of a hog raising town. Since the cold weather set in about 10,000 pounds have been killed, and there are about that much more to kill. This means that each family of the town will have an average of 333 pounds of home raised pork this season.
The business revival wave which has swept over the country for the past few weeks has reached Denton and put business on a boom here. The Denton Lumber Co. has received an average of 50,000 feet of lumber per day on wagons for the past month, and their orders have increased so they will be forced to work extra time to fill them. The cross tie trade has increased in like proportion, and the merchants are feeling the effects of better business conditions in their increased trade.
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Primary grades—Roy Coble, Robert Hinshaw, Denver Rollins, Graydon Smith, Ruth Bonkemeyer, Alice Connor, Pauline Davis, Ruth Yow, Beatrice Rollins.

NORTH CAROLINA

(Dr. Clarence Poe.)
I believe in North Carolina, in her coming awakening. In the glory of her destiny; I believe that whatever of good or beauty or nobleness men in any other land or era have wrought, we men and women of North Carolina today and tomorrow, in the providence of God, may here and now achieve.
I am persuaded that with a stock so sturdy and capable, and with natural and social conditions so auspicious, such an ultimate flowering of the genius of our people is inevitable; that not only shall we develop a civilization whose average level will be high, but that even as one generation in Virginia produced a Washington, a Jefferson, a Marshall, a Madison, a Henry, and a Monroe, so there will arise from some generation of our own people a group of North Carolinians who will greatly and yet more variously enrich the annals of our race.

THE HOME ORCHARD

A succession of early, medium and late fruits:
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Apples—Yellow Transparent, Red Astrachan, Julian, Brilliant, Fall Pippin, Grimes, Golden, Kinnard, Ben Davis, Black Red, Gano, Stayman, Winesap, Shockley, Terry, Yates and Rome Beauty.
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