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TOP O' THE MORNING.

It is from ignorance that most suffer. If once they could know God as He is, and realize the love and joy and peace of friendship with Him, they would come to Him in absolute confidence and devotion, findind in Him the deliverance in their perplexities, forgiveness for their sins, satisfaction for their desires, and realization of their hopes. Do what you will for a man, you cannot do anything that will so absolutely satisfy and bless him as to teach him to know God. -MEYER.

The real Big Noise was at Brest on Friday afternoon.

\$75 a ton.

help both agriculture and commerce

for the government to unload its ni-

trates on a basis of after war compa-

titive prices. The effect of corner-

en to save a few millions of dollars.

Far be it from us to sit in judgment

upon the wisdom of the orders of our

military scientists some three thous-

fighting right up to the minute No-

vember 11 is a hard nut for our civi-

lian mind to crack. With the armis-

tice signed, to be effective at the stroke

of eleven, November 11, why was it

necessary to fight on to that time and

sacrifice many a brave fellow while

many another suffered wounds? We

would like to read a military reason

In a soldier's letter reproduced in

this issue, the young man writes of

"Our barrage lifted at 6 o'clock and

about 6:30 we started after the Hun

and we ran him until about 10 o'clock.

We had barbed wire entanglements so

thick on our right, left and front, that

no man could go through it and about

tian right there. I forgot to say that

artillery fire (the worst of all) was

back of us. I suppose we lay under

that for about 45 minutes, and they

I learned what a horror a battlefield

is. About that time one came along

with my name on it and zip! went

right through by helmet. * *. * Be-

fore I left there the firing ceased. I

did not know what was the matter.

heard the armistice was signed, but

it was too late for many brave men.

'some' casualties in our company. I

can count 16 and I don't suppose

know half."

the last morning's activities:

for it.

/ THE LAST HOURS' FIGHTING.

embargo would be bad. We don't be- of any nation.' Peace for the world

sailles.

ANSWAR.

THE ROLL CALL.

The tug of war didn't tow John Bull's navy anywhere.

You can expect to see things get on but it would be equivalent to putting the move early after New Years.

Remember that this week you should buy war savings and thrift stamps for holiday gifts.

Those who think they can rock the boat are just as apt to drift up Salt shift the burden from the government Creek without a paddle.

The God of Israel said, the Rock of ture at a time when production needs Israel spake to me, He that ruleth over men must be just, ruling in the fear of timate relief. God .-- II Samuel, xxiii, 3.

"President Wilson's voyage agreed

GOVERNMENT WILL HAVE TO -SHOULDER ITS LOSS.

The ernment can not afford to to President Wilson upon his arrival put an embargo on the importation in France on Friday afternoon. It of nitrate of soda in order to protect ought to thrill all American hearts its holdings of nitrates imported at that the president of the United States high cost during the war. Nitrates can has received such a tremendous ovation now be imported by private parties at everywhere. It is not alone a tribute some fifteen to twenty dollars a ton to our president but to the nation as cheaper than the government's nitrates well. France feels that the American cost," but the government will have to republic has honored the European re-

stand that loss just the same as pripublic by sending the American chief vate parties who happen to have magistrate in person to greet France bought on a high market and find and in turn to be so enthusiastically themselves in the position of being greeted by her. compelled to lose money on the goods.

President Wilson and party reached bought at war prices. No doubt there Paris yesterday morning from the port will be thousands of such cases, inof Brest where he landed from the volving not only nitrates but commodisteamship George Washington, ever ties and merchandise of every descripto be famous as the ship which cartion. That is one of the fortunes of ried the president of the United States on the greatest mission ever underwar.

To protect the government by an taken by an American president. . The embargo would be applying the doc- hearty and sincere ovation given to the trine of protection to the government. president seems to fully justify him An embargo on nitrates would be a in his decision to attend the peace conmeans of unloading the government's ference. His presence in Europe promhigh priced nitrates on the farmers, ises to have a splendid effect. The when, without an embargo, they could impression he is creating will be

import nitrates much below the cost wholesome. of the government's nitrates. Wil-Already the people of Europe and mington is one of the nitrate importthe world know that the president has ing ports, hence it is commercially and vitally interested in seeing its commerce with Chile resumed at the

earliest possible moment. An embargo would mean that no steamships could ply between Wilmington and Chilean ports till the embargo had been lifted. Madame Poincare, President Wilson If the farmers are compelled to buy in an embargoed market they would the whole world at the peace con-

have to pay \$95 a ton for nitrates, ference. In his reply to the eloquent whereas in a market not restricted by welcome extended by the president of an embargo, they can buy nitrates at Of course, the government could he believes is the thought and hope of save money by means of an embargo,

feels justified that he spoke for our an embargo tax of \$20 a ton on the people when he declared:

consumers of nitrates. Private parties who also bought nitrates at war people of the United States turned tosuch protection would be at the exestablishment of the eternal principles pense of the farmers. In fact it would of right and justice. I realized that merely to win the war was not enough, peace of the world and lay the founencouragement by every possible legi-

PRESIDENT WILSON IN EUROPE Letters To The Star That was a roaring welcome given

Brief communications from citizens on matters of public interest welcomed for this column. In every case articles must be signed for publication by the real name of the writer.

FACTS ABOUT "Y" IN FRANCE

To the Editor of The Star: As you very correctly stated in your fair-minded editorial of Thursday, the Y. M. C. A. record in this war must stand or fall by the estimate which

the soldiers overseas form of its services.

But relative to Dr. McDaniel's criticism, based on the testimony of a few

to the soldiers.

gone to Europe for the sake of world to operate as many of the canteens as Record. peace. Within a day after he arrived possible. The heads of the "Y" comin France events have occurred with plied with this request, even though they realized that it was going out apparent rapidity. At the reception of their proper sphere. It has always tendered yesterday to the President been the aim of the army Y. M. C. A. and Mrs. Wilson by President and to render services absolutely free to the soldiers, and so they knew that to enter on what appeared to be a voiced what should be the object of business undertaking was fraught with unpleasant possibilities.

Any soldier who would have taken pains to examine into the conduct of these canteens would have discovered France, in the midst of a brilliant as- that they were being run absolutely semblage, President Wilson said what at cost. But herein, was the grevious mistake made by those officials who agreed to the undertaking. They ought the people of the United States. He never to have agreed to take over the canteens unless the government had agreed on its part to let them have the goods at exactly the same price as it

"From the first, the thought of the did the army canteens. When the Y. M. C. A. had to pay ocean freight and prices would also be protected, but all wards something more than the mere transportation charges in France it winning of this war. It turned to the was manifestly impossible for them to sell a bag of Bull Durham, let us say, at the same price that the quartermaster did, when he had to pay no to agriculture. It would not be a that it must be won in such a way, and more for a sack of tobacco in a "Y" good idea to put that tax on agricul- the questions raised by it settled in was in course of time relieved by the such a way, as to insure the future government's agreement to deliver stuff free to the "Y" canteens, but not dations for the freedom and happiness until after the harm had been done.

of its many peoples and nations. Never When the soldier had to pay one cent When the prices of all commodities before has war worn so tarrible a more r a sack of tobacco in a "Y" fall, as they are bound to do, thousands vissage or exhibited more grossly the canteen than he did in a government debasing influence of illicit ambitions. shop he at once jumped to the conof private parties can not hope to get | am sure that I shall look upon clusion that this cost for goods they stocked up on at ruin wrought by the armies of the making money.

CURRENT COMMENT.

At least two of our churches, the First of Wilmington and the Tabernacle of Raleigh held their Thanksgiving service in the early morning. This innovation was established by Dr. Hurt of the Wilmington church, and it strikes us as being very sensible and practical. People love to assemble once in awhle in the morning twilight. There is something fascinating in worship before sun up. And we imagine hearts are more responsive to an appeal in the freshness and beauty of the early morning. Then the whole day is left for hunting and visiting and whatever one pleases on Thanksgiving day. This does not suit all communities but where it does suit it suits well .- Charity and Children.

It is reported from time to time that some members of organized labor who returned soldiers, there are some ex- have for many months been working tenuating circumstances which per- over-time for war emergency output, haps it would be well for me to re- are being reduced to the scientific and state at this time. Whatever dissatis- humane 8-hour principle and in some faction has been expresed appears to cases are actually threatening strike be based on the belief of these soldiers for over-time. This is a humiliating that the Y. M. C. A. delibertely set out repudiation of the principles of the to make money out of the soldiers organized labor movement. After lathrough their canduct of the canteens, bor has spent its resources to have the whereas the Salvation Army and other s-hour principle recognized, for any welfare organizations gave their wares part of the brotherhood to put up a fight for long hours is a plain betrayal In the first days of our participa- of the movement. They should be distion in the war General Pershing, ciplined. No man or set of men should observing the thoroughness of the be permitted for selfish reasons to diswork being done by the Y. M. C. A. grace the movement at large by any men in France, asked that organization such tactics .-- Wilmington Saturday

As announced in the news columns

of this issue. Asheville has a chance to secure a valuable relic-as well as a tribute to the prowess of Buncombe county's soldiers-in the shape of a captured German gun, something on the order of the famous French "seventy-fives" It was taken in a hot engagement by the members of company I, 32st Infantry, Eightieth division, this company being composed largely of Asheville and Buncombe county boys. In a letter to his father, Sergeant Theodore B. Sumner, son of B. H. Sumner, declares that his company had dragged the gun for many miles, but would eventually have to turn it in to the ordance department unless permission from the U.S. war department to send the gun to Asheville were secured. The young sergeant would like to see a movement to this end started at once in this city, so that when our boys come home the gun will be mounted on Pack square. a perpetual reminder of their heroic achievement, and of our glorious sons who have made the supreme sacrifice. -Asheville Citizen.

The Park Department of New York city has begun the enterprise of planting trees in memory of soldiers who have given their lives for their country. A number of elms thirty feet

New Lot of Ladies' & Misses' Just Received

These Coats were bought by our New York buyer much below their regular price, and we are offering them at

> \$29.50 \$30 and \$45 Values This lot consists of Velour, Kersey and Broadcloth Coats, Fur Trimmed or Plain, in all the leading shades, including black.

> > **20 Market Street**

\$19.50

ith him and improved his health. At the same time, it made a lot of republican senators sick.

Has Uncle Sam been running the tects itself it should protect them, but railroads or have regular railroad men in doing so, the burden would simply heen running them for him and making him believe he has been running those less able to bear the burden. It them?

The curtain ought to rise on Wilmington's program as soon as the New Year holidays are at an end and we once more turn our attention to business as usual.

The Durham Sun goes and says: "If marriage doesn't take the conceit out ing the nitrate market by means of an brutal and destructive war on the part of a man, nothing else will.", Oh, no. 'Tain't marriage does it. It's one of lieve the government would do it, ev- in the future is what the world hopes the parties concerned in it.

. If at any time you spill your milk, wipe up the floor and forget all about it. When you drop your candy, don't loose your nerve. Stay in the reconstruction game and see it out.

The former kaiser is said to employ most of his time writing his autobiography. Maybe after he finishes it, his book can be filed as Exhibit 1 of the international evidence for the prosecution

When the National Security League impugns the loyalty of Representative E. W. Pou, of North Carolina, it shows that the security of a patriot's reputation is not secure in the keeping of the Security League.

A slick politician is not an electrician because he wires an and wires out. He wires in and wires out to keep somebody from getting his goat, on the same principle that a steamer zig-zags to keep a U-boat from hitting her with a torpedo.

Of course, plotters may plot, critics may criticise, naggers may nag, and they may be wild and wooly and wily, yet they may be switched off onto a track that will get them nowhere. Psalms xvi, 2: "For they intended evil against thee; they imagined a mischievous device, which they are not able to perform."

The latest report concerning Grand Duke Nicholas Nickolaievitch, several times reported as slain by the bolsheviki, is that he is in southern Russia in command of a Cossack force fighting the reds. Of course, if the last report be true it shows that the Grand Duke has had more luck than he was supposed to have had.

The parliamentary elections in the United Kingdom were held yesterday. We anticipate that the coalition cab- 11, with the armistice fixed so that sweep the country. All parties in "the What was the need , for sacrificing Britain's war policy and her adherence front when peace was a dead cer- Hindenburg line, to her insistence on being mistress of | tainty?

In the front lines trenches the Y. M. war prices. The government is in the central empires with the same repulsion and deep indignation that they C. A. secretaries gave away tobacco, same boat with them, and if it prochocolate, and such things, just as the stir in the hearts of the men of France Salvation army people gave away and Belgium, and I appreciate, as you do, sir, the necessity of such action doughnuts; but the free gift in the be shifted from broad shoulders to in their final settlement of the issues trenches and the enforced sale in the of the war as will not only rebuke canteen were confused in the mind of such acts of terror and spolliation but the soldier.

would be a bad idea for the govern-But after the whole story has been that men everywhere shall be made told, Mr. Editor, I believe that the Amment to protect its nitrate monopoly aware that they cannot be ventured erican people will be glad that they by an embargo. The policy would not upon without the certainty of just gave such cordial support to the Y punishment." be commendable or justifiable. It will M. C. A. The whole army will render

Evidently the president favors penaa verdict that will satisfy even Dr. lization of the war devils in addition McDaniel.

THEODORN PARTRICK, JR. to a world peace treaty that shall Southport, N. C., Dec. 18, 1918. safeguard the world from such another

A CARPENTER DISSENTS.

To the Editor of The Star: I was greatly surprised at a resoluthe neace conference will guarantee by tion purporting to have been the exthe treaty that it is to frame at Verpression of Local 477. United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, rela-

tive to the open Sunday, in Thursday's issue of The Star. I wish to reply to it. My attitude toward any measures upholding immorality is positive

The idea of giving every American and absolute opposition to the same. and miles away-but that last bloody an opportunity of sharing in the great I favor and aid any movement for the uplift of humanity, socially, morally work of the Red Cross is the inspiraand spiritually. While this is true, tion of genius, and our people ought must in justice to all concerned say to feel grateful for the chance to get that the local has been misrepresented in the article referred to. At the their names on the roll call, at the meeting December 11 there were only nominal outlay of just one dollar. The 32 carpenters voting, 17 for and 15 beauty of it is that practically every against the adoption of the resolution. one of us can meet the conditions of What the local would have done with membership without hardship. One is a full and fair attendance remains to be seen. It is unfair to the local as not limited to a dollar; one can give such, numbering over 300 members, if as liberally as he sees fit; but the roll I am correct, to claim adoption of

resolutions under conditions stated. call is a call to every one, and all can There is one position taken in the resolution with which I must emphati-

cally take issue-"That we volunteer The Red Cross merits the solid backing of the American people if for no our services in helping to keep other reason whatever than the fact sacredness of our Wilmington Sabbath Any Sabbath, so-called. inviolate." when we found ourselves in a trap. that it saved Italy from collapse. having only man's authority behind it, Waiving aside every other phase of has absolutely no sacredness attachthe world-wide work of the society ed, hence none to keep inviolate. The of the Music Teachers association of fourth commandment reads: "Remem-50 machine guns were firing on us from and remembering only that it stiffened three sides. I think I became a Chris- the Italian morale and held the allied Six days shalt thou labor and do all follows:

line on that part of the front, one thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath (not the first) of the Lord thy should feel impelled to stand by the God. In it thou shalt not do any Red Cross as a gratified patriot. Nothwork," etc. The Sabbath has divine kept getting them all around me, and ing more brilliant stands out in the sanction and our respect for and proper observance of it shows our love and However, there are many phases of It is a sign of our loyalty to the Crethe work, here at home, right in this The observance of Sunday as ator.

city; and in countries the world over, the Sabbath is absolutely without Divine authority or sanction, hence there particularly in the war zones, that is no sacredness connected with it. should so appeal to us all that every none to keep inviolate. Christ-says, man, woman and almost every little "If ye love Me, keep My command-We surely must have suffered man, woman and almost every little boy and girl, should be members of the ments."

What shall we do about it? W. E. WHITE. City, Dec. 14, 1918.

VISITED IN WILMINGTON.

Sir Joseph Macclay, British Shipping Head, Was Here Once.

A few days ago in the published report of Lloyd-George's great speech at Leeds, he referred to the dramatic appeal by his government to President go after the Huns. That is what they Wilson for re-enforcements from America in which the allies saw their only hope, and to President Wilson's laconic reply by cable "Send your ships tight little islands" approve Great thousands of men along the whole just like those who broke that Von George said he turned at once to the Section of

very capable and silent high commis-sioner of shipping, Sir Joseph Mac-

high have already been ordered, and each tree will bear a bronze tablet with the names of a soldier engraved upon it. They will be planted in an avenue in Central Park. The idea of planting memorial trees at this time originated with the American Forestry Association, and it is the hope and expectation that the suggestion will

be adopted all over the land.' It is already planned to make Lincoln Highway an avenue of memorial trees, and here in Maryland there is an exceptional opportunity. This has already been begun in Carroll and perhaps other counties. The great State highway, extending from Baltimore through the western countles to the northwestern section of Garret county, and from Grantsville to Oakland. lies in a country as fertile and beautiful in its natural scenery as any section of the United States. If each county would plant trees along this highway, each tree bearing the name of a soldier from that county, it would make a wonderful and magnificent avenue. The same thing might be done to beautify the State roads in all of the counties. It would add vastly to the attractions of Maryland. The idea of memorial trees is not a new one. Abraham's oak at Hebron, the tree in which Prince Charlie concealed himself from his enemies, and Treaty

Oak, in New England, are examples. TO MAKE LIBERTY FUEL. In many parts of Massachusetts the highways are overarched with great New Gasoline Substitute Will be Manuelms, and there are numerous trees bearing tablets in memory of some Washington, Dec. 14 .- Quantity pro-

person or of some event .-- Baltimore duction of "liberty fuel," the war de-Sun. partment's new substitute for gasoline.

SONG OF PERSHING'S MEN.

The "Song of Pershing's Men," written early in the summer when thousands of boys were sailing weekly to France, may still be of interest in the hour when the joy of victory is temthe pered by the memory of the list of the heroic dead. It was written by Mary Jasper Willis, with music arranged by Henry D. Tovey, president Arkansas and director of music in the ber the Sabbath day to keep it holy. university of that state. The song

> We are sailing, O great mother! Hear the waves surge round our

keel! See the star-flash of our banner! Read in it the love we feel. veneration for the God Who gave it. Britain, hail! Thy grandeur's story Thrills thy children with its glory!

Refrain-

We are sailing! We are sailing! How our swift bark cuts the foam! In the rapture of youth's morning We salute our fathers' home,

O proud France, superb in Splendor, of "liberty fuel." Fiery soul, Fame's beacon light. From the storm-cloud of War's bosom Leaps thy sword with hurtling might!

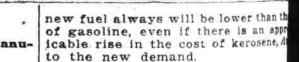
Thy oriflamme, with red tides wet Is over us, O Lafayette!

Refrain!

We are marching; We are marching. Hear the soldiers' steady tread! In the glory of youth's morning Peals our war-cry o'er thy dead!

O Italia. Queen of beauty! Thou hast felt the oppressor's heel! Thou hast hurled him from thy bul-

warks With thy falchion's gleaming steel! Italy, "young Italy!"



DR. POTEAT AT MT. OLIVE

Will Speak for Baptist Fund-Orgu zing Oil Mill.

begun by private interests as soon as (Special Star Correspondence.) patents protecting the government and

Mount Olive, Dec. 14 .- Dr. W. Poteat, of Wake Forest college, gasoline are feverishly experimenting occupy the pulpit of the Baptist chur here Sunday at 11 o'clock. He con in the interest of the Baptist edu two who know it-Major O. B. Zimmer- | tional campaign that's now being w ed in the State for one million dolla A movement is on foot here now build, a. cottonseed oil mill. A call

been issued for a public meeting in t city hall here Tuesday night of week to discuss the matter, and de plans for securing subscriptions to Captain Weisgerber. The conditions necessary amount of stork. The ne for such an industry has been it profit from the new fuel sold commerfelt here, and it is hoped that the P ject will in the very near future the right to manufacture or purchase sume definite shape. without the payment of royalties to

Death of Mrs. B. F. Gray.

After an filness the oil supply. The base is kerosene, being confined to her bed most o which constitutes 80 per cent, of the time, Mrs. B. F. Gray died at Consequently 80 barrels of home near here Friday, Dec. 6. kerosene, with the additional chemi- Gray was 60 years old. She is cals required, will produce 100 barrels vived by her husband, B. Frank Gray; four sons, George H. Gray, Major Zimmerman, who is an expert bank, Pa.; Dunbar, Eugene and M

on internal combustion engines, and doch Gray, of Shallotte, three day who has worked with Captain Weisger- ters, Mrs. G. F. Willets, Winnabow ber throughout his experiments, says Mrs. F. W. Hewett and Leona Gray that the gasolinesubstitute will save Shallotte.

factured.

that can be manufactured and sold for

half the present price of "gas," will be

Meanwhile the largest producers of

and trying in every possible way to ob-

tain the secret formula from the only

man, o fthe engineer corps, and Capt.

Major Zimmerman says that ar-

rangements for manufacture are now

pending. The patents will be issued in

the name of the government and of

permit Captain Weisgerber to make a

cially, but they give the government

One of the chief advantages of the

liberty fuel," is that it will conserve

the inventor can be obtained.

E. C. Weisgerber.

the inventor,

fuel.

Interment was made in millions of dollars for users of motor vehicles through the cut in price. Ordi- way cemetery, Rev. Paul T. Britt nary crude oil and percentage of gaso- ducting the funeral service, in lien distilled is about 15 per cent, while presence of a large number of sorre the percentage of kerosene is about 45 ing relatives and friends -- Brunst per cent; consequently the price of the County News.



Obsessed with the big idea of protecting those at home, father often omits the essential protection

greatest humanitarian movement, the world has ever organized. All along the front the same bloody business went right on until 11 o'clock. The boys are coming from over the November 11. If Marshal Foch ended seas, and already some of our Wilthe war when in a week's more time mington boys are coming home from he could have smashed the whole Gerthe interior cantonments. We are glad

generalship of the society.

man machine, in order to save precious to see our herces-nevertheless herces, lives, why was it necessary to drive although they did not get overseas to on that fateful morning of November inet, headed by Lloyd-George, will hostilties would end at 11 o'clock? chance. In our cantonments we had more than a million American soldiers

