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Americanism and Preparedness

President Wilson in Longest Address He Has Ever Delivered to Congress Pleads for National Defense and Voices Doctrine of Partnership Between Nations of Western Hemisphere

Washington Dispatch, 7th.

The doctrine of pan-Americanism—partnership between the nations of the western hemisphere in all affairs—was proclaimed by President Wilson today in his third address to congress, the theme of which was preparedness by the United States to defend not only its independence but the rights of those with whom it has made compact. The message was read by President Wilson to the senate and house in joint session in the morning.

The recommendation embodied in the message had to do with comprehensive plans for strengthening the national defenses. The program included the army and navy plans authorized public by Secretaries Garrison and Daniels; legislation for government-owned merchant ships; a credit law; the Philippine and Alaska bills which failed a final vote at the last session; conservation; a law giving federal industrial and vocational education; and the creation of a commission to inquire into the transportation problem.

Realized and native born American, sympathizing with belated abroad, have plotted and tried to violate their own neutrality were scathingly denounced by the president, and Congress urged to provide adequate laws to deal with such offenses.

Sources Suggested.

National taxation was proposed as means of providing the money necessary to add to the naval and military establishments. Sources of tax suggested were incomes, gasolines, automobiles, internal engines, fabricated iron steel, stamp on bank checks. Extension of the war revenue bill and increase of the present tariff on goods were recommended, and the president said that since the European war has extended and sinister scope unless swept into its flame some of every quarter of the globe, respecting our own hemisphere, we must be prepared to meet the whole face of international affairs, and now presents a duty of reorganization and reconstruction such as statesmen and people never been called upon to do before.

United States Neutral.

United States has remained neutral, he said, because it had no interest in the cause and because it is the duty of the nations of the western hemisphere to prevent economic ruin.

The president pointed to the attitude of the United States towards Germany as proving that this country is selfish motives in its interest in Central and South America. He placed special emphasis on the doctrine of Pan-Americanism, desiring the countries of the western hemisphere as an association of partnership.

Junior Order Officers.

Officers of Burkemont Council No. 44, Jr. O. U. A. M., were at the regular meeting Tuesday, Nov. 31st, as follows: J. P. Puett, Councilor; J. Beach, Vice Councilor; J. Cox, Recording Secretary; J. Parsons, Assistant Recording Secretary; J. Taylor, Financial Secretary; J. Lazarus, Treasurer; J. Godfrey, Conductor; J. McGimsey, Warden; J. Grady, Inside Sentinel; J. Deaton, Outside Sentinel; J. Cox, Trustee for one year; J. Nelson, Hall Committeeman. Council did degree work Tuesday, December 7th.

J. B. Price, of Marion, was in Morganton last Friday, on business.

FORD AND PARTY NOW ON ATLANTIC.

Bryan Bids "God Speed to Peace Advocates—Final Statement Issued By Promoter.

New York Dispatch, 4th.

Henry Ford and more than 80 members of the Ford peace commission sailed from here today on the steamer Oscar II, for Christiansand, Norway, for the purpose of creating sentiment for a conference of neutral nations in the hope of ending the European war. The party was accompanied by 57 newspaper correspondents and photographers and more than 20 general assistants, secretaries and stenographers.

The steamer sailed at 3:15 o'clock p. m., one hour and fifteen minutes later than the scheduled hour. The delay was caused largely by the late arrival of 15 members of the Ford party, as well as the large crowd which thronged the ship to bid farewell to various members of the party.

William Jennings Bryan spent some time on the ship bidding "good speed" to the party. Thos. A. Edison was another of those who called on Mr. Ford after the latter had boarded the steamer.

There is some chance for the mission to succeed," said Mr. Bryan, "that is all I care to say just now, except that I wish them every good fortune."

Before sailing, Mr. Ford issued what he called a farewell statement.

"I am sailing with the firm belief," he said, "that great good will come of this mission. It will keep alive the thought that peace is possible as well as desirable, and so long as that thought exists, there is hope of peace."

"My heart is in this work for peace and it is for this reason that I have stood behind the ship and helped the people reach a common meeting place to discuss the possibilities of peace with the representatives of other neutral countries.

"We are leaving with the feeling that those parts of the world now at peace and at war have heard of the plan and are in sympathy with the move and that the best wishes of the great majority go with us."

Death of Mrs. Elizabeth Boone.

Mrs. Elizabeth Boone, relict of the late Elijah Boone, of Upper Creek township, died last Friday night near the State Hospital, where she had been residing for several years with her children. She had reached the ripe age of over three score and ten years and had a large family connection in this county. She was twice married, the first time to Lewis Warlick, who was killed as a soldier in the Confederate army; the second union there were three sons, Pinkney, Sidney and Lewis Warlick, now living in the West; by the second a son and two daughters—John Boone and Minnie and Ida Boone, of this county.

Deceased was a consistent member of the Methodist church for many years, and was buried on Sunday in her old home churchyard at Mountain Grove, the funeral being conducted by Rev. W. K. Houk. Quite a number of relatives and friends attended the services.

RED CROSS CHRISTMAS SEALS SAVE LIVES.

Every seal you buy is a bullet in the fight against tuberculosis. It helps protect your country, your neighbor, your family and yourself from the disease and its cost.

Tuberculosis is our most destructive disease. One person out of every four in America who die between the ages of fifteen and fifty die from tuberculosis. It is a chief cause of poverty.

But it is preventable and conquerable. This war, man against disease, is a winning war—not a wasting war, man against man. It is The War That Pays—It Brings Prosperity.

Will you not enlist in this campaign by purchasing Christmas Seals?

MRS. A. C. AVERY, Jr., Chm.
MRS. A. C. CHAFFEE.
MRS. W. A. LESLIE.
MRS. E. McK. GOODWIN.

Between 425 and 450 delegates are attending the Baptist State Convention in Charlotte this week. John A. Oates, of Fayetteville, was selected president of the body.

The Watauga and Yadkin River railroad has been completed to Darby, Wilkes county, and trains are now running to that point.

Congress Opened On Monday

Sixty-Fourth Session Regularly Called Together—Measures in Import to Come Up—Over 2,000 Bills Presented First Session.

Washington Dispatch, 6th.

Congress assembled and organized today for the session which is expected to be the greatest within the memory of the present generation.

Four Hours' Work in the House saw Speaker Clark returned to the chair; Representative Mann returned to the leadership of the Republican minority; the introduction of 2,000 bills and resolutions, many of them proposing measures of National defense and many more in opposition; the reappearance of constitutional amendments to enfranchise women and a miniature rules fight.

In the Senate, practically nothing was done except the election of Senator Clarke of Arkansas as president pro tempore. Vice President Marshall was absent because of the illness of his wife.

Both houses then after sending a joint committee to the White House to give official notice of the opening of Congress, adjourned until tomorrow when the real business begins with President Wilson's address to a joint session in the hall of the House at 12:30 o'clock.

The greatest budget of expenditures ever placed before any American Congress in times of peace was brought in from the various branches of the Government, the total being some \$170,000,000 more than was asked for last year. The great part of the proposed increased expenditure is for the enlarged Army and Navy programs, and aside from working out the problem of National defense it will be the business of Congress to raise the revenue to pay for it.

More Than 2,000 Bills Presented.

More than 2,000 bills and resolutions including about 1,500 private pension bills were introduced in the House today. All day the documents poured in, until they overflowed the bill basket and covered the clerk's desk.

There were many National defense bills, setting forth mainly the personal views of representatives. Administration preparedness measures will come later, their introduction awaiting the organization of the Military and Naval Affairs Committees.

Table Rock Notes.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.

Rev. A. B. Troy, the new pastor of the Table Rock circuit, was with us for the first time last Sunday. The members seem very favorably impressed with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harbison spent Sunday, Nov. 21, with their daughter, Mrs. Ben Kincaid.

Messrs. Judd Galloway and Charles Winters, of Quaker Meadows, spent Sunday with the family of Mr. W. T. Winters.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGimsey, of Linville, spent Sunday, Nov. 28, with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McGimsey.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Webb, of Collettsville, were up last Sunday.

Mrs. Robert Barlow, of Lenoir, is visiting her parents this week.

Quite a number of friends were up from Morganton to pay tribute at the funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Boone. The bereaved family have the sympathy of many friends here.

Mrs. Sylvester Kincaid and family moved last Thursday into the pretty and modern new residence recently erected on the farm of Mr. L. A. Kincaid on Irish creek.

Miss Ethel Hunley returned recently from an extended visit to relatives in Drexel.

Messrs. Myrk and Don Hartley are visiting their mother, Mrs. Max Ramsaur.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy McGimsey, of Linville, visited her parents Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor and Mr. Beckton Taylor, of Quaker Meadows, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Kincaid.

Workmen have just completed a large barn for Mr. P. A. Sisk.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard McGimsey, of Quaker Meadows, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kincaid.

Dec. 5, 1915.

W. J. Bryan Here.

William Jennings Bryan, ex-Secretary of State, spent a couple of hours at the Morganton depot Monday afternoon on No. 21, which was held on account of a wreck above. He was on his way to Asheville for a speech. Several of our citizens saw and had a little chat with him.

LOCAL NEWS.

An infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Drury, on Route 5, died last week and was buried at Oak Hill church.

Marcus, the son of John Benfield, of Route 5, had the misfortune to get a finger split open last week by a circular saw.

There will be a box supper at Salem school house next Saturday night, December 11th, to which the public is invited. The proceeds of the supper will be used on the new school house which is now being built.

A great deal of reading matter had to be left out of this issue in order to accommodate the Christmas advertisers. But, then, these advertisements make mighty good reading at this season.

Rev. W. N. Johnson, of Wake Forest, was yesterday elected corresponding secretary of the Baptist State convention. The new secretary is a brother of Rev. E. N. Johnson, who was formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Morganton.

What gift could you send to the friend or relative away from home than the weekly news from home? What about The News-Herald on your Christmas list? The one to whom you send it would have a weekly reminder of your thoughtfulness.

The ladies of Grace Hospital Guild will hold a rummage sale in the Pitts & Giles storeroom, on Main street, on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 10th and 11th, for benefit of Grace Hospital. All donations can be left at the storeroom Thursday and Friday, or wagon will be sent for donations is notified.

Woman's Right to Vote will be the subject of a public debate at the school auditorium tomorrow (Friday) night between the girls' and boys' societies of the high school, each having two representatives. Misses Laura Claywell and Hettie McGalliard will contend that women should vote and Joe Spainhour and Joseph Ervin will argue that they should not. The public is invited to attend.

An important real estate deal was made this week through the Morganton Insurance & Realty Co., of which Mr. E. D. Alexander is manager, in which Dr. L. W. Alston, a prominent dentist of Savannah, Ga., purchased the R. D. Tillinghast property, near the North Carolina School for the Deaf. It is understood that Dr. Alston will spend the summers here and that Mr. Tillinghast will go to Spartanburg next spring with his son, Prof. J. A. Tillinghast.

The local Red Cross Seal committee is again busy this year in the selling of the seals. It is perhaps not generally known that a part of the proceeds of the sale is used in local work of fighting tuberculosis. Five tubercular patients are now being looked after by this department of the United Charities. The committee this year is composed of the following ladies: Mesdames A. C. Avery, A. C. Chaffee, E. McK. Goodwin and Mrs. W. A. Leslie. A personal canvass is being made and also the seals are on sale at Gaither's Book Store.

New Church Organized.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.

We had a fine day at Hennessee chapel the 1st Sunday in December. Rev. W. R. Bradshaw preached for us at 11 o'clock and after the service the good ladies of the community served a fine dinner on the ground. From 1 o'clock until the 3 o'clock service Mr. Thurman Whisenant led his choir in singing. Then at 3 o'clock we organized a Baptist church with the following ministers present. Rev. W. R. Bradshaw, Rev. C. A. Lineberger and Rev. C. A. Caldwell. There was a house full of people. After the organization service the church unanimously called Rev. C. A. Caldwell for their pastor. The new church took the name Pleasant View church.

Mr. Thurman Whisenant is teaching a singing school at the new church on Tuesday, Friday and Saturday nights. A large crowd attends.

A FRIEND OF THE NEWS-HERALD.

Mrs. Lydia Lail, of Conover, is spending a few days this week with friends and relatives in Morganton. Mrs. Lucy Ann Abee and Mrs. Emma Berry, of Connelly Springs, visited friends here last week.

Zebulon Weaver, of Asheville, has already announced his candidacy to oppose Congressman Britt in the Tenth District.

MYSTERIOUS LIGHT AGAIN.

Mr. Martin, of Lenoir, at Head of Expedition to Search Cause of Brown Mountain Light.

Mr. H. C. Martin of Lenoir, who recently interested himself to organize an expedition to search for the source of the mysterious light that has been appearing over Brown mountain, in this county, for some years, announced in last week's issue of the Lenoir Topic that the expedition would "make the dash" for the light Tuesday, the 7th, if the weather was not too bad. We have not yet heard whether or not Mr. Martin's party went on the search, and many people in Morganton are anxiously awaiting news of the adventure.

The expedition was to have been divided into three parties, according to Mr. Martin's plans. One party, under command of Dr. Wilson, was to go in machines to Loven's hotel, Cold Springs. Dr. L. H. Coffey was to have charge of a party and it was planned that he go in his machine to Griggs, or some point in that vicinity. Others were to go by rail to Gorge and then walk to the summit of Brown Mountain and establish two or more camps on that mountain.

Mr. Martin announced that any reliable party who cared to join the expedition was invited, each member to provide his own equipment in the way of wraps, bedding and food.

It is earnestly hoped that the mystery of the light will be solved.

Box Supper and "Candy Walk" At Chesterfield.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.

The patrons of Chesterfield school were entertained on last Saturday evening by a well arranged and a successful box supper and "candy walk."

This school is being taught and successfully so, by the Misses Woodward and Whisenant. These young ladies deserve much credit for their most splendid effort, to entertain the patrons of the school and to raise funds for the completion of the fixtures of the interior of the school building.

The crowd was large and good order prevailed throughout.

The ladies, who brought the boxes, seemed to vie with each other in their efforts to have the most "knobby" box, and also in the edibles which they contained. Mr. R. J. Hallyburton was auctioneer and he did a good job. The boys bid quick and liberal and the proceeds amounted to nearly 20 dollars. There were several visitors from Morganton, among whom we noticed Charlie and John. We believe they are married men. However, they added zest to the bidding and life to the sales, and later death and destruction to the viands. John happened to purchase a very attractive box, the property of a very pretty young lady, whose unexpected beauty seemed to embarrass him very much a while, but he drew on his bank of courage and it responded at once to the call and his embarrassment vanished while his appetite advanced, and he got around the contents of that box, which was legion, in short order.

Another gentleman from Morganton, whose name is Charlie, did double justice to the supper. He ate singly, he ate doubly, he ate compoundly, in short, that man simply touched those viands and they passed away. Everybody said, good-bye, John.

Another man who answers to the appellation of Eston did much damage to the supper. The last we saw of him he had corralled, or cornered a huge slug of "pon-hoss," and had gotten on the outside of about all of that. He is only middling well today.

There was plenty to eat for all, though Vance Powell was away.

H. E. J.

Dec. 1, 1915.

An Interesting Lecture.

The children of the graded school had a rare privilege Tuesday afternoon in a lecture by Mr. Bosmejehon, a native Armenian. The lecture, the subject of which was Armenia, the customs, entertainments, mode of living of the people of that country, was highly entertaining. To the delight of the children the lecturer used native costumes to illustrate, and showed many articles which he brought from Armenia. Over a dozen musical instruments, on many of which Mr. Bosmejehon played, added much to the afternoon's entertainment.

ITEMS FROM WORRY.

Correspondence of The News-Herald.

Old King Winter certainly is making his reign oppressive in our section at this writing.

The United Farm Women met with Mrs. W. M. Michaux last Saturday evening.

Mr. Forney Ramsaur has returned from a ten days' visit to relatives in Lincoln county.

Mr. Ernest L. Perkins recently made an excellent talk for the children at Arney's schoolhouse.

Mr. T. R. Henderson left last week for Birmingham, Ala., and other points South.

Miss Nell Michaux spent last Saturday night in Drexel with Miss Buena Laxton, who is teaching there.

Mrs. J. S. Teague spent last Saturday night and Sunday with relatives near Adako.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McConaughy, Mrs. Emmie Forney, Miss Susie Perkins and little Miss Mary Perkins Kent attended services in Morganton Sunday.

Mr. Macon Michaux, of Richmond, is expected home this week to spend the holidays.

Last Wednesday night the stork presented Mr. Wilson Whisenant with a beautiful little girl.

Mrs. W. W. McDowell, Mrs. W. M. Michaux and Miss Nell Michaux attended services at St. Mary's mission last Sunday.

Mr. I. D. Whisenant is attending court this week as juror.

Mr. and Mrs. Azor McCall spent Sunday in Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Whisenant spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. John Michael.

Wireless Telephone in Caldwell.

Mr. H. C. Martin, former editor of the Lenoir News, has the following interesting communication in last Friday's News:

No doubt most of your readers will be surprised, as I was to learn that there is a wireless telephone in operation in our county.

I was talking with Capt. Fennell, conductor on the Carolina and North-Western Railway a few days ago, and he told me that for a space of six miles, between Collettsville and Gorge there was telephone communication, but no telephone wire. The operators and agents at Collettsville and Mortimer, Messrs. Fry and Yount, accidentally found out that telephone communication could be held between them, though there is no telephone connection. The Lenoir & Blowing Rock telephone line runs into the office at Collettsville and between Gorge and Mortimer there is a short independent line, but between these two points, a distance of six miles, there is only telegraphic wires and these wires are in no way connected with the telephones at either place. Neither operator can call the other over the phones, but by calling over the telegraph lines and directing the operator at the other end to take down his receiver at the telephone, communication is established.

The phones work much better and clearer in damp weather than at any other time, hence it is presumed that an earth connection is established between the two places making the use of the telephones possible, even though there is a gap of six miles without wires.

Some of our local telephone experts may be able to explain the singular wireless process, but whether they can or not, there is no doubt about its existence.

The Chain Letter.

Statesville Landmark.

The chain letter business has broken out again. If you receive a "pious" letter from somebody, with the request that you write nine similar letters to nine others, with the promise that if you comply you will receive a blessing and the threat (by inference) that if you fail something bad will happen to you—why that's a chain letter. Everybody has more or less superstition and these chain letters frighten some, who are afraid something will really happen if they don't comply; and annoy others, who secretly fear the same thing, even when they have the nerve to disregard the request. It's the Landmark's private opinion, publicly expressed, that the full grown individual of sound mind who sends out these chain letters ought to be put in jail for misuse of the mails.