

NO SURRENDER OF AMERICAN RIGHTS

Secretary Lane in Address Says There Is None in League Covenant

GIVES CREDIT TO EFFORTS WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN

Says He Moved in Same Direction in His Arbitration Treaties and That We Then Thought He Was Visionary; Roosevelt and Taft and The League

(By The Associated Press.) Washington, July 30.—Patriotism of men who hold differing views on the wisdom of ratifying the peace treaty, including the League of Nations covenant, is not to be challenged so long as they think above the plans of partisanship, Secretary Lane declared here tonight before a mass meeting of government employes.

"It is not an easy question to answer," Mr. Lane said, adding that it was one "to which we wish an American answer." "And it takes courage," he declared, "whether we stand still and risk the scorn of a waiting, eager world, or break through our inertia and take the step which leads to a multitude of new relationships and possible obligations."

The view of the ordinary citizen the Secretary said he thought was that as many obstacles as possible be put in the way of nations desiring to make war "but to be left as free as possible to follow our own designs, knowing that these do not endanger the peace of the world."

"We will not hazard our national life or the right of our people to determine their own institutions and destiny," he said. "But with these safeguarded we will go far for the sake of the world."

"Democracy after all is but a counting of noses," Mr. Lane said, "and we may presume much for a policy which the chosen leaders of the two hundred and fifty million of the most civilized of the world's people have endorsed."

Mr. Lane said he believed everyone would have preferred that the League should have been born "in a different way, at a different time." When Theodore Roosevelt returned from his trip to Africa, he added, the former President made the strongest appeal any national leader had then voiced "for such a league."

"Then was the day for its creation," Secretary Lane continued. "But the world did not see the danger it was in."

Such men as President Taft and Mr. Root committed themselves to the project then, Mr. Lane said, but "the stern figure of the Kaiser backed by his standing army of two million men" stood in their path. William Jennings Bryan, as Secretary of State, had moved in the same direction with his negotiation of arbitration treaties, Mr. Lane continued, adding:

Bryan's Foresight.
"Let us be frank. We of America did not take these efforts of Mr. Bryan with any degree of seriousness. We thought his a noble-minded visionary. Yet his plan is incorporated as the first step of the pyramid of the present proposed league."

It was not until the war came that any but tentative steps could be taken toward the formation of a peace league, Mr. Lane said, and if the President had not made the effort to secure it "we would have said he was a quitter."

No Surrender of Rights.
Secretary Lane said, he had been unable to find in the covenant any surrender of American rights more than every existing rule of international law involved. It was, he said, "essentially a gentlemen's agreement," based on the assumption that each party to it honestly desired to adhere to the principles for which the league stands.

Seven Sentence Sermons.
The only worthy of the name ever had was the voice of the voice of those we love.—Shakespeare.
Yes, this one thing I learn to know, Each day more surely as I go, That doors are opened, ways are made, Burdens are lifted or are laid, By some great law unseen and still, "Not as I will."

—Helen Hunt Jackson.
Power dwells with cheerfulness; hope puts us in a working mood, whilst despair is no muse and untunes the active powers.—Emerson.
The stone which the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner.—Ps. cxviii: 22.
My heart with sin and fear defiled come thou, and cast the tempter out, And make me as a little child.

—Randolph.
Be willing to be one of Christ's "peculiar people," no matter what men may say of you.—D. L. Moody.

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CHAPLAIN CURRIE HELPED IN RELIEF

Benson Soldier Was Puzzled To Know What To Do With Fund Left in His Hands

(Special to News and Observer.) Benson, July 30.—Assistant Cook C. G. Jernigan, who was overseas with Battery "B," 316th Field Artillery, has recently returned to his home near Benson. He surprised his pastor upon his return with a request for advice as to what disposition to make of the remainder of a fund left in his hands at the demobilization of his command.

Chaplain Currie, who is now with the army of occupation in Germany and who has recently gained fame as the "Wrestling Parson," organized Bible classes in all the batteries of the 316th immediately upon their arrival in France. The Bible class of Battery B in addition to their Bible studies "adopted" the sick and wounded of their command as their particular charge and undertook to brighten their hospital days with fruits and flowers and personal attentions of whatever nature they could render. Their ministry also extended to those whose forms beneath the poppies lie, and their kind hands bedecked with flowers the graves of their fallen comrades. A current fund was established to meet the expense of their labor of love and about \$175 was thus expended.

When they sailed for home, \$12.50 remained in the hands of Mr. Jernigan, who was treasurer of the class, and he was requested to devote it to some worthy cause. A check for this amount has gone forward to the Thomasville Orphanage, Thomasville.

SALVAGING SCUTTLED GERMAN WAR SHIPS

London, July 30.—One battleship, three light cruisers and fifteen destroyers of the former German grand fleet which were scuttled by their crews at Scapa Flow in the Orkney Islands on June 22, are ready to be salvaged, it was announced today in the House of Commons, by Walter Hume Long, first lord of the admiralty. Mr. Long said work was proceeding on three other destroyers. He said there was no intention of holding a court of inquiry.

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CARNIVAL WANTED TO HAVE EXHIBIT

Wilson City Fathers Objected and Now Show Aggregation Threatens To Come Anyway

(Special to News and Observer.) Wilson, July 30.—Before the incoming of the new city administration an ordinance was enacted prohibiting any carnival showing in the corporate limits of Wilson. About a week or ten days ago the advance agent for a carnival came to Wilson and in company with Police Chief Dickens went to the aldermen separately and represented that the fire department desired that his company pitch their tents here for a week's benefit for the fire-fighters.

Three of the aldermen consented to vote to rescind the ordinance; one of the number refused to say positively what he would do but the "silent" alderman from the Third Ward, gave the agent the emphatic no—and gave his reason for the stand he took, and that he would make himself thoroughly understood when the board was called together.

In the meantime an intensive advertising campaign was put on and pleasure seekers began to whoop it up for the firemen, but when "the city fathers" put their heads together they found that the matter had been misrepresented to them and they refused to rescind the ordinance.

On being interviewed the carnival agent says: "I have no choice in the matter; I have a contract with the fire company and with the railroad to bring my shows to Wilson and will be here next Monday. Have employed counsel and as far as the carnival is concerned we are resting easy on our oars."

It was rumored and even printed in a local newspaper that there was discord between the firemen and aldermen on account of the action taken by the board.

Chief Lancaster, of the Fire Department, says: "There is no truth in the rumor. I feel sure that the city aldermen acted for the best interests of the city and the department has no grievance against them for the action taken

in the matter; there'll be no resignations from the department from the fact that we invariably get what we ask for from the board."

IMPROVED QUALITY OF POSTAGE STAMPS COMING

Washington, July 30.—Pale postage stamps, which came into use along with meekless Tuesdays and heathless Mondays, soon will go the way of the other departures from established usage occasioned by the war. James L. Wilmoth, director of the Bureau of Engraving, said today that the bureau, working 24 hours a day, has caught up with the tremendous demands made by the issuances of new bonds, revenue stamps and money and that postage stamps hereafter will be engraved as of yore, instead of being produced by a cheaper printing process.

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(Signed) M. A. RUSHTON, Chairman,
L. McK. GOODWIN,
W. F. MARSHALL,
W. S. MURCHISON,
Acting Committee.

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