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GRANTS PRESIDENT A NEW POWER OVER THE RAILROADS

Common Carrier Bill Introduced in House of Representatives

ROLLING STOCK IN HIS CONTROL

Authorizes Him to Order Railroads to Operate Any of Their Rolling Stock in Any Manner He Sees Fit

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 13.—

Power for the President to order railway officials to operate any of their rolling stock during war time as he may see fit, without actually taking over the railroads, is given in the common carrier regulation bill of last session, re-introduced in amended form today by Chairman Adamson, of the House Committee. Provisions to permit the President to control and operate all railroad, telegraph and telephone lines; to draft their employees into the military service; to use the militia in the protection of railway lines; and to increase the personnel of the Interstate Commerce Commission from seven to eleven members, are included as in the previous bill.

The section by which the President might order the operation of part of a road's rolling stock is considered of the greatest importance. It would permit the government to clean the same service that it would if the lines were taken over, and at the same time prove economical in time and cost, it is believed. Compensation for the use of the rolling stock by the government would be fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

All property taken over by the President would be returned to its owners at the close of the war.

Attempts to evade the service order by the government will be dealt with severely.

Unpled with the proposed increase of the personnel of the Interstate Commerce Commission would be a provision to subdivide it, with the purpose of expediting business. As now constituted, the Commission finds itself impossible to keep abreast of its work.

COUNTRY'S CALL IS OF GOD

Services at Tabernacle Church Are of Patriotic Tone

RALEIGH, N. C., April 15.—With American flags draped about the Sunday school room and the church, the congregation at the Tabernacle Baptist yesterday morning sang "America," and the pastor, Rev. Weston Bruner prefaced his sermon "The Friendship of the Holy Spirit," with an appeal for young men to answer the call of the country and join the ranks of the army or navy.

"It seems to me," he declared, "to be the call of God to fight for human liberty and for Him. I feel that the call of the great Christian President in that address in Congress will be placed in history along with the Declaration of Independence and the Meigs Charter."

Dr. Bruner took his text yesterday from Job 10:8, "When He is come, He will reprove the world of sin and of righteousness and of judgment." For twelve centuries, Dr. Bruner said, the Holy Spirit was neglected in religious teachings and religious habits. But through the Holy Spirit God works on his work with men and the light will remain until Christ comes again.

The mission of the Holy Spirit, Dr. Bruner said, is revelation, conviction, conversion, comfort and guidance.

"The Holy Spirit," he declared, "guides the lost in sin and the saved in their sacred, noble and holy life to His Kingdom."

EPISCOPAL CHURCH REACHES THE CENTURY MARK

Sunday, in St. John's church was held a very impressive and interesting commemoration of the century mark. The Rev. Thomas Atkinson, of Danvers, once pastor of St. John's, delivered the sermon at the mid-day service which was greatly enjoyed by the large congregation present.

Rev. Isaac Wayne Hughes, the old pastor, preacher the sermon at the evening service which was both instructive and pleasing to those present. Rev. Archer Boughner, the present pastor of the church assisted in both the services.

MARRIAGE OF MR. BENJAMIN ROBINSON HUSKE, JR.

(Augusta (Ga.) Chronicle, April 11.) The marriage of Miss Sadie Williams and Mr. Benjamin Robinson Huske, Jr., was a beautiful event of last evening at the Church of the Good Shepherd on The Hill. At the hour of the ceremony the church was filled with friends. The scene was one of great beauty with the many Easter lilies and palms and hundreds of gleaming candles arranged in a most effective manner in the beautiful church.

Mrs. William Johnson presided at the organ and played some charming selections while awaiting the arrival of the bridal party, and at the appointed hour the strains of Lobengrin were sounded.

The bridal party entered in the following manner. First came the four ushers, Messrs. Charles Ferris, Arthur Houston, Champ Davis and George Fargo, Miss Pegram Williams, the youngest sister of the bride, and Miss Margaret Huske came in next, both of lovely looking virgins of girlish beauty, in white satin and tulle veils. They carried Easter lilies. Miss Mary Webber Williams, the maid of honor, was exquisite in a charming costume of white satin veiled in tulle and silver lace. She also wore a short tulle veil and carried Easter lilies. The bride came in with her father. Her brunette beauty was enhanced by a most beautiful wedding gown of white Duchesse satin veiled in tulle hand-embroidered in Easter lilies. The long court train of tulle was also hand-embroidered in lilies. The tulle veil was worn over her face and caught to her hair with orange blossoms fell to the bottom of the gown. Her flowers were white lilies and valley lilies.

The bride was met at the chancel by the groom and his best man, Mr. William Huske, as the ceremony was performed by Rev. G. Sherwood Whitson. After the ceremony the bridal party and a number of friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Williams, with a beautiful reception. The front porch was enclosed and the entire lower floor thrown open and adorned with Easter lilies and spring flowers. Andinoqui's orchestra discoursed sweet music throughout the evening. After congratulations had been received a delicious buffet supper was served. The table was covered with lace and in the center was a silver basket filled with Easter lilies. Cakes and bonbons filled the silver dishes and shaded candles shed a soft glow over the lovely table.

At a later hour the bride changed her wedding gown for a stylish coat suit of midnight blue with which was worn a blouse of georgette crepe and blue hat of one of the latest shapes. After their wedding trip the young couple will make their home at Fayetteville, N. C.

Mrs. Benjamin B. Huske, Jr., is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Williams of this city and she shares with her two younger sisters an unusual degree of charm and personal beauty. She has many friends among both old and young who love and admire her, and who regret to give her up to make her home elsewhere though she will be followed to her new home with countless good wishes and sincere affection.

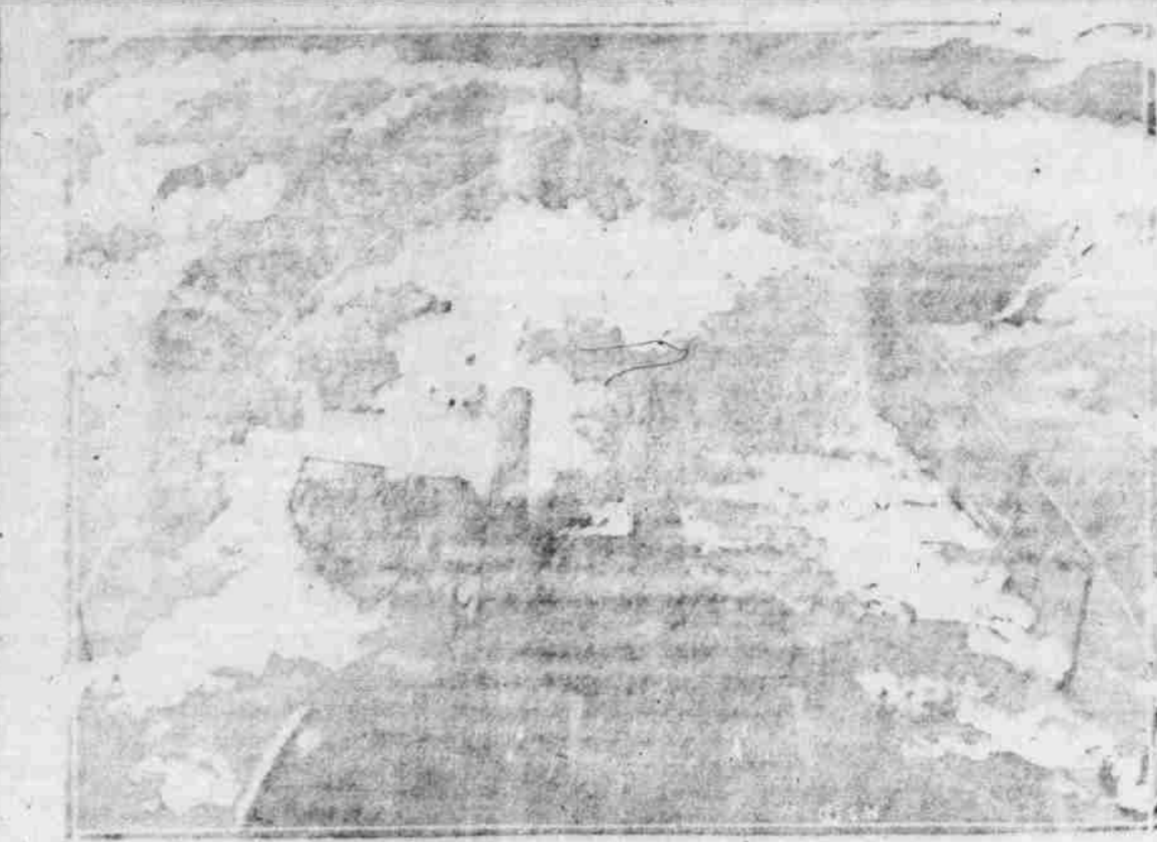
Mrs. Huske was a graduate of St. Mary's, Raleigh, N. C., and has many relatives and friends in North Carolina as well as Georgia.

Mr. Benjamin Huske, Jr., is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Huske of Fayetteville. He was a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is now a most successful man in the insurance business, and prominent in both the social and business world. He has a host of friends who are offering hearty congratulations to himself and his charming bride. Many business wedding presents were received by this young couple.

Among the beautiful gowns worn at the wedding Mrs. Ernest Williams wore a handsome gown of white satin and embroidered black jet. Mrs. Benjamin Huske, mother of the groom, wore a beautiful costume of white crepe. Mrs. Jack Lewis was very handsome in white satin beaded and embroidered in silver and trimmed with blue lace.

Mr. James Vann of Badin is visiting his sister, Mrs. Beasley on Mason street.

Mr. A. M. Moore is in Durham on a business trip.



This remarkable photograph shows the U. S. Monitor Tallahassee laboring through heavy seas during a storm in southern waters. It gives a good impression of how our ships may look in the stormy North Sea should they be sent there to aid the allied fleet.

PATRIOTIC PARADE SATURDAY

There was a great patriotic parade held Saturday in which several thousand people took part. After the parade the vast throng went to Liberty Point where patriotic speeches were delivered by eloquent orators. Mr. John R. Tolar was chairman of the gathering. He was the first to deliver a few words encouraging the American people to "Stand behind our President." Hon. John G. Shaw, in his usual pleasing manner, also made an appeal for patriotism, while the Hon. N. A. Sinclair went into the causes of the war and the duty of a citizen at this time. The Hon. Geo. M. Rose also delivered a short patriotic address which was greatly appreciated by the audience. Col. Chas. Broadfoot presented to the meeting some resolutions which were approved unanimously with a great deal of enthusiasm.

The loyalty of the negroes to their country was interpreted by two very able champions of their race, D. T. Watson who made an address on patriotism and A. L. Garrett, who also spoke on the relationship of the negro to their neighbor in past American history. Following are the resolutions presented:

RESOLUTIONS

The citizens of Fayetteville and surrounding country, in mass meeting assembled, at Liberty Point, on this April 14, 1917.

Whereas, Since our last meeting war! the most ruthless in all history; war! without justification or excuse; war! for conquest, for ambition, for glory; war! for the Kaiser of Germany; war! world-wide, has been thrust upon us, after long forbearance and patient effort to keep out, with honor.

And we have been called to the colors.

Therefore, resolved: First, That we lay all past differences of opinion and come together NOW, as one man, with one purpose, with all our strength of "mind, body and estate," to uphold our President in his determination to prosecute the war vigorously to a speedy end.

Second, We believe that Liberty is at stake. The same Liberty, under law, that our forefathers declared for June 20th, 1776, on this historic spot, and fought and died for; and that we, their descendants, have maintained and defended ever since, and which we now offer to mankind.

Third, We believe that God has committed to the keeping of the English speaking race the welfare of all peoples. We solemnly accept our share of the trust, and with His aid will do His will.

Fourth, That as "first aid," we will provide money, munitions, supplies and food to those nations now battling gloriously for right against might in Europe, Asia, Africa and upon the high seas.

Fifth, That in the momentous struggle upon which we are entering, we shall know no color, no race, no creed, no calling, no nationality—we are simply, solely AMERICANS!

Sixth, We feel that having done all that a brave and self-respecting people could do, with honor, to avoid war! An appeal to arms and the God of Hosts is all that is left us.

"He that hath no stomach to this fight, let him depart!"

Lastly, We pray that when peace does come, "That all things may be so ordered and settled, upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety may be established among all nations for all generations."

FRANK ROCKEFELLER DEAD

Youngest Brother of Oil Magnate Dies from Stroke of Paralysis

CLEVELAND, O., April 15.—Frank Rockefeller, 72, youngest brother of John D. Rockefeller, died today in his apartment in a local hotel from a stroke of paralysis and a blood clot on the brain as a result of a relapse he sustained following an intestinal operation a month ago. He became seriously ill on Monday last and had been unconscious since Friday. He is survived by a widow and three daughters. The funeral will be held today.

Frank Rockefeller was not on speaking terms with his brother J. D., as a result of a quarrel they had years ago.

BOLIVIA BREAKS WITH KAISER AS BRAZIL PREPARES HER ARMY

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA, April 14.—Note of Bolivia to German minister announcing break with Germany denounces the attacks of submarine on neutral vessels as a violation of international law and of the Hague conventions.

The note recalls that the Bolivian minister to Berlin was on board the Holland-Lloyd steamer Tutantia when that vessel was sunk in neutral waters a year ago.

The note concludes "Your Excellency will understand that although we regret the break of relations between Bolivia and the German empire such relations have become insupportable under existing circumstances. In consequence your excellency will find herewith passports for yourself and members of your legation." The note declares that German subjects and property will enjoy all liberties guaranteed by law provided they do not commit any act of delinquency either collectively or individually.

Mr. J. W. Tillinger, General agent of the Atlantic Life Insurance Company returned his flight from Sanford.

Mr. G. W. Harner of London is in the city on business.

PRACTICE DRILL TONIGHT

Tonight, the regular semi-weekly drill and instruction school will be held at the armory. It is the intention of the instructor of an extended order drill and in demonstrating the practical part of this drill, a sham battle will be executed. An invitation is extended to all men outside the city to come and assist. The meetings are held Tuesday and Thursday nights at 8 o'clock.

The mighty New Mexico, neigest of Uncle Sam's battleships to be launched April 23, at the New York Navy Yard, will be christened by Miss de Baca, daughter of the late Governor Eugenio C. de Baca of New Mexico. She for the last four years has been teacher in the public schools in her state.

The Navy Department's description of the vessel shows she will be of 32,000 tons with 27,000 horsepower, and she is to cost \$7,800,000 for hull and machinery. She will carry 12 14-inch and twenty-two 5-inch rifles and four torpedo tubes. She will be 400 feet long and 87 feet beam.

Miss de Baca was born in Las Vegas, N. M., June 18, 1885. She is a direct descendant of the famous Spanish explorer Alvar Nunez Cabece de Baca, who was one of the first white men to set foot on the soil of New Mexico. She is a graduate of the Normal University of Las Vegas.

LENS AND ST. QUENTIN ARE ALMOST IN THE ALLIES' GRASP

Villages of Lievin, Cite St. Pierre, Fayet and Gricourt Taken by Gen. Haig's Men

FRENCH DRIVING FORWARD

General Nivelle's Forces Within Less Than Mile of St. Quentin on the South

12 BRITISH AIRMEN MISSING

Turks Have Sustained Another Defeat in Mesopotamia

Lens and St. Quentin, at either end of the front on which the British have been pressing back the Germans now are almost within the grasp of the advancing forces.

Smashing British "blows" against the German positions north and south of Lens have had their effect and the British now hold the suburban towns of Lievin and Cite St. Pierre, and are reported to be firing heavy explosive shells into the main center of northern France.

French are Holding Post

With the holding fast south of St. Quentin and less than a mile from its border, Field Marshal Haig's men follow up the capture of Fayet, a mile northwest of the town, by driving the German defenders back to within a few hundred yards of St. Quentin on the north.

There has been violent fighting along all the important sectors on the front between Lens and St. Quentin and everywhere the British have either made gains on the German defenders or have held back German attacks.

Press Beyond Vimy Ridge

South of Lens and north of the Scarpe the troops of Field Marshal Haig have continued to plunge forward and have reached point two to three miles east of the Vimy Ridge.

South of the Scarpe the Germans have fought stubbornly and have pushed reserve forces into the fray in an effort to hold back the oncoming British forces.

Attacks and counter attacks came at short intervals but the British maintained the captured positions everywhere, London says. Serious losses were inflicted on the Germans.

Northwest of St. Quentin, the British also have captured the village of Gricourt, a mile north of Fayet. The Germans lost heavily in killed and wounded, London reports. In the fighting around Fayet, the British have captured 40 prisoners from the Germans.

12 British Machines Missing

Aerial fighting continues on a large scale on the western front and London reports that 12 British machines failed to return after engaging the Germans behind the German lines. Four German machines were brought down by British fighters and six others were driven down. Berlin reports that the Germans lost 24 airplanes on Friday.

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