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THE PRESIDENT STATES PURPOSE

No Jealousy of German People But We Are Actuated By Love of Sense of Right.

We have no jealousy of German greatness, and there is nothing in this program that impairs it. We grudge her no achievement or distinction of learning or of pacific enterprise, such as have made her record very bright and very enviable. We do not wish to injure her or to block in any way her legitimate influence or power. We do not wish to fight her either with arms or with hostile arrangements of trade if she is willing to associate herself with us and the other peace loving nations of the world in covenants of justice and law and fair dealing. We wish her only to accept a place of equality among the peoples of the world—the new world in which we now live—instead of a place of mastery.

Must Know Who Speaks.

Neither do we presume to suggest to her any alteration or modification of her institutions. But it is necessary, we must frankly say, and necessary as a preliminary to any intelligent dealings with her on our part, that we should know whom her spokesmen speak for when they speak to us, whether for the Reichstag majority or for the military party and the men whose creed is imperial domination.

We have spoken now, surely in terms too concrete to admit of any further doubt or question. An evident principle runs through the whole program. I have outlined. It is the principle of justice to all peoples and nationalities, and their right to live on equal terms of liberty and safety with one another, whether they be strong or weak. Unless this principle be made its foundation no part of the structure of international justice can stand.

For Human Liberty

The people of the United States could act upon no other principle; and are ready to devote their lives, and to the vindication of this principle they are ready to devote their lives, their honor, and everything that they possess. The moral climax, of this, the culminating and final war for human liberty has come, and they are ready to put their own strength, their own integrity and devotion to the test.

We entered this war because violations of right had occurred which touched us to the quick and made the life of our own people impossible unless they were corrected and the world secured once for all against their recurrence. What we demand in this war, therefore, is nothing peculiar to ourselves, it is that the world may be made fit and safe to live in; and particularly that it be made safe for every peace-loving nation which, like our own, wishes to live its own life, determine its own institutions, be assured of justice and fair dealing by other peoples of the world as against force and selfish aggression. All the peoples of the world are in effect partners in this interest, and for our own part we see very clearly that unless justice be done to others it will not be done to us. The program of the world's peace, therefore, is our program; and that program, as we see it is the only possible one.—President Wilson before Congress January 8th.

THE LOCAL BOARD WORK APPROVED

A Government inspector was in Warrenton last week inspecting the records of the Local Exemption Board.

After thoroughly investigating the affairs of the Board, he reported that the records were carefully and correctly kept and that the affairs of the Board were in good condition. "Work is progressing steadily here" he said.

These inspectors go to all the Exemption Boards in the State, inspecting their systems of filing records and aid members of the Board in the right interpretation of the Draft law whenever such a course is necessary. The inspector's remark upon leaving that "the conditions in the office of the Board were excellent, as good as any he had seen" was a marked compliment to Misses Lucy Jones and Sallie Palmer, who have acted as stenographers to the Board.

HUGE SHIPBUILDING PROGRAM

Over \$400,000,000 Worth Ships Building In Southern Shipyards Figures Tell Us.

The Manufacturer's Record gives out the following information in regard to the immense program of shipbuilding in the South. Its stupendousness cannot help forcing upon the average man, our sincere purpose to back our words by our acts:

A summary of the main shipbuilding activities along the South Atlantic and Gulf Coast from Maryland to Texas shows the vast aggregate value of over \$400,000,000 in ships now building or under contract. About \$175,000,000 is represented by work in hand at shipyards at Baltimore and Hampton Roads, or nearly one-half of the total, leaving \$225,000,000 as the amazing sum representing practically new shipbuilding activities that have sprung up in the South since the war began, because but a very limited amount of shipbuilding was carried on prior to the war at any Southern ports but Baltimore and Newport News.

Now there is not a port from Baltimore to Port Aransas, Texas, that has not one or more shipyards speedily turning out wooden or steel vessels of varying sizes. At some of the main ports enormous expansions are planned at the older established yards, while several new plants that will rank well with the country's other big shipyards are rapidly being created.

At Baltimore ships are under way or planned that will cost approximately \$75,000,000, with an indication for a much wider expansion at an early date, as some of the large shipyards have big contracts pending which are likely to be closed at any moment and which will require considerable extension in plant equipment to take care of them.

In Hampton Roads, where the great Newport News shipyard and the Portsmouth Navy Yard are located, and new yards are being established at Norfolk and Hampton, work in hand will aggregate over \$100,000,000 in value, making this section what has been aptly termed the Clyde of America.

At Wilmington, North Carolina's main seaport, vessels valued at \$1,000,000 are under way. Charleston, South Carolina, comes quickly to the front with enlargements of its present shipyards, the construction of a new dock, and establishment of a new plant of large size that has a contract

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GOOD ROAD FOR AFTON SECTION

Road From Reams' To Montgomery's Store Declared To Be One of Best in County.

In conversation the other day, we overheard a gentleman say that the road leading from Mr. Hugh Reams, where the Warrenton Township road ends, to Montgomery's Store in Shocco township was as smooth as the paved streets of Warrenton.

This testimony came from a gentleman who has travelled the County-over and who is in a position to judge the condition of the roads.

One thing certain this section of road illustrates what co-operative action will do in any community. This Pinnell, Burroughs, Limer, Fuller, and Aycock neighborhood is progressive as a farming community, and know the value of a good road as common property.

This section of road was one year ago almost impassible, and today it stands forth as conclusive evidence of the value of dragging after each rain, and of general upkeep as is voluntarily practiced by the men of this section.

Rev. R. H. Broom Leads.

In looking over the Raleigh Christian Advocate we note that Rev. R. H. Broom led the Financial Honor Roll having procured \$149.20 in one year in subscriptions for this excellent paper.

JUDGE J. H. KERR'S CHARGE TO JURY

Court Room Crowded To Hear Him On This His First Court Here; Splendid Charge.

A few minutes after ten o'clock yesterday morning at the words of Sheriff R. E. Davis, January term of Warren Superior Court convened, with his honor, Judge John H. Kerr, presiding.

After the enpanelment of the Grand Jury, Judge Kerr delivered an impressive charge as to their duty under the law, and as to their duties as citizens of the great American commonwealth. He expressed sincere pleasure in being here as Judge, and in that capacity to help the people of Warren in the administration of the laws of the State.

After defining crime and making clear the duty of the Jurors, Judge Kerr placed before the Jury and the large number of citizens in the Court room some very interesting observations. He told of the State and its marvelous undeveloped resources; he told of its people and their capacity to fashion nature's blessings into the common good. "The purest strain of Anglo-Saxon blood found anywhere in the world exists in North Carolina," said Mr. Kerr. This priceless heritage makes us cherish those high ideals which are evidenced by our people everywhere; "of North Carolina's two and a half million people, less than one-fourth of one percent are of foreign birth," he continued. "The fourth states of Georgia, Virginia, Kentucky and North Carolina are, according to four of the greatest preachers, the states in which the moral status of the Nation is at its height."

Judge Kerr spoke the importance of a just pride as the mother of all achievement; not a haughty, narrow minded conceit, but of a pride born of past achievement and the glory of present opportunities—such every North Carolinian should hold. He spoke of California, exemplifying the good effects to be accomplished by such a pride.

In the affairs of any people, the just administration of its laws are the foundation of society, but the freedom of each individual is held so dear by the State that twenty-four men must judge the defendant before the bar of justice. Speaking along this course, Judge Kerr "urged that the Grand Jury go diligently into all presentments, and to report all violations of the law which had come under their observation as citizens."

Scoring the importance of obeying the law, and describing the opposers of the administration at this time as "old grabby souls, narrow-minded and pessimistic" as sores on community life, Judge Kerr stated "There is no place in society, Nation, State for men who opposes the laws of the country."

He urged the Jurors to investigate conditions at the county home and the jail, and in passing paid a just commendation to Colonel Scrap Powell, who has the home in charge. He urged that they see that conditions on the chain gang and in the jail were sanitary and that a reasonable amount of care was taken as to the comforts of prisoners. "It is not the aim of the State to destroy when it punishes" declared the Judge in this connection.

Addressing the body as representatives of the people, he impressed upon them their duty to investigate the affairs of the county: with the view of helpful advice rather than of criticism. He urged the Jurors to inquire about the school administration of the county and of the interest of the state in the successful working of its school system. Education is being realized for its worth, and Judge Kerr declared "a study of the situation, bringing to light the illiteracy among our allies and the enlightening of the German people furnished the key to the situation—this was a war of brains." Evidence proves that educated people are the better fighters. Judge Kerr urged that the Grand Jury commend the county officers for the fulfillment of their duty—even the little common place actions in any line of endeavor merit a kind word for duty performed and the officers appreciate a pat on the shoulder. Duty is always more thoroughly performed, when duty is appreciated.

Speaking of the individual duty of a citizen, Judge Kerr showed conclusively

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DAVIS CAPTURED BY CHIEF GREEN

Jack Scott and Ed Petar After Chase; Deputy Scott Outran Negro and Captured Him.

"Rooster" Davis, a negro with the reputation of an "all-around bad man" is lodged in jail here with over a hundred and twenty bird-shot in his back and a slight wound in the hand.

Davis, who comes from the Ridgeway section, has been for a number of years a "bad" negro. He was wanted in Raleigh for assaulting an officer, in Philadelphia for some offense, and was charged with larceny of money, at Norfolk and the carrying of a concealed weapon.

Mayor J. C. Hardy attempted to arrest Davis at Norfolk and in this attempt failed at him, wounding the negro slightly in the hand, but the negro made his escape and went to his home near Ridgeway. Learning of his whereabouts Chief E. L. Green, and deputies Ed Petar and Jack Scott went to make the arrest.

Upon their approach Davis made a break for liberty, failing to halt, deputy Jack Scott, erstwhile professional hall player and athlete extraordinary, fired several times with an automatic shot gun and in so doing disturbed the peace of mind of Davis but did not stop him. Seeing the fugitive was getting out of range and that the effect of bird shot wasn't hindering his leg action, Scott stop firing and commenced the chase a-foot. After about a half mile run, through briar and bramble, Scott overtook his man, and made the arrest before Chief Green and deputy Petar could cover the distance.

The negro's condition is good, the shot just stuck and did not inflict any serious damage.

WISE REPORTS ON RED CROSS

Reports Number of New Members; B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Elects Officers.

The Wise Auxiliary American Red Cross now numbers 112 members. The following are the new members obtained during and since the Christmas Membership Drive:

Mrs. Nora King, Miss India Hawk, Mrs. Edwin Perkinson, Dr. T. J. Howell, Thomas G. Holt, Jr., Mr. E. L. Powell, W. T. Bolton, Mrs. Addie Mustian, Zela Newman, Mrs. L. M. King, Mr. D. P. Hicks, Mr. I. L. King, Claude Painter, Sterling Perkinson, Mrs. John Painter, Jones Rivers, Mr. John Williams, Mr. Marion Bolton, William St. Sing, Macon White, Raymond White, Mrs. Sally Powell, R. L. Mustian, Mrs. Anna King, Mr. R. J. White, Mr. W. R. Ball, J. H. Bolton, L. E. Hicks, Leland Perkinson, Gilbert Wiggins, Henry White, Mrs. Henry White, Luther Painter, Helen Weldon, Roy Perkinson, Julia Weldon, Henry Coleman, W. R. Coleman, Mrs. Rowan King, Thomas Salmon, and Mrs. H. F. Munn.

The Auxiliary has recently sent in to the Warrenton Chapter the following articles: 26 hospital bed shirts; 10 slings; 5 abdominal bandages; 40 gauze compresses, 4 sweaters, 4 mufflers; 6 pair wristlets; 7 pair socks. We have many willing workers—really more workers than we have work to do. We need money with which to buy materials so that we may be able to keep busy all those who are willing to sew. Isn't there some one who wishes to give something so that rough material may be purchased to keep all the workers busy.

Mr. George Hawk has loaned one sewing machine; Miss India Hawk another, so that our need for machines has been filled.

The newly elected officers of the B. Y. P. U. for a term of six months beginning January 1st are as follows:

President, W. M. Rochelle; Vice-president, Mrs. Charlotte Story Perkinson; Sec'y-treas, Mrs. Walter Macker; Quiz leader, Mr. Frank Dunn; Group leaders—Prof. Craver, Miss Hodges, Miss Justice, and Mr. Walter Perkinson. The officers of the Sunday School for the new year are: Supt., Mr. C. W. Perkinson; Assistant superintendent, J. R. Thompson; Secretary, James White; Librarian, Elmore King.

A BOLD ROBBERY IN VANCE COUNTY

Mr. Weldon Capps Robbed Of \$250.00 and Slightly Shot; Negroes Are Captured.

Mr. Weldon Capps a well known and progressive citizen of the Drewry section of Vance county, was robbed at his home last week, and was slightly wounded by the negroes who perpetrated the crime.

Answering a knock at his door, two negroes who he well knew asked to speak to him, following them out of the house, he was prepared to answer some friendly inquiry or be of some service when the negroes covered him with their guns and demanded his money. Two hundred and fifty dollars was taken in this manner and as Mr. Capps started toward his house at their command, a load of shot were fired point blank at him—the shot went between his body and arm, only a few hitting him. Without any further show of violence, the negroes left in haste.

Sheriff Bell, of Vance, was notified and was at once upon the scene, obtaining the facts in the case and with the aid of his deputy all three negroes were arrested and are at present in Vance county jail awaiting trial.

COUNTY COUNCIL ARE IN RALEIGH

Heads of County Organization Go To Raleigh To Meet French War Mission.

Mr. Walter G. Rogers and Mrs. Kate Pendleton Arrington leave tomorrow for Raleigh to meet the French War Mission and to confer with the members of the State Council of National Defense.

Mr. Rogers goes as chairman of Warren County's Defense Council and Mrs. Arrington as the chairman of the Woman's branch of this work.

Following the rendition of the program of welcome at the Auditorium and speeches by members of the Commission, the party will go to the Governor's Mansion where a reception will be held.

It is the purpose of the State Council of National Defense to make all County branches conversant with the War situation in regard especially to economic conditions, and this visit of the Commission to Raleigh offers an opportunity which all County Councils have been urged to accept.

EVEN IN STRIFE THE WAY OF THE CROSS SHINES

However confused we may be by the turns events are taking in the modern world, we must cling to one one conviction, that over all a Divine Providence presides and that through all, because of some things and in spite of others, Jesus Christ will march on to moral victory. One of the most noted oratorical preachers once delivered a thrilling sermon on the text, "An highway shall be there on a way." The point made by the preacher was that this metaphor of a road or a highway ran through the whole of the Old Testament, and in the New Testament carried still further, being applied to and exemplified in Christ, who stands forth amid all the conflicting paths and says "I am the way!" In spite of all that looks as if Christianity were defeated, or at any rate halted, the Christ of God is leading on the sons of men. The path trodden as a mere trail by apostles in the first century is now a turnpike, and shall be lifted up—we do not say made more smooth, or easy—as the years go by. The way of the Cross has been discoverable, by those who were looking for it, in every past century, and shall not now be lost to sight. It may not be a broad way that glitters with seductive lights and garish decorations—a miscalled White Way—but it is safe and sure, and it ever leads upward to planes of higher attainment, and scenes of eternal joy.—Zion's Herald.

THE WAR SITUATION TO-DAY

German Chancellor Expected To Resign; Germans and Russians Far From Peace.

The war dispatches as given out this morning through the daily press are as follows:

London, Jan 14—According to telegrams from Berlin today Count Von Hertling, the German Imperial Chancellor, is ill and will probably resign shortly, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch.

Speculation is rife concerning the conferences that are being held in Berlin between the military and political leaders, in which Emperor William and the Crown Prince also have participated.

"A death struggle is now proceeding between the Reichstag peace majority and the military annexationist party," says a Bavarian newspaper, which adds that it does not know which side the government will support and that Egyptian darkness 'enshrouds the nation's peace terms.'"

To meet the German menace on the western front arising from the withdrawal by the Germans of numerous troops from Russia to reinforce their lines in France, Belgium and Italy, the British minister of national service has asserted that Great Britain's man power is to be materially increased at the earliest date possible. He declared that the enemy would be able to withdraw 1,600,000 men from the east, but notwithstanding this fact and Russia's defection, "the resources of the Allies and America are sufficient to assure victory and nothing but a psychological catastrophe can save the Central Powers."

Although there is still talk in unofficial quarters of the possibility of a final break in the peace negotiations between the Central Powers and the Bolsheviks, the armistice evidently has been extended to February 18th and it is reported that the pourparlers will be transferred shortly from Brest-Litovsk to Warsaw.

Late advices indicate that there was considerable haggling between the opposing delegates at Brest-Litovsk the latter part of last week over territorial questions and the fixing of a clause in the proposed treaty announcing peace between the belligerents. Trotsky, the Bolshevik foreign minister, in the previous deliberations, proved recalcitrant with regard to the German formula "that the contracting parties have resolved henceforth to live in peace and friendship," declared that it was a "decorative phrase," and did not describe what the future relations between the Russian and German peoples would be.

Internal strife continues in various parts of Russia. Bolshevik troops are reported to have cleared General Kalendine's Cossacks from the Don river basin and to have captured Ekaterinoslav. Following previous reports of a mutiny of sailors at Sebastopol, where 62 officers, four of them admirals, were killed, Russian soldiers are reported to have looted the town of Kilia and in fighting with the Ukrainians to have forced the second Uk rainian regiment to surrender and lay down 7,000 rifles and 13 machine guns.

The Petrograd garrison also apparently is out of hand, idle soldiers having been reported going into the provinces and taking food from the inhabitants and bringing it back to the capital and selling it at exorbitant prices.

The social revolutionary members of the constituent assembly in Russia are opposed to a general peace at Russia's expense and declare that the Bolsheviks are "usurpers of power, who have precipitated the country into an abyss of civil war and anarchy."

Cold weather and snows are still retarding the infantry activity on the battle front, where no fighting of moment is taking place except in the nature of small patrol engagements and artillery duels. Notwithstanding the fact that similar conditions prevailed last week, the British casualties for the seven days ending this Monday were 24,979, as compared with 18,995 the previous week and 9,951 the week before that.

For the first time in many months British aviators have carried out an air raid on Karlsruhe, capital of Baden. The raid was made in the day time.