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SHIP NEARS OTHER SIDE

PLANS MADE FOR BIG RECEPTION OF PRESIDENT

Warships Will Meet the George Washington and Pilot Ship Into Harbor at Brest; American Delegation Meets Party

BREST, France, December 10.—The steamship George Washington, carrying President Wilson and the American delegates to the peace congress at Paris, was reported by the naval wireless as passing the Azores at one o'clock this afternoon. All on board were well after the stormy weather through which the Presidential liner passed.

ALL IN READINESS
Preparations for receiving President Wilson here have been completed.

The progress of each step taken by the American visitors is followed with eager interest. The first plan of sending an American dreadnaught fleet seaward has been changed. According to the new plan the fleet will go out early Friday to meet the American party a short distance off the coast.

French warships also will take Foreign Minister Pichon, Minister of Marine Leygues and Andre Tardieu, French High Commissioner, to America for the first greetings by an exchange of salutes.

French officers have arrived from Paris to make final reception arrangements.

The George Washington draws too much water to enter the inner harbor, so it will anchor about a mile off shore.

THE AMERICAN PARTY

An American party, consisting of Generals Pershing and Bliss, Admiral Benson, Admiral Henry B. Wilson, and Col. E. M. House then will board the liner and bring the President and Mrs. Wilson ashore aboard a naval tug.

The French ministers will extend a formal welcome to the American President as he sets foot on French soil.

REV. J. R. BETTS WILL PREACH AT MACON 15TH

Rev. J. R. Betts will fill the appointment of Rev. J. A. Hornaday at 3 o'clock next Sunday afternoon in the Macon Methodist Church.

In conjunction with this service he will present the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call. It is greatly desired that the people of the entire community attend.

NEED FOR HOME SERVICE GREATER THAN 'ER BEFORE

The following clipping from the Atlanta Constitution impresses the need for the continued and increased Home Service of the Red Cross. Co-operation by citizens in all sections of the County in making known cases needing attention is requested by Mrs. W. A. Graham, vice-chairman of the Red Cross. The clipping:

Our soldiers, freed from the prospect of service overseas, are still to spend weary months in camp, in the depressing waiting they will lose heart more easily than before when things go wrong at home. Red Cross Home Service to their families must continue—we are pledged it shall—as long as families are deprived of the support of the soldier's presence.

Our task is peculiarly heavy because of the large rural districts our chapters cover. The worried soldier with a letter telling of sickness or trouble at home must often wait days until a Home Service worker can make a visit to a distant place, and write back that medical or other relief has been given. Bad weather conditions will soon make almost impassable roads in many places.

We want to make plain to all people the opportunity Red Cross provides for kind neighborly interest in soldiers' families; how every patriotic person can be a link in the chain of service we give our enlisted men. A distress call may come to your Home Service worker at any time in reference to a soldier's family who live near you. You can become an active member of an admiring member of this department of Red Cross. Telephone or write your Red Cross chapter that you are willing to visit a soldier's family at once if need arises in your immediate neighborhood. If your chapter has no Home Service find out why not, and get others to help you push the inquiry until your community takes its proper part in the pledge that the soldier's family shall not suffer during his absence. In form ourself too as to what benefits Home Service can help secure the returning, especially the wounded soldier. Your neighbor may come back and not know. The army depends on Home Service to instruct returning men about keeping up insurance, compensation, re-education and fitting back into industry.

It is your patriotic and neighborly duty to get in touch with your Home Service section. For further information address Mr. C. R. Rodwell, chairman Civilian Relief Committee, Warren Chapter Red Cross, Warrenton.

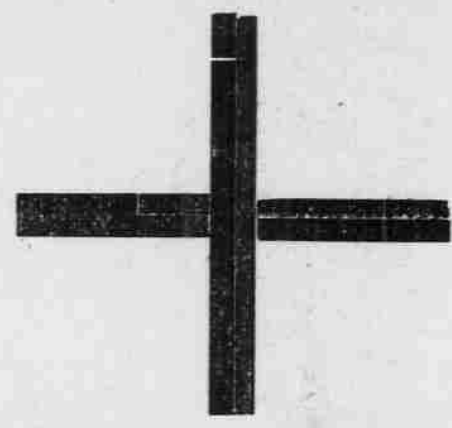
COLORED RED CROSS AUXILIARY TO MEET MONDAY

The colored Red Cross Auxiliary is called for a special meeting Monday night, December 16th at the Court House here.

Hon. Tasker Polk will speak. Rev. C. H. Williamson will also talk. Rev. J. K. Ramsay will preside.

Everyone is urged to come. Mrs. P. F. HALEY, Chairman Red Cross Auxiliary. W. E. RAMSAY, Secretary of Warrenton Auxiliary.

Remember—Buy more stamps



HUMANITY'S APPEAL

By HENRY C. WAGSTAFF

The Red Cross sounds a clarion call Throughout the land—the call for all.

A call that carries the holy thought, Of a Christian victory, dearly bought.

Revoked, the guns of carnage cease: Supernal, wings the dove of Peace,

Yet from devastated lands ascend the cries Of hurt and homeless: war's sacrifice.

A mighty chorus of pain and woe, Wells up to Heaven, from the crushing blow.

For Flanders' fields are blight and bare; Where once they fruited rich and fair:

Where once the poppies gloriéd red, Now sleep the host of martyred dead.

Returning home, where no homes are, Instead, the wrecks of battle scar,

The legions view, yet scarce understand, The chaos of destruction's ruthless hand.

In grief's deep abyss of despair, Plunged are the stricken everywhere.

Shall orphaned lips now moan in vain? Shall helpless waifs unhelped remain?

Shall aged and ailing, sick and failing, Suffer on, their fate bewailing?

Shall hunger stalk, and famine reign, To add their toll to the pitied slain?

Shall desolation's fearful hand Remain unstayed to scourge the land?

Shall ruined homes in ruins stay? And tortured fields in torture lay?

Shall blackened hearths, whence hope has fled, Be left, reminders of their dead?

The Red Cross answers its thundering NO! Its blazoned banners forward go!

Against the tide of woe unfurled, To stanch the wounds of a war crushed world.

In the wake of destruction's fearful blight, The Red Cross follows in Christian MIGHT!

To reach the afflicted. To SAVE—to heal: To hear the faintest cry. The farthest appeal.

The war is over. The fighting done. But the work of the Red Cross is newly begun.

For the human wreckage in the lands over sea, Is the heritage of the Red Cross and humanity.

You can't go yourself, but the help you can give, Will help the Red Cross to help others live.

"Your heart and a Dollar" the appeal to all: Universal Membership in the Christmas Roll Call.

The Red Cross Christmas Roll Call depends on your individual support to make "UNIVERSAL MEMBERSHIP" possible. Have your "Red Cross Dollar" ready when the solicitor calls.

LOVE OF MONEY MUST NOT KILL NOBLER VIRTUES

(Dr. William A. McKeever in Baltimore Sun)

"The love of money is the root of all evil," saith the proverb.

Two small boys confess that they lost \$2.50 between them trying to beat a wheel of fortune at a street carnival.

Out of 100 boys arrested for misdemeanors during a recent month 20 were found guilty of violating a junk ordinance.

A mother has just presented the case of her 13 year old daughter, who has been stealing systematically from the home purse for five years past.

Appeal is now going up from many parts of the country asking that all concerned discontinue the practice of authorizing more boys and girls to collect indefinite amounts for patriotic purposes. "These children are often tempted to keep a part of the money" is the complaint.

"This new liberal wage scale is making a fool of my boy, who is only 15. He does not think it necessary to have an education and refuses to attend school. He drifts from one job to another, each time receiving a little higher pay, and yet never learning to master any line of work."

"Boys nowadays have too much money to spend. Our boy, 16 years old, is getting \$18 a week and is saving none of it. What are we to do? He argues that it is all his own money and that he has a right to do what he pleases with it."

So the juvenile money troubles might be reported at great length. The situation is very much aggravated by the present-day scale of high wages. Ordinary workmen are being paid so much for their services that the matter becomes a topic for existing conversation at the dinner table. The children join in the chorus. Money, money, let's spend the money—this enticing issue is probably more in the consciousness of the young today than the great war itself.

All this thought of earning and spending money is an abnormality for children, a kind of madness, which is certain to warp the even growth of their characters unless checked.

You have no right to permit your boy to earn money unless you teach him how to use it.

It is perfectly natural for children to steal, gamble and squander money until they are taught a better way to transact business. Your child inherits absolutely nothing definite as to honesty, integrity and financial responsibility. In order to understand and practice these matters he must be taught by you or some one else.

The larger your boy's earnings, the grave his danger of going wrong, and the greater your responsibility as his guide.

The world has stumbled and fallen down largely because money, business trade, commerce—these all—were being pursued more and more as ends in themselves. So will your boy fail or fall if he is permitted to believe that money making is the chief business of society.

The struggle is now on in the whirlpool of the world events to take down the gods of money, greed and inhuman might and place in the center of affairs.

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OLD HICKORY IS PRAISED

KING GEORGE AND HAIG COMMEND OUR TROOPS

Record 30th Division In France Resplendant With Heroic Service of Troops from the Carolinas and Tennessee.

The following clipping from the News Leader, Richmond is of particular interest. H. Company is a member of the 30th Division, and home people read with pride the record its representatives have made. The article:

The London Daily telegraph of November 19, describes a drive of King George and Queen Mary, thru Northwest London, accompanied by the Princess Mary and attended by Commander Sir Charles Cust, R. N. The telegraph says:

"At Kensington Gardens was a group of American officers, to whom the King walked up, afterwards chatting with them for several minutes and shaking hands when salutes had been given and acknowledged. Among the officers, who were delighted at the honor accorded them were Major W. A. Fair, Captain Charles E. Monk, and Lieutenant James R. Ridley, all of the Thirtieth Division (known as 'Old Hickory.'). They had served with the Fourth Army Division on the Western front.

"The king" declared Major Fair afterwards "said how pleased he was that America had co-operated with the other allies. 'Not for one moment,' added the king, 'had I any doubt of the issue.'"

The Thirtieth division, mentioned for special honors by Field Marshal Haig, was known as the "Wildcat" division and came from the Southeastern states. The Twenty-seventh and Thirtieth divisions probably were the first American divisions to fight in Belgium, having crossed the border

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Ready For Intensive R.C. Christmas Drive

With headquarters on main street here teaming with Red Cross posters buttons, and appeals to "Join", everything is in readiness for launching the intensive campaign for membership which will run next week with the one idea of universal enrollment.

All over Warren, the appeal is to be made to come to the arms of the Greatest Mother in the World.

Every one is expected to wear the Red Cross Christmas button, and a large red cross is given the head of each house who joins. To these large crosses smaller red crosses, at headquarters here, are to be appended for each member of the home. The public is expected to prominently place this honor certificate of mercy where it may be seen at all times.

The need for universal membership, it has been pointed out, is world wide. They look to the cross of mercy as the mecca of hope, the symbol of tenderness, the sublimity of love.

JOIN!

MUTT and JEFF

Jeff's Right. The Ex-Kaiser's Hair Must Be Red

By Bud Fisher.

