## PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT INDIANAPOLIS

BLOOD OF THE MEXICANS IS THEIR OWN TO SPILL, SAYS WILSON.

### WORK OUT OWN SALVATION

President Intimates That He is Head of Democratic Party and Almost Announces For 1916.

Indianapolis, Ind.—President Wilson in a Jackson Day speech here voiced what his flearers interpreted as a hint that he might be a candidate for the presidency again in 1916. The audience of more than 4,000 people rose to their feet and cheered until the President called for quiet.

The President had been discussing the Mexican question. Referring to his belief that he knew the temperament and principles of the American people, he added that he would not be fit to stay where he was if he did not understand them.

"There may come a time," he said, "when American people will have to judge whether I know what I am talking about or not."

There was a slight pause and then the crowd began cheering. Realizing the construction which had been put on his words, the President held up his hand for silence and said:

"I did not mean to stir up anything That was merely preparatory to saying that for at least two more years I am free to think I know the American people.'

Previously the President had attacked the Republican party, defended the record of his Administration on the Mexican policy, the tariff and currency and declared that a careful examination of the recurns from the elections last November showed that if it had been a Presidential year a Democrat would have had a majority | Washington Government Notifies Shipof about 80 in the electoral college.

Mr. Wilson gravely spoke warning to Democrats not to break up the solidarity of the party. He declared those who did would gain an unenviable position for themselves.

"If a man won't play on a team he later spoke of himself as the "captain of the Democratic team for the pres-

The President spoke briefly of Mexico. He said the people there are entitled to liberty, "no matter how long they take in determining it." Speaking slowly and carefully, he declared that "so far as my influence goes, while I am President, no body shall interfere with them."

"Have not European Nations taken as long as they wanted, and spilled as much blood as they pleased to settle keir own affairs.". le continued, "and shall we deny the same right to Mex-No. I say."

## BRITAINS SATISFIED WITH RATE.

House of Lords Adjourns After Hearing Government Statements.

London.-After a two days' session in which Parliament heard speeches from Lord Kitchener, Viscount Haldane, Lord High Chancellor; the Marquis of Crewe, Government leader in the House, and Baron Lucas, on behalf of the Government ,on the progress of the war and Great Britain's preparations to carry it on the House of Lords adjourned until February 2, when Parliament will reassemble

The opposition failed to learn from the Government the growth of the Army or the operations of the Navy, regarding which its members persistently questioned the Ministers, but, generally speaking, the Government expressed satisfaction at the rate at which recruiting was proceeding and Viscount Haldane declared the necessity for compulsory service had not

#### Made Farewell Speech.

Washington.-Governor-elect Frank B. Willis of Ohio made his farewell speech in the House, resigned from Congress and left for Columbus, where he was inaugurated. He gave a parting against what he called a tend to believe that legislation must be guided by a political dictator.

Assemble Off Virginia. Washington. — Virginia Senators notified Secretary Daniels that they would insist upon execution of the law requiring the assembling of the international fleet in Hampton Roads next onth preparator; to the cruise grough the Panam Canal to the Pacific Coast. Naval officers have been considering the fessibility of supplying the threatened deficiency in Euro pean representation in the interna-tional fleet by making special efforts for the participation of Latin-American

#### Favors Chamberlain Bill.

Washington.-Unqualified endorsement of the Cham's rlain bill to increase the strength of the coast artillery corps was given by Secretar Garrison in a report asked for by t Senate Military Committee.

The measure would add to the corp.
12 colonels, 12 lieutenant colonels, 46
majors, 175 captaint, 187 first lieutenants, 187 second lie tenants, a corres-

MISS GENEVIEVE CLARK



Speaker and Mrs. Clark have just announced the engagement of their daughter, Genevieve, to James M. Thomson, owner and publisher of the New Orleans Item.

BUT IS MUCH PLEASED WITH AMERICA'S PLAN FOR CERTI-FICATION OF CARGOES.

pers That Officer to Supervise Loading Will Be Furnished.

London.-Although the foreign office government's plan of certifying cargoes destined for Europe, its was said the Confederacy are here. that England cannot accept such certification as an absolute guaranty of the nature of the cargo in case cause for suspicion arises after a vessel leaves America. In other words, the right of search cannot be waived because of the possibility of shifting cargoes at sea.

The waiving of the right of search in the opinion of prominent British officials, would be an invitation for smugglers to carry contraband to sea in small boats and transfer it to a ship of certified cargo. The position is precisely the same as that taken by the foreign office concerning certification of manifests by British Consuls at American ports. The Government constantly is in communication with representatives of Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Holland, and it is reported these nations are now taking steps to revise their lists of prohibited exports to correspond with the British contraband list. That would make possible a resumption of shipping to neutral European countries from America with delays or danger of seizure. Owing to failure of the London newspapers to discuss the preliminary negotiations between Ambassador Page and Foreign Secretary Grev extending over several weeks before the English public was not well advised Even now the opinion is quite Wilson denied England's right of search. Consequently much of the shock occasioned by the presentation of the American note was due to misapprehension and now is disappearing on account of the calm and friendly attitude of the government.

Canal Slides Prove Difficult. Washington.-Governor Goethals of the Panama Canal Zone told a house priation sub-committee that the lides in the big waterway had proved thought. At the point where they becurred, he said, there is a channel 00 feet wide and 35 feet deep, but shoaling has complicated the situa-tion. He did not discuss the prabable effect on plans for sending th can fleet through the can but said the Zone gov working the dredge

London.Two Russian Cauc

## **HUNDRED YEARS OF** PEACE CELEBRATED

COMMEMORATE AT NEW OR-LEANS THE CENTURY FOL. LOWING BIG BATTLE.

#### ENGLAND PLAYED A PART

Special Envoy of the British King Felicitated Representative of the Government of United States.

New Orleans .- A three-day celebraion of the one hundredth anniversary of peace among English-speaking people was held on the site of the last armed conflict between the United States and Great Britain. The ce'emonies opened with the firing of a salute of 2 guns so timed that the last gun boomed at 8:20 o'clock, exactly 100 years to the minute, according to historians, that General Jackson fig. ally triumphed over the British on the field of Chalmette near New Orleans.

Peace advocates from many parts of the United States and Canada witnessed formal exchange of greetings between a representative of the President of the United States and an es pecially appointed envoy of the King of England, watch the unveiling of a monument to General Jackson and the maneuvers of the Seventh United States Infantry and other regular soldiers transported from Texas City, Texas, for the celebration. The Seventh Infantry composed a part of Jackson's command 100 years ago. WILL SEARCH VESSELS The soldiers were in charge of Brig. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, commanding officer of the Second Division who is here with 72 other army officers and 2,000 men. Sailors also took part in the Chalmette ceremonies and a military parade was commanded by Rear Admiral McLean, who arrived here on the battleship Rhode Island from Cera Cruz.

Preliminary to opening the celebration reception for Mrs. William Gerry Slade, president general of the United Daughters of 1776-1812, took islation. Charging that an effort was place at a hotel here. Other women being made to rush the bill with unstanding naval event of the past year London.—Although the foreign office prominent in this organization and regards with high favor the American prominent in this organization and due haste, Republican members, was the courage, sacrifice and self-

#### RUSSIANS MOVE IN HUNGARY.

Most Significant of Campaigns Has Now Begun,

over the Turks in the Caucasus. If corps and the repulse of a third-the Turkish menace against the Russians in Trans-Caucasia has been removed. The loss of so many of their best trained officers and men ,it is believfense of their own country. Military interest in the Russian invasion of taking in the war.

In the meantime the Russians are held by the Austro-Germans in Westdenburg, the German commander in concerning the difference which grew Northern Poland, can move but slowly in his offensive operations against general, notwithstanding publication Warsaw because of the muddy roads.

Thirty-Day Rate Reduced. Richmond.—The board of directors of the Richmond Federal reserve bank authorized a reduction of chalf of one per cent in the re-disco rate on thirty-day paper. The rate, 4 -2 per cent is effective at The other rates, 5 per cent 90 day paper and 6 per cent than 90 days, are unchair emor George Seay said duction was ordered b general reduction in throughou

SIR STANLEY BURKMASTER



Sir Stanley Owen Burkmaster, K. C., M. P., is censor of war news for the British Government and is a prominent lawyer.

#### PUSH PROPOSED SHIP BILL

BY A VOTE OF 46 TO 29 SENATE Navy participated. The medal win-PUTS SHIP SUBSIDY BILL FORWARD.

Says That United States Should Buy Ships For Commercial Indpendence-Some Objects.

Washington.-Government purchase tration bill to create a shipping board, finance a \$10,000,000 shipping corporation and expend not to exceed \$30,ocean carriers, because the foremost class; William Zuiderveld, hospital issue before Congress.

only by appropriation bills. This acpart of opposition Senators which gave certain indication that there were and bravery at Vera Cruz. breakers ahead for the proposed tegand Root, served notice that the measure would be fought to the last ditch. at the battle of Vera Cruz.

Minority members of the Commerce Committee, filed a report writ-London.—A complete change in the of Michiganand Oliver, asserting that the field of battle. America then, situation in the Near East may be the plan proposed would not relieve mourning her loss, was like Niobi shipping conditions enough to do any good. It pointed also to dangers of the Turkish fleet is as sweeping as of Michigan and Oliver, asserting that has been reported officially-the virt- declaring that "every craft set affoat ual destruction of two Turkish army by the Government would add one more risk of our being drawn into the present war."

Senator Fletcher, who has charge of the bill and who recently conferred with President Wilson concerning it, ed here, will compel the Turks to urged the measure in a lengthy speech give up any ambition they had of in- after Republican Senators had issued vading their enemy's territories and their pronounciamento of opposition. force them to cencentrate on the de- He declared the war has produced a "ship famine" and that the interests men however are, taking even greater of all people in the United States demanded that the Government take im-Hungary through Uzsok Pass in the mediate action to supply ships to car-Carpathians, and their rapid advance ry American products demanded in on Transylvania through Bukowina the markets of Europe and South simultaneously with their movement America. He instanced the fact that toward Cracow. These combined op- cotton sold at 19 cents a pound in erations are the most gigantic under- Germany when it was bringing seven cents in the United States. Germany would consume 500,000,000 pounds of cotton if she could get it, he said, American note was presented, the ern Galicia. Field Marshal von Hin- and the South had 15 times that amount to sell.

\$75,000 FIRE AT CHARLOTTE.

Ben Vonde Company and Nearby Stores Completely Wrecked. harlotte.-Fire that started in th ing and Seaning establi the Company,

# BLUEJACKETS GET

SECRETARY OF NAVY, DANIELS PRSENTS THE BADGES OF HEROISM TO MEN.

### THE BATTLE OF VERA CRUZ LEADING SUBJECTS NAMED

Boys Are Honored Who Bore Themselves With Distinction Under Fire in Mexican Port.

New York .- Medals of honor were resented by Secretary Daniels to 13 deck of the battleship Florida at the Brooklyn Navy Yard and Rear Admiral Fletcher, now commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, who commanded | nial messages to the members. the American naval forces at Vera Cruz, and other high officers of the ners were:

Tenry N. Nicherson, boatswain's mate, first class; Abraham de Somer, chief turret captain; Joseph G. Harner, boatswain's mate, first class; George Cregan, boatswain's mate, first class; Lawrence Cregan, boatswain's mate, first class; Lawrence C. Sinnett, gunner's mate, third class; Percy A. Decker, chief boatswain's mate; Sharof ships as proposed in the Adminis- les F. Bishop, quartermaster, first class; James A. Walsh, quartermaster, third class; Charles L. Nordsiek, seaman; Fred J. Schneipel, seaman; 000,000 for the purchase chartering of Berrie H. Jerritt, gunner's mate; third steward; Harry C. Beasley, coxswain; By a vote of 46 to 29 the Senate Edward A. Gisburne, electrician, secmade the ship purchase bill the un- ond class, was not present to receive finished business, to be supplanted his medal, but it had been sent to him. Secretary Daniels also read a long tion, on motion of Senator Fletcher, list carrying names of officers, headacting chairman of the Commerce Com- ed by Rear Admiral Fletcher, and mittee, precipitated a showing on the bluejackets and marines, who had received special mention for heroism

Before presenting the medals, Secretary Daniels declared that the outsome members of the Daughters of among them Senator Gallinger, Lodge restraint displayed by the officers and avy and marine corps

"On answering the call of their country," said the Secretary "nineten by Senator Burton and endorsed teen men, sailors and marines, won by Senators Nelson, Perkins, Smith the distinction and glory of death on 'all tears.' "

The Secretary spoke of the honors bodies were brought to the United self in an address at Brooklyn, voicvalor

#### WILSON DECLINES AID.

Tells Women That States Are Proper Agents For Action.

Washington.-President Wilson declined for the sixth time since he entered the White House to support a had helped elect him, presented a plea that he support the proposed amendment, he reiterated his previous declaration that he considered sucrage a state issue. Mrs. George A. Armes, president of

the District of Columbia Wilson and Marshall League; Miss Alberta Hill w York and Dr. Frances McGasn for the delegation, re-

# GOVERNOR CRAIG MEDALS OF HONOR READS HIS MESSAGE ORPHANAGE IS DEAD

JOINT SESSION OF LEGISLATURE REV. DR. JOHN NELSON COLE HELD TO HEAR SUGGESTIONS OF GOVERNOR.

Severe in His Arraignment of Insurance Companies Doing Business in North Carolina.

Raleigh-Following the custom inaugurated by Gov. R. B. Glenn during enlisted men of the United States his incumbency, and that of Presi-Navy who won special mention for dent Wilson in appearing before the distinguished conduct at the occupa- two Houses of Congress and reading tion of Vera Cruz in April last. The his messages, Governor Craig, by informal ceremony took place on the vitation of the General Assembly, appeared be fore a joint session of the two Houses in the hall of the House of Representatives and read his bien-

At the noon hour, accompanied by Lieutenant Governor Daught live, the members of the Senate filed into the House and were given seats.

Shortly after the governor appear ed, accompanied by the committee from the two houses, and wihout any further ado proceeded to deliver his message. As the governor entered the chamber, every man arose, and he was greeted with a round of applause. Handsome in appearance, faultlessly attired, the governor never appeared

to better advantage in his life. His well-rounded voice carried to the extreme connes of the hall, and he was listened to with the closest attention. The State's Progress.

The governor in the beginning called attention to the substantial progress in evidence throughout the state. both mater'ally, industrially, and in an educational way, lamented the fact that the European war had caused some depression in business, but stated that it was his belief that as we have been blessed with years of adyantageous circumstances, that the people of the state would triumphantly overcome this reverse.

The governor paid a great deal of attention to the work of the agricul- Cole was wedded to Miss Elizabeth tural department, praised the manage- Marshall Jones of Mecklenburg counment of the state prison, made an ap- ty, Va., to whom were born six chilpeal for a state-wide primary law, and dren, namely, Miss Mary Cole of Ralurged that better laws be enacted for eigh, Mrs. Plato, Durham of Atlanta, the preservations of the forests of the state and for the building of better | York City; Miss Marshall Cole, Miss roads.

Raps Insurance Companies. The governor was plain spoken re-

garding insurance rates and urged the legislature to enact laws that would paid these heroes at the time their give the people cheaper fire protection. He recommended the establishment States, when President Wilson him- of a training school in the western section of the state for teachers, ed the Nation's appreciation of their similar to that at Greenville, in the east, and dealt fully with the tuberculosis situation, stating that he thought it better to establish a bureau for the prevention of this plague rather than keep the sanitorium at Montrose in exstence at the expense of the state, where so few people would derive any benefit from it.

The governor was outspoken as re-Federal constitutional amendment for garded child labor and went on rewomen suffrage. When a delegation of cord as being opposed to working Democratic women, who declared they | childrne of tedner years in the mills. Taxation Problem.

> He declared that the present system of taxation in the state was far from what it should be, saying that the fault with our present system is that our property is not assessed for taxation as it should be and that the quadrennial assessible property will be for the property will be for the property tring the tax rate if a more tax rate if a mo will be for the r tax rate if a mo ting of taxable proper The govern rts of the

# HEAD OF METHODIST

OF RALEIGH PASSES AWAY AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

#### FUNERAL HELD AT DURHAM

Noted Preacher and Leader Among North Carolina Methodists Answers the '- ' Summons.

Charlotte.-Rev. John Nelson Ople, superintendent of the Methodist orphanage in Raleigh and one of the state's best beloved and most useful citizens, passed away at a hospital in Charlotte where he had been under treatment since the latter part of November. For the past two years Dr. Cole's health had not been good. Last spring he suffered an attack and came to Charlotte for medical attention, remaining here about two weeks. His system responded well to the treatment and he was soon able to return to his arduous duties. On Thanksgiving day however he suffered a recurrence of his trouble and from this attack he never recovered. He came to Charlotte again for treatment but his strength was too far gone for him to rally successfully. His condition rapidly grew worse and it was soon seen that there was no hope. The end came just as the day was breaking and was very easy-sleep and a forgetting.

The funeral took place in Durham at Trinity Methodist church. Dr. Cole was pastor of this church for four years and it was his wish that his funeral be held there.

Dr. Cole was born in Franklinton, February 10, 1852 and was therefore 62 years of age at the time of his death. After attending the schools of his native place, he entered Randolph-Macon College from which he was graduated. Shortly thereafter he entered the ministry being ordained within the bounds of the North Carolina Conference where he remained until the day of his death.

Early in his young manhood, Dr. Ga.: Mr. John Nelson Cole, Jr., of New Alice Cole, and Mr. Henry P. Cole of

Mitchell Monument Destroyed.

Asheville-Unknown parties dynamited and entirely destroyed the monument to Prof. Elisha Mitchell, erected on the top of Mount Mitchell, according to advices reaching Asheville. The monument which was composed of a mixture of bronz and lead, was reduced to a shapless ruin. Foreignors employed by a lumber company are said to have had trouble with one of the foremen recently and to have believed the monument the property of the company destroyed it. No arrests have been made. Professor Mitchell, a Yale professor,

but at the time connected with the faculty of the University of North Carolina, proved that Mount Mitchell. 6.711 feet high, is the highest point east of the Mississippi. Twenty-six years ago alumni of North Carolina had the monument

erected on the top of the peak to mark the last resting place of Professor The monument will be replaced.

Patents Granted Tar Heels. Washington,-Davis and Davis, patent attorneys, report the grant to citizens of North Carolina of the folks Henning F. Addicks, Jr.

ding-post; David S. B. cking, combined cott lvator; corge H.