## **MILLIONS WELCOME** U. S. ARMADA HOME

Passes Daniels and Baker in Review Amid Guns' Roar-Admiral and Two Rear Admirals Join in New York Parade-Headed by Navy's Chief-Marines Just Back From Overseas Lead Column of 10,000 Men Past Public Library, Where They Are Reviewed by Daniels and Mayo.

chor in the Hudson tonight were 21 superdreadnoughts, dreadnoughts and 14 officers and 424 men sick and ships of the line, which, with cruisers, wounded. Of the latter, 74 are bedriddestroyers and a host of smaller craft, den cases, two mental and two tubermade the mightiest American armada ever assembled. Ten of the floating fortresses steamed into the harbor today after eighteen months' service overseas with Beatty's grand fleet. cat") Divisions, and the reports of The others are the flower of the north the soldiers were that these divisions Atlantic fleet. Grim guardians of a also were soon coming home. great nation, they symbolized that the United States has become the second by the transport George Washington, naval power of the world.

In the teeth of a northwester, in the chill of a driving snowstorm, millions waited hours until the ten battleships of the home coming armada appeared. This was New York's and the nation's tribute to the ships, far more eloquent than the greatest din of whistles, bells and human voices.

The vocal welcome came later, when the rugged weather-beaten tars who manned the ships, debarked and, with Secretary Daniels and Admiral Mayo at their head, marched down Fifth Avenue in the country's first great victory parade.

were wounded soldiers returned from to return as a unit to America. This people. France. With the memory of their organization, composed of troops from own first voyage still fresh in their New England and New York, was deminds, they paid unstinted tribute to clared to be at St. Nazaire awaiting brothers in arms who had guarded the arrival of a transport. them across the Atlantic.

tary of the Navy, off the Statue of Lynchburg, Va., and Private Major Liberty, the home-coming ships Goff, of Princeton, N. C .- of the 119th loomed suddenly out of the mist and Infantry, were on the Cedric. "I'm as rapidly disappeared. They seemed lucky—I've only lost one leg," said almost like phantom craft, grim, gray, Goff; "I might have been wounded so majestic in their silent might. But as I coldn't eat." they dropped anchor the skies cleared and they stood revealed in holiday attire, ablaze from stem to stern with multi-colored pennants. To many of food until he has undergone another those who lined the shores this flash operation; "I might have been woundof sunshine symbolized the light of ed so I couldn't walk." peace which awaited the fleet after the gloom of war from which it had same shrapnel shell. emerged.

In inspecting the vessels, the Mayflower made a run of nearly ten miles before she finally dropped anchor at the berth she had left in the morning. Immediately she was surrounded by a fleet of gigs, bearing admirals, viceadmirals, rear admirals and captains to pay their respects to Secretary Daniels and Vice Admiral A. W. Grant, of the home fleet, who arranged the day's program.

A touching scene was enacted in the main salon of the Mayflower, where Mr. Daniels welcomed his guests. Among those invited to witness the review from the presidential and at the Lane Theological Seminary. yacht were the wives of naval officers He was ordained into the Presbyterihome at last after eighteen months' an ministry in 1882. He occupied passervice in foreign waters. If the offi- torates at Albany, Philadelphia and cers devoted no more time than courte- New York and conducted evangelistic sy demanded to paying their respects | work in all parts of the country. Since to the Secretary before greeting their 1903 he had been executive secretary wives, Mr. Daniels showed no dispo- of the General Assembly's committee sition to chide them.

and Admiral Mayo landed, entered a large for the Presbyterian evangelismachine and drove to the head of the tic committee. long column of sailors forming on Broadway. Rear Admiral Rodman led the line on foot.

With a detachment of marines at its head, the column moved down Broad- Oaks section, was in town last week way to Fifty-ninth street, crossed to Lieutenant Lee enrolled for the sec-Fifth Avenue and then swung down ond officers' training camp at Fort that historic thoroughfare. At the public library Mr. Daniels and Admiral Mayo left the line to take the: places with the other members of the stationed at various camps as instruc-Mayflower's party, who had preceded tor until the armistice was signed. At them to the reviewing stand.

after platoon of sailors from each of He was mustered out just before the ten ships which came home today. Christmas and returned home. Like Each contingent carried the ship's mary other soldier boys who spend flag at its head and each received several months in training he was round after round of applause.

in England as mascots. scampered get a trip to Europe. along with their shipmates, galy decorated with American and British flags. After the parade, the men im- America) so that Liberty will never mediately embarked for their ships, more be without an asylum.-La- defend. there to receive shore liberty.

CEDRIC BROUGHT MANY BACK.

Arrived in New York December 23rd. Among the Soldiers on Board Was Major Goff, a Princeton Man, Who Lost a Leg in France.

The United States transport Cedric arrived in New York from Liverpool Monday of last week, carrying American troops, says a press dispatch.

Aboard the Cedric were 65 officers, 2168 enlisted men, four nurses and seven civilians. The troops comprise Winchester Casual Companies Nos. 1062 (colored), 1065, 1066 and 1067; Liverpool Casual Companies, Nos. New York, Dec. 26.—Riding at an- 1002 (colored), 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006 and 1007; the 332d Aero Squadron and

The majority of the wounded men aboard were from the 27th (New York National Guard) and the 30th ("Wild-

The Cedric was followed into port the ship that conveyed President Wilson to France, also bringing home American troops.

The George Washington, which left Brest December 15, had 331 officers and 3461 men.

The sick included 33 men suffering from mumps. There were no deaths on the voyage across.

More tales of heroism, sacrifice and German treachery were told by the wounded soldiers who returned on the Cedric. A copy of the Stars and Stripes, the American Expeditionary Force paper, displayed by one trooper, contained the information that the Leading civilians in the cheering 76th Division will be the first division the spirit and purpose of the American

Two "bunkies" wounded in action Passing in review before the Secre- together-Private Taylor Williams, of

> "Not so lucky as I am," declared Williams, who, shot in the chin, shoulder and neck, must partake of liquid

These doughboys were struck by the

REV. J. WILBUR CHAPMAN DEAD Was Noted Evangelist and Presbyte

rian Moderator.

The Rev. Dr. J. Wilbur Chapman, noted as an evangelist, died in New York on Christmas Day. He was operated on a few days ago. Since May, 1917, he had been moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyte-

rian Church in the United States. Dr. Chapman was born in Richmond, Ind., on June 17, 1859, and was educated at Lake Forest University on evangelistic work for the Presby-The reception ended, Mr. Daniels terian Church and representative-at-

### Lieut. Lee Back From Texas.

Lieutenant J. Ira Lee, of the Four Oglethorpe in August, 1917. Three months later he received his commis- the world. sion as Licutenant of Cavalry and was the time the war stopped he was at Following the marines were platoon | Camp Stanley, San Antonio, Texas. | ing the important tasks which fall staff, and Tasker H. Bliss, military | ter the February allotments was one anxious to go across and get in the Fully 10,000 men were in line, and big fight, and considered himself find myself in the company of a body asked by Secretary Baker in a letter of a growing spot demand and the conin many instances dogs taken aboard very unlucky because they did not

> Humanity has won its suit (in fayette.

# WILSON'S SPEECH AT LONDON BANQUET

Now We Are to Prove Whether We Understand What "Right and Justice" Mean-Then Have Courage to Act Our Understanding-We Will Have the High Privilege to Apply the Moral Judgment of the World.

President and Mrs. Wilson attended a Banquet in Buckingham Palace in London Friday night. The Associated Press in a dispatch to the daily papers

"No more regal setting ever had been arranged in Buckingham Palace than that which greeted President and Mrs. Wilson when they were escorted into the banquet hall for the precedent-breaking state dinner."

The King of England delivered an address of welcome to which Mr. Wilson replied as follows:

"I am deeply complimented by the gracious words which you have uttered. The welcome which you have given me and Mrs Wilson has been so warm, so natural, so evidently from the heart, that we have been more than pleased. We have been touched by it and I believe that I correctly interpret the welcome as embodying not only your own generous spirit toward us personally but also as expressing for yourself and the great nation over which you preside that same feeling for my people, for the people of the United States.

"For you and I, sir-I temporarilyembody the spirit of two great nations, and whatever strength I have, and whatever authority I possess it only so long and so far as I express

"Every influence that the American people have over the affairs of the world is measured by their sympathy with the aspirations of free men everywhere.

"America does love freedom, and I believe that she loves freedom, unselfishly. But if she does not she will not and cannot help the influence to which she justly aspires.

"I have had the privilege, sir, of conferring with the leaders of your own government and with the spokesmen of the governments of France and of Italy, and I am glad to say that I have the same conceptions that they have of the significance and scope of the duty on which we have met.

"We have used great words; all, of us have used the great words 'right' and 'justice' and now we are to prove whether or not we understand these words, and how they are to be applied to the particular settlement which must conclude this war.

"And we must not only understand them, but we must have the courage to act upon our understanding.

"Yet, after I have uttered the word 'courage' it comes into my mind that it would take more courage to resist the great moral tide now running in the world than to yield to it, than to obey it.

"There is a great tide running in the hearts of men. The hearts of men have never beaten so singularly in unison before. Men nave never before

Great Tide in the Hearts of Men.

been so conscious of their brotherhood. Men have never before realized how little difference there was between right and justice in one latitude and in another, under one sovereignty and under another.

"And it will be our high privilege, I believe, sir, not only to apply the moral judgment of the world to the particular settlements which we shall attempt, but also to organize the moral force of the world to preserve these settlements, to steady the forces | ver's Grove the first Sunday in Janof mankind and to make the right and uary by the pastor, Rev. W. D. Stancil. the justice to which great nations like On account of the influenza there has our own have devoted themselves, the been no service held at Oliver's Grove predominant and controlling force of since the first of October.

"There is something inspiring in knowing that this is the errand that general on John J. Pershing, com- further discount on the distant we have come on. Nothing less than mander of the American forces in months. The announcement of the rethis would have justified me in leav- France ; Peyton C. March, chief of moval of cotton trade restrictions afupon me on the other side of the sea representaive at the Supreme War of the important influences of the -nothing but the consciousness that Council, and a permanent rank of week, while rumors of easier ocean nothing else compares with it in lieutenant general on Hunter Liggett freight rates to come in January dignity and importance.

of men united in ideal and purpose to Chairman Dent, of the House Mil- tinued firmness of holders. and to feel that I am privileged to itary Committee. unite my thoughts with yours in carrying forward these standards which profound sincerity and friendship and ing on the trend of prices in the we are so proud to hold so high and to sympathy, processe your health and American markets on the first session.

"May I not, sir, with a feeling of ne try of Creat Britain"

## WILSON'S FIRST DAY IN LONDON

The President Received by the Kings at Buckingham Palace-Royal Welcome Given Great American Leader Makes Brief Talk.

The great moment of President Wilson's first day in England was when he stood with the king and queen Cobb and Miss Ava Myatt. and Mrs. Wilson in the balcony of Buckingham Palace facing a multitude which stretched down the Mall to the decorated with vari-colored appropriadmiralty, half a mile distant, and ate Cristmas ornaments and illumioverflowed St. James' park on one side nations, which made each heart pres-

the President's brief speech, but the ted by place cards bearing handpaintpeople, who had demanded that he show himself, gave him a greeting more clamorous than any other guest of the nation has commanded within of its original members whom matrithe memory of the oldest Londoners.

The day's events constitute a tribute to the President and the United Circle. States, which will be historic. The official ceremonials-a reception by the welcome at the station by the royal family and the chief officials of the empire, and the state progress geantry, even to the crimson-coated Annie Peacock. beef-eaters from the Tower, bearing halberds, which the British people cherish. That the central figure of the royal procession in quaint state carriages, attended by a military escort and household officials, should be a civilian wearing a black coat and silk hat, gave a flavor of novelty to the scene.

As soon as President Wilson and his crowds outside, including several hundred soldiers in the palace yard began cheering. Then came shouts of "We want Wilson! We want Wilson!" Wilson, together with King George and Queen Mary soon appeared on the second floor balcony. Their appearance was the signal for renewed cheering and the crowd, especially the wounded men began calling for speech.

President Wilson laughed and waved his hand, indicating that he would rather not speak. Mrs. Wilson waved a small Union Jack. The crowd, however, insisted on a speech, so the President waved the chorus of voices to silence and then addressed himself especially to the wounded soldiers.

"I do not want to make a speech," he said, but I do want to tell you how much I honor you men who have been wounded in this fight for freedom and to thank you all for the welcome you have so generously given me. I hope each and every one of you will come through safely to enjoy the fruits of victory for which you so courageously fought."

Mrs. Wilson received a round of cheers when she appeared on the balcony and during the first few minutes of the demonstration she waved the small Union Jack which she carried in her hand at the wounded.

As soon as the President's speech was concluded the party re-entered the palace, where King George received a large group of American newspaper correspondents, including those who preceded President Wilson to France on the steamer Oriziba.

### Preaching at Oliver's Grove.

Mr. J. A. Tiner was in town one day last week and asked us to state that there will be preaching at Oli-

and Robert L. Bullard, commanding helped values on the close. Buying "Therefore it is more delightful to the first and second armies, has been was mainly done, however, on signs

CIRCLE ENTERTAL

Mr. J. N. Cobb Host to Young Ladies of Smithfie

Another innovation was added to the already enviable record of the Circle on last Thursday evening when Mr. J. N. Cobb delightfully enterin Britain's Capital - President tained at a banquet given in the spacious dining hall of the Smithfield hotel.

The young ladies were given a cordial welcome at the parlor by Mr.

The guests were ushered to the dining hall, immaculately arranged and and Green park on the other, says a cut have a yearning that only such London dispatch dated December 26. | charming surroundings precipitate. Only a corporal's guard could hear Each seat was enigmatically designaed Jecorations.

> The pleasure of the event was greatly enriched by the presence of some mony had caused to deviate from the egim of the social influence of the

All participated in several courses which were immensely enjoyed, and the Dover Corporation and the navy, after a short social which followed extended their appreciation to Mr. Cobb.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Ward, through the heart of London-were Mrs. W. E. Coltrane, of Dunn, N. C. colored with touches of medieval pa- Misses Ava Myatt, Ione Abell and

#### About Casualties.

Among the list of men wounded in action published in the Charlotte Obtime to time during the fall letters party entered Buckingham palace the have come to various families in the county bringing news of the misfortune to a son. Later on several weeks the name would appear among the casualty lists in The Herald or some news so much later than the time re- such prominence in the newspapers. wounded boys were received by their columns. families long before their names appeared in the casualty lists. All glory to the boys who have been wounded and have fallen for freedom!

### Colored Boy Shot in His Face.

About 8:30 o'clock Sunday night December 29, at the home of John Judkins, colored, who lives on Mr. S. V Smith' farms near the Smithfield and Clayton road, an eight-year-old boy in fun fired a thirty-two caliber pistol at Fred Tomlinson, an eighteen-yearold son of Dug Tomlinson. The ball went through his nose and lodged in the right side of his face. The pistol belonged to Joseph Judkins, an older brother of the boy who did the shooting.

### Cotton Review.

New York, Dec. 29.-Cotton scored important gains this week in the fact of the holiday feeling in the early sessions and in spite of the reactionary tendency that appeared toward the end. At the highest levels active months in the contract market were 175 to 211 points over the close of the preceding week, January going to 30.01. Last prices showed net gains of 27 points, middling at one time being quoted at 31.25 and closing at 31

Investment buying, based on the strength of the spot situation and the discount on futures as compared with spots was the main motive power for the advance. Buying of the more dis-Bestowal of the permanent rank of tant positions was stimulated by the

This week the opening of Liverpool will probably have an important bear-

## PRESIDENT WILSON IN GUILD HALL

Visit to British Capital Passed Without Jarring Note-He Receives and Speaks to Various Delegations-Dines at Premier's Residence With Members of Cabinet-Given Great Welcome in Guild Hall and Luncheon in Mansion House in London.

London, Dec. 28.—President Wilson made his last public appearance in London today. Officials of the city of London presented him with an address of welcome in the ancient Guild Hall, where other famous Americans, including General Grant and former President Roosevelt, have been received. Afterward he was guest at a luncheon in the Egyptian hall of Mansion house, where hover the ghosts of decades and of civic oratory and where many Americans have partaken of the famed aldermanic turtle soup.

The drive from Buckingham palace and return was witnessed by immense crowds. There was plenty of enthusiasm abroad but it hardly reached the same volume as that which attended the President's entry into London on Thursday.

The President's two speeches, that at Guild hall, a formal oration having as its text that the world is eager for a lasting peace of justice and right, and that at the Mansion House, of mellower tone, were not disappointing to Londoner. That is saying much, as the President's prestige as an orator had awakened high expecta-

It was clear that his auditors, emserver, we note the names of Messrs. bracing the worlds of officialdom, James A. Edens, of Selma, N. C.; John finance and business, whatever their P. Ryals, of Benson, N. C., and B. E. political mind, were single minded in Blackman, of Four Oaks, N. C. From their interests in the President's words.

The same may be said of the greater audience throughout the country. No public utterances in Great Britain, apar: from those of English statesmen which were landmarks in the In response the President and Mrs. other paper. The publication of the progress of the war, have commanded

ceived by such families is due to the The phrase from the President's fact that it was impossible for the of- speech at the state banquet at Buckficials of the American Expeditionary ingham palace-"There is a great tide Forces in France to check up and running in the hearts of men"-had make an authentic report immediately. already gripped the headlines of the In many instances letters from the papers and pervaded their editorial

Dines With War Cabinet.

President Wilson concluded a strenuous day of entertainment with a dinner at the prime minister's residence tonight, at which were gathered the members of the war cabinet and other government and dominion officials.

The dinner was served in the big oak panelled dining room in which the President lunched with the premier yesterday. The table decorations consisted of poinsettias, chrysanthemums. lilies of the valley, and sprigs of holly.

The dinner was purely informal. Mr. Lloyd George was seated at one end of the table, with President Wilson on his right and Premier Borden of Canada, on his left. At the opposite end of the table sat Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, with Premier Hughes, of Australia, on one side and Premier Botha, of South Africa, on the other.-Associated

### Death Claims Little Katie Worrell.

On last Tuesday night near 6 o'clock, the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Worrell and took their little girl, Katie.

A tender and patient little child she was, her gentle manners endearing her to all. She had been sick about a year with some trouble and was getting along very fine seemingly when the influenza seized her in its clutches, contracting it from the family, who had it. It soon developed into pneumonia and the little child could not withstand the severe attack of this complication. She was buried Wednesday afternoon by the side of her brother, Elmer, in the Creech cemetery near Pine Level.

The sympathy of the entire neighborhood is tendered the bereaved ones. "Though she is gone, our precious darling,

Never more will she return, But will sleep a peaceful slumber Till the resurrection morn."

M. B. E.

When a woman says she is trying to find herself heaven pity the man who the health of the Oueen and the pros- The market will be closed Wednes- joins her in the search.-Los Angeles Times.