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WILSON'S MESSAGE ON ARMISTICE DAY

Address Broadcasted by Radio Heard in This City at the Home of C. V. Johnson

Woodrow Wilson addressed the American people directly Saturday night for the first time since he left the White House. He spoke exactly five minutes into a radio instrument on the significance of Armistice Day, and his message was broadcasted throughout America. The message was heard in Smithfield at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Johnson where their son, Dwight Johnson, has a radio outfit installed.

Below is the message of the former President:

The anniversary of Armistice Day should stir us to great exaltation of spirit because of the never-to-be-forgotten November which lifted the world to the high levels of vision and achievement upon which the great war for democracy and right was fought and won, although the stimulating memories of that happy time of triumph are forever marred and embittered for us by the shameful fact that when the victory was won—won, be it remembered, chiefly by the indomitable spirit and valiant sacrifices of our own unconquerable soldiers—we turned our backs upon our associates and refused to bear any responsible part in the administration of peace, or the firm and permanent establishment of the results of the war—won at so terrible a cost of life and treasure—and with drew into a sullen and selfish isolation which is deeply ignoble because manifestly cowardly and dishonorable.

This must always be a source of deep mortification to us, and we shall inevitably be forced by the moral obligations of freedom and honor to retrieve that fatal error and assume once more the role of courage, self-respect and helpfulness which every American must wish and believe to be our true part in the affairs of the world.

That we should thus have done a great wrong to civilization, and at one of the most critical turning points in the history of mankind, is the more deplored because every anxious year that has followed has made the exceeding need for such services as we might have rendered more and more pressing, as demoralizing circumstances which we might have controlled have gone from bad to worse until now—as if to furnish a sort of sinister climax—France and Italy between them have made waste paper of the treaty of Versailles, and the whole field of international relationships is in perilous confusion.

The affairs of the world can be set straight only by the firmest and most determined exhibition of the will to lead and make the right prevail.

Happily, the present situation of affairs in the world affords us an opportunity to retrieve the past and render to mankind the incomparable service of proving that there is at least one great and powerful nation which can put aside programs of self-interest and devote itself to practicing and establishing the highest ideals of disinterested service, and the constant maintenance of exalted standards of conscience and of right.

The only way in which we can show our true appreciation of the significance of Armistice Day is by resolving to put self-interest away, and once more formulate and act upon the highest ideals and purposes of international policy. Thus, and only thus, can we return to the true traditions of America.

Chautauqua Begins Today

The three-day Swarthmore Chautauqua begins today. The programs will be given in the auditorium of the high school building, there being two each day. The afternoon entertainment will begin at 3:00 o'clock while the evening program will start at 7:30 o'clock. There seems to be a good Chautauqua spirit in the town and the next three days promise a series of good clean entertainments for all who attend.

TENT MEETING CONTINUES THIS WEEK

There has been such an increase in the tent meeting conducted by Mr. Matthews which started here about four weeks ago, that he has decided to continue another week. Several conversions have been reported since Friday night's service.

Rev. H. R. Faircloth who is pastor of several Freewill Baptist churches surrounding Smithfield is going to assist Mr. Matthews this week. Mr. Faircloth is pastor of Johnson Union which has one of the best choirs in Johnston County, if not one of the best in the State.

Mr. Thomas who is choir leader for Johnson Union with his pastor and choir were with Mr. Matthews Sunday. The song service was conducted by Johnson Union choir. All who were present who enjoy good singing, especially enjoyed that part of the service. After the song service, the time was well taken up by short talks from those who had been in Mr. Matthews' meetings at other places. It is reported that the afternoon service was a spiritual feast to all the Christians who were there. One of the attractive features of this week at the tent will be the good singing.

This meeting is being conducted in an old camp-meeting style of forty years ago, which seems to be what the people want. Several were asking a citizen of Smithfield while on the street the other day, "How is Matthews' meeting coming on?" If you enjoy being in an old fashioned meeting, just attend one of his services," was the reply.

Prayer-meetings were started in the community last week by the Christians in connection with the tent meeting, according to reports attendance has doubled and interest has increased considerably which has been quite a help to the nightly meetings.

Having the Freewill people who live in and around Smithfield with those of the other denominations who have been assisting in the service to help this week there is a possibility of having one of the best meetings that's ever been in Smithfield. All Christians are invited to attend and to assist in every way possible in reaching the lost.

JOHNSTON COUNTY MAN STARTS BOYS' CAMP

Asheville, Nov. 4.—Plans for the establishment of a permanent boys' summer camp, including stone and log buildings, a lake and other improvements, were announced yesterday by C. Walton Johnson, formerly boys' work secretary of the Asheville Y. M. C. A.

Camp Sequoyah, as it will be known, will be located at the foot of the Craggy mountains on Reems creek above the village of Beech.

The establishment of this camp is the first invasion of the permanent, privately owned boys recreation camp in the Southern Appalachians.

George Owl, famous Cherokee Indian athlete and leader will be superintendent of the camp and grounds. He arrived at the camp site yesterday and with a force of pure-blooded Cherokee Indians, started development of the 120 acres in the tract recently purchased by Mr. Johnson for this purpose.

Upon deciding to locate and conduct a boys' camp here on a large scale Mr. Johnson resigned his position with the Portsmouth Y. M. C. A., as boys' work secretary a few weeks ago.

Seventy acres of the 120-acre tract contains primitive trees, many of them towering hemlocks. The camp is located on one of the famous Mt. Mitchell trails over the Craggy range. The elevation is approximately 3,000 feet.

Mr. Johnson is confident that his boys' camp will be the largest undertaking of its kind ever ventured upon in North Carolina. He is planning a campaign of advertising which will bring to the attention of camp hungry youths in the south, east and north features of Camp Sequoyah, where real Indians will be on the staff of leaders.

Mr. Johnson is a native of Johnston County and is well known in Clayton and vicinity.

MELLON PROPOSES BIG CUT IN TAXES

Would Cut Three Hundred and Twenty-three Millions Effective January 1924

Washington, Nov. 11.—Revision of federal taxes, estimated to reduce the total assessment by \$230,000,000 next year, is proposed in the program approved by Secretary Mellon for submission to Congress.

Recommendations are made for a 25 per cent reduction in the taxes on earned income; reduction of the normal taxes on incomes from 4 per cent and 8 per cent to 3 per cent and 6 per cent, respectively; application of the surtax at \$10,000 instead of at \$6,000 and continuing progressively upward to 25 per cent on \$100,000, and repeal of the taxes on admission and on telegrams, telephone messages and leased wires.

Against these reductions the program provides taxation increases by limitation of the deduction of capital losses to 12 1-2 per cent of the loss and limitation of the deduction from gross income for interest paid during the year and for losses not of a business character to the sums these items exceed tax exempt income of the taxpayer. It is proposed also to tax community property income of the spouse having control of the income.

Mr. Mellon suggests that the changes be made effective next January 1.

Mr. Mellon's program is outlined in a letter sent by him to Acting Chairman Green of the house ways and means committee, and made public tonight at the treasury.

He concluded the communication with this observation:

"A soldier's bonus would postpone tax reduction not for one but for many years to come. It would mean an increase rather than a decrease in taxes, for in the long run it could be paid only out of monies collected by the government from the people in the form of taxes. Throughout its consideration of the problem the treasury has proceeded on the theory that the country would prefer a substantial reduction of taxation to the increased taxes that would necessarily follow from a soldier's bonus, and I have faith to believe that it is justified in that understanding.

Mr. Mellon expressed confidence that the ordinary expenses of the government would be reduced during the current fiscal year to a total of not more than \$3,500,000,000, of which amount \$500,000,000 will be fixed charges on account of the sinking fund and other retirements of the debt.

Declaring it appeared that for this year and for the next four or five years there should be a surplus of something more than \$30,000,000 a year over and above expenditures chargeable to the ordinary budget including the fixed debt charges payable out of the current revenues, the treasury head asserted that this gives a reasonable margin not merely for tax revision but also for a tax reduction."—Associated Press.

GET YOUR FAIR CHECKS FOR PREMIUMS

Mr. Robert A. Wellons, secretary of the Fair Association, requests us to announce that those who won premiums at the Fair, can get their checks by calling at his office. It may be sometime before he can mail the checks out.

Auto Turns Over

Last Friday night as Mr. L. G. Patterson was taking Mr. S. A. Moore, who works at The Banner warehouse to his home, near W. D. Avera's place, his automobile turned over near the farm of Mr. J. W. Stephenson, slightly hurting Mr. Moore. A cut on the jaw necessitated his being taken to the hospital but he was able to leave the next morning. The accident, which occurred about nine o'clock, was caused when the car ran in a hole, causing something about the steering gear to give way.

PROGRAM COUNTY S. S. CONVENTION

Meeting Will Be Held in Selma Thursday Night and Friday —Good Speakers

Those in charge of the arrangements for the Johnston County Sunday School Convention, which will be held at Methodist church, Selma, on Thursday night and all day Friday, November 15 and 16, 1923 are confident that Sunday school workers from all sections of the country will be in attendance at the various sessions of the meeting.

Programs for the convention have been sent throughout the county, and each Sunday school invited to send a large delegation of teachers, officers and other interested members to the convention.

While the convention is planned primarily for Sunday school teachers and officers, all who are interested in Sunday school work are invited to attend, and a special invitation is given to the members of men's and women's organized Bible classes.

The full program for the convention follows:

First Session Thursday night Nov. 15
7:30—Devotional—Mr. Mat. Wall, superintendent Methodist Sunday school, Selma.

7:45—Elements of Sunday school success—Miss Flora Davis, Assistant superintendent of North Carolina Sunday school Association, Raleigh.

8:20—Record of attendance.

8:25—The Teacher's Work Between Sundays.—Rev. Daniel Iverson, pastor Howard Memorial Presbyterian church, Tarboro.

9:00—Announcements—Adjourn.

Second Session Friday A. M., Nov. 16
10:30—Devotional—Rev. Neil McInnis, pastor Presbyterian church, Selma.

10:45—Reaching and Holding Young People in the Sunday School.—Rev. Daniel Iverson.

11:20—Period of Business:

Reports of County Officers.
Appointment of Committees.
Record of Attendance.

11:35—Our Common Task.—Miss Flora Davis.

12:05—Offering for support of County and State Sunday School Associations.

Out of town delegates entertained in the homes of the Selma people for dinner.

Third Session Friday Afternoon

2:00—Devotional—Dev. S. L. Morgan, pastor Baptist Church, Smithfield.

2:15—The Sunday School Meeting the Needs of the Children—Miss Flora Davis.

2:45—Song.

2:50—Attractive Worship Programs for the Sunday School.—Rev. Daniel Iverson.

3:10—Question and Discussion Period. (Anyone who has a question on Sunday school work is requested to ask it at this time.)

3:40—Reports of Committees and election of officers.

Fourth Session Friday Night

7:30—Devotional—Mr. N. J. Creech, superintendent Baptist Sunday school, Selma.

7:45—Trained Workers for the Sunday School—Miss Flora Davis.

8:30—Adjourn.

L. T. ROYAL,
County President.
W. T. WOODARD,
County Secretary.

Rev. D. H. Tuttle To Conference

Rev. D. H. Tuttle, who is closing his third year here as pastor of Centenary Methodist church, left this morning for Elizabeth City to attend the meeting of the N. C. Conference. Rev. Mr. Tuttle has done a splendid work since coming to Smithfield not only in the town but in the county and his many friends hope for his return. It is expected that he will return for another year, unless some thing unforeseen comes up in the conference to make a change necessary. This year completes Mr. Tuttle's fortieth year in the ministry.

WATCH YOUR LABEL



Rev. Daniel Iverson, pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Tarboro, who is on the program of the Johnston County Sunday School Association to be held in Selma Thursday and Friday.

ONE DAY'S WAGE OR INCOME FOR STATE ORPHAN CHILDREN

Thousands of men and women, boys and girls, mark the harvest season with gifts for the fatherless and motherless and homeless children in our State. Our Thanksgiving season has long been notable for the outpouring of money to maintain the orphan homes that serve our people—that serve them so worthily.

Again we come, as the year draws to its close, not simply to remind these givers that another harvest season is at hand, but hoping, also, to establish this beautiful custom with thousands of others who may not have realized the joys of having a worthy part in this commendable work.

Men may debate as to the objects of their charity; they will not debate the call of the helpless child. They may raise questions as to this or that institution; there is no debate concerning the blessed work that our institutions are doing for orphaned children in North Carolina. To every human heart this appeal comes—the appeal of the homeless and helpless child. It has been ever thus since the great heart of the Lord and Master rebuked those who would hinder the little ones from approaching His loving embrace.

The only possible debate is that touching the amount you will give to this worthy cause. The object of this message is to lay that before you, with this suggestion: The income of one day would be reasonable. By all means let your contribution be of such proportion as to obtain the joy of feeling that you have done something worthy of your heart. It is not the amount that measures the value of the gift; it is the relation of the gift to the heart of the giver. Let conscience dictate, and joy will inevitably follow.

A gift for the care and education of helpless children will measure the circumference and also the depth of the heart of the donor himself—not others. Do not suffer your better impulses to be belittled; make no compromises with your heart, lest you do yourself an injury, not in the eyes of others, but in your own estimation. Men grow from within, not from without. Men make themselves big or little by their thoughts and deeds. Take the full measure of your heart in responding to the call of the orphan child this year, and you will be glad; restrict that measure and you will find no joy. It is not what others think, or say, or do, that counts. Harken to the promptings of your own heart.

The object of this appeal is quite enough in itself to enlist the sympathy of a considerate public without an attempt to excite the emotions of anyone. Each one is asked to consider the case for himself, remembering always that "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

What if your children should some day become orphans? How would you have others consider them in their misfortune? "To others do as you would that they should do unto you." The fatherless and motherless.

LOCAL ELEVEN WIN OVER ROCKY MT.

First Four Period End in Scoreless Tie; Score 7 to 6 in Extra Period

The Smithfield High defeated the Rocky Mount High Saturday in what was characterized by the News & Observer as one of the best high school football encounters seen in Raleigh in many a day. The game was played on Riddick field and was the second game for the locals in the State Championship series. The game came to a close in a scoreless tie, and an additional quarter was played to settle the controversy which resulted in a score of 7 to 6 in favor of Smithfield. The first four quarters were featured by no important plays except the fatal error of Quarterback Mun for Rocky Mount in which Mun in a long sweeping end run with himself carrying the ball, was thrown by Honeycutt for Smithfield. The extra period of play, however, was characterized by intense interest throughout.

The entire game exhibited good playing, several of the local eleven doing particularly fine work. Hooks featured for the locals in receiving passes and in his very effective tackling. He had the misfortune to be removed from the game on account of minor injuries. Holland showed up well in punting and end runs and Skinner showed excellent generalship. Beasley, right guard, also played a good defensive game.

The line plunging of Country Neal for Rocky Mount was fine and Captain Mun of Rocky Mount in spite of his error played a good game.

| Smithfield | Position | Rocky Mount |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| Hooks | Left End | Harrell |
| E. Fuller | Left Tackle | Eason |
| L. Peterson | Left Guard | Daughtridge |
| H. Fuller | Center | Cherry |
| Beasley | Right Guard | Christian |
| Beasley | Right Tackle | Christman |
| T. Honeycutt | Right End | Savage |
| Skinner | Quarterback | Munn |
| Parker | Left Halfback | Browning |
| Wharton | Right Halfback | Hearne |
| Holland | Fullback | Neal |

Score by periods:
Smithfield 0 0 0 0 7-7
Rocky Mount 0 0 0 0 6-6
Scoring for Smithfield: Touchdown, Holland; point after touchdown, Skinner. Scoring for Rocky Mount: Touchdown, Neal. Substitutions for Smithfield: Korman for Parker, Stencil for Hooks. Substitutions for Rocky Mount: Dunn for Harrell; James for McIntyre. Officials: Referee, Randolph (North Carolina State); umpire, Arthur (North Carolina State); head linesman, Graham (William & Mary). Time of periods: 13, 13, 13, 15.

JUDGE STACY DECLINES UNIVERSITY PLACE

W. P. Stacy, associate justice of the supreme court, who has been offered the deanship of the Law School of the University of North Carolina, declined to accept the position Thursday. This reply to the executive committee has ended speculations as to who would succeed Judge Stacy on the bench.

CHARLOTTE GETS NEW FORD ASSEMBLING PLANT

The Ford Motor Co. of Detroit, will locate its largest assembling plant in the south, at Charlotte. This plant which will be a duplicate of the largest the company maintains in the United States, will have a capacity of 400 cars daily, employing 800 or 1,000 men. The dimensions of the plant will be approximately a city block wide and two city blocks in length.