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THANGSGIVING PROCLAMATION

Issued by President for the Last Thursday of This Month

Washington, October 28 — President Wilson today issued a proclamation designating November 26 as Thanksgiving Day. The proclamation is as follows:

By the President of the United States—A Proclamation.

It has long been the honored custom of our people to turn in the fruitful autumn of the year in praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God for his many blessings and mercies to us as a nation. The year that is now drawing to a close since we last observed our day of national thanksgiving has been, while a year of discipline because of the mighty forces of war and of change which have disturbed the world, also a year of special blessings for us.

It has been vouchsafed to us to remain at peace, with honor, and in some part to succor the suffering and supply the needs of those who are in want. We have been privileged by our own peace and self-control in some degree to steady the counsels and shape the hopes and purposes of a day of fear and distress. Our people have looked upon their own life as a nation with a deeper comprehension, a fuller realization of their responsibilities as well as of their blessings and a keener sense of the moral and practical significance of the world may come to us.

The hurtful effects of foreign war in their own industrial and commercial affairs have made them feel the more fully and see the more clearly their mutual interdependence upon one another, and has stirred them to a helpful co-operation such as they have seldom practiced before. They have been quickened by a great moral stimulation. Their unmistakable ardor for peace, their earnest pity and disinterested sympathy for those who are suffering, their readiness to help and to think of the needs of others has revealed them to themselves as well as to the world.

Our crops will feed all who need food; the self-possession of our people amidst the most serious anxieties and difficulties and the steadiness and resourcefulness of our business men will serve other nations as well as our own.

The business of the country has been supplied with instrumentalities and the commerce of the world with new channels of trade and intercourse. The Panama canal has been opened to the commerce of the nations. The two continents of America have been

bound in closer ties of friendship. New instrumentalities of international trade have been created which will be also new instrumentalities of acquaintance, intercourse and mutual service. Never before have the people of the United States been so situated for their own advantage or the advance of their neighbors or so equipped to serve themselves and mankind.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate Thursday, the twenty-sixth day of November, next, as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer, and invite the people throughout the land to cease from their wonted occupations and in their several homes and places of worship render thanks to Almighty God.

WOODROW WILSON.

PROSPERITY AHEAD

Former Governor Stuart, of Pennsylvania, had the good grace and integrity last week to publicly rebuke his fellow Republicans who persist in calamity howling, for which, he declared, there is no basis either in present conditions or the outlook for the future. That Mr. Stuart is right, the commercial news evidences every day.

The price of sterling exchange is now, for the first time since the European war began, below the price at which it is profitable to export the metal, which means that the buying of Europe in our markets is now heavy enough to turn the balance of trade in our favor and putting an end to uneasiness over gold shipments. The export business has taken a marked forward movement and twice within a week all records have been broken by exports for one day from New York, exceeding \$6,000,000 in each instance.

Great improvement is noted in the cotton situation, 8,000 bales having been shipped in one day from each of the southern ports. The financing of that crop is now practically assured and the declaration of Great Britain that it has no intention of interfering with cotton shipments under a neutral flag should have a further stimulating effect. According to the New York Sun, foreign business to the amount of \$200,000,000 has been placed in our exporting markets within three weeks.

Much of the export business of course, is in the goods and materials bought by the warring nations. But business is coming from South America as well as from Europe, and the South American business is bound to largely increase if, as now seems inevitable, the European war is greatly prolonged. With the largest foreign trade we have ever had in sight, domestic business is certain to benefit accordingly. The calamity howlers will soon be silenced.

Students of a Pennsylvania college made a bonfire of several barrels of gasoline and several of them are in hospitals. Most people who have never been college students would have known better.

If the Kaiser keeps on decorating the crew of the submarine U-3 with iron crosses he may sink the ship.

The man who is always going up in the air seldom rises to the top.

Europe has relegated Demon Rum to the rear while Demon War holds the front.

The right to search a neutral country's ships for contraband has been recognized at every convention for the formulation of rules of war. It is a little annoying to Uncle Sam to have his ships searched, but "what can't be cured must be endured." What everybody says is right we must submit to, just as other nations do.

Every now and then the Lidgerwood Broadaxe or the Hankinson News says something so funny it makes us laugh, and then the Broadaxe says we are "sarcastic" and the News says we "sneer"! It is really too bad, but the only way to stop it is for those papers to quit saying such funny little things.

And now the Lidgerwood Broadaxe calls the editor of the Times a drunkard, and the Hankinson News calls him a standpat Republican. We can easily stand the Broadaxe charge but to be called a standpat Republican is a little more than human nature can stand without a protest.

There never was a more propitious time to put the American flag back on the seas than right now, and the Times is glad that we have a president and a Congress that favors the Alexander bill to reestablish a merchant marine.

King Alfonso of Spain says that the finest way to die is in war. But as he has never tried death by any route, what does he know about the best way to die?

Now the candidates can all go back to church again, and if the sermons are uninteresting a little amateur opera will be provided to open and close the services.

Minnesota boasts that eighteen new banks have been started in that state in the past two months. That's going some, even for a Democratic administration.

Turkey had to join the European rumpus before Thanksgiving Day, and now there are not likely to be any European turkeys left when the war is over.

Chautauqua entertainments and grape juice are not taxed and Brother Bryan can still face the future calmly.

France has over 11,000,000 families but their average family is less than four persons. That's where Germany has the advantage of it.

Mexicans are becoming so tolerant of men who differ from them in opinion that they now allow them to resign before they shoot them.

It's now all over but the shouting and next week we shall have almost forgotten that there was a political campaign this fall.

When the Colonel replies to Sulzer's injunction to be a man or a mouse the latter will be a "liar and a scoundrel."

What's the use of the children spending time learning the present map of Europe, when it is all to be changed so soon?

Now that Hanna has been re-elected governor watch him go after Senator McCumber's seat two years hence.

And Gifford Pinchot—he also ran. But that was away down in "Pennsylvania."

Chicago has 529 women physicians but there are just as many people dying there as ever.

The men who kick the hardest about corruption in politics voted Tuesday just as they always vote.

Col. Roosevelt's speeches just got drier and drier until he became a full-fledged prohibitionist.

TOMORROW.

Tomorrow's fate, though thou be wise,
Thou canst not tell nor yet surmise.
Pass therefore not today in vain,
For it will never come again.
—Omar Khayyam.

Tomorrow the dreams and flowers will fade.—Milton.

Tomorrow comes, and we are where?
Then let us live today!
—Schiller.

Tomorrow is a satire on today
And shows its weakness.
—Young.

Tomorrow yet would reap today,
As we hear blossoms of the dead.
Earn well the thrifty months,
Not wed
Raw Haste, half sister to Delay.
—Tennyson.

TRY TO BE CHEERFUL.

Cheerfulness, like other good qualities, can be developed and increased, and whoever omits its culture neglects an important duty to himself and to society. The fact that few men can do their best work or think their best thoughts unless a cheerful spirit animates them should be sufficient reason for setting in motion every cause which produces such a spirit.

SKIMMING THE CREAM.

The Hand Separators More Economical Than Gravity Methods.

Purdue university, Indiana, carried out a systematic series of experiments in order to discover the best possible way of handling milk, not in any one spot, but at dairies scattered all over the Hoosier State. All deep and shallow pan sorts of setting methods were tried out, also many different kinds of separators. The summary follows:

The use of the hand separator in the place of the gravity systems of creaming will effect a saving of \$3.50 to \$7 worth of butter fat from one cow in one year.

With the hand separator a richer cream and a better quality of cream and skim milk can be produced than with the pan systems.

Of the gravity methods the deep setting system is the least objectionable. It produces a more complete separation and a better quality of cream than either the shallow pan or the water dilution system.

Any neglect to clean the separator thoroughly after each separation reduces the skimming efficiency of the machine and lowers the quality of the cream and butter produced. Wash the separator after each separation.

A trembling machine, insufficient speed, sour, curdled, slimy or cold milk and overfeeding the separator caused a loss of butter fat in the skim milk amounting to from eight to twelve pounds of butter per cow in one year.

Other things being equal, high speed and a small rate of inflow tend to produce a thick cream. Insufficient speed, a trembling machine and a large rate of inflow result in a thinner cream.

Getting Rid of "Star Boarders."

Nearly 900 of Wisconsin's dairy herds, containing in all more than 13,000 cows, are being officially tested this year for the purpose of detecting and eliminating from them all "boarders." Each of these progressive dairymen is a member of one of the twenty-nine cow testing associations which have been organized by the Wisconsin Dairymen's association. It is hoped that by means of the work done by these testers in ridding herds of poor cows and in aiding dairymen in the management of their herds the production of the cows retained will be greatly increased.

THE POULTRYMAN.

A hen is not lazy by nature and will surprise you in what she can do if given the right chance.

It costs but the merest trifle more to feed a hen that lays 150 eggs a year than one that lays sixty.

Keeping too many breeds is a poor way to succeed. One or two varieties given the best of care are preferable.

A poultryman who is too careless to keep the henhouse free from vermin does not deserve to succeed.

Poultry should be kept off feed twenty-four hours before being killed and dressed for market.

Have some way of telling the oldest eggs, then sell them.

Be sure to provide some shade in the runs, or it will be found that some of the chicks will not feather.

Chicks that have been drowned in watering tanks that some one forgot to empty would make a good sized flock.

SCHOOL RUNS EGG CLUB.

An egg club has been organized by the Evergreen Park (Cook county, Ill.) public school which has worked with great success so far and promises to be permanent. Membership in this club is open to all children in the school owning not less than five or more than twenty-five chickens. Each member is assigned a number, and on certain days he brings to the school all of his eggs laid the previous day, each egg being marked with his number.

The president, secretary, and treasurer of the club, together with the principal of the school, form a marketing committee and dispose of the eggs. On the first and fifteenth of each month, the secretary gives each member a statement, showing the total receipts from sales of eggs and his pro-rata share; and later the treasurer settles with the members.

The club now has fifty-four active members. Besides enabling the school children to earn a little money and dispose of their eggs at top prices, the club work also trains them in business matters and gives them practical training in mathematics.

An Economical Man.
A man we know is so economical that he could lead a double life on \$8 a week.—Kansas City Star.

THE FOG.

The weird fog elf in robes of gray
Creeps up from the sea at break of day,
Gently caressing the hills one by one,
While a prisoner he makes of the glowing sun.

His presence has sent brave men to their doom,
Proclaiming to loved ones a message of gloom;
Yet the plants and the flowers lift their heads to be kissed
By the stealthily vanishing wraith of the mist.
—Gertrude Allyn Long.

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CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

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The attendance last Sunday was large, with a very noticeable increase at the evening service. The music at the morning service consisted of a beautiful duet, by Miss Bardwell and Mrs. Meckstroth. The Anthem by the Double Quartettes deserves special mention, as it was exceptionally fine. At the evening service, Messrs. Prather, and Cliffell sang a very pleasing duet.

The Endeavor service has increased in numbers, and interest. The society aims to have a good speaker at the Sunday evening meetings, also special music. Last Sunday evening, Mr. R. T. Barber gave a very instructive address on the benefits of work. Next Sunday evening Prof. Eugene Todd, will be the speaker.

At the morning and evening service, the pastor called attention to the notice sent out by the Wells Fargo Express Co., that all gifts for the children of Europe, would be carried free to the boat which is to convey them across: from the people, and donations have been coming in right along. A committee consisting of Mrs. R. T. Barber, Mrs. Geo. Douglass, and the Misses Laura Purdon, Hattie Bentzin, and Hazel Van Arman, was chosen to receive the donations, and prepare the gift-box for shipment on the 5th inst.

Next Sunday morning, the pastor will begin a series of sermons on Hebrew Life and Character of the Old Testament Scriptures, beginning with Abraham, the father of the Jewish race.

TURKEY BLAMES GERMANS

The Grand Vizier of Turkey has apologized on behalf of his government for the warlike operations of the Turkish fleet under the German commanders in the Black sea, and blames the attack on Russian vessels and Russian ports to the German officers commanding the Turkish vessels. However, Turkey refuses to dismiss the German officers from her ships.

There is every reason to believe, however, that despite this mere apology without making any reparation, will not prevent war against Turkey now, and it may be safely said this week that eleven nations are now at war in the east. Several Russian steamers have been sunk by the Turkish vessels and the war is on in the Black sea also.

The backbone of the Boer rebellion against England in South Africa appears to be broken. Col. Maritz, commander of the Northern Cape Province has been completely defeated and most of the raiders and their men have been captured. General Beyers is in flight and General DeWet has opened negotiations for surrender.



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