

World Must Recognize The Voice of America

**Must Know, Wilson Tells West Point Lads,
That Whatever This Country Says, it
Means. Divided Allegiance Not
to Be Tolerated**

West Point, N. Y., June 12.—President Wilson, making his first address since the presidential campaign began, today discussed preparedness, militarism, Americanism, the causes of the war in Europe, peace, the Monroe doctrine, divided allegiance and the ideals of America. He declared it is the present imperative duty of the United States to be prepared, adding, "Mankind is going to know that when America speaks she means what she says."

The president said the United States should not be a blustering nation, a nation with "a chip on its shoulder," but a calm nation which will withhold its hand as long as possible and strike only for justice.

The president's address ran through the almost entire list of subjects discussed by Former Justice Hughes in his telegram accepting the Republican nomination, and he declared that the United States is ready to join with other nations to see that the kind of justice it believes in is given.

Shaking his finger emphatically, the president told the graduates of the military academy and a large audience that nobody who does not put America first can be tolerated. He added, however, that true Americans should set a good example.

The president declared the present war did not come by accident, but that it had come. The United States wants nothing from Europe, he said, and there is nothing she wants that she must get by war. He sounded a warning that no man can tell what the next day will bring forth in the world's events.

The word "Americanism" was used today by the president for the first time in recent addresses. He constantly referred to the West Point graduates to whom he was speaking, but referred more to national and international problems. He warned the graduates against militarism. The president's speech was frequently interrupted by applause and he was cheered as he concluded.

The text of the president's speech follows:

Time of Responsibility.

"I look upon this body of men who are graduating today with a peculiar interest. I feel like congratulating them that they are living in a day not only so interesting because fraught with change, but also because so responsible. Days of responsibility are the only days that count in time, because they are the only days that give test of quality. They are the only days when manhood and purpose is tried out as if by fire.

"I need not tell you young gentlemen that you are not like an ordinary graduating class of one of our universities. The men in those classes look forward to the life which they are to lead after graduation with a great many questions in their mind. Most of them do not know exactly what their lives are going to develop into. Some of them do not know what occupations they are going to follow. All of them are conjecturing what will be the line of duty and advancement and the ultimate goal of success for them.

"There is no conjecture for you. You have enlisted in something that does not stop when you leave the academy, for you then only begin to realize it, which then only begins to be filled with the full richness of its meaning, and you can look forward with absolute certainty to the sort of thing that you will be obliged to do.

"This has always been true of graduating classes at West Point, but the certainty that some of the older classes used to look forward to was a very dull certainty.

"Some of the old days in the army, I fancy, were not very interesting days. Sometimes men like the present chief of staff, for example, could fill the lives with the interest of really knowing and understanding the Indians of the Western plains, knowing what was going on inside of their minds and being able to be the intermediary between them and those who dealt with them by speaking their sign language could enrich their lives but the ordinary life of an ordinary officer at a Western post could not have been very exciting, and I think with admiration of those dull years through which officers who had not a

great deal to do insisted nevertheless upon being efficient and worth while and keeping their men fit at any rate for the duty to which they were assigned.

Many Things Ahead.

"But in your case there are many extraordinary possibilities, because, gentlemen, no man can certainly tell you what the immediate future is going to be either in the history of this country or in the history of the world. It is not by accident that the present great war came in Europe. Every element was there and the contest had to come sooner or later and it is not going to be by accident that the results are worked out, but by purpose—the purpose of the men who are strong enough to have guiding minds and indomitable wills when the time for decision and settlement comes.

"And the part that the United States is to play has this distinction in it, that it is to be in any event a disinterested part. There is nothing that the United States wants that it has to get by war, but there are a great many things that the United States has to do. It has to see that its life is not interfered with by anybody else who wants something.

"These are the days when we are making preparation, when the thing most commonly discussed around every sort of table, in every sort of circle, in the shops and in the streets, is preparedness, and undoubtedly, gentlemen, that is the present imperative duty of America, to be prepared. But we ought to know what we are preparing. I remember hearing a wise man say once that the old maxim that 'everything comes to the man who waits' is all very well provided he knows what he is waiting for and preparedness might be a very hazardous thing if we did not know what we wanted to do with the force that we mean to accumulate and to get into fighting shape.

Knows Its Mind.

"America, fortunately, does know what she wants to do with her force. America came into existence for a particular reason. When you look about upon these beautiful hills and up this stately stream and then let your imagination run over the whole body of this great country from which you youngsters are drawn, far and wide, you remember that while it had aboriginal inhabitants, while there were people living here, there was no civilization which we displaced. It was as if in the providence of God a continent had been kept unused and waiting for a peaceful people who loved liberty and the rights of men more than they loved anything else, to come and set up an unselfish commonwealth. It is a very extraordinary thing. You are so familiar with American history, at any rate in its general character, I don't accuse you of knowing the details of it, for I never found the youngster who did—but you are so familiar with the general character of American history that it does not seem strange to you, but it is a very strange history. There is none other like it in the whole annals of mankind—of men gathering out of every civilized nation of the world on an unused continent and building up a polity exactly to suit themselves, not under the domination of any ruling dynasty or of the ambitions of any royal family; doing what they pleased with their own life on a free space of land which God has made rich with every resource which was necessary for the civilization they meant to build up. There is nothing like it. Now what we are preparing to do is to see that nobody mars that, and that, being safe itself against interference from the outside, all its force is going to be behind its moral idea and mankind is going to know that when America speaks she means what she says. I heard a man say to another, 'If you wish me to consider you witty I must really trouble you to make a joke.' We have a right to say to the rest of mankind, 'If you don't want to interfere with us; if you are disinterested, we must really trouble you to give the evidence of that fact.' We are not in for anything selfish and we want the whole mighty power of America thrown into that scale, and not into any other.

The Difference Plain.

"You know the chief thing that is holding many people back from en-

thusiasm for what is called preparedness is the fear of militarism. I want to say a word to you young gentlemen about militarism. You're not a militarist because you are military. Militarism does not consist in the existence of an army, not even in the existence of a very great army. Militarism is a spirit. It is a point of view. It is a system. It is a purpose. The purpose of militarism is to use armies for aggression. The spirit of militarism is the opposite of the civilian spirit—the citizen spirit. In a country where militarism prevails, the military man looks down upon the civilian, regards him as inferior, thinks of him as intended for his, the military man's support and use and just so long as America is America that spirit and point of view is impossible with us. There is as yet in this country, so far as I can discover, no taint of the spirit of militarism.

"You young gentlemen are not preferred in promotion because of the families you belong to. You are not drawn into the academy because you belong to certain influential circles. You do not come here with a long tradition of military pride back of you. You are picked out from the citizens of the United States to be that part of the force of the United States which makes its polity safe against interference. You are the part of American citizens who say to those who would interfere: 'You must not' and 'You shall not.' But you are American citizens and the idea I want to leave with you boys today is this: No matter what comes always remember that first of all you are citizens of the United States before you are officers and that you are officers because you represent in your particular profession what the citizenship of the United States stands for.

Can't Live Together.

"There is no danger of militarism if you are genuine Americans and I for one do not doubt that you are. When you begin to have the militaristic spirit—not the military spirit, that is all right—then begin to doubt whether you are Americans or not.

"You know that one thing in which our forefathers took pride was this, that the civil power is superior to the military power in the United States. Once and again the people of the United States have so admired some great military man as to make him president of the United States when he became commander-in-chief of all the forces of the United States, but he was commander-in-chief because he was president, not because he had been trained to arms, and his authority was civil, not military. I can teach you nothing of military power, but I am instructed by the constitution to use you for constitutional and patriotic purposes. And that is the only use you ought to care to be put to, because after all what is the use in being an American if you do not know what it is?

"You have read a great deal in the books about the pride of the old Roman citizen who always felt like drawing himself to his full height when he said, 'I'm a Roman,' but as compared with the pride that must have risen to his heart our pride has a new distinction, not the distinction of the mere imperial power of a great empire, not the distinction of being masters of the world, but the distinction of carrying certain lights of the world that the world has never so distinctly seen before, certain guiding lights of liberty and principle and justice.

A World Race.

"We have drawn our people, as you know, from all parts of the world and we have been somewhat disturbed recently, gentlemen, because some of those—though I believe a very small number—whom we have drawn into our citizenship have not taken into their hearts the spirit of America and have loved other countries more than they loved the country of their adoption.

"We have talked a great deal about Americanism. It ought to be a matter of pride with us to know that Americanism really consists in. Americanism consists in utterly believing the principles of America and putting them first as above anything that might by chance come into competition with it. And I for my part believe that the American test is a spiritual test. If a man has to make excuses for what he has done as an American I doubt his Americanism. He ought to know at every step of his action that the motive that lies behind what he does is a motive which no American need be ashamed of for a moment. Now we ought to put this test to every man we know. We ought to let it be known that nobody who does not put America first can consort with us. But we ought to set them the example. We ought to set them the example by entertaining American thoughts; by entertaining American purposes and those thoughts and

purposes will stand the test of example anywhere in the world for they are intended for the betterment of mankind.

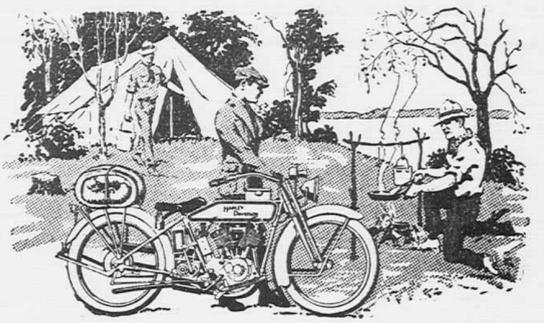
"So I have come to say these few words to you today, gentlemen, for a double purpose—first of all, to express my personal good wishes to you in your graduation and my personal interest in you, and, second of all, to remind you how we must all stand together in one spirit as lovers and servants of America. And that means something more than lovers and servants merely of the United States.

For World Service.

"You have heard of the Monroe doctrine, gentlemen. You know that we are already spiritual partners with both continents of this hemisphere and that America means something which is bigger even than the United States and that we stand here with the glorious power of this country ready to swing it out into the field of action whenever liberty and independence and political integrity are threatened anywhere in the Western hemisphere.

"And we are ready—nobody has authorized me to say this, but I am sure of it—we are ready to join with the other nations of the world in seeing that the kind of justice prevails anywhere that we believe in.

"So that you are graduating today, gentlemen, into a new distinction. Glory attaches to all those men whose names we love to recount, who have made the annals of the American army distinguished. They played the part they were called upon to play with honor and with extraordinary character and success. I am congratulating you, not because you will be better than they, but because you will have a wider world of thought and conception to play your part in. I am an American, but I do not believe that any of us loves a blustering nationality, a nationality with a chip on its shoulder; a nationality with its elbows out and its swagger on. We love that quiet, self-respecting, unconquerable spirit which does not strike until it is necessary to strike and then strikes to conquer. Never since I was a youngster have I been afraid of the noisy man. I have always been afraid of the still man. I have always been afraid of the quiet man. I had a classmate at college who was most dangerous when he was most affable. When he was maddest, he seemed to have the sweetest temper in the world. He would approach you with a most ingratiating smile and then you knew that every red corpuscle in his blood was up and shouting. If you work things off in your elbows you do not work them off in your mind; you do not work them off in your purpose. So my conception of America is a conception of infinite dignity, along with quiet, unquestionable power. I ask you, young gentlemen, to join with me in that conception and let us all in our several spheres be soldiers together to realize it.



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