

THREE GRAVES OF UNKNOWN SOLDIER VIVIDLY RECALLED

Broomfield Claims Lack of Reason for War Cause of Moral Decadency.

Because of Armistice Day being celebrated this week, Dr. J. C. Broomfield of the Methodist Protestant Temple took for his theme last night, "Impressions at the Graves of Our Unknown Dead." He described his visits to the graves of the "unknown soldiers" chosen by the French, British and American governments, pointing out that America has 2,500 unknown soldiers buried in France, and that, according to the law of averages, there are 1,500 mothers in the United States whose sons made up the 2,500 referred to.

He asked the audience to compare the few thousands of our dead with the millions of the dead of the Allies, and then to figure through that comparison the great army of their unknown.

Doctor Broomfield claimed that after going over the French and Belgian battlefields his great surprise was that there were not more among the unknown dead.

In line with his text, "Render therefore to all their dues, honor to whom honor," he interpreted the action of the various governments in their efforts to honor the unknown dead through giving to their representatives magnificent, international funerals.

Recalling his experience at Washington a year ago when attending the burial of the unknown soldier, he gave five impressions of that occasion that have remained with him during the year: First, before death all distinctions disappear; and in support of that he cited the great parade on foot up Pennsylvania avenue in which the President and his Cabinet, ex-Presidents, and judges of the Supreme Court; generals and admirals, officers and privates, and men and women from all walks in life, marched behind the casket containing the remains of the unknown soldier. Second, the service was all in the language of the common people. No strange or dead language was heard. Third, the service was saturated with the spirit of informal and impressive devotion. The hundred thousand present listened and worshipped as one man. Fourth, it provided a wonderful atmosphere and background for the Washington Conference of the Allies for Disarmament, which opened the next day; and lastly, it notified the world that officially this is a Christian nation.

From this description, Doctor Broomfield took his audience to the head of the Champ des Elysees, the most famous avenue in Paris, where stands the famous Napoleonic Arch of Triumph, under which rests the body of France's representative of her unknown soldier dead.

The Sunday he was there a noted musical organization from Belgium was gathered about the grave, and played a number of selections. What Doctor Broomfield saw around this grave, as well as what he had seen in Washington, convinced him that these graves of the unknown soldiers of the Allies are destined to become international shrines, and that as such they will do much to bind the nations concerned close to each other for world betterment.

Standing by that French grave, under the great Arch of Triumph, Doctor Broomfield said that he could not refrain from thinking of the reversals with which history abounds, for under that same arch, and over the identical spot where the unknown soldier rests, just fifty years ago, the victorious Germans marched in their triumphal entry into Paris. Even as the unjust terms of peace laid down by the Germans at the close of the Franco-Prussian War, provided a background for the World War in 1914, even so the unwise conditions laid down in the treaty of peace at the close of the World War are responsible for much of the present world confusion, and will provide an even darker background for another war.

In his description of the burial place of the unknown British soldier, the speaker called the attention of the audience to the contrast between the out-of-doors surroundings of our unknown soldier dead at Arlington, and of the French at the head of the most noted thoroughfare in Paris, with the cluttered conditions of Westminster Abbey. "No greater honor can come to British dead than burial in the old abbey. Even as in Paris and Washington, so here also, the grave was heaped about with brouse and bead, and floral wreaths from the Allied nations," he continued. One that impressed Doctor Broomfield was a fresh floral wreath bearing the inscription, "For Percy and Fred—the Unknown From Mother." Added to these were the following inscribed brass scripture quotations bordering the grave: "Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay

down his life for his friend; "The Lord knoweth them that are his"; and "In Christ shall all be made alive."

In closing his message, Doctor Broomfield claimed that the saddest incident to the number of unknown dead is not to be compared with the saddest incident to the unknown reason for the war. Millions are asking what it was all about, and receiving no satisfying answer, are abandoning themselves to the pleasures of the hour, seeming to say, "Let us eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die."

COAL PRODUCTION NEAR 11 MILLION

Soft coal production in the United States during the week ending November 4 is estimated by United States Geological Survey to reach 10,700,000 tons, while anthracite is estimated to total 1,800,000 tons.

Revised estimates for the week ending October 28 give the soft coal production that week to be 10,681,000 and anthracite to have been 1,733,000 tons.

During the first four days of last week the soft coal production in the United States was estimated to be 135,169 cars, or 6,753,450 tons. As the Associated Press carried in its dispatches previously, Monday, October 30, proved to be the banner daily production for 1922, with 45,298 cars or 2,264,800 tons for that day. This, of course, was made possible by a decided improvement in the car supply that day throughout the country. If such a level could have been maintained for the week the enormous total of 13,588,400 tons would have been reached, but of course the limited car supply made that impossible. Coal production during the past three weeks has showed a decided improvement, which is due to improved facilities in transportation.

Little Labor Trouble. In commenting upon the reports for the week ending October 21, the Geological Survey states the following:

"Labor disturbances were few and only in the Cumberland-Piedmont and Kanawha fields were losses due to labor of any importance. No great change marked the labor supply in the Somerset, Westmoreland and Conneville districts, and many of the mines continued to operate short handed. The survey states that there was practically no indication of the lack of demand for coal except in a few state west of the Mississippi. The mines reported an improvement in transportation facilities for the week ending October 21. The exceptions were the Westmoreland County fields in Pennsylvania, which dropped to 49.4 per cent, and Tug River, which fell to 72.8 per cent. In the Cumberland-Piedmont field the production loss was 41.6 per cent for the week ending October 21. Percentage of present full time output for the week ending October 21, was as follows: West Virginia—Cumberland-Piedmont, 42.5; Paphandle, 52.1; Fairmont, 35.2; Winding Gulf, 30.8; New River, 31.5; Pocahontas, 41.8; Tug River, 27.2; Kanawha, C. & O., 21.6; Logan, 25.6; Kenova-Thacker, 34.9; Pennsylvania—Pittsburgh (rail and river mine), 66.3; Conneville, coke output 2 per cent below pre-strike and 41 per cent below 1920 average; Westmoreland, 42.9; Central, 60.2; Somerset, 43.3; Illinois—51.3; Indiana, 53.5; Ohio—Southern, 31.1; Northern and Central, 36.4; Iowa, 78.9.

Coke Production Gains. Beehive coke production for the week ending October 28 is estimated by the survey to have been 236,000 tons against 210,000 tons, the previous week.

The movement of bituminous coal across the Hudson River into Eastern New York and New England decreased during the week ending October 28, there having been a shrinkage of 3,375 cars in the movement of coal.

14 1/2 Millions at Lakes. More than a million tons of soft coal was dumped at the lake front during the week ending October 29, which was the seventh successive week in which the tonnage of soft coal was dumped into vessels at Lake Erie ports. The ore and coal exchange reports the dumpings at 1,026,388 net tons that week. The survey gives the total dumpings of soft coal for the season up to October 29 as 14,489,682 tons. This was against 21,461,460 tons up to the corresponding date in 1921; against 20,163,015 tons in 1920, and against 21,743,924 tons in 1919. The season up to October 29, last, had to its credit 13,843,149 tons of cargo coal and 646,533 tons of vessel fuel.

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LOCAL STUDENTS PLAN TO ATTEND PRESS MEETING

Intercollegiate Press Association to Meet in Keyser This Week.

Hamilton Owens, editor of the Evening Sun at Baltimore, has been announced as the principal speaker of the second convention of the Intercollegiate Press Association, of which the Fairmont State Normal School is a charter member, to be held at Keyser, Va., November 10 and 11. Mr. Owens is a recognized authority on journalism having received experience in both London and New York prior to his work in Baltimore. His address is anticipated as the big event of the two days' session. Mr. Owen will speak to the young journalists gathered at Keyser on the first evening of the convention, November 10. The foremost social event of the two days' sessions, the big annual banquet will precede Mr. Owens' address on the subject, "Newspaper Dilemmas."

Prof. Walter Barnes of the Fairmont State Normal School faculty will also speak at the convention. During the sessions, Mr. Barnes will be the guest of Dr. A. W. Staymen, president of Potomac State School at Keyser, where the association will be entertained. By virtue of its membership in the organization the Normal School will also send several delegates from the school publication, the Fairmont Normal School Bulletin.

The three representatives of this paper will be Lawrence Wallman, Mildred Gibson and Edith Rose. Frances McCray of Fairmont, the present secretary of the association and one of last year's delegates, will also attend the meet.

Speakers from all over West Virginia and the surrounding states will address the assembly. Morgantown is represented on the program by a member of the faculty and a student of the West Virginia University. The two Morgantown speakers will be Prof. P. I. Reed, in charge of courses in journalism at this school, and Miss Gertrude Dotson, editor of the Athenaeum, the school paper. James C. Herbert of the Clarksburg Exponent will hold a prominent place on the program also.

Representatives from the various colleges of West Virginia will attend the meet. Delegates will be present at the Keyser convention from Salm College, Broadus College, Fairmont State Normal School, Shepherd College, Marshall College, Morris-Harvey College, Potomac State School and the West Virginia University Letters of invitation have been sent to Alderson Baptist Academy, Bluefield College, Bethany College, Concord State Normal School, Davis and Elkins College, West Liberty Normal School and Wesleyan College.

The Intercollegiate Press Association is a body composed of representatives of the various college papers of West Virginia. The members are interested in the study of journalism and the association is based on the idea of promotion of this work. The first convention was held at Salem College in Salem last March on the dates of the 23 and 24, the hostess institution being the originator of the plan of the organization. The charter members include Fairmont State Normal School, Broadus College, Salem College, West Virginia University, Marshall College, Morris-Harvey College, Potomac State School and Shepherd College.

This year Potomac State School at Keyser will entertain the association, according to the decision made at the last session of the first convention. The program for the coming event was tentatively planned at a meeting of the executive and advisory committees of the association held in Clarksburg, October 9. The members of these committees include two Fairmont State Normal faculty members, James C. Herbert of the Clarksburg Exponent, formerly of the West Virginia and Prof. P. I. Reed of the department of journalism at West Virginia University.

The executive committee of the association is composed of Jennings Randolph of Salem, president; Raymond Potter of Huntington, vice president; Frances McCray of Fairmont, secretary; Neeson Woods of Philippi, treasurer.

ELEVENTH-HOUR EFFORTS MADE

Both Republicans and Democrats Showing Unusual Activity Today.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.—The hectic day before election, when competing campaign managers steady the wavering and straighten the lines for decisive assault, was being devoted to concentration of candidates of eastern states for governor. Workers in New York state, spurred to unusually energetic action by the campaign fight between Governor Miller and Alfred E. Smith, his Democratic adversary, were carrying on the battle silently and doggedly, each side enlisting the aid of hundreds of women throughout the state for the last hour drive.

The claim of the Democrats that Smith's vote in Greater New York will greatly overcome the governor's up-state plurality has aroused city Republicans to extend efforts. Democrats up-state likewise are making an intensive last day campaign, hoping to add to their candidate's strength when he reaches the Bronx. The confidence of the Democratic leaders in predicting a landslide for Smith, who they expect will carry in the entire state ticket, has had the effect of stimulating the Republicans.

New Jersey campaigners are making the most of the last day in efforts to persuade undecided voters in the battle between Governor Edwards and Senator Frelinghuysen, who is seeking reelection. Both claim victory by large pluralities.

The Massachusetts contest between Henry Cabot Lodge, Republican leader of the Senate, whose seat is sought by William A. Gaston, Boston banker, and the senatorial contest in Rhode Island between Senator Gerry, Democrat, and former Governor Beckman, share interest with the New York and New Jersey campaign.

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Fannie Morris spent last Wednesday in Morgantown. J. E. Gwyn and Esrom Sprout attended the teachers' institute held at Ridgedale last Friday. Several people from Kincaid attended a Halloween party given at Union Grove Thursday night. Virginia Steel was a business visitor in Fairmont recently. Laudia Phillips visited Grace Prickett one evening last week. Beula Williams has been ill for several days.

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