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A TRIBUTE TO PRES. WILSON

Republican Editor Recognizes the Worth of President and Writes of Correctness of Patriotic Position.

So complete appears to be the acceptance by the German government of the principle for which the United States government has contended in regard to submarine attacks on unarmed merchant ships that Chief Justice White, of the United States supreme court, seems well within the facts in declaring the outcome of the crisis with Germany to be "the greatest diplomatic achievement of the United States in a generation." The issue was bound to be raised in naval warfare sooner or later; the development of the submarine and the peculiar position of Germany in relation to British sea power in the present war served to precipitate it in the most acute form. To the everlasting honor of the United States the issue has been squarely met and a complete triumph scored for the rights of neutrals; and it is the imperishable glory of President Wilson that in defending neutral rights he has also vindicated the claims of civilization and humanity against a renescent barbarism.

By his combination of patience and steadfastness—qualities eminently characteristic—the president has now won a victory for neutrals which enables him to continue his championship of neutral rights with a much enhanced prestige throughout the remainder of the war. And what this means for the neutral states it is impossible now to estimate. When the war began the Republican pointed out that America's mission in the struggle was evidently that of the defense of neutral rights and the safeguarding of neutral interests against the inevitable encroachments of the greatest and most formidable military coalitions in history. Very many of our citizens in their intense sympathy for one side or the other in the conflict have lost sight of this mission, or have come to regard it with disfavor. But it is as much the policy of the government today as ever before to carry the mission to successful completion.

With the most menacing crisis with Germany now weathered in safety, the prospect that the United States will not be drawn into the war seems brighter than at any previous time in a troubled half-year. The German government's action concerning the submarine issue places beyond reasonable doubt its purpose to avoid a break with this country, and surely no other issue could arise so liable to involve the ugliest eventualities. With peace between the United States and the Teutonic powers virtually guaranteed, nothing could be surer than that a president of Mr. Wilson's dogged will and tenacity of purpose should seek to vindicate the neutral rights of the United States as against the powers of the entente. Great Britain's action regarding goods held up at Rotterdam contracted for by American merchants already shows that the British government has recognized the remote significance of Germany's surrender to the president.

The turn diplomacy has taken is, in reality, of tremendous importance; and critical, condemnatory even, of the German government on many aspects of the war as this newspaper has been, it is bound to say that for the first time in thirteen months German diplomacy has risen to its full opportunities. For, by meeting our government's views regarding "the freedom of the seas" in abandoning an abhorrent practice which was never justified by Germany except as a measure of retaliation, the German government places President Wilson and all the American people who support a sincerely neutral policy in a position from which they are bound to make good the words in the last Lusitania note: "The government of the United States will continue to contend for that freedom (of the

University Library Free to All

Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 17.—As one of several plans which have been under consideration for broadening the usefulness of the state university of New Mexico to the people of the state, president David R. Boyd announced today that from this time on the extensive reference libraries of the university covering a wide range of subjects, will be open to the use of the people of the whole state. These libraries cover a vast fund of statistical information: history, art, travel, social science, education, and scientific subjects, carefully arranged and catalogued for greatest efficiency and represent the collections of twenty years of exchange with other universities, scientific societies, etc. Books and pamphlets in the reference libraries on any subject available, will be sent to any responsible club, upon request and with the person, or to any society, or study simple understanding that when the books are returned the outgoing postage charge will be included. An envelope stating the amount of the postage will be included and a special library assistant will be detailed to attend to this department of the library work, which it is anticipated will be extensive.

During the past year, with the constantly increasing number of social organizations of both men and women devoted to special lines of study there has been an increasing number of requests to the University for special information. This suggested to President Boyd the plan of making the university's vast fund of special information generally available. Books and pamphlets, of course, will be sent for temporary use only, and in the announcement made today President Boyd requests that those taking advantage of the invitation to use the libraries make the requests for material as specific and definite as possible. Should the material sought not be available the library assistant will advise at once, with information as to where the information sought, may be obtained.

Large Membership Expected

A membership running into the hundreds in every county in the state is predicted for the recently organized Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico, by those best acquainted with the aims of the organization and its recently perfected machinery. The association expects to get under way at once. The executive committee is investigating a number of the foremost tax economists in the country with a view to securing the best man available for the work. President H. J. Hagerman of Roswell, has established an organization office at Albuquerque, as the most centrally located point in the state, and is giving his personal attention to directing the membership campaign. Full information about the association and membership applications may be had from G. G. Granville, member of the general council from this county, or by addressing the Taxpayers' Association of New Mexico, P. O. Box 601, Albuquerque, N. M.

J. A. Abney of Texline one of the producers of fine stock in this country, had several horses and cattle on exhibit at the fair, this week.

Frank Anstine of near Patterson, was in the city this week taking in the fair and attending to business.

Baptist Services

for Sunday, September 19th.
9:45 a. m. Sunday School.
11:00 a. m. Worship and sermon. Subject, "The Christian Life in Conflict with Sin."
7:00 p. m. Young Peoples' Meeting.
7:45 sermon, subject, "The Wage and the Gift."
J. Q. HERRIN, Pastor.

sens) from whatever quarter violated without compromise and at any cost."—Springfield (Ill.) Republican.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR N. M. FAIR

Visitors to New Mexico State Exposition Assured of Fair Treatment and Plenty of Entertainment.

Albuquerque, N. M., Sept. 16.—The people of the San Juan basin have been the first to take definite steps to arrange for a special excursion train to the thirty-fifth New Mexico State Fair. R. W. Wiley, secretary of the fair commission, now has the matter up with a number of prominent citizens of Aztec and Farmington and a representative of the railroad companies is at present in San Juan county with a view to taking the necessary steps to provide the transportation facilities. Much interest has been manifested in the fair throughout the northwestern section of the state, and it is expected that several hundred citizens of San Juan county will avail themselves of the low rates to come to see the biggest fair ever held in the southwest.

There positively will be no discomfort or inconvenience to visitors on account of lack of accommodations. Such is the announcement made by Secretary Wiley, who has taken the greatest care to see that rooms are provided for all who may come and that there will be no overcharging on the part of hotel or boarding-house proprietors during fair week. An efficient bureau has been organized to take care of this end of the matter, and while the greatest crowds ever gathered in Albuquerque are expected there will be nothing of the confusion and other disagreeable features that so frequently go with a big crowd.

The automobile show, which is to be held under the auspices of the Albuquerque Automobile Racing Association, bids fair to be one of the big distinctive features of the fair. The association had originally planned to hold a big road race during fair week, but on account of the many special attractions, with which it would conflict the idea was abandoned and the show substituted. The show will be on the grounds and will be open day and night with no extra charge for admission. It promises to be of much value both to the dealers and manufacturers and to the car-owners of the state who are interested in keeping up with the latest improvements in the automobile line, supplies and accessories.

Nearly two thousand night season tickets to the fair have been sold in Albuquerque alone, and many mail orders have been received from outside points. The special bargain price of \$1.50 or just half the admission charge for the six nights of the fair, has attracted those who realize that at these night shows they will really see the best amusement features ever shown on a similar occasion. The season ticket sale will be discontinued on October 1st, but up to that time all mail orders will be promptly filled. Those desiring to order tickets by mail should write, enclosing remittance, to R. W. Wiley, Secretary of the State Fair Commission.

Wortley Ardis Wallace, daughter of M. L. and Ada C. Wallace, was born at Bryan, Texas, July 21, 1899; died at Trinidad Colorado.

She was graduated from the eighth grade at Edmond, Oklahoma, June 1914, and finished the first year of high school at Elk City, Oklahoma, June 1915. The deceased had much interest in music and art and hoped to do special work in this field. She was a favorite among her friends and was loved by all who knew her. She leaves the mother and brother, Tom, in the home, and two older brothers, Homer, of Oklahoma City, and Milton, of Oregon. The funeral service was conducted at the residence by J. Q. Herrin, pastor of the Baptist church of this city. Interment followed at the Clayton cemetery.

C. M. Sanchez and family of Texline, spent Thursday and Friday in Clayton.

Home Economics Club Society

The Home Economics Club held a very interesting and profitable session at the home of Mrs. Gill Friday afternoon. During the business session, Mrs. Dum was appointed to ascertain the number of books needed. The program as printed in the paper was given and a general discussion of the papers presented, followed. Mrs. Olbeter's paper, "Cost of Installing Good Plumbing in the Home," was especially practical and helpful.

She took their own home as an example and told how and where to lay the pipes, the kind of material to be used, just how to arrange the hot water tank, sink, etc., and the cost of installing the same. Mrs. Jennings gave an interesting discussion on flies. The following is the program for Sept. 24. No. 1. Effect of the interior of the home upon the individuals. Mrs. J. W. Thompson. No. 2. Harmony in walls and draperies. Mrs. Dum. No. 3. Cost to furnish a five room house, the family being in only moderate circumstances. Mrs. Olbeter. Discussion: Shall we do away with such dust catchers as bric-a-brac? Lesson: The furnishing and decoration of the home. Pages 33-38. Leader, Mrs. Paddock. Adjourned to meet Sept. 24, with Mrs. Paddock. All ladies are invited, whether they wish to become members or not.

Norma V. Paddock, Sec.

Guilty Consciences

The editor of a newspaper in a nearby town borrowed a gun from a friend the other day to go hunting. When he appeared with it on the street, he noticed a peculiar agitation among the denizens of the town. People rushed from door to door and little crowds gathered in the doorways and windows to watch him pass along. The editor was thinking about the vacation ahead of him, but his face, from habit, was set and stern. Suddenly a man, braver than the rest, rushed up with a dollar bill in his outstretched hand. "Bill" he said, "old boy, I've been intending to hand you this dollar for six months. It's for the subscription I owe you." The editor gasped, almost fainted, caught himself and manfully accepted the proffered dollar with a look which said "Go on! Damn the torpedoes!" The man rushed away, and several others braved the editor's gun and paid up their back bills. Altogether when the editor arrived at the office he had a nice roll, enough to pay for his vacation and some left over. But a surprise awaited at the office. He found six bushels of potatoes, ten dozen eggs, a load of hay, two fine hogs, a firkin of butter, two bushels of corn and a gallon of hard cider. In the center of his desk was a large placard, and somebody had written on it:

"Dear Bill: All the boys have paid up in full. Put up your gun and be friends again."

The editor of this paper thinks he will step over to the nearby town and borrow Bill's gun.

R. C. McClellan and family of near Hayden, were in the city this week taking in the fair.

I. E. Runyan of near Wanette, attended the fair this week. He left Friday noon for Hutchinson, Kansas, to attend the Kansas state fair, and visit his family who have been living in that city the past summer.

Jacob Weber and sons, Ed and Jake, Jr., arrived from Shattuck, Oklahoma, the first of the week. They attended the sale of state lands held at the courthouse Thursday and bought 6,420 acres of fine lands in the Mt. Dora section. Mr. Weber will start a steam plow on this land in the next week or two and contemplates sowing a goodly acreage to winter wheat.

Rev. W. C. Rose of near Mt. Dora, was here this week attending the fair and looking after business.

The popular paper, \$1.00 per year.

1915 FAIR IS A GREAT SUCCESS

Agricultural and Stock Exhibits Were Good. Entertainment Features Pleasing to Big Crowd.

The seventh annual exhibition of the Union County Fair Association, which closed Friday night, was one of the most successful in the history of the association. The agricultural exhibits, owing to the backward season, were not quite up to standard, but by their variety and quality showed the agricultural advantages of the county to good advantage. The stock exhibit, horses, cattle, hogs and sheep, were as good as can be seen at any county fair in the United States. All other exhibits were first class.

It is impossible to give complete list and names of winners in this issue. Next issue of The News will show complete awards of judges, and also winners of the various races.

George Howlett and family of Higgins, Texas, old friends of The News man, were here this week taking in the Union County Fair. Mr. Howlett is the son of J. Howlett of near Barney.

Billy Dixon's Daughter Married

Canyon, Texas, September 8.—A memorable event in the warfare that was waged against the plains Indians of the southwest was recalled by old settlers in the marriage on September 2nd of Miss Dora Dixon to Emmett Coble at the home of her mother, Mrs. Olive Dixon, at this place. Mr. Coble is the son of W. H. Coble, a pioneer cattleman of Miami, Roberts county, Texas. His bride is the oldest daughter of the late Billy Dixon, the noted scout and plainsman, who led the fight when Buffalo hunters from Dodge City, Kansas, were besieged for days at Adobe Walls in June, 1874.

The hunters were attacked by the combined forces of the Kiowas, Comanches, Cheyennes and Arapahoes, their leader being the famous Chief Quannah Parker, of the Comanches. This was the first real buffalo hunting south of the Arkansas river. The Indians on the plains resisted the invading hunters. They were beaten off at Adobe Walls and later the campaign of General Miles forever broke their power in the southwest.

Billy Dixon soon after built his home on the site of the old Adobe Walls and lived there for many years as a bachelor. He married late in life, and his daughter, Dora, was born in 1895, on the spot where one of the greatest fights in southwestern Indian warfare was waged.

General Miles presented Mr. Dixon with the medal of honor, granted by Congress for conspicuous valor and gallantry in an encounter with Indians at Buffalo Wallow, in the Texas Panhandle, while Mr. Dixon and his companions were carrying dispatches to Fort Supply.

J. W. Wiggins, Dead

Jas. W. Wiggins, one of the best known stockmen of the Cimarron country, died at his home Tuesday morning at 6 o'clock. Mr. Wiggins had been in poor health for more than a year, and his death, while a great shock to his many friends, was not unexpected. The remains were buried at Kenton Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Wiggins was a son-in-law of Mrs. Sarah Evans of Clayton, and the father of four children, the eldest, Miss Henley, being employed in the State Bank of Commerce in Clayton.

Horace Chilton made a flying trip to Pasamonte Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Howard and small son came n Thursday from their ranch on the Seneca to attend the fair.

You will save money and receive the best quality by buying your drugs and drug sundries from the City Drug Store—The Rexall Store.