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The President's Address

On the Treaty

In his address to the senate, a week ago, asking for the ratification of the peace treaty, President Wilson reached the zenith in clarity and felicity of expression, as well as loftiness in thought. While it won't allay opposition, from those who are bitterly partisan, who will doubtless do their utmost to have the treaty rejected, yet we predict it will find warm support from the nation at large, so much so, that its opponents will beware of going too far.

In the concluding paragraph the President strikes the prophetic note and lifts us up to the mount of vision:

"The stage is set, the destiny disclosed. It has come about by no plan of our conceiving, but by the hand of God, who led us into this way. We cannot turn back. We can only go forward with lifted eyes and freshened spirit to follow the vision. It was of this that we dreamed at our birth. America shall in truth show the way. The light streams upon the path ahead and nowhere else."

To all of which we respond with a hearty Amen. For there is a power outside of ourselves which makes for righteousness, and this power is that of God, Who holds the nations in the hollow of His Hand and is calling us to fulfill our destiny by boldly venturing on an apparently new path, but which is in reality, but the continuation of that, in which our feet were first set, when we became a nation.

Bro. Brodie, of the Oregon City Enterprise, rightly rebuked those Irishmen who hissed the name of the President recently in New York. The next thing they will be sending telegrams of condolences to the kaiser, if he should be brought before a court convened in England. Hatred effects queer combinations.

Bryan at the Chautauquus

A large audience numbering about seven thousand turned out to listen to William J. Bryan last Sunday evening. Although his voice was not in first rate condition, he could, however, be distinctly heard by all present. He began by reminding his hearers that several measures, which he had years back, advocated and for which he had been ridiculed and criticized, had now been adopted, such as for instance the election of senators by direct vote of the people, prohibition and woman suffrage. He then advocated federal ownership of interstate monopolies and state ownership of monopolies strictly within the state. He met the objection that government control was a fiasco during the war in railroad lines, by saying it had not had a fair trial, as the men who managed the railroads were interested in having government control proved a failure. He warmly eulogized the league of nations but objected to the pact whereby the United States, France and Great Britain were to stand together if France was attacked by Germany. This he contended stultified the league at the start.

We think Mr. Bryan's defense of government ownership weak, as there is no evidence that it fell because the men in the leading positions of the railroads deliberately wrecked that policy, and as to the agreement between the United States, France and Great Britain, that is only to make assurance doubly sure, like the little girl who prayed that her brother's traps might not catch any birds, and then went and kicked the old traps to pieces.

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