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OUR COUNTRY IS FORTUNATE

Right now, while a great part of the world is at war endeavoring to kill and destroy, the United States is most fortunate in having Woodrow Wilson for president and Wm. J. Bryan managing the department of state. Differ with them you may politically, on the tariff, the purchase of ships by the government and other economic questions, all regardless of political sentiment, agree that President Wilson is a safe guide for the nation in these perilous war days. Germany has furnished abundant cause for the United States to declare war upon her, far greater cause than the killing of an Austrian prince in Serbia, which is the alleged cause for the beginning of the most gigantic war of all history. Yet, President Wilson's poise and Mr. Bryan's diplomacy is likely to steer our Ship of State through the troubled waters without our participating, actively, in the war, yet maintain respect for the American flag among the countries of the world.

The people are according President Wilson great credit for the wisdom he manifests on all questions pertaining to the European war. While he is the ultimate authority of the United States on all questions of diplomacy with other nations, should not, at least, a part of the credit be given to Secretary Bryan? The president certainly consults Mr. Bryan on all of these diplomatic questions and upon which they seem to be in splendid accord. Surely Mr. Bryan's views have an influence upon the president's actions else he (Mr. Bryan) would be a chump to remain a member of the cabinet. And we can allow the secretary of state a part of the credit without detracting in the least from the president's fame.

Whether President Wilson and Secretary Bryan will continue to keep our country clear of the war mixup and yet maintain a proper respect for "Old Glory" remains to be seen. The implication that, unless Germany makes a proper response to the president's most respectful demands, diplomatic relations between the two countries and an effort made to persuade all neutral powers to pursue a like course of conduct, will be a sufficient punishment to Germany, without active warfare. When Germany knows that she will suffer ostracization from all other nations if she persists in sinking unarmed merchant vessels, and that she will have to make good all reasonable damages before such relations are restored, she will be apt to think two or three times before sending a negative answer. This will mean a complete severance of all trade relations which, in the end, means financial bankruptcy.

No nation, just the same as the individual, can live completely within itself. Its economic system would have to be completely reorganized.

The United States could live within herself with less discomfort, owing to her vast extent of territory, than can Germany. Yet we would suffer great discomfort if we could not buy from and sell to other nations.

No better plan could be adopted by neutral nations to cause Germany to see just where she would stand, if completely isolated from the other nations of the world. Nor should she find fault if such action should govern the policy of neutral peoples. There is and should be reciprocity in the political and trade relations as between all nations. Friendship can be maintained in no other manner. If President Wilson can accomplish this result, and which he probably can, he will take a very long stride towards the banishment of international war. It will be an objective lesson which will have a large influence in the welfare of all nations. It will, in effect, say to an obstreperous nation, "Be decent in your conduct, else we will have nothing to do with you."

President Wilson and Secretary Bryan have it within their power to establish themselves as the leading statesmen of the world, because the conditions and opportunity are ripe.

GREATER DAYS LIE BEFORE

We have to thank Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States, for many a pregnant utterance. One of the latest of these is one of the best. Said the president at Arlington, "Greater days lie before this nation than it has ever seen before."

There spake the splendid optimism that is founded in faith that the world is progressive and not retrogressive; and in the soundness of the American mind and institutions.

Consider the place where the sentiment of prophecy was uttered! Arlington the burial place of thousands of Union dead! The temple for all time of darkness passed, of sacrifice made that the principle as well as the name of freedom should be enshrined in the American heart! There was reminder of gloom dissipated and of more glorious realization than the most sanguine hoped for in that hour of gloom. It was a master stroke of contrast between what is and what was; carrying the mind forward in expectancy of even greater contrast between what is and will be.

The green mounds and white headstones above those thousands of sleepers at Arlington were mute reminders that their sacrifice had dealt the last blow to one human institution of evil, so that with living men who profited by it, it stands utterly condemned and unthinkable as part of the American life. That of itself is a greater day than was ever dreamed about by those who made it possible.

We may be pardoned for believing that when President Wilson spoke of another "greater day," a day yet to come, he had in mind the banishment of another evil, that of war; and in that achievement American instrumentality would be powerfully evident. We can not think that the picture in his mind's eye was made up solely of more and bigger cities, of greater wealth and general affluence; of wheat and gold and railroads and ships and of all the purely material things that contribute to national grandeur. We think that the picture had more of the spiritual and the world-saving touch and color in it than that.

President Wilson is something more than a scholar and statesman. He has in him the spirit of poesy and of prophecy—always the attributes of the larger man. He senses the American mission as many other men do not—the mission of leadership in the formation of a new world state. There is idealism in that

mission, as the president undoubtedly sees it, that gives the greater glory to the day within his vision.—Portland Telegram.

Everybody observes that since President Wilson's note to Germany about the Lusitania there has been a lull in domestic American politics. Some say that this is due to our senses of national peril and the unconscious desire for solidarity at a time of foreign difficulty. Partly, of course this is true; but it is equally true that the subsiding of the activities of the aspirants for the republican nomination and their friends is due to the realization, conscious or unconscious, of how valueless that nomination is at any time when President Wilson is making good. The public feels that the president, in his note to Germany, fulfilled the national aspiration, expressed the national sentiment adequately. To the extent that Mr. Wilson does this the public will support him. If he happens to do it consistently to the end of his term, nothing can defeat him. If it were not bad taste to look upon it in such a light, it would be possible to say that the German trouble was a lucky accident for President Wilson and the democrats.—Colliers.

Notice of Annual School Meeting

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of School District No. 95 of Linn county, state of Oregon, that the Annual School meeting of said District will be held at High school building, to begin at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m. on the third Monday of June, being the 21st day of June 1915.

This meeting is called for the purpose of electing one director and one clerk and the transaction of business usual at such meeting.

Dated this 2nd day of June, 1915.
Attest:
J. F. Wesely, R. M. Cain
District Clerk. Chrm. Board Dir.

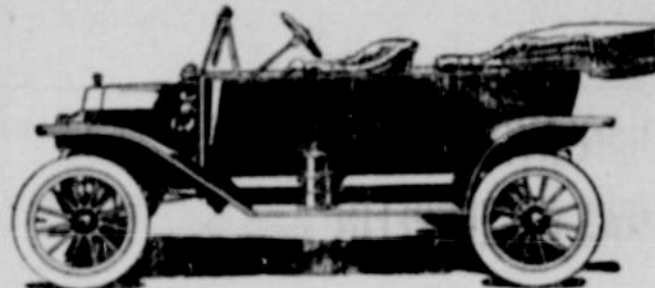
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