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PRAISES WILSON

Detroit Free Press Editorial Actually Praises President's Sane Action in European Situation. Wow!

The following conservative editorial recently appeared in the Detroit Free Press:

"Europe's distress is America's opportunity. It is the part of statesmanship that this nation should take advantage of the situation war has brought about, and President Wilson has displayed some signs of broad vision in advocating admission of foreign vessels to our registers.

American control of sea trade may be won by this policy. It was held by this country until the Civil war, and was lost then in large part because southern cruisers destroyed northern ships. Europe grasped the chance offered it, captured the trade and kept it. Today the Stars and Stripes is seldom seen in the world's ports.

What we lost in our own time of stress we may recover in the stress of those who took it from us. Admission of foreign ships to American registry would be eagerly sought because it would afford security from capture. The ships would come to us. The United States would once more do earth's ocean carrying.

Many opportunites will open to this country in the event of general war, and this is one of them. If the president seizes others as he has seized the chance to redeem our merchant marine he will prove himself a greater man than many have believed him to be."

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WHY THEY FIGHT

Free Press Editorial Gives Intelligent Reasons For European Unrest. Says Jealousy is Real Cause.

"It is an error to suppose that general war impends in Europe today merely because Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were assassinated as the result of a Servian plot. The murder was only a pretext used for launching the cataclysm. The real causes lie deeper. They are old constitutional evils, which have been latent in the political organism of Europe for scores of years. Sooner or later they are bound to come to the surface and start a conflagration.

"Austria is not going to war with Servia because Francis Ferdinand was assassinated, but because there are matters of long-standing dispute between the two nations which can be settled only by a conflict, because Servia has been a great stumbling block to Austria's territorial ambition and a cave of Adullam for her political enemies.

"Russia will not go to war with Austria because Servia is undergoing chastisement, but because Russia cannot afford to permit further Austrian encroachment on the Slav face, and also because she remembers Bosnia and Herzegovina.

"Germany will not go to war with Russia because Russia is curbing Austria, but because it is afraid of the ascendancy of Russia and dreads the rising star of the Slav. It feels that a struggle must come sometime, and the sooner the better.

"France will not go to war with Germany because it loves Russia, but because it cannot keep out of the fight if it does not fight, Germany will crush it. Also it cannot forget Alsace and Lorraine. There never can be genuine friendship between Germany and France as long as the former government retains these two provinces.

"And Germany will go to war with France because it is afraid to leave France in its rear with strength unimpaired. It knows very well that France has neither forgotten nor forgiven the defeat and loss of the Franco-Prussian war.

"Great Britain will not go to war with Germany to help France but because it fears that a Teuton victory will leave Germany too strong for safety and make her a menace to the Anglo-Saxon.

"Europe as a whole is plunging into war because a long period of peace has permitted the development of a number of nations of almost equal fighting strength who are fearful and jealous of one another. Their propinquity leaves no opportunity for forgetting old quarrels and it constantly gives birth to new causes for irritation. The storm has been brewing for years. The air has been surcharged with electricity for a decade. Austria merely began a disturbance which has precipitated the explosion."

Summer Coughs Are Dangerous.

Summer colds are dangerous. They indicate low vitality and often lead to serious throat and lung troubles, including consumption. Dr. King's New Discovery will relieve the cough or cold promptly and prevent complications. It is soothing and antiseptic and makes you feel better at once. To delay is dangerous—get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery at once. Money back if not satisfied. 50c and $1 bottles at your druggist's.—Adv.

U. P. Church Notes.

SERVICES AT BIRMINGHAM

Sabbath School at 10 o'clock.

Preaching services at 11 o'clock.

Y. P. C. U. at 6 p. m.

Preaching on Sabbath evening at 730 o'clock.

Wednesday evening Prayer-meeting 7:15.

SERVICES AT TROY CHURCH.

Sabbath School 1:30 p. m.

Preaching service at 2:30.

All are cordially invited to attend these services and your presence will be appreciated.

WILSON REID, Pastor.

State Fair Tickets at reduced rate

VOTES FOR WOMEN

Harriet Culver of Detroit Free Press Tells how Women in Northern Michigan attended meeting.

One woman attended our last annual school meeting. The following story by Miss Culver tells how women view their rightful political position in the northern portion of the state. "You've heard the saying, 'when a woman wills, she will, and you can depend upon it,' haven't you?

"And some rude men have taken this to mean that the feminine sex is really always obstinately bent upon having its way, quite regardless of the other half.

"But it isn't always so.

"Take the women of Ludington at the annual school meeting a few days ago.

"Some one passed along the word that a certain candidate would be the most acceptable resident to be elected, and the women were asked to see that as many feminine voters as possible cast their ballots for this particular man.

"Did they respond?

"You should have been there!

"Telephones in every house began to ring early in the morning.

"Instead of a request to borrow the housewife's pattern for a tunic skirt, the conversation was like this:

"'Oh, good morning, Mrs. B., are you a taxpayer?'

"'Why I don't know, I never stopped to think. Wait till I ask my husband.'

"'Why, no, you needn't do that. If your property has a joint deed, you're qualified, and since your children are of school age you're qualified anyway. What time can you get away to vote? I'll send the car after you whenever you say. Good-by. I'll see you later.

"And so on.

"The procession of women-voters was an interesting sight. They streamed by singly, in small battalions or along with their husbands. In the latter case, it was noticeable that the husbands were indulgently proud of the fact that their wives' votes were going to supplement their own, and the wives were proudly conscious of the fact that now they could prove they really amounted to something worth while.

"With women voters to right of them, women voters to left of them, the lot of the women who really preferred to stay at home and do their ironing was a hard one. The telephone kept jingling until their reluctant consent to drop work and go to the school-house was obtained.

"Carriages made their way to the polling place as fast as the horses could go, and motor cars whizzed by, leaving clouds of dust in their wake.

"One car stopped to pick up a housewife and waited until her laundress at the tubs could dry her hands, don her hat and go along with them.

"On the way one woman bethought herself of a crippled neighbor a few doors away and a halt was made while she was assisted to dress and join the party.

"Still another remembered that the owner of the butcher-shop would probably forget to vote, so he was induced to lay down the cleaver and go along.

"Many little points of etiquette were indeed violated this day of days. Whether or not one's last call had been returned made not the slightest difference when it came to urging aquantances to get out and hustle for votes, and it was remarkable how little attention was paid to the matter of dress. Correct afternoon toilettes were side by side with morning dresses which the owners had not time to change, and no one seemed to care at all, at all.

"Casting their ballots did not end the interest of the women in the election. Far from it. In the evening the discussions on the neighboring porches hinged upon the events of the day and the telephones the next morning jingled, while the neighbors congratulated one another on the triumphant election of the candidate of their choice.

"It was an ideal school election for the interested women voters, who did not lose their vote by working for the defeated candidate.

"On the surface, woman-suffrage was triumphantly vindicated.

"But, as in all cases, there arises the question:

"Would an election always be such a perfectly unanimous, entirely ladylike affair? I leave it to you."

NUMBER PLEASE!

Why Telephone Subscribers Are Asked to Call by Number. It Helps to Hustle Business.

Many telephone users habitually call for another by name instead of by number.

This is undoubtedly the outgrowth of time. A few years back, when the Exchange was much smaller than at present, it was comparatively, a simple matter for an operator to remember the number of each subscriber.

Birmingham has grown greatly since then, and is growing now more than ever, and naturally the Exchange must keep pace. There is at present, a constantly changing list of over 600 numbers, and it is manifestly impossible for any operator to keep them all at her tongue's end.

All connections are completed at the switch-board by number, and when an operator receives a call by name, either she, or one of the other operators must furnish the number. This not only means slow service but is a frequent cause of errors.

New directories have been supplied to all subscribers, and it is earnestly requested that they be consulted when there is doubt about the number of the subscriber wanted.

FRED R. CHAPIN,
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W. M. Halfacre, Dexter, Missouri, bought Foley Kidney Pills for Mrs. Halfacre, who was down on her back with kidneys so sore he had to help her move. He says: "She would cry with pain across her kidneys, but after she took the second bottle of Foley Kidney Pills she was as well and strong as ever." For sale by all druggists.—Adv.

The Broadway Theatre.

Manager Bert St. John of the Broadway theater, Detroit, announces the formal opening of that house for Sunday, August 9, when Rex Beach's famous romance of Alaska, "The Spoiler," will be presented in a nine reel motion picture production. This attraction has had an extended run in Chicago.

The Rex Beach romance is a red-blooded story in which the spirit of the old west—the west of the forty-niners, appears in a mining camp in the middle of the nineties. The old California of other days was re-created at Nome and Dawson. The story shows an iniquitous scheme which was plotted and hatched at Washington by which the semblance of law was to be placed in power at Nome. It shows how man's sense of elemental justice won out against it.

The production is nine reels. Over 232,000 pictures were taken for the production. Two steamers were chartered an l over 50 other boats appear in one scene. In another, a railway train and hundreds of people are employed. In still another scene, the producer went to the trouble of rebuilding the mining town of Minas, which had gone to ruins, that the exact atmosphere of the novel should pervade in the production.

William Farnum appears as Glenister. Miss Kathlyn Williams posed for the role of Cherry Malotte. Miss Bessie Eyton is the Helen Chester of the play.

Judging from the experience in other cities, "The Spoilers" should prove a sensational attraction in Detroit.

Miss Ida Corey returned Monday from a visit with relatives in Toledo, Ohio.

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"A Million Bid," a photo-play masterpiece in five parts, will be the special feature at the Family theatre, Monday evening, August 10.

"A Million Bid," is said to hold the world's record in motion pictures. It has been played 250 times to capacity houses on Broadway, New York city.

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