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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1915.

HOBBLING THE PRESIDENT

It is with the keenest pleasure that we print elsewhere on this page a card from the Rev. Dr. Fraser in which he takes issue with the critics of Mr. Henry Ford and his purpose to sail for Europe with a selected party of prominent Americans for the purpose of conferring with Europeans as to ways and means of bringing to a close the terrible war which is raging over a considerable portion of the earth's surface and playing havoc with human lives and property values on a scale probably never dreamed of by Xerxes, Hannibal, Caesar or any of the other noted warriors of history in their wildest flights of imagination.

Dr. Fraser's tribute to Mr. Ford is a classic. And while he disagrees with a great many people, ranging all the way from President Wilson down to the lowly editor of The Intelligencer, he does so in a manner characteristic of a thoroughbred gentleman and a scholar.

Our only criticism of Mr. Ford's undertaking is that it is, in our humble opinion, both impractical and impracticable, and, further, that it is within the range of the possible that Mr. Ford's experiment might be considered by the European powers as presumptuous and serve to disturb relations between some one of the belligerent powers and America, thereby causing embarrassment to President Wilson, who, heaven knows, has been through the fire enough already in steering his country clear of trouble with the belligerent nations.

But permit us to say in the same breath that we have only the most profound respect for the opinions of those who disagree with us as to the impracticability and the impracticability of Mr. Ford's undertaking and the element of risk attached to it.

The question of the practicality and the practicality of Mr. Ford's mission need not be considered in a debate on this subject, for there is nothing by which one can support

an opinion on that point. Taking, then, the third question the possibility of Mr. Ford's undertaking resulting in embarrassment to this country... What of that? For the sake of illustration, let us consider ourselves representatives of the belligerent powers. We are visited by an excursion party who have come all the way across the ocean to beseech us to bring the war to an end.

Mr. Ford's scheme is a beautiful one. It is altruistic. He is prompted by the highest and the purest motives, we firmly believe. So are those who have accepted the invitation to accompany him. Were it to turn out successful, the story of it would gladden the pages of history throughout centuries to come as one of the most brilliant achievements of any individual or set of individuals who ever trod the earth.

Now that the football season is over, and the country is in a mood to count the cost of it, we turn with appreciative interest to an article in a Paris sporting paper.

And again, efforts have been made among neutrals of Europe to end the war. Not the least among these in the Pope of Rome. Their efforts having failed, what chance is there of this feat being accomplished by a party of Americans, who, we fear, will be looked upon by Europe as a party of cranks.

Those are our reasons for believing that Mr. Ford and those joining his party should remain at home and allow their government, at the proper time, to be the one to raise a voice in behalf of humanity.

A GOOD MOVE

At Central Presbyterian church last evening the first social gathering of the Christian Service Society was held. This being the name given an organization born of the former Wednesday night prayer meeting service, which, as a third preaching service, of the week has proven but little better than a failure.

Some time ago mention was made in these columns of the fact that the congregation had decided to do away with the Wednesday night prayer meeting service, inasmuch as it had proven all but a failure.

humblest church member that he was a very material part of the church. Reports are to the effect that last night's service was one of the most enjoyable church gatherings that has ever been held in the city.

FASHION IS SUPREME

Sartorial styles are superior to world wars. The crowning triumph of fashion was reported from Berlin the other day.

There has been a pronounced effort made in Germany since the war began to eliminate French styles, for the sake of pride as well as economy.

The proposed styles were described and shown. Foreign fabrics, gauzy stockings, filmy laces, high-heeled shoes, pumps, etc., were drastically condemned.

FOOTBALL BRUTALITY

Every season furnishes its list of dead and wounded," complains the French sporting writer. He cannot comprehend how any nation that pretends to be civilized and humane can tolerate so brutal a sport.

This isn't precisely the time for Europe to give America lessons in gentleness and humanity.

All the intelligent women of the country, whether for or against woman suffrage, have now a cause before them in which they may logically join.

ANTIS AND SUFFS MAY JOIN

The federations of women's clubs of eight states have now declared themselves in favor of the Keating-Owen Federal child labor bill.

This bill is similar to the Palmer-Owen bill which was passed last year by the house with a vote of 233 to 43, but which did not come to a vote in the senate.

It would seem that with the doctors, churches, union labor and women's clubs all supporting a measure it ought to stand a chance of success.

The Commissioner of Commerce and Labor is charged with its enforcement in addition to the collection, collation, and dissemination of information and statistics concerning labor in its relation to capital.

Gathering such evidence of violation of the child labor law as will mean any practical enforcement is a difficult task.

Conservation of child force is a task to which all the women of the country may well set themselves, regardless of political or other differences.

ALINE O' DOPE

Weather Forecast: Cloudy Thursday; Friday fair.

The number of automobiles and motorcycles in Anderson county now evidently reaches beyond the 1,200 mark.

Ex-Judge R. O. Purdy has been in Anderson for the past few days attending to legal business.

The Dime Savings bank of this city has just received its large new safe which is to be used when the business is moved across the hall.

There has been a decidedly greater number of marriages in Anderson county during the month of November of this year as compared with the same month in 1914.

The show at the Palmetto has shown considerable improvement since its Monday night's performance.

MR. FORD'S PEACE JUNKET

Under the above caption Mr. Ford's proposed journey to The Hague in behalf of cessation of hostilities has been belittled and he has been pitted for the spectacle which he will present to the world.

Attorney General Peoples yesterday appointed Miss L. R. Smith of Anderson as a clerk in the engineering department.

Announcement yesterday was made to the effect that the Frank and DeCamp Realty company had purchased the Bitou theatre.

Rural mail route No. 1 from the city of Anderson was extended one and one-half miles.



The Vanity of Style

Vanity is the root of style, and Admiration is the fruit of style.

In the world of affairs and the world of Fashion, Vanity is the spur to most real achievement.

When men of mode choose B-O-E clothes, you see the value of this very Vanity.

For while buying these clothes for sheer style and show, they secure the superb workmanship which underlies true style.

And besides, there is supreme ECONOMY in clothes which are made so well as to look so well as these. Suits \$10 to \$25.

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Then we've a complete line of furnishings to keep the clothes company.

For men's and boys' gift-seekers, here are the practical presents at all prices.

Order by parcel post. We prepay all charges.

B.O.E. Co. The Store with a Conscience

South Carolina students at DeMorest College have organized a state club. The members from Anderson county are: Preston Carpenter, Robert Alexander, Prue Gentry, Willis McLain, Fleet McLain, Fred Tucker and W. P. Barton.

The west side of the public square is taking on new appearances this week owing to the fact that two new fronts are being put in the Maxwell property between the Anderson Shoe Parlor and the Bee Hive.

Yesterday morning Mr. Jas N. Pearson, clerk of court, sent back to Columbia over \$1,000 in pension money, the beneficiaries either being dead or else could not be located.

The money is distributed as follows: M. J. Bryant, Mac Gregory, E. C. Thompson, J. A. Bagwell, C. E. Evans, T. G. Findly, H. T. McClellan, J. R. Nelson, Sallie Alewine, Sallie Bryan, Eleanor Broyles, Mary Curry, Sarah Coker, S. J. Erskine, M. F. Freeman, Dacey C. Gillespie, May E. McClellan, W. H. Mounce, Sarah C. Rogers, J. W. Simpson, Susan A. Tice, Matilda Young, all sums of \$25.00 each, and W. H. Payne, Beaty Darr, Elizabeth Hembree, S. T. Sloan and Sarah Coaker, \$48 each.

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intention of inviting representatives from the countries most seriously concerned to confer with him at The Hague. Such manifestations of interest in world movements have not been considered as signs of folly.

Mr. Ford is in line with the great movements of the world. He is bent upon a mission which has for its purpose the saving of human life and human civilization from its most awful curse. If war is undesirable, and peace is a benediction to be desired, then his mission is one that must command our respect.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

By the Session of the Central Presbyterian Church to the Memory of an Esteemed Elder, Mr. D. H. Russell.

Whereas, in the providence of God, death has removed from our number our esteemed brother and fellow-elder, Mr. D. H. Russell, therefore, be it resolved,

First, That we accept in a noble and submissive spirit this dispensation of God's providence, being at the same time grateful for the long and useful life of our departed brother.

tions be spread upon the minutes of the session, that a copy of them be sent to the family, that they be read before the congregation of the church and that they be published in the daily papers of the city.

The session of the Central Presbyterian church.

WEEDS HARBOR INSECTS

Insects Pass the Winter in Vegetation on Waste Lands.

Getting rid of grass, weeds, and undergrowth about the farm during the fall and early winter is one of the best ways against crop-damaging insects the following year.

The entomologists therefore recommend to farmers that they fall-plow and plow intended for other than grass crops another year, and clear up roadsides, fence margins, and all waste lands, ditch banks, and similar places by burning over, pasturing or in case of ditch banks by plowing or disking in the fall.

In many places community action in destroying weeds is necessary, as it may not be profitable for the farmer to clear this side of the road if the other side is allowed to remain a harboring place for pests.