

CONGRESS PAYS HONOR TO BELGIUM'S RULERS

King Albert, Queen Elizabeth, and Prince Leopold Greeted by the Senate and the House. Notable Event in Congress' History.

Washington, Oct. 28.—Both houses of congress paused in their work today to greet the king of the Belgians, his consort and their son. It was the first visit of a king to the capitol and the lawmakers of the nation gave a cordial welcome to the democratic soldier-ruler of Europe's pluckiest little state.

King Albert is not given to long speeches. His addresses, first in the senate and then in the house, made scarcely 600 words but in them he gave the American army credit for assuring victory in the war, paid homage to the fallen and extended his sympathy to the wounded. He expressed his admiration for the United States, acknowledged the debt of the makers of Belgium's constitution to those who framed that of this country, predicted that the ties binding the two nations never would be broken and offered thanks to all the Americans who aided his people in the war.

There was little ceremony in the visit to congress but there was no mistaking the warmth of the greeting given the royal Belgians and the earnestness of the king in his address was evident. The galleries were crowded although admission was only by card and nearly all the senators were in their seats when the coming of his majesty was announced. Justices of the supreme court, senators and spectators rose and applauded vigorously as the tall, erect figure of the king strode down the aisle beside Senator Lodge. Behind him came the Duke of Brabant escorted by Senator Hitchcock.

A few moments later the handclapping changed to cheers as Queen Elizabeth gowned in white and wearing a wine-colored cloak of velvet, appeared in the executive gallery with the wife of Vice President Marshall and attended by Countess DeCaraman-Chimay, her lady in waiting. Staid members of the upper house forgot their dignity in their admiration for the little woman who had followed her husband through the trenches in Belgium.

The king was escorted to a seat beside Senator Cummins, who was presiding as president pro-tem, and who greeted him with high praise for his moral courage and his gallantry on the field. Prince Leopold was seated at his father's right. Grouped about them, carrying the swords they wear only on ceremonial occasions, were Lieut. Gen. Baron Jacques, one of Belgium's greatest military leaders, Colonel Tilken, aid to his majesty and Major Count d'Outremont, adjutant of the court, with them were Major General William M. Wright and Rear Admiral Andrew T. Long, the king's American aides, Ambassador Brand Whitlock and Baron De Cartier de Marchienne, the Belgian ambassador.

Albert was interrupted more than once by applause during his brief address and there was another demonstration of approval when he finished. Later he and his son met the senators individually.

The scene in the house was a repetition of that in the senate. On the floor were the children of many of the members and their cheers were as enthusiastic as those of their fathers. The king was sighted before his coming had been heralded and the house and galleries rose to greet him. There was another burst of applause when he was introduced and an even louder one when he had finished.

King Albert was the central figure in the day in a ceremony more picturesque if less important than his visit to the capitol. It was enacted in the drawing room of the home of Breckinridge Long, where he is a guest, when Secretary of War Baker pinned upon his breast by direction of President Wilson the American distinguished service medal.

Pershing, commander of America's forces in the field, was there to greet the leader of Belgium's armies. With him were General March, General Jacques, his broad chest covered with the ribbons denoting decorations from many countries, General Wright, Admiral Long and Prince Leopold. Al-

bert wore no decorations upon his lieutenant-general's uniform until that of America was pinned there and the only ribbon on Pershing's tunic denoted the war cross of Belgium.

Secretary Baker, in a brief address, expressed the pleasure it gave him to decorate so brave a soldier and then read the citation which granted his majesty the medal in recognition of "the distinguished and patriotic service which he has rendered to the common cause upon the battlefields of Europe."

Albert, trained from youth to hide his emotions, could not altogether dissemble. He hesitated a moment and his voice trembled slightly as he voiced his appreciation of "this medal worn by so many distinguished soldiers."

Then, turning to General Pershing, he added:

"I am pleased to receive it in the presence of the commander-in-chief of the American expeditionary forces."

As he ceased speaking he and Pershing, each animated by the same impulse, stepped forward a pace and clasped hands silently, his majesty half a head taller than the American chieftain but each of them typical soldiers.

LANFORD NEWS.

Lanford, Nov. 3.—Saturday afternoon Rev. J. R. Williams met his regular appointment and was greeted with pleasure by an appreciative audience who enjoyed every word of his good and helpful sermon. Sickness in his family prevented his coming Sunday morning yet he was not careless as to the needs of his little flock for he sent a very forceful and convincing speaker in the person of Prof. B. Y. Culbertson, of Prospect, one whom he should have a just cause of being proud of to claim as a member of much usefulness to the cause of promoting the Kingdom's business, and to him deserves the praise of the best campaign sermon it has ever been our privilege to hear. We congratulate Prospect, and a few more such men as he in their church, they will be able to go over the top without any trouble. "Aunt Kate" has always seemed a little optimistic in her remarks about Prospect but as we are beginning to know them better, we see more of the reason why she can boast.

Mrs. T. A. Drummond goes as a delegate to the state meeting of the W. M. U. which is held in Sumter this year.

Messrs. Charles Waldrep of Wofford, and John M. Fleming of Spartan Academy, spent the week-end with their parents.

Mrs. J. B. Cooley, of Phillipine Islands and Mrs. Amelia Croft of Knoxville, Tennessee, are expected to visit here this week at the home of Capt. J. W. Lanford.

Prof. and Mrs. H. D. Burdette and Capt. Eugene M. Cox, who is now in business in Spartanburg, spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cox.

Mr. J. M. DeShields went to Spartanburg last week to see his son, Mr. Baxter DeShields, who has been sick. Mr. and Mrs. T. R. DeShields of Hendersonville, N. C., are visiting friends and relatives here and everybody is glad to see them back in their home town again.

Mrs. Anna Kamp, of Spartanburg, visited her sister Mrs. J. W. Lanford last week.

Mrs. J. Lee Langston and her two little attractive children, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Alice Mills.

School began Monday morning at Central school under the management of Misses Anna Wallace and Lois Gwin.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Waldrep and Mr. and Mrs. T. D. DeShields visited Mr. O. C. Cox's and Mr. Frank Clark's families Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Belton Lanford and sister, Miss Florrie Lanford, of Woodruff, visited at the home of Mr. L. M. Cannon last Sunday.

Mr. Ben Hunter and family visited Mrs. M. G. Patterson in Spartanburg, last Sunday.

Born Tuesday, Oct. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Karl Patterson, a daughter. Misses Pauline and Margaret Waldrep were guests of Misses Josie and Lona Mel Williams last Sunday.

Spicy Breezes.

Fussy Diner—Walter, switch off that electric fan; it's wafting the flavor of that gentleman's sausages into my soup.—Boston Transcript.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

The high school football team swamped the Clinton team last Friday, winning by the score of 49 to 0. The entire team played excellent ball and showed marked improvement over their work in the last game. Easterby, Blakely, Wallace and G. Albright gained ground consistently and Snyder, Woodside and Goodwin were in the game at all periods. The Laurens goal was never in danger, the ball remaining in Clinton's territory throughout the entire game.

The team meets the strong Greenville high school team at home on Friday, November 7th. Although defeated by Greenville before, the boys are anxious to make a better showing this time and will work hard to win the game. The brand of football being played by the local boys is deserving of better patronage and it is hoped that a large crowd will witness the game next Friday. The game will be called promptly at 4 P. M. on

the new Athletic Field. The price of admission will be 15 and 25 cents.

The result of the "Tag Day" sale on last Friday was \$155.60. This amount will be supplemented by \$50 from the State, making a total of \$205.60, which will be used for the purpose of increasing the school library. The teachers and children are grateful to the people of Laurens for their generous help.

The high school girls will serve ice cream and cake on Friday evening for the benefit of the High School Athletic Association.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens.

Whereas petitions signed by a legal number of the qualified electors and free-holders residing in Cross Hill school district No. 2, Laurens county, South Carolina, asking for an election upon the question of voting an additional 4 mill tax upon the property in said school district, to be used for school purposes, have been filed with the county board of education, an election is hereby ordered upon said ques-

tion, said election to be held on the 12th day of November, 1919, at public school building in said district, under the management of the trustees of said school district.

Only such electors as return real or personal property for taxation and who exhibit their tax receipts and registration certificates as required in the general election shall be allowed to vote.

Those favoring the 4 mill additional tax shall vote a ballot containing the word "YES" written or printed thereon. Those against the 4 mill addi-

tional tax shall vote a ballot containing the word "NO" written or printed thereon. Polls shall open at the hour of 8 o'clock in the forenoon and shall remain open until the hour of 4 o'clock in the afternoon when they shall be closed, and the ballots counted.

The trustees shall report the result of the election to the county auditor and county superintendent of education within ten days thereafter.

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