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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.
THURSDAY, January 10, 1918.

The House met at 11 o'clock a. m.
Rev. William A. Sunday, evangelist, offered the following
prayer:
Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee and re-
joice that through faith in Thee and Thy word this Government
was built upon that foundation. We thank Thee that the com-
pact signed in the cabin of the Mayflower by our ancestors was
for democracy, liberty, freedom, and the right to worship Thee
according to the dictates of our own conscience. We thank
Thee that as a Nation we have the courage to proclaim to the
world our continued belief in Thee by stamping on our coins
the inscription "In God we trust." We thank Thee that we
are Americans and live beneath the protecting folds of the
Stars and Stripes. We thank Thee that Thou canst look over
the battlefields of glory on our land and see that there is not
one stain on any star or stripe in Old Glory. We thank Thee
for our happy homes. We thank Thee for our wives and little

ones. We thank Thee for the fruitful trees and bountiful harvests. We thank Thee that as a Nation we have never gone to bed hungry nor scurped the bottom of our flour barrel, and we pray Thy continued mercy and blessing upon us. We pray Thee that Thou wilt forgive our transgressions and blot out all our iniquities.

Thou knowest, O Lord, that we are in a life-and-death struggle with one of the most infamous, vile, greedy, ambitious, bloodthirsty, sensual, and vicious nations that has ever disgraced the pages of history. Thou knowest that Germany has drawn from the eyes of mankind enough tears to make another sea; that she has drawn blood enough to reddens every wave upon that sea; that she has drawn enough groans and shrieks from the hearts of men, women, and children to make another mountain. We pray Thee that Thou wilt make bare Thy mighty arm and beat back that great pack of hungry, wretched Hunns, whose fangs drip with blood and gore. We pray Thee that the stars in their courses and the winds and waves may fight against them.

We pray Thee that Thou wilt bless our beloved President and give him strength of mind and body and courage of heart for his arduous duties in these sorrow-laden, staggering days. We pray Thee to bless the Secretary of State, the Secretary of War, and the Secretary of the Navy; and bless, we pray Thee, the Naval Strategy Board. Bless, we pray Thee, Lord, the generals at the head of our Army. Bless the boys across the sea, "somewhere in France," and bless those protecting our transports, loaded to the water's edge with men and provisions. Bless our boys at home who are in the cantonments. Bless, we pray Thee, the Senate and House of Representatives, and give them wisdom and strength, for they seem to have come into the kingdom for such a time as this. And Lord, may every man, woman, and child, from Maine to California and from Minnesota to Louisiana, stand up to the last ditch and be glad and willing to suffer and endure until final victory shall come. Bless our allies, and may victory be ours. And in Thy own time and in Thy own way we pray Thee that Thou wilt release the white-winged dove of peace until Thou shalt dispel the storm clouds that hang lowering over this stricken, blood-soaked, and sorrowing world; and when it is all over we will uncover our heads and lift our faces to the heavens and sing with a new meaning—

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of Liberty,
Of thee I sing.

And the praise shall be to Thee forever, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Journal of the proceedings of yesterday was read and approved.

RESIGNATION FROM A COMMITTEE.

The SPEAKER. The Chair lays before the House a resignation from a committee, which the Clerk will read.

The Clerk read as follows:

Hon. CHAIR CLARK,
Speaker of the House, Capitol.

Hon. Mr. CLARK: Having been appointed a member of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, I beg to submit my resignation from the other committee of which I have been a member, namely, Education No. 2, Industrial Arts and Expositions, Reform of Civil Service, and Roads, under the exclusive rule governing such cases.

Yours, very sincerely,

J. T. SANDERS.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the resignation is accepted.

There was no objection.

WITHDRAWAL OF PAPERS.

Mr. RICHMAN, by unanimous consent, was granted leave to withdraw from the files of the House, without leaving copies, the papers in the case of *Henry Metz*, H. R. 14040, no adverse report having been made thereon.

Mr. McARTHUR, by unanimous consent, was given leave to withdraw from the files of the House papers in the cases of *Eola M. McCammon*, H. R. 15641, and *Mary J. Davis*, H. R. 12850, of the Sixty-fourth Congress, no adverse report having been made thereon.

WITHDRAWAL OF A RESOLUTION.

Mr. EMERSON rose.

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from Ohio rise?

Mr. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, at the first session of the Sixty-fifth Congress, at the request of the chairman of the Military Committee of the Mayor's Advisory War Committee of Cleveland, Ohio, I introduced House joint resolution 122. I have been requested to withdraw that resolution. It is

in relation to the service flag. I ask unanimous consent to withdraw that resolution.

The SPEAKER. It does not have 10 have unanimous consent. It is withdrawn.

The Chair wants to admonish the galleries that they are here by courtesy of the House. They are not here to help conduct the business of the House, and it is against the rules for them to show any signs of assent or dissent by applause or otherwise. If I catch anybody violating that rule, I will clear the part of the gallery where they are. [Applause.]

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules I present a privileged report.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read it.

The Clerk read as follows:

House resolution 215 (H. Res. 255).

Resolved, That immediately upon the adoption of this resolution the House shall proceed to the consideration of House joint resolution 250. There shall be not exceeding four hours' general debate, to be divided between those favoring and those opposing the resolution, but such general debate shall be concluded at not later than 5 o'clock p. m. At the conclusion of such general debate the resolution shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. Whereupon the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution; and all amendments thereto to be passed, without any intervening motion, except one motion to recommit; provided that all debate shall be confined to the subject matter of the resolution.

Mr. CLARK of Florida rose.

The SPEAKER. For what purpose does the gentleman from Florida rise?

Mr. CLARK of Florida. There was some confusion in the Hall while the resolution was being read and I did not hear how many hours were given to general debate.

The SPEAKER. Four.

Mr. FOSTER. The gentleman from Kansas [Mr. CAMPBELL] the ranking minority member of the committee, I take it, is in favor of the resolution now before the House?

Mr. CAMPBELL of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I simply want to submit to the gentleman from Illinois a suggestion that we might agree upon time upon the rule. Has the gentleman from Illinois any suggestion as to that?

Mr. FOSTER. I would suggest that we agree upon one hour's time on the rule.

Mr. CAMPBELL of Kansas. That is agreeable to me.

Mr. SAUNDERS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. CAMPBELL of Kansas. Yes.

Mr. SAUNDERS of Virginia. Can we not agree to adopt the rule without debate and let the time that would be devoted to the discussion on the rule go to the general discussion of the proposition before the body? In other words, my suggestion is this, amplified a little: That we have no roll call in connection with the adoption of the rule or the previous question. Let it be agreed that the rule shall be adopted and that the previous question shall be ordered, and the time saved in that connection could then be devoted to the discussion and added to the time of general debate.

Mr. CAMPBELL of Kansas. I think, Mr. Speaker, that a roll call may be avoided, but the suggestion that there be no discussion on the rule comes after some arrangements have already been made with respect to the discussion. That will largely revolve around the main question, rather than on the merits of the rule.

Mr. SAUNDERS of Virginia. Could not that time be utilized in the discussion of the main question? It would more appropriately come in in connection with the discussion of the main question.

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I think the gentleman from Virginia will recognize that it is the custom on the rule to discuss the merits of the proposition.

Mr. SAUNDERS of Virginia. That is the reason I suggest that we add that to the general debate, and consolidate the debate upon the main proposition.

Mr. FOSTER. So that whatever time would be given to the discussion of the rule shall be given to the discussion of the main proposition, I suggest that there would be no practical difference.

Mr. GILLETT. May I ask the gentleman a question?

Mr. FOSTER. Yes.

Mr. GILLETT. I notice that the rule does not fix any time for voting. That, of course, leaves it in the power of those in control of the measure to close debate under the five-minute rule at any time.

Mr. FOSTER. That is true.

Mr. GILLETT. May I ask what the program is—how much time you intend to devote to the five-minute rule; whether you intend to have a vote to-day; and if so, at what time?