DEEP WATERWAY IS DEMANDED BY ALL

Great River Convention Is Held in New Orleans.

PRESIDENT FAVORS PROJECT

Promises the Present Administration Will Support Issuance of Federal Bonds If Fourteen-Foot Program Proves Feasible.

New Orleans, Nov. 1. - Ringing demands for "14 feet through the valley" and elaborate argument in support of the program for the creation of a deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf have marked the great convention of the Deep Waterway association that opened here Saturday.

President Taft, Vice-President Sherman, Speaker Cannon, governors of th Mississippi valley states, innumerable senators and representatives and a mighty throng of private citizens who believe in the big river project are here and all urge that it be undertaken and carried to a speedy conclusion.

President Taft Promises Support.

President Taft, who arrived in New Orleans escorted by a great flotilla, after an illuminating trip down the Mississippi river from St. Louis, landed from the lighthouse tender Oleander about eight o'clock Saturday morning, and was driven to his hotel through streets that were canopied with magnolia branches, palmettoes and southern moss, and everywhere entwined in the decorations were the mottoes "Fourteen Feet Through the Valley" and "River Rate Regulation Is Rate Regulation." At the Athenaeum in the afternoon the president aroused a storm of cheers by promising that if the 14-feet project proved feasible and advisable, the present administration would favor the issuance of government bonds to defray the cost.

Not for a "Pork Barrel."

At the same time Mr. Taft made it plain that he would not stand for any plan to make a "pork barrel" of the project. He said he opposed any such general bond issue of \$500,000,-000 or \$1,000,000,000 for waterways improvement, the money to be cut up and parceled out to different sections. He declared that the improvement of waterways had been carried forward in a haphazard fashion in



President Taft.

the past, and that a new method should be adopted.

"I believe in the deep waterway," said the president. "I am for it, and I shall use all the power that I possess in doing what may be accomplished to give you citizens of this great valley what you so earnestly desire. It is all a part of a still greater movement inaugurated by Theodore Roosevelt, and properly called by him the conservation of our national resources.

"The projects for irrigation and for the improvement of waterways in the future are not to be for the purpose of distributing 'pork' to every part of the country. Every measure is to be adopted on the ground that it will be useful to the whole country. They are not to be adopted for sending certain congressmen back to Washington or for making certain parts of the country profitable during the ex-

penditure of the money. "We should take up every comprehensive project on its merits and determine whether the country where the project is to be carried out has so far deevloped as to justify the enormous expenditure of money and if it will be useful when done. When we decide in favor of a project, I believe in issuing bonds to carry it to completion as rapidly as possible. It has been proposed that we issue bonds for the Catacombs.

The Russian Dynasty.

The present dynasty of Russia is the house of Romanoff, founded by Czar Michael Fedorovite Romanoff. who ascended the throne in 1613. The Romanoffs are descended from Andrew Kobyla, who came from Prussia to Moscow in 1314.

Ingratitude.

A Missouri farmer was nearly kicked to death by a mule that he had rescued from a burning barn. A Pete. "A lady up de road sicked de mule may be as ungrateful as thoughtless son.

\$500,000,000 or \$1,000,000,000, and cut it up and parcel the money out in this and that section of the country. I am opposed to any such proposition. because it not only smells of the 'pork barrel,' but would be a 'pork

Sherman, Too, Is for It.

Vice-President James S. Sherman has brought to the people of the middle west the message of the east, promising enthusiastic support of the waterway program. "We people of the east depend on your people of the west," said he. "When we help you, we help ourselves, so there is every reason why we should do all in our power for you, as soon as we realize what you want and why you want it."

Speaker Cannon and Secretary of War Dickinson are no less outspoken in their assurances of support, and many senators and representatives. among them Senator Lorimer of Illinois, the father of the deep waterway



Secretary of War Dickinson.

movement, this afternoon made addresses full of hopeful enthusiasm.

Kavanaugh Opens Convention.

William K. Kavanaugh of Missouri, president of the association, called the convention to order Saturday morning and set forth briefly the aims and plans of the organization. He said the deep waterway work is now in this condition:

1. The sanitary district of Chicago has built the deep waterway, practically to Joliet, nearly 40 miles, and \$60,000,000 have been spent thus far on the work.

2. The entire route of the lakes-tothe-gulf deep waterway from Joliet to New Orleans, through the Des Plaines river, the Illinois river and the Mississippi river, has been surveyed under direction of congress by United States engineers, who have officially reported to congress that the building of the deep waterway is feasible.

3. The people of the state of Illinois have adopted a constitutional amendment providing for a bond issue of \$20,000,000, the money to be spent in constructing the deep waterway southward from Joliet.

4. A bill introduced by United States Representative Richard Bartholdt of Missouri is now pending in congress. providing for the issuance by the United States government of bonds to the amount of \$500,000,000, the money to be spent in constructing this deep waterway from the lakes to the gulf and other meritorious projected river

improvements. 5. It is intended to ask the Sixtyfirst congress to pass a bill providing definitely that the United States government undertake the construction of the deep waterway from the point where the Illinois work will end, to the Gulf of Mexico.

In the afternoon, following the address of President Taft, Clifford Pinchot, head of the government forestry department, made an address on the conservation of the nation's natural resources.

In the evening the delegates to the convention were entertained at a stag smoker by the Progressive union of New Orleans. This evening all the delegates and the ladies accompanying them were the guests of the Progressive union at the New Orleans Opera house, where "La Juive" was given by the French Opera Company.

His Politics at Home.

A political canvasser called at a home the other day and inquired as to the political affiliations of the man of the house.

"Oh, well," said the housewife, 'he's everything. He's nice when he's away, and he's not so nice at other

times." "But about politics," said the canvasser. "Is he a Democrat or a Republican?"

"Well, it depends on who he is with," said the lady. "If it's policy to be a Democrat when he's with Democrats, he's a Democrat, and when he's with Republicans he's a Republican.

"I understand," persisted the can vasser, "but between ourselves, what is he at home?"

"Oh, at home he's a perfect terror."

Birth of Biblical Art. The first Biblical illustrative art consisted in the symbolic frescoes of

Appreciation.

"I was strongly tempted when we were in the conservatory alone to take you in my arms and kiss you. Would you have been very angry with me if I had done so?" "Yes-very. But thank you for the compliment."

Fortune's Whims.

"Where did you git de hand full o' change?" asked Meandering Mike. "It was forced on me," answered Plodding a dog on me. I had to steal de pup an' sell 'im in self-defense."

Paul a Prisoner -The Shipwreck

Sunday School Lesson for Nev. 7, 1909 Specially Arranged for This Paper

LESSON TEXT, Acts 27:27-28:10. Mem-OFY VETRES, 9, 10. GOLDEN TEXT.—"The Lord redeemeth the soul of his servants; and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate."

TIME.-Early in November, A. D. 59 or PLACE .- St. Paul's bay on the north-east shore of the Island of Maita, in the

Mediterranean sea, 150 miles southwest of the most southerly point of Italy. Suggestion and Practical Thought. What the storm and wreck revealed

as to the character of Paul, the mis-

sionary Hero: For nearly seven months we have been studying the character of Paul under a great variety of circumstances. We have found him conscientious, consecrated to God, devoted to the good and the salvation of his fellow men, energetic, wise, courageous, joyful, faithful, persevering, independent, unselfish, courteous, of strong feelings, but seif-controlled. saintly and true. We have seen him chiefly at his missionary work.

In this storm and wreck we see him from another point of view, connected with bodily interests, physical needs, things pertaining to ordinary human life, as a man among men, not, as one has said, "a long-distance pastor," but in close touch with humanity.

I. The Manly Authority of a Tested Character.-Vs. 27-32. "The fourteenth night" (v. 27) from the time they left Fair Havens in Crete, when the storm began. "Driven up and down," tossed by the waves and "borne along" "in Adria," not the Adriatic sea, but the name then given to the central basin of the Mediterranean. "The shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country."

29. "They cast four anchors out of the stern." Anchoring from the stern is unusual, but much the best under the circumstances, for it would leave them free to sail to either shore when daylight come. During the dreary waiting, while they "wished for the day," the sailors tried to save themselves at the expense of all the rest by means of the boat, the one visible way of reaching the shore. But Paul, noticing the plan, appealed to the centurion and the soldiers to put a stop to it. The sailors had the boat, but the soldiers had the weapons and the power. Paul therefore appealed to the soldiers, for he saw clearly that (v. 31) "except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved," as had been promised. Those who went in the boat would doubtless be drowned. and even if they reached the shore. there were none left to manage the ship, especially if the officers of the ship were among those who planned so selfishly for their own safety.

The soldiers put an end to the plan by cutting the ropes and setting the boat adrift.

"Nothing was too good for Paul after that, and when at last the ship broke, and the roll call was made on land, every man, soldier, and sailor sang out cheerily, 'Here.' And when at last Paul got to Rome, Capt. Julius and his soldiers did not soon tire of telling to wife and child and sweetheart how the little preacher had saved them from the angry deep."

II. Care for the Physical Comfort and Health of His Companions.-Vs. 33-38. "While the day was coming." As soon as it was light enough to find food. "Continued fasting," took no regular meals.

34. "I pray you take some meat," food; "for your health," safety, they would need to put their bodies in the best condition to give them the strength needed to reach the shore.

35. "He began to eat." To lead them on by his example, he himself did what he advised them to do.

36. "Then were they all of good cheer." "The hearty cheerfulness (is it too colloquial a phrase to say the 'pluck?') of the apostle had communicated itself, as by a kind of electric sympathy, to his companions."

III. Paul Doing the Commonest Duties to Help his Companions.—Acts 28:1-6. 1. "They knew," recognized, "that the island was called Melita." now shortened into "Malta."

IV. Paul Healing the Sick.-Vs. 7-10. Publius, the governor of the island, living not far away, entertained the company for three days till they had time to make other arrangements.

The father of the governor lay critically sick of dysentery. Paul prayed for him and laid his hands on him. and healed him. This gave Paul an opportunity to preach the gospel. For Paul had no credentials that would be of use, and as a prisoner suspicion would be cast upon him. So that God himself gave him the best credentials by bestowing on him miraculous power. Paul healed many others; and as Christ's works of healing showed his kindness and love for men, and revealed the loving nature of our heavenly Father, so Paul's aid for the sick expressed the kindliness of the gospel.

Casting Away Cares.

Treat cares as you treat sins. Hand them over to Jesus one by one as they occur. Commit them to him. Roll them upon him. Make them his. By an act of faith look to him, saying: "This, Lord, and this and this, I cannot bear. Thou hast taken my sins. Take my cares. I lay them upon thee and trust thee to do for me all, and more than all, I need. I will trust and be not afraid."-Rev. F. B. Meyer.

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