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In his April 2, 1917, War Message to Congress, Woodrow Wilson hoped for the establishment of a Partnership of Democratic Nations, to bring a permanent peace to the world.

> "<u>A steadfast concert for peace</u>," the President said, "can never be maintained except by <u>a partnership of</u> <u>democratic nations</u>. No autocratic government could be trusted to keep faith within it or observe its covenants."

In Unsealing <u>#177</u>, we covered U.S. Secretary of State Robert Lansing's counsel regarding America's possible entry into World War I, and regarding what Woodrow Wilson would call "a partnership of democratic nations."



Woodrow Wilson

"I said that the revolution in Russia, which appeared to be successful, had removed the one objection to affirming that **the European war was a war between democracy and absolutism**; that **the only hope of a permanent peace between all nations depended upon the establishment of democratic institutions throughout the world**; that **no league of peace would be of value if a powerful autocracy was a member**, and that **no league of peace would be necessary if all nations were democratic**; and that in going into the war at this time we could do more to advance the cause of democracy than if we failed to show sympathy with the democratic powers in their struggle against the autocratic government of Germany."

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A summary of most of Lansing's points:

- (a) World War I was a war between democracy and autocracy.
- (b) The only hope of a permanent peace between all nations depended upon the establishment of democratic institutions throughout the world.
- (c) No league of peace would be of value if a powerful autocracy was a member.
- (d) No league of peace would be necessary if all nations were democratic.



U.S. Secretary of State Robert Lansing

Key Understanding: The doctrine of Robert Lansing. The

doctrine of U.S. Secretary of State Robert Lansing and U.S. President Woodrow Wilson was that if the world was made safe for democracy, then a community of democratic nations could bring forth a lasting peace on earth.

As was the case previously in Unsealing $\frac{#287}{2}$, the verse *below*, which mentions the Beast's image, is appropriate for the subject matter of this Unsealing, the reason for which will soon become quite clear.

Revelation 20:4 (KJV) And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, **and which had not worshipped the beast**, <u>neither his image</u>, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

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