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SELL THEM?**

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become of no use to you.
Why not try to find that
somebody by putting a
want advertisement in
THIS NEWSPAPER?

**DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
WITH GERMANY ARE BROKEN**

**Kaiser Warned That Ruthless Sacrifice of
American Lives and Rights
Means War.**

PRESIDENT WILSON DEMANDS RELEASE OF 64 AMERICANS

Every Agency of the American Government Has Been Set in
Motion to Protect the Country.

Washington.—President Wilson has
broken off diplomatic relations with
Germany and warned the Kaiser that
ruthless sacrifice of American lives
and rights means war.

Similar action is waiting for Aus-
tria when she notifies this Govern-
ment that she joins in the campaign
of unrestricted submarine warfare.

The President made formal an-
nouncement of his action to the coun-
try and to the world Saturday at a
joint session of Congress.

Passports have been handed to
Count von Bernstorff, Ambassador
Garard with all his staff and all Ameri-
can consuls have been ordered out of
Germany. All German consuls in the
United States are expected to with-
draw, that the severance of relations
may be complete. American diplo-
matic interests in Berlin have been
turned over to Spain; German diplo-
matic interests in the United States
have been taken over by Switzerland.
Foreign diplomatic interests which
the United States had in charge in
Germany have been turned over to
various neutrals.

Two years of diplomatic negotia-
tions, marked with frequent crisis,
and attended with the loss of more
than 200 American lives on the high
seas, have culminated with an act
which in all the history of all the
world has always led to war. Every
agency of the American Government
has been set in motion to protect the
country against acts of German sym-
pathizers. These moves are of neces-
sity being kept secret.

With the notice of severance of re-
lations the United States sent to Berlin
a demand for the immediate release of
64 Americans taken from ships cap-
tured by German raiders in the South
Atlantic.

At the request of the President,
Congress immediately after hearing
his address began work on new laws
framed by the Department of Justice
to check conspiracies and plots against
the United States which cannot now
be reached under existing statutes.

The question of conveying American
merchant ships through the submarine
blockade has been taken up and is be-
ing considered as one of the next
moves by this Government.

Neutral governments have been noti-
fied of the action of the United States
and have openly been invited to fol-
low its action if the new submarine
campaign violates their rights.

The breaking off of relations came
with a crash, despite the fact that it
had been discounted and practically
determined upon Friday night. The
President returned from his night con-
ference with the Senators determined
that a break in relations was the only
act "consistent with the dignity and
the honor of the United States."

Count von Bernstorff while ap-
parently deeply moved, was not sur-
prised. His first act was to ask Dr.
Paul Ritter, the Swiss Minister, to
come to the German Embassy and
prepare to take over its affairs. Then
he informed his wife, an American-
born woman, of the development and
likewise told the embassy staff. His
passports were not actually delivered
until 2 o'clock in the afternoon. While
the President was addressing Congress
one of Secretary Lansing's confidential
assistants called at the embassy and
delivered the passports and a note in
reply to the German declaration.

President Wilson kept himself in
seclusion during the morning, except
for a brief conference with Secretary
Lansing, until he left the White House
for the Capitol. In preparation for the
history-making event, the Senate and
House had assembled in the hall of
the latter body, justices of the Su-
preme Court had seats on the floor, the
Cabinet sat in a reserved space. Am-
bassador Jusserand, of France, occu-
pled his reserved seat in the diplo-
matic gallery, which was packed, prin-
cipally with neutrals, who came to
hear words of far-reaching importance
affecting their own governments.

As usual, a committee of Congress-
men met the President and escorted
him to the Speaker's dais. The whole
body rose and cheered as the Presi-
dent, acknowledging their greeting
without his usual smile, but grim-
faced and solemn, took his place at
the clerk's desk and began reading
his address.

When he told how the German pro-
clamation left nothing for the honor
and dignity of the United States but
a break in relations and that he had
ordered passports sent to Von Bern-
storff and a recall to Mr. Gerard, the
assemblage broke into a cheer, in
which Republicans and Democrats
alike joined. More applause greeted
his declaration that only an overt act
could convince him that Germany in-
tended to violate American lives and
rights, and there was prolonged ap-
plause and cheering when he conclud-

ed by announcing that should Ameri-
can ships and lives sacrificed "in need-
less contravention of the just and rea-
sonable understanding of international
law and the obvious dictates of hu-
manity" he would again appear before
Congress to ask authority to "use any
means that may be necessary for the
protection of our seamen and our peo-
ple."

Guard Fr. Jernstorff and Suite.
Soon after Count von Bernstorff's
passports arrived United States Secret
Service men threw a guard about the
Ambassador and his suite to make cer-
tain that the hospitality of the United
States is not violated while he remains
on American soil. The status of Count
Tarnowski, the Austrian Ambassador,
was undecided, although he called at
the State Department to arrange for
presenting his credentials to President
Wilson.

For months, ever since relations with
Germany became acute, there have
been ominous signs of threatened ac-
tivities of German sympathizers and
disloyal Americans if diplomatic re-
lations were broken off. The Adminis-
tration has not been unmindful of
these. Various branches of the Govern-
ment have informed themselves on the
subject far more completely than
might be thought. Officials express
themselves as satisfied that they will
be able to cope with the situation. In
the army and navy, and in the citizen
ship generally, officials realize that the
composite character of American na-
tionality makes it difficult not to find
some persons who will express sym-
pathy with the land of their birth.

Senator Thomas introduced an
amendment to the House Revenue bill
proposing an issue of \$500,000,000 non-
interest-bearing Treasury notes to put
the nation in a "state of naval and
military preparedness."

The amendment was read, but not
discussed. The notes would be pay-
able to persons from whom the Govern-
ment purchased munitions, could be
used to pay taxes and would be re-
deemable in 1935.

GUARD NAVAL ACADEMY.

Captain Eberle Bars All Visitors
From Government Reservation.

Annapolis, Md.—Immediately upon
the receipt of information from the
Navy Department at Washington of
the break in diplomatic relations be-
tween the United States and Germany,
Capt. Edward W. Eberle, superintendent
of the Naval Academy, issued an
order barring all visitors from the
grounds of the Government reserva-
tion.

In accordance with the order of Su-
perintendent Eberle, a cordon of
guards was thrown about every en-
trance to the Government grounds, and
strict vigilance will be maintained in
every respect. The order also affects
the naval experiment station and the
marine barracks.

Absolutely no one outside of the
midshipmen, residents of the academy,
or employees about the Government
reservation is admitted.

NEW YORK GUARD CALLED OUT.

Every Arsenal, Army and Water
Shed Will Be Protected.

New York.—The entire National
Guard of New York State and the
naval militia were ordered out by Gov-
ernor Whitman after a conference with
Maj. Gen. John F. O'Ryan.

General O'Ryan was directed to
have every arsenal, army and water
shed adequately guarded by the militia
men, and Commodore Forshev, of the
naval militia, was ordered to protect
all bridges.

A strict military censorship was
established at National Guard head-
quarters immediately after the Govern-
ment's order was issued. "I think it
is the patriotic duty of newspapers not
to seek or publish any information con-
cerning the use of troops at this time,"
said General O'Ryan.

MAY ABANDON INAUGURATION.

Sentiment Growing For Doing Away
With Public Ceremonies.

Washington.—While no decision has
been reached officially, there is a very
decided sentiment in all official quar-
ters to abandon the public ceremonies
of inauguration on March 5 and simply
have the President take the oath of
office in the White House on Sunday,
March 4. The army and navy recep-
tion at the White House probably will
be abandoned.

Those officials who favor abandon-
ing the public ceremonies feel that
with the President facing such critical
international affairs the good of the
country demands that he shall not be
called upon to participate in public
functions.

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Merchant Joseph M. Peters has been
appointed poor director of Parryville,
to succeed Dr. E. F. Eshelman, who
moved to Palmerton.

Melancholy for several years, David
C. Mohry, of Allentown, driver of an
ice wagon, after kissing his wife good-
bye, blew off his head with a shotgun.

Bethlehem Steel Company officials at
Steelton announce they will aid in the
equipping of playgrounds for the bor-
ough children.

Struck by a trolley car, near the
Panther Creek Valley Hospital, Mrs.
Kathryn Gildea, aged thirty-three
years, sustained a fractured skull. Her
condition is critical.

President Wilson announced the ap-
pointment of the following postmas-
ters for Pennsylvania: J. K. Wiley, Mt.
Union; William T. Heiler, Nesqueopek;
Mabel E. Davidson, Ulster.

Seven firms bid for the crushed
stone contract of the State Highway
Department's maintenance work and
awards will be made later. The con-
tract is the largest let by the depart-
ment, aggregating many thousand tons.

Mrs. Levi R. Cromley, of Sunbury,
found her fifteen-months-old son
strangled to death in bed. Doctors be-
lieve the child, in trying to sit up, be-
came bound so tightly in the blanket
that the lungs could not do their work.

Michael Maroney, fifty-eight, in
hurry out of the Bethlehem Steel
Works plant to catch a trolley car for
his home, at Coatesville, stepped in
front of a heavy loaded coal truck and
was crushed to death.

Brooding over the recent death of a
favorite four-year-old daughter, caused
Frank Ravel, forty years old, to com-
mit suicide at his home in Reading, by
shooting himself in the abdomen with
a shotgun. He had been employed at
the Reading Hardware Works for
twenty-five years.

Prof. Martin L. Wilson, for several
years a member of the Mauch Chunk
high school faculty, has accepted a
position to teach history in the School
of Commerce in New York City.

Harry Fisher, aged forty years, of
Reading, a conductor on the Philadel-
phia & Reading Railway, was killed,
when he was struck by a flyer at
Stowe. His wife died at Christmas
time, and he leaves three small chil-
dren.

W. H. Fisher, the Nesquehoning tin-
smith, who three weeks ago fell a dis-
tance of eight feet, striking head-first
on the rock bed of the Nesquehoning
Creek, has regained consciousness at
the Coaldale Hospital, but is still near
death.

Frank Mastro was killed and Tony
Fortino fatally injured when a passen-
ger train on the Pennsylvania Railroad
collided with a wagon, in which they
were riding, at Sharon. Fortino died
several hours later. Mastro leaves a
bride of two months.

Harry Rollman, thirty-nine years old,
and single, of Reading, was taken to
the Homeopathic Hospital, in a dying
condition from a fractured skull. He
was found lying in the public road in
Oakbrook. He had evidently been
struck by an automobile while walking
to his home.

Augustus F. Blacksmith, printer in
the "ad alley of the Harrisburg Tele-
graph, Wednesday completed his 54th
year "at the case." He has been with
the Telegraph for fifty-two of the fifty-
four years, and is one of the oldest
printers in the State. He is believed
to hold the record for continuous serv-
ice in one shop.

While Jacob Reighard was hauling
ice from Locoming Creek to his farm
home near Hepburnville, over the ice
his team broke through, into ten feet
of water, and Reighard in the excite-
ment attending the rescue of the
horses, fell dead of apoplexy. It was
necessary to saw a channel, for some
distance, to shallow water, before the
horses could be gotten out.

Walter L. Jones, former Mayor of
Coatesville, was acquitted of a charge
of keeping fraudulent accounts in his
official docket, and with embezzlement
of public funds. Jones was congratu-
lated by many friends. He stated that
he intended to return to Coatesville
and take up active work in his cam-
paign for re-election to the Mayoralty.
He said that as considerable criticism
had been made of his getting his ac-
counts mixed up that he might decide
to take a course in bookkeeping in
some night school.

**SUGGEST CHANGE IN
COMPENSATION ACT**

Physicians Ask Extension Of Period
Of Disability and Increase Of
Operation Rate.

Harrisburg—
Suggestions for changes in the work-
men's compensation act were discussed
with members of the board by a com-
mittee representing the State Medical
Society, State Homoeopathic Medical
Society and State Eclectic Medical So-
ciety, and two amendments will be sub-
mitted to ex-Attorney General Ham-
ilton L. Carson for an opinion. The
committee consisted of Drs. McAllis-
ter, Swartz, Holmes and Hazen, Harris-
burg; Estes, South Bethlehem; Ced-
man, Philadelphia; Krusen, Norris-
town, and Kline, Lebanon, with Com-
missioner of Health Dixon.

The committee will not press the
proposed amendment for a permanent
advisory medical council and other
suggestions, but will urge the follow-
ing:

"That the period of disability for
medical attention which now is fixed
at fourteen days, be changed to thirty
days, and the date of disability be
dated from the time the patient re-
ports to the physician or surgeon for
medical or surgical treatment.

"That the word 'major operation'
be eliminated from the Act permit an
increase of the maximum of medical or
surgical and hospital services to
\$200 and allow a sliding scale of fees,
the rates of charge to accord with
those that the physician in charge is
accustomed to receive for like serv-
ice from other members of the same
standing of living in his community.
The said fees to be paid the attend-
ing physician."

CHARTERS ISSUED.

The following charters were issued:
Blair County Game, Fish and For-
estry Association, Altoona; treasurer,
J. H. Winters, Altoona.

Schuyler Printing Company, Lewis-
burg, capital, \$5,000; treasurer, W. S.
Wilcox, Lewisburg.

Packets Coal Co., New Kensington,
\$5,000; Ralph S. Woodward, New
Kensington.

Luther Keller Co., Quarrying, Scrae-
ton; \$5,000; Harry A. Van Horn,
Scranton.

Littis Knitting Co., Littis, \$20,000;
J. W. Brubaker, Littis.

Larson Oldsmobile Co., Philadelphia,
\$180,000; Frank B. Belyea, Philadel-
phia.

Klein D. Baker Mfg. Co., fire escapes,
Westfield, \$10,000; George H. Danke,
Westfield.