

WAR IS NOT NECESSARY

Germany has invaded our rights. But war is not necessary. There are other honorable alternatives

1. CONFERENCE OF NEUTRAL NATIONS: To promulgate and enforce the Declaration of London as the law of maritime warfare: The Declaration of London was signed in 1909 by the ten great naval powers and ratified by the United States Senate in 1912. The United States agreed in 1909 and in 1912 that the rules of the Declaration of London "correspond in substance with the generally recognized principles of international law."

In 1912 Mr. Elihu Root said of the Declaration of London that: "Not only are the rules of law in the Declaration of London wise and just and would be beneficial to the world, but they are the most promising for the forward movement toward the peaceful settlement of international difficulties."

On August 6, 1914, the U. S. State Department proposed to the belligerents that "the laws of naval warfare as laid down by the Declaration of London of 1909 shall be applicable to naval warfare during the present conflict in Europe."

Why not now prepare together with the Neutral nations who suffer as we do to enforce this code of international law which in August, 1914, we proposed?

The neutral nations view our entrance into the war with dismay: Their food supply will be wholly cut off and their ships commandeered. Shall America add one to the long list of combatants or unite the wronged and desperate neutrals to assert humanity and civilization?

2. A JOINT HIGH COMMISSION of Congressmen and members of the Reichstag, in accordance with The Hague agreements and with precedents in Washington's and Adams' administrations. This Commission to meet on neutral soil, and illegal sinkings of submarine to cease pending deliberations.

Let the U. S. Congressmen representing the American people address an appeal to the Reichstag, the representatives of the German people, declaring that we are not enemies of the German people; that we want no war with them; that we want to negotiate with them, without the formalities and impediments of formal diplomatic procedure.

3. A PEACE APPEAL by the President and Congress to all belligerents.

Starvation is threatening all belligerents and many neutrals. The Spring drive, with its millions of sacrifices, has not yet begun. The submarine warfare has not yet reached the height of its horror. The Russian Revolution has changed the political situation. Germany may now state her peace terms. The Russian Social Democrats have appealed to the German Social Democrats to co-operate in stopping the war.

Let America liberate words arousing the warring nations from their ecstasy and exaltation to a realization of the horrible truth.

4. AN ADVISORY REFERENDUM. Special legislation should be enacted by Congress and State Legislatures enabling the American people, who will have to bear the burden and woe of war, to vote on the question. All postal card and other tests show the people of the whole country to be overwhelmingly in favor of peace and against war.

The American people do not want to be stampeded into war. There is no call to rush into war with its horror and sorrow.

Join in the "March on Washington"

SPECIAL TRAIN Monday, April 2
 Leaving Broad Street Station 7.15 A. M., stopping West Philadelphia, 7.19; Wilmington, 7.55.
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 Demonstrations against the United States entering the war will be held. **Are You Going to Sit Quietly at Home and Allow Congress to Declare War?**
 Compare the cost of this trip with the cost of one day of war. Can you afford to stay at home?
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To Protest Against the United States Entering the War.
 SOUTH BROAD STREET THEATER, Sunday Evening, April 1st, 8 o'clock.

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Congressman
 (Name)
 Washington, D. C.

As a loyal American, I protest against rushing into war. There are honorable alternatives.

As a loyal American, I urge that every honorable alternative to war be tried before declaring a state of war. I am For Peace.

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