

Facist Hordes Descend Upon Washington to Pester Congress

MET BY THE PATRIOTS City Flies Old Glory in Face of Apostles of Peace at Any Price

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Two great forces diametrically opposed in spirit and purpose descended on Washington today in ever-increasing droves. One faction demands that the Congress which meets today shall declare war on Germany. The other is even more insistent that it shall not. Special train after special train swelled the ranks of both sides during the day with hundreds of patriots.

The authorities are frankly apprehensive over the situation. Elaborate police precautions have been taken to prevent any untoward incidents. No loitering or congregating on the streets is allowed. "Keep moving" is the police edict. The dozens of regular guards and police at the capitol have been augmented with scores of plain-clothes "advisees" from the police.

Adding to the awkwardness of the situation is the fact that Washington is now entertaining thousands of tourists and visitors, drawn from all over the country. Many came to spend a holy week vacation; others in the vain hope of being "taken in" enough to gain entrance to the congressional galleries to witness the stirring events that the week holds.

Both the pacifists and the "pilgrims of patriotism" at the prospect of advising a self-dubbed, laid plans for the next few days, despite official frowns. The ban on parades seriously hindered their program, but they hope to make up for it in other ways.

The city is ablaze with the national colors. From every building, public or private, the flag is flying, and the hundreds on the streets wave the tricolor on their lapels. Even the street cars are decorated, fore and aft with the red, white and blue.

SERVICE BOARD DELAYS TRANSIT HEARING AGAIN

Consideration of Convenience Certificates Postponed Because of Magee's Absence

AINY ANSWERS CRITICS

From a Staff Correspondent HARRISBURG, April 2.—The Public Service Commission has postponed until tomorrow consideration of the application filed by the city of Philadelphia for certificates of public convenience to permit the Transit Department to proceed with construction of the various lines of the high-speed system.

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TWO AMERICAN FLAGS UNFURLED AT CRAMPS

Good Fellowship Association Arranges Great Kensington Demonstration

HOW AMERICAN CARTOONISTS VIEW RECENT EVENTS



ANOTHER SMALL BOY MISSING FROM HOME

Degenerate Believed Responsible for Disappearance of Charles Muelhauser

Disappearance of another small boy today, within forty-eight hours after five-year-old Nathan Platt, 261 Fernwood street, was found home with a rope in the collar of a deserted house at 529 Carpenter street, has led the police to believe that a dangerous degenerate is at large in Philadelphia.

WILMINGTON METHODIST PULPIT APPOINTMENTS

Conference Adjourns After Presiding Bishop Announces Assignment of Ministers

SEAFORD, Del., April 2.—Wilmington M. E. Conference adjourned today immediately after the presiding bishop read the list of ministerial assignments. Those for Wilmington district follow:

CONTRACTS FOR LIBRARY BUILDING AWARDED

George A. Fuller Company, of New York, Will Build Structure on the Parkway

Contracts for building the Free Library on the Parkway were awarded today by Director Pakenham, of the Department of Public Works, for a total of \$2,664,750. The main construction contract goes to the George A. Fuller Company, of New York, in the amount being \$2,219,000.

City Guardsmen Leave for Police Duty Today

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The 100,000 members of the Stenomen's Fellowship have been called upon by their leader, the Rev. H. C. Stone, to stand by their country.

22 PHILADELPHIANS ASK WILSON TO DECLARE WAR

Twenty-two prominent Philadelphians have sent a joint letter to President Wilson urging war on Germany. "We feel that an overwhelming public sentiment will support you in asking Congress for a declaration of war against Germany," the message concludes.

KENDRICK RENOUNCES AERO-TRAIN PROJECT

Hydroaeroplanes for Atlantic City—Philadelphia Service Sold to Prospective Navy Aviators

ATLANTIC CITY, April 2.—"Extraordinary conditions," Beryl L. Kendrick, resident representative of the Elkins-Kendrick syndicate, said today, "have caused the abandonment of the proposed plan for the establishment of an aero-train service between Atlantic City and Philadelphia via the Cape May, Delaware Bay and River aerial route the company was planning."

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AMERICAN FLIER WILL RECOVER

NICHOLS, France, April 1.—Sergeant Clyde Nichol, whose plane was shot down over the sea on the 26th of March, is reported to have been rescued by the British Navy.

READING RAILWAY HOPE CUT BY MALICIOUS HAND

READING, April 2.—What is believed to have been the work of an alien plotter was discovered at the shops of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company here today, all of the fire hose leading to the shops and roundhouses being found to be punctured with knife cuts.

WOMAN HOTELKEEPER WINS LICENSE BATTLE

Evidence Against Mrs. Bean, of Centre Point House, Insufficient, Says Judge

JERSEY CENTRAL BOOSTS RATE TO NEW YORK CITY

Protest Along the Line Against Increase in Price of Short-Trip Tickets

Advertisement for 'A Mighty Good Passport' featuring Ledger Central and travel services. Text includes: 'A card of introduction from the Ledger Travel and Resort Bureau assures you a hearty welcome and "the best the house affords" in every nook and corner of this great country.'

Advertisement for 'Public Ledger' featuring February 27th, 1917 and travel services. Text includes: 'To Mr. Vernon Goodwin, mgr., Hotel, Alexandria, Los Angeles, Cal. This card will introduce Mr. Harvey, Mgr., Naughten, and wife.'

Advertisement for 'Reading Railway' featuring dance on April 16. Text includes: 'Seventeenth Annual Ball Will Present a Brilliant Scene Marked by Unique Decorations'

Advertisement for 'Wilmington Methodist Pulpit Appointments' listing various ministers and their assignments.

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