WAR DECLARATION BY U.S. DELAYED BY LONG DEBATE

CAMDEN TAKING MILITARY CENSUS



Under the direction of the citizens' home defense committee, appointed and headed by Mayor Charles H. Ellis, policemen are making a count of all the men in the city capable of bearing arms.

S. CITIZENS ON SHIPS SUNK IN WAR ZONE

Some Without Warning

TWO RELIEF SHIPS LOST

WASHINGTON, April 5. Official information has been received here of the sinking of five more ships by

orpedoes or mines. The State Department has issued a state ment concerning the sinking without warning of the unarmed American liner Mis-sourian, with thirty-two United States citt-\$2.932,537,933 and the navy \$292,538,790 in tens aboard, in the Mediterranean by a U-boat. The department also announced the sinking of the British ship Lincolnshire, unarmed and unwarned, and the Norse steamship Kargea, which was warned, each having an American aboard. Word also was received of the sinking of the Belgian relief ship Trevier, out from New York, which was torpedoed and the Belgian relief ship Feistein, which is believed to have hit a mine. Both probably had Americans

in the crews.

The Missourian was unarmed and all on board were saved. A dispatch from Consul Frost at Queenstown did not state to the consultry of the consult where or on what day the torpedoing oc-

Following is the Consul's report:

Unwarned American Steamer Missourian, 4981 tons; master William Lyons, built at Sparrows Point, owners. American-Hawaiian Steamship Company, fifty-three crew including master and officers, thirty-two Americans, balance various nationalities, left Genoa April 4 for the United States.

according to tolegram received from master, sunk without warning.

Following from Lyons at Porto Mauridio: American Consul General: Sunk without warning. Crew saved. save for Genoa 7 p. m.

The sinking unwarned of another ship warned, also carrying an American, was reported to the department by Consul Lath-

op at Cardiff. Pelix Morris, negro seaman, was aboard Felix Morris, negro seaman, was aboard the British unarmed Lincolnshire when she was torpedoed without warning, while Frank Kargea, fireman, was on the Norse steamship Sandvikgoole, which, however, was warned. All were saved on both ships The Belgian relief ship Trevier has been torpedoed and sunk by a submarine of Scheveningen, according to a Ymuiden dispatch received here by way of London.

patch received here by way of London.
Twenty-four members of the crew have been landed safely, eight of them wounded.
The Trevier was a steel screw vessel of 1806 tons, built in 1907 and registered at Antwerp. She was owned by Antwerpsche Zeev Maats, of Antwerp.
The Trevier salled from New York for

The Trevier sailed from New York for Rollerdam February 20, with assurances of afe-conduct through the submarine danger ne, it was stated by the Commission for Relief in Belgium. She was laden with a stated carry.

The Be gian relief ship Feistein has been ink in the North Sca near Rotterdam, according to a cablegram received in New York today by the commission. It is be-lieved she struck a mine.

AZTEC CAPTAIN TELLS VIVID TALE OF SINKING

WAR FUND OF \$35,00,000,000

Five Vessels Sent Down, Secretary Requests Congress to Appropriate Huge Military Credit

BOND ISSUE PLANNED WASHINGTON, April 5.

The Government today took its first active steps in preparation for war. Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo asked Congress to appropriate about \$3,500,000,-000 for army and navy expenses and na-

addition to regular expenses, Secretary of the Navy Daniels asked that the navy personnel be increased from 87,000 to 150,000 and the marine corps per-

sonne! from about 17,000 to 30,000.

Beside the sums mentioned Daniels, through McAdoe, asked an additional \$175.-855,761 to be available until June, 1918, and to care for the additional personnel of the mayy and the marine corps.

The estimate in blanket form called for the money "for military expenditures under the War Department necessity for the na-tional defense and for each and every pur-pose connected therewith to be expended by the Secretary of War under such regula-tions as the President may prescribe, to be immediately available and to remain available until expended." McAdoo stated \$100,000,000 would be required for national

security and defense.
The Depaytment of Justice coincidentally asked a deficiency appropriation for the bureau of investigation work to be available during 1917-1918 of \$300,000. The Coast Guard Service sought \$600,000 wherewith to extend its communication system for the national defense.

BOND ISSUES PLANNED This vast sum will be raised through bond

The rate of interest on the bonds is to be The rate of interest of the bonds is to be somewhere between 3 and 3½ per cent.

The Federal Beserve Board, as previously planned, will have charge of the task of the contemplated bond issue, as well as of financing all war expenses,

These facts became known today after Senator Simmons, chairman of the Finance Committee of the upper house, had con-ferred with Secretary of the Treasury Me-

Adoo on war revenue measures.

Neither official would discuss the plans, but it is known that concrete proposals looking toward the near \$3,500,000,000-bond issue would shortly be suggested to Con-gress in formally presented resolution. Unofficial estimates presented to Federal Reserve Board officials indicate that \$2.

000,000,000 can be raised at once and without difficulty through a bond issue, at the 3 and 31/2 per cent interest rate. Plans for such a war budget were dis-cussed in greatest detail yesterday at a meeting here of the Federal Reserve Board

governors.

The reserve governors after discussion of the interest rate favored the higher rate at the start rather than an initial issue at a low rate with subsequent issues at higher rates.

Treasury officials today discussed possible means of raising revenue for financing side means of raising revenue for financing

he war by direct taxation. The Government will raise approximately \$750,000,000 this year through the internal

It is estimated that proposed increases in

Continued on Page Five, Column One Mine Sweeper Sunk; 24 Missing

HOUSE WILL REACH VOTE LATE TONIGHT; BATTLE CRY SOUNDED AS PACIFISTS MAKE MILD PLEA

Defense of Nation's Honor Against Prussian Ruthlessness, Keynote of Speeches. Socialist Prefers Dishonor To a Fight

Chief of Staff Scott to Appear Before Committees and Outline Scheme for Raising Army of 1,200,000 as First Line of Defense-France and Britain Welcome New Ally

WASHINGTON, April 5. Chairman Flood, of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, announced that it would be 10 or 11 o'clock tonight before a vote would be taken on the war resolution.

The National House of Representatives opened debate on the Flood-Martin war resolution immediately upon convening at 10 o'clock today.

The measure, certain of adoption, merely awaits expression of the House

members' views. It was passed by the Senate, the vote being 82 to 6. The House rang with patriotic utterances, Chairman Flood, of the Foreign Affairs Committee, opening the debate.

Immediate steps to organize the nation's military forces will follow the war declaration. Chief of Staff Scott is expected to appear before House committees and out-

line plans for raising an army. It is estimated 1,200,000 men will comprise the first line of defense. Secretary of War Baker and Congress leaders completed details for raising

the army to full fighting strength, the first recruits to be added to units of regulars and National Guard. Plans are in formation for institution of the universal service rule. Secretary of the Navy Daniels asks that the naval strength be boosted from 87,000 men to 150,000, and for the Marine Corps an increase from

58,400,000,000 appropriation.

America's war step has roused the enthusiasm of the Entente nations. The French Premier, opening the Chamber of Deputies, welcomed the United States as an ally. Paris papers were jubilant as they announced the coming of the United States into the war. Great Britain continued to rejoice and considered sending a mission to confer with the United States on co-operation in

STATE DEFENSE

BUSINESS MEN

Leaders in Finance, In-

dustry and Trade on

Committee

FOR COMMONWEALTH

At a meeting of the executive committee

of the Pennsylvania committee of public safety the men were chosen to head fifteen

LEADERS IN DEFENSE

ARTHUR E. NEWBOLD, of Drexel & Co.

Pattadelphia—Department, Scranton—Department of Publicity and Education.

FRANK GUNNISON, Eric-Department o

Dr. S. B. McCORMACK, president University of Pittsburgh—Department of Allied Bodies.

of Pittsburgh—Department Commercial
T. DE WITT CUYLER, president Commercial
Trust Company, Philadelphia—Department of

Gen. AVERY D. WILLIAMS, Philadelphia—De partment of Military Service.

E. WALTER CLARK, Philadelphia—Depart

The men and their departments are:

departments which will comprise

LOGIC OF PACIFISTS DENOUNCED IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, April 5. The House today sounded the battlecry and prepared to make war against Germany a reality within twenty-four hours

House speeches, fiery with patriotism, called upon members to hasten passage of the state of war resolution, which was adopted by the Senate last night by a vote of 82 to 6. Some pacificism developed, but there was

to question as to the ultimate outcome-a hearty support of President Wilson in his demand for war. The House went into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union at 19:28

bringing up the state of war resolution for debate. Chairman Flood, of the Foreign Committee, opened the discussion, QUIT PRIVATE AFFAIRS At the outset the House developed a temporary wrangle over the disposition of

the time for debate. Representative Cooper.

pacifist and ranking Republican member

Continued on Page Two. Column Three Gas Explosion Kills Two

CHICAGO, April 5 .- Two are dead and more than forty known to be injured as a result of an explosion of gas at the res-taurant of Alexander Thedocka, Lake and Halstead streets, today. The force of the explosion caused the roof to fall in upon the crowd that had gathered during the lunch hour. Firemen believe that mor bodies may be recovered from the ruins.

Bowie Results FIRST RACE, two-year-olds, selling, 4 fur

longs: 1. Fantan. 111. Parrington. \$13.10 \$5.70 \$4.60 2. Bill Livingston. 105. Wakoff ... 3.90 3.20 3. Little Sweper, 107. Fore-hand ... 4.90 Time. 39 3-5. Mr. Dooley, Wise, Wichaka and Lady Eileen also ran.

sECOND RACE, three-year-olds and up, claiming, 6 furlough;
1. Parlor Boy, 112, Taplin (field)
2. Anxiety, 113, McDermott, 4.10 2.90
3. Broomcore, 105, Rodriguez, 3.80
Time, 1.174-5. Encore, Nolii, Laura, Humiliation, Divan, Brickley, Captain Elliott and Pikeland also ran.

Trust Company, Philadelphia—Department of Sunitation and Medicine.

Col. LOUIS J. KOLB. of the Kolb Baking Company—Department of Civic Relief.

H. J. HEINZ, Pittsburgh—Department of Food Sumplies. Pikeland also ran.
THIRD RACE, three-year-olds and up, claiming, 6 furlongs;
1. Royal Interest, 112, T. Me-Taggari
2. Refugee 115, Schamerhorn ... 9.70 6.00
2. Refugee 115, Haynes, 115, Haynes, 117, 2-5, Birdman, Remarkable, Ada Anne Salon, Lucille B., Lyndora, Talebearer and Leffetti also ran. B. DAWSON COLEMAN, Lebanon-Department of Materials. Col. J. M. SCHOONMAKER, Pittsburgh— De-partment of Civilian Service.

Letfett also ran.

POURTH RACE, handicap, three-year-olds and upward, 6 furlongs:

1. Fruitcake, 126 Robinson, 53.30 \$2.70 \$2.40

2. Blue Fox, 162, Parrington, 10.30 \$.60

3. Warsaw, 105, A. Collins, 3.30

Time, 116, Kentucky Boy, Napoleon, Dunga Din and El Rey also ran.

Hot Springs Results

FIRST RACE, three-year-olds and up, selling, furiongs; Clumsy Kate, 100, Troise 10 to 1 4 to 1 2 to 1 linek Beauty, 102, Jeff-2. Black Beauty, 102, Jeffcott
3. Corkey W. 103, Erick3 to 1 even 1 to 2

SOR 105 Yaca, San Jose Belle, Idol Star, Valadolid, Lame Deer, Ingot, Stilly Night, Alcourt and Miss Declare also ran.
SECOND RACE, three-year-olds and upward, selling, 6 furiongs:
Lyttle 110, Merrimee. 3 to 5 1 to 4 0 to 6
Thirst, 108, Troise 10 to 1 3 to 1 7 to 5
Innocent Ings, 96, Jeffcott

B. WALTER CLARK, Philadelphia—Department of Naval Service.

Major JOHN C. GROOME, Philadelphia—Department of Guards, Police and Inspection,

SAMUEL REA, President Pennsylvania Rattroads, Highways and Waterways.

DAVID S. LUDLUM, Ardmore: Department of Motors and Motortweks.

George Wharton Pepper, chairman of the Public Safety Committee, deploring the playing of factional politics at Harrisburg over the defense appropriation, said:

"We are not at all concerned over the reports of a difference of epinion at Harrisburg respecting the form of the appropriation. The sooner the Legislature acts the sooner our effective work can begin. If a small appropriation is made a correspondingly small result must be looked for."

The directors of committees are charged with the organization thereof and the carrying out of the several functions coming within the scope of departmental work. cent Inez. 90. Jeff-tt 15 to 1 5 to 1 2 to 1 1:16 2-5. Elizabeth McNaughton, Ha-Hester Smith, Sir Oliver and Mico Girl

QUICK NEWS

GIRARD SWIMMERS DEFEAT ST. JOSEPH

The Girard College natators defeated the St. Joseph's swimm.... squad this afternoon by the score of 40 to 13. The meet was held in the Girard College tank.

WILSON WON'T GET WAR BILL TONIGHT

WASHINGTON. April 5.- The state of war resolution will not be signed by the President tonight. After struggling over how soon it could be rushed to him. House and Senate parliamentarians realized that after it passes the House it must be signed by the Speaker, then by the Vice President-while the Senate is in session. The Senate adjourned until noon tomorrow.

WHITLOCK REPORTS AN "EASY" EXIT

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- The trip out of Belgium of Minister Whithak, the legation staff and the American relief commissioners was "easy and pleasant," said a cable from Whitlock, dated from Berne, which reached the State Department this afternoon. This was the first direct report from the withdrawn diplomat.

WESTERN MINERS WANT MORE PAY

INDIANAPOLIS, April 5 .- Representatives of the Mine Workers Union of Illinois, Iowa and western Pennsylvania this atternoon considered a proposal to call a general conference of local chairmen to to flat demand on the operators of these districts for an inrease in wages of from five to ten per cent.

RUSSIAN PRESS HAILS WORLD DEMOCRACY

PETROGRAD, April 5.-The Russian press is united in enthusi astic approbation of President Wilson's suggestion that all world democracies are now united against autocracy.

U. S. PLANS WHOLESALE ARREST OF SPIES

WASHINGTON, April 5.-Wholesale arrests of German spies in all parts of he country will be made by agents of the Department of Justice and Secret Service dmost simultaneously with the adoption of the war resolution by Congress.

MAY WHEAT HITS \$2.07 A BUSHEL; CLOSES AT \$2.06

CHICAGO, April 5 .- A new high mark was established by May wheat in the trading in the pit on the Board of Trade here today, when \$2.07 a bushel was reached, an advance of five cents from the close of yesterday. The close was \$2.06. July and September wheat kept step with May, scoring substantial gains. The strength in wheat was followed up by advances in corn and oats. War talk and heavy demand were responsible for the strength in the market. There was much excitement as the high marks were reached.

MAYOR OFFERS STATE FENCIBLES FOR SERVICE

The defense of Pennsylvania was to-Mayor Smith has offered the services of the State Fencibles to Governor Brumday placed in the hands of fifteen men, repbaugh. In a letter to Chief Executive today the Mayor traced the history of the resentative of the financial, industrial, comorganization, said it was the only municipal guard in the country and told the mercial and educational progress of the Governor that the Fencibles would perform at this time any duty required of them. State, who have largely, through their own

OFFERS HIS YACHT AND HOUSE TO GOVERNMENT

initiative, become leaders in their choses WASHINGTON, April 5. - Joseph Wittmann, of Morristown, N. J., today ness activities, roll up their sleeves and ge tendered the Navy Department, through Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, his steam down to work without delay to do Penn-sylvania's share in the war. yacht Romena, a base for her in the Thousand Islands and a seventeen-room house

near Morristown as a hospital.

\$18,746,067 CITY'S BANK BALANCE

The weekly reports of City Treasurer McCoach shows receipts of \$1,693,170.51

and payments of \$1.855,576.20, leaving a balance in the treasury, not including the sinking fund account, of \$18,746,067,23.

AMERICAN STORES PREFERRED STOCK OVERSUBSCRIBED Announcement was made by Chandler & Co., Inc., today that the issue of

\$3,000,000 first preferred stock of the American Stores Company, which company is to take over the five chain store companies in this city, has been more than three times oversubscribed. The stock was offered at 971/2.

EX-CZAR AND CZARINA TO BE IMPRISONED COPENHAGEN, April 5.-The Russian newspaper Den asserted today it learned

of Materials.

GEORGE S. DAVISON, President Gulf Refining Company, Pittsburgh—Department of Plants. from good sources that the former Czar and Czarina would shortly be imprisoned in the Fortress of Sts. Peter and Paul.

THOMAS CADWALADER NOW FIRST LIEUTENANT

Thomas Cadwalader, first sergeant of the First City Troop, has been elected first licutenant to succeed George C. Thayer, recently elected captain of the cavalry organization. William Innes Forbes, second lieutenant, was placed on the nonactive roll, and J. Conyngham Stevens, formerly cornet, was elected second lieutenant William Joyce Sewell, Jr., was moved up to the position of cornet.

ARMOUR EMPLOYES TO SHARE IN HALF MILLION BONUS CHICAGO, April 5.-Armour employes receiving \$1800 or under a year will participate in a \$500,000 bonus, to be distributed Easter. Eight thousand will share

GOETHALS INSPECTS PROPOSED ROAD IN CAMDEN

General George W. Goethals, builder of the Panama Canal, now chief engine for the Highway Department of New Jersey, today inspected a route propose through Camden for the new Trenton-Atlantic City State Highway. The General party was joined by a committee of Camden Councilmen, who aread that the respectively in the council is the council of the council is the council in the council in the council in the council is the council in the council in the council in the council is the council in the council in the council in the council in the council is the council in the cou

BRITISH ARMY JOINS SLAVS IN MESOPOTAMIA

Effect Jungtion 100 Miles Northeast of Bagdad

TWO REGIMENTS LOST BY RUSSIANS

Haig Reports Capture of Two More Villages on West Front

ST. QUENTIN TOTTERING

BERLIN, April 5 .- German forces near Rheims have inflicted a sanguinary defeat of the French, capturing more than eight hundred prisoners, according to today's official statement.

LONDON, April 5.

English and Russian troops in Mesopotamia have effected a junction and Persia has been cleared of all Turkish forces, General F. B. Maurice, in charge of military operations, announced today. The British and Russians came in contact at Khanikan.

Khanikan is located on the border be-tween Persia and Mesopotamia, 100 miles northeast of Bagdad,

PETROGRAD ADMITS TWO REGIMENTS WERE LOST

PETROGRAD, April 5. - Severe losses were sustained by Russian troops in Tues-day's battle a'ong the Stokhod prior to the Russian withdrawal, the official statement

announced today.

"After Tuesday's battle for the munition dump to the left of Stokhod, which was unsuccessful for us, we occupied the right bank," the War Office said. "The enemy continued intermittent artillery fighting. "Defenders of the dump suffered severely.
Out of two regiments only a few groups of
ten men reached the right bank. A third
regiment withdrew without losses. Others
suffered less heavily."

BRITISH OCCUPY TWO MORE VILLAGES IN PUSH

Capture of the villages of Ronssoy and Basseboulogne, with twenty-two German prisoners, was reported as today's progress of, the British forward movement on the western front by Field Marshal Haig.

To the east and northeast of Metz-enCouture, the British commander-in-chief reported continued progress "despite considerable resistance," his troops having reached the western and southwestern edges

of the woods of Gonzeaucourt and Havrin-court. Sixty prisoners were taken.
"The enemy was caught on his own wirs entanglements at Ronssoy and Bassebou-logne, suffering heavily," the statement

Pushing forward through blustery squalls of snow General Nivelle's men took by storm the villages of Grugies, Urvillers and Moy, cutting the Vendeui-Ribemont Rail-road and outflanking Von Hindenburg's lines of defense on the southern side of St. Queatin. The Germans resisted savagely and the trampled mud of the battlefield was covered with corpses and recked with blood

before the German line gave way. During the night the Germans tried unpositions on the "dominating heights" south of St. Quentin which, the War Office re-ports, were taken by the French soldiers

yesterday.

That the Germans are not going to give up their main positions in the St. Quentin sector without further struggle is shown by the fury of their counter attacks against the English, although the Teuton positions are daily becoming more imper-lied. After beating off the German coun-ter-assaults the British thrust forward. ter-assaults the British thrust forward, straightening their lines and gaining a footbold in Havrincourt Wood, about which there were bloody combats last night. Havrincourt Wood lies north of the village of Metz-en-Couture, which General Haig's men captured by storm on Tuesday

night and Wednesday morning. Violent artillery duels are re the western front particularly between Arras and Lens and between Arras and

northeast of Roisel, on the road to Le Cate-let, and is about three and a half miles dis-tant from what is supposed to be the Hin-denburg defense line, running. denburg defense line, running from Cambral to St. Quentin. Basseboulogne does not show on available

naps. It is probably a village in the same

section.

Metz-en-Couture is about four miles southeast of Bentincourt and ten miles southwest of Cambrai. The Havrincourt wood lies just to the north of the town, close to the main road from Bentincourt to Cambrai. Gonzeaucourt wood is about the same brai. distance to the south of Metz-en-Couture, near the main highway between Peronne and Cambrai.

PARIS, April 5. French troops made reconnoissance of the ground north of Gauchy and Moy dur-ing the night as far as the German lines, which they found occupied in force,' clared today's official statement, describing the closing in on St. Quentin.

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The report also detailed intermittent shelling east and west of the Somme.

German counter-attacks on the front from Laffaux to Margival and attacks northwest. German counter-attacks on the front : Laffaux to Margival and attacks north of Rheims were all repulsed.

Moy and Clauchy are within less than two Margival and Laffaux are villages situ-ated about a mile spart and lying south-

THE WEATHER

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FORECAST'

For Philadelphia and vicinity-Ra night and probably Friday morning, lowed by clearing; not much chou emperature; strong southeast to