

**RIBOT WELCOMES AMERICA AS ALLY**

Paris Newspapers Warmly Greet New Champion of Democracy

**CABLE SENT ROOSEVELT**

PARIS, April 5.—Formal salutation to the United States now entering the war was read in a declaration by Premier Ribot in opening the Chamber of Deputies today.

The expectation that the autumn of 1917 will see United States soldiers fighting on French soil for the first time in history reigned strong here today. In every circle expressions of cordiality for the United States and laudatory words for President Wilson are heard. From the highest officials of the government to the peasantry this spirit exists.

Premier Ribot was asked if he expected American troops. His face lighted up as he exclaimed with emphasis:

"We shall be glad to see the Stars and Stripes alongside the tricolor. We will welcome with all our hearts any assistance that the United States gives us."

Faust Deschanel, President of the Senate, said:

"I am indeed happy to see America join the Allies and help us fight the cause of democracy and enlightenment. President Wilson's words have moved France profoundly."

A national demonstration to celebrate the entry of the United States into the war is being planned.

Many wealthy Americans in France have asked Ambassador Sharp to notify the War Department at Washington that their services are at the disposal of the United States.

Paris newspapers dug up their biggest type, their most jubilant "make-up" to express general rejoicing throughout the Republic over America's entrance into the war.

All France is tremendously interested, joyful and appreciative. Americans are hailed with a new fellowship. The greatest interest is expressed in the possibility of an American expeditionary force soon on the western front—and particularly of a Roosevelt division. Genevieve, a popular Paris singer, today cabled the Colonel at Oyster Bay, pleading that he accept an American flag stitched by the women of France to be carried as the standard of the first battalion raised under his command.

Le Journal displayed a big cartoon depicting a wounded German tiger struggling with an American gladiator.

The Petit Parisien displayed a big American flag, with the streaming headline, "United States at War With Germany."

Every editorial acclaimed the President's speech as a masterly exposition and declaration of the United States for its determination, finally to enter the war.

"President Wilson's message has changed the face of the war," declared Le Matin. "He has extended it to the new world."

"America enters the struggle to defend the rights of humanity," asserted the Petit Parisien. "Her recognized and sure disinterestedness accentuates and clarifies the character of the war. All democracies of the world hereafter are to be associated in making war upon imperialism and despotism."

"America's entry comes at the best moment, with the greatest sum of advantage to all," declared Le Figaro.

**BERLIN PRESS BITTER IN ASSAILING WILSON**

BERLIN, April 5.

Bitter criticism of what was termed President Wilson's "bad faith," charges that England "commanded" the indictment of the Kaiser's dynasty, and insistence that there is no cause for war between Germany and America featured Berlin newspapers' comment today on the American Executive's speech, just received.

Particularly violent antagonism was expressed against the President's separation of the German Government from the German people.

The semi-official Lokal Anzeiger asserted: "President Wilson has previously frequently asserted that it was his highest duty to refrain from participation in the war unless under the utmost emergency."

"Therefore his speech contradicts his principles—because America is not fighting for American lives and interests."

"Can Wilson give a reasonable answer to the question of why he surrendered to England's prohibition of American trade? He is unable to. Therefore this war is without reasonable cause."

"History will condemn this deed of a stubborn fanatic in worse degree than the Italian or the Rumanian breach. President Wilson's assertion that the war is not against the German people, but the German Government, will not lessen German anger, because it is untrue and dishonest, and Wilson knows it."

"History records no war like this, of a whole people fighting for their existence in a war created by the hatred and grudge of the whole world."

"Those who formerly doubted President Wilson's bad faith know better now," declared the Berlin Vossische Zeitung. "His efforts to disassociate the German Government from the people are perfidious."

"His statement that the Kaiser started the war for dynastic reasons apparently was made at England's command."

Answering President Wilson's remarks as to the "difference between the German Government and the people," the Berliner Tageblatt commented:

"We cite the fact that hundreds of thousands of critics of the German regime are fighting in the trenches—doing their duty for the Fatherland."

"We trust the American people will discern Wilson's error and that this unjust quarrel between America and Germany will be settled before all others."

AMSTERDAM, April 5.—"America cannot harm Germany any more as an enemy

than she has as a neutral," declared Count von Reventlow in editorial comment in the Berlin Tageszeitung, received here today.

"President Wilson," explained the Berlin Morgenpost, "has decided to enter the war simply because Entente is ruined by the conflict and it would be unable to pay debts which it has contracted in America."

**LONDON PAPERS URGE U. S. TO SEND SOLDIERS**

LONDON, April 5.

The United States already being hailed in Britain as one of the Allies.

News that the American Senate had passed the resolution declaring a state of war exists between the United States and Germany was received today and intensified the rejoicing.

It requires only a patriotic reference to America or President Wilson in the House of Commons to bring forth cheers.

Lord Northcliffe, owner of the Times and the Daily Mail, and one of the most powerful figures in private life in Great Britain, has joined with the Express in urging the United States to begin sending troops to Europe as soon as the President has signed the "state of war resolution" in order to show the unity of all the nations that are fighting the German Allies.

The newspapers take occasion to amplify their praise of the action taken in the United States Congress, the evening editions devoting much space to laudatory articles on the overwhelming vote by which the "state of war resolution" passed the United States Senate.

The Chronicle (a morning paper), in commenting further upon the entry of the United States into the conflict, says that democracy is now the watchword of the war and adds that the revolution in Russia made the intervention of the United States easier. The Chronicle article, in part, reads:

"The democracies fight now uncompromised. Their hands are free to assert without reserve the claims of human freedom, and their great Russian ally fights now with its eyes on the same goal as theirs."

"That this has made it easier for the United States to join us is in the very nature of its democratic action, for a people like the Americans can only put out its full effort in a cause whose ideals can fully and unreservedly square with its own."

The Westminster Gazette reports that a mission will soon go to the United States to discuss co-operation with the Entente nations in the war. It is understood that the scope of this mission will be broad and that it will discuss financial, economic and political matters as well as military affairs.

The entry of America into the war is making its influence felt in many directions. Certain elements of the pacifist faction are hoping that it will induce Germany to consent to peace. Many war experts predict that it will shorten the war and make victory for the Allies absolutely certain.

Writers on naval affairs say that the addition of the American Navy may make it possible for the British and United States fleets to force the German high seas fleet into the open for a decisive battle. Business interests believe that the wealth and resources of America will greatly benefit the credit and finances of the allied countries. Some writers on political topics see in the action of the United States a move for a world democracy.

**ELKS PLEDGE SUPPORT TO PRESIDENT**

Camden Lodge of Elks last night installed its newly elected officers. The installation was made by Morris Odell, grand esteemed leading knight. Resolutions were adopted pledging the President of the United States moral, physical and financial support.

**LITERARY AND ART NEEDS DISCUSSED BY EXPERTS**

High School Teaching Methods Faulty and Indifferent Taste Criticized

High schools of the country are teaching the wrong kind of literature, according to Dr. Thomas M. Balliet, dean of the School of Pedagogy of New York. He made this contention today in an address before the annual convention of the Eastern Art Association at Drexel Institute.

The high schools, he added, failed to teach literature as an art. He deplored the piece-work plan of teaching literature which is now adopted at schools and colleges.

Prof. Arthur Payne, of the Bradley Polytechnic Institute of Peoria, Ill., expressed regret concerning the indifference toward art in the United States.

"Americans are the art scavengers of Europe," he said. "We don't develop any of our own, but with the power of money we buy up everything we can grab in art from Europe."

Dr. James P. Haney, director of art in the high schools of New York city, and Dr. Arthur D. Dean, State Director of Industrial Education of New York, spoke at the afternoon session.

Charles S. Caldwell, president of the Corn Exchange National Bank, and Leslie W. Miller, principal of the Philadelphia School of Industrial Arts, will be among the speakers tonight at a banquet to be given by the association at the Hotel Walton.

**Mayor Meals's Foot Amputated**

HARRISBURG, April 4.—The left foot of Mayor S. E. Meals, of Harrisburg, has been amputated. Because of the weak condition of his heart the "twilight-sleep" anesthetic was administered. The operation was performed because of gangrene.

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**PENROSE MAY CONTROL**

HARRISBURG, April 5.

The factional warfare over the \$2,000,000 appropriation for State defense and for the part Pennsylvania will be called upon to take in the war with Germany is expected to terminate when the Legislature reconvenes Monday night.

The Penrose leaders and the Vore-Brumbaugh leaders indicated before adjournment yesterday that they were willing to make concessions to each other rather than face the storm of protest that would undoubtedly follow any tying up of the appropriation for purely factional motives.

It looks probable today that the "board of expenditures," over which the factions clashed, will be composed of Governor Brumbaugh, the Auditor General and State Treasurer, with the possible addition of one or two representatives of the Public Safety Committee of Pennsylvania.

Senator Charles A. Snyder, who has been the most belligerent of the Penrose legislative leaders in attacking Governor Brumbaugh, will take office as Auditor General May 1. Harmon M. Kephart, who also leans toward Penrose, will become State Treasurer May 6, so that Penrose would have a majority of the "war board" with him to check up the expenditures that would be made by Governor Brumbaugh.

The bill providing for the appropriation will be whipped into final shape at a meeting of the Appropriations Committee next Monday night. It has already passed first reading and could be finally passed and placed in the Governor's hands when the Legislature adjourns next week if it were rushed through both houses at the same time.

The Penrose forces are inclined to content themselves with the "probe" of the State departments that opened yesterday before the special subcommittee of the Appropriations Committees of the House and Senate.

Only the increase in the appropriation asked by the Department of Agriculture was gone into yesterday. The committee will not sit again until next week, and it is probable that the affairs of the Auditor General's department, the investigation of which is the real purpose of the "hearings," will not be started for two weeks at the earliest.

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