



HOUSE WILL APPROVE WAR DECLARATION BY BIG VOTE; CITY TO PLEDGE LOYALTY

OPEN DEBATE IN HOUSE ON WAR MEASURE

Passage of Resolution Which Will Complete Action of Congress in Declaring War on Germany Expected Before Night by a Heavy Majority Comparable With That Given It in the Senate; Pacifists Have Little Support

Washington, April 5.—Debate on the war resolution began in the House promptly at 10 o'clock this morning with Chairman Flood, of the Foreign Affairs Committee, making the opening statement.

Passage of the resolution, which will complete the action of Congress in declaring that a state of war exists between Germany and the United States is expected before night, by a heavy majority comparable with that which attended its passage last night in the Senate.

Far in the rear of the hall sat Representative Cooper, of Wisconsin, ranking Republican member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, who was expected to lead the opposition. Less than a dozen members, it was predicted, would vote against the war resolution.

Debate on the war resolution dragged along in the House through the day in such a perfunctory manner that scarcely at any time were the floor or galleries filled.

Its passage a foregone conclusion, the debate was prolonged only by the plan of the administration floor leaders to give every opponent his opportunity to speak. Passage of the war resolution before adjournment to-night was assured and then, with the President's signature to the resolution, already passed by the Senate, a state of war between the United States and Germany will be a formally accomplished fact.

Galleries were only half-filled when debate began and less than half of the members were present when the session opened. Under the unanimous consent rule by which the resolution was being considered, Representative Flood could move the previous question at any time after one hour and if sustained bring the measure to a vote.

He was disposed, however, to give members every opportunity to speak throughout the day. The debate began without any limitation.

"War is being made upon our country and its people," Representative

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EX-AMBASSADOR GERARD

ENLISTMENTS FOR DURATION OF WAR IS ARMY PLAN

Three Million Men Needed; All Guard Regiments to Be Called

By Associated Press Washington, D. C., April 5.—Plans for raising an army were discussed at the Capitol to-day by Secretary Baker and Chairman Chamberlain, of the Senate military committee. It was agreed to expedite the regular army appropriation bill and the new administration army bill immediately after

APPROPRIATION OF \$3,400,000,000 NEEDED FOR WAR

Big Increase Needed in Enlisted Strength of Navy and Marine Corps

By Associated Press Washington, April 5.—Requests for immediate appropriation of \$3,400,000,000 for the army and navy were made to Congress to-day by the executive departments. Provision is made for increasing the enlisted strength of the navy to 150,000 men and to increase the marine corps to 30,000. Of the great sum, a little more than \$2,930,000,000 is asked for the army.

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THOUSANDS GATHER FOR BIG RALLY

Harrisburg to Dedicate Itself to Lofty Purpose of World Democracy at Patriotic Mass Meeting; Children in Rain Greet Ex-Ambassador Gerard; Bands Play Star Spangled Banner; Another Big Celebration Tonight

HE people of Harrisburg to-day dedicate themselves to the lofty purpose of world democracy, to universal political freedom. Obedient to the call of the President to champion the cause of human rights and liberties, thousands of persons assemble at two great patriotic rallies to pledge their loyalty to the Chief Magistrate of the Nation and to the Stars and Stripes.

James W. Gerard, former Ambassador to Berlin, will speak at both meetings. A rousing welcome was shouted to the distinguished statesman when he arrived at the Pennsylvania station late this afternoon. The big mass meeting on the Capitol steps followed his arrival. Mr. Gerard was escorted to the meeting by Troop C, First Pennsylvania Cavalry, the Governor's Troop and a committee of thirty members of the Chamber of Commerce who were in eight automobiles. In the car with Mr. Gerard were Vance C. McCormick and David E. Tracy.

Other speakers at the meetings are Edward James Cattell, city statistician of Philadelphia, and Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh.

Reception Committee The members of the reception committee rode in the procession in this order: Car No. 1—James W. Gerard, Vance C. McCormick and David E. Tracy. Car No. 2—Edward James Cattell,

Spencer C. Gilbert, Moorhead C. Kennedy and William M. Donaldson. Car No. 3—Rt. Rev. Philip R. McDevitt, Bishop W. M. Stanford, Judge George Kunkel, and Judge S. J. McCarrell.

Car No. 4—General Thomas J. Stewart, Quincy Bent, E. Z. Wallower, and Edward J. Stackpole. Car No. 5—William Jennings, W. T. Hildrup, Jr., John Affleck, and Frank C. Sites.

Car No. 6—W. L. Gorgas, E. Z. Gross, W. H. Lynch. Car No. 7—Edwin S. Herman, W. F. R. Murrice and J. Grant Schwarz. Car No. 8—Francis J. Hall, John T. Brady, George B. Tripp and David Kaufman.

Students Wave Flags Despite the rain hundreds of students from the Central and Technical High schools saluted the ex-Ambassador as they marched in front of the speakers' stand, singing the national

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TORPEDOED FOUR TIMES HE WANTS TO GET REVENGE

But Recruit Knows What U-Boats Can Do, So He Enlists in U. S. Army

38 TRIPS ACROSS OCEAN



Thirsting for revenge, Albert McMann, Philadelphia, who was on four ships sunk by torpedoes during his thirty-eight trips across the ocean this morning enlisted in the United States Army at the local recruiting army.

"Bo, I can tell you a tale that'll make your blood run cold," said McMann at the recruiting station. "I have traveled across the big pond and

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P. R. R. TO SPEND \$10,000,000 FOR IMPROVEMENTS

New Freight Station at Steelton, and Enlargements at Enola Proposed

ELECTRIC TURNTABLES

Larger Engines Necessitate Change; Freight House Here Near Completion

Pennsylvania Railroad improvements now under way and others contemplated, to be completed in Harrisburg and vicinity within eighteen months, it is said, will cost approximately \$10,000,000.

This includes the new freight station in South Harrisburg now being rushed to completion, new freight station at Steelton, and enlargement of the enginehouse and erection of a new turntable at Enola. Other improvements now under consideration, it is said, will be made public in the near future.

Must Drive Piles Plans for the freight station at Steelton have been under consideration for a long time. The delay in this improvement has been due to the necessity for a revision of the plans. The new freight station will be erected at Trewick street, on the old canal bed. Provisions were found necessary for driving piles in order to get a solid foundation.

The new station will be of brick and concrete, and will be connected with two long sheds, in accordance with the policy of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company no estimate of the cost will be given until after bids have been advertised for and received. The freight station will connect with the new track now under consideration and running as far east as Highspire.

The plans for improvements at Enola provide for a new turntable. It is said, however, that with the arrival of new freight engines now being built, similar alterations to those made at No. enginehouse will be necessary.

In spite of bad weather conditions, scarcity of labor and high cost of material, work is progressing rapidly on the new station in South Harrisburg. The new turntable east of the Pennsylvania Railroad station will be placed in position at an early date.

GERMANS DRILL IN MEXICO FOR U. S. ATTACK

Washington, April 5.—Representative Miller, of Minnesota, a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, sprang a sensation in the House to-day by declaring that an unpublished paragraph of the Zimmerman note offered to establish a submarine base in a Mexican port, supply Mexico with unlimited quantities of arms and ammunition and send German reservists in the U. S. to Mexico. Mr. Miller further understood that three German schooners had landed on the western coast of Mexico and that Villa was surrounded by German officers who had taken charge of drilling of his men. Reliable information, he said, also was that the Carranza army was not much better.

FOUR MORE VIOLATORS FINED

Harrisburg.—Four more violators of traffic ordinances were fined this afternoon at police court. This makes a total of \$165 collected from unwary motorists, since the beginning of the recent crusade.

BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

Boston, April 5.—The sinking of the British steamer, Canadian, which sailed from Boston March 24 was reported to-day.

MEAT JUMPS TO NEW LEVELS

Chicago, April 5.—Hogs, cattle and sheep, sold at unprecedented prices to-day. The high mark for hogs was elevated to \$15.89 a hundred pounds for choice heavies.

LANSING DENIES GERMAN PLOT

Washington, April 5.—When Representative Miller's quotation was submitted to Secretary Lansing however, the Secretary of State declared the Zimmerman instructions "contained nothing of the sort."

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edgar Boughter Stoner and Mary Emma Parsons, Harrisburg. Thomas Groves, Harrisburg, and Estella Campbell, Middletown. Charles Elmer Sprinkle and Rosena Margretta Lamb, Chambersburg. Harvey Buffington and Romalce C. E. Nichol, Harrisburg. Arthur Herman Hawkins, Penbrook, and Sallie Rebecca Koons, West Hanover township. Robert Greiner Seaber, Lancaster, and Caretta Marion Miller, Philadelphia. Mathies Alfred Fleisch and Lula May Richwine, Harrisburg. Lester Stotz Melchior, Harrisburg, and Hazel Hertha Cowdry, Highspire. Charles Edgar Davis and Ethel Marion McGee, Harrisburg.

Interprets Action of Six Opposing Senators

Here's the way an appreciative reader of the HARRISBURG TELEGRAPH writes the list of United States Senators who last night voted against the war resolution:

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Fourteen Out of Every Sixteen Homes in City Displaying Old Glory

Fourteen out of every sixteen homes in Harrisburg last evening received the TELEGRAPH Flag Supplement, and the American Flag decorated many a windowpane as well as flagstaff this morning.

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Rain this afternoon, to-night and probably Friday morning, followed by clearing Friday; not much change in temperature, lowest to-night about 40 degrees. For Eastern Pennsylvania: Rain to-night and probably Friday morning, followed by clearing during Friday; strong southwest winds, probably reaching gale forces. River The main river will probably fall slowly or remain stationary to-night and rise Friday. The Juniata, North and West branches and their tributaries will probably rise to-night and Friday. A stage of about 7.5 feet is indicated for Harrisburg, Friday morning. General Conditions The southwest storm is now central over the Lower Ohio Valley, moving slowly northward. It has increased greatly in strength and magnitude during the last twenty-four hours, and caused general rains from the Plains States eastward to the Atlantic coast, except in the Middle Atlantic and New England States, where rain had not yet begun at 8 a. m. to-day. The rains have been heavy in the South. Snow was falling in Wisconsin and Western North Dakota at 8 a. m. to-day. Temperature: 8 a. m., 46. Sun: Rises, 5:35 a. m. Moon: Full moon, April 7. River: Stage, 7.7 feet above low-water mark. Yesterday's Weather Highest temperature, 53. Lowest temperature, 47. Mean temperature, 47. Normal temperature, 46.

Erie Asks Governor to Allow State Police to Help From Local Guard

The Erie Citizens Protective Association called upon Governor Brumbaugh to-day to send a member of the State police there with a view to assisting in the organization of a local guard. The telegram reads as follows:

Hon. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Governor's Mansion, Harrisburg, Pa.: At the meeting of the Citizens' Protective Association of this city this afternoon a resolution was unanimously adopted requesting that you instruct a member of the State Police to come here at once to assist this committee in organizing a guard for the protection of our water works, public utilities and industrial plants. This action is considered absolutely essential under the conditions which now confront us. Please answer. (Signed) THOMAS E. DURBAN, Committee Chairman. F. H. PAYNE, General Chairman.

Dr. Lenker Says There Is Not a Pacifist in Entire Dauphin Co. Medical Body

Every member of the Dauphin County Medical Society has denied "that he was the pacifist accused by a local physician of hindering the formation of the Harrisburg unit of the Medical Officers of the Reserve Corps of the United States army, according to Dr. Jesse L. Lenker, secretary, who interviewed them this morning.

Mayor Meals Slowly Recovering From Operation

Mayor E. S. Meals is slightly improved, according to late reports from the hospital this afternoon. The Mayor has been ill for several months and unable to leave his home. He recently gave his consent to the amputation of the right foot as a means of stopping gangrene. The foot was amputated late Tuesday evening. He remained in a semi-conscious condition until yesterday afternoon.

Stores of the City Will Be Open Friday

A number of inquiries have been made at the office of the Telegraph to-day regarding the intention of stores keeping open to-morrow, Good Friday. Generally, places of business will observe the same hours to-morrow as usual.

WAR INCREASES MENACING NEWS PRINT PROBLEM

Probable Shortage of Men in Mills and Transportation Difficulties Add to Perils

New York, April 5.—One after another the perils which have threatened the newspaper industry for months continue to develop. It is believed that the whole arbitration scheme evolved by the Federal Trades Commission has fallen apart as a result of a failure of

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CHILD BADLY BURNED

Laura Yarman, aged 13, 1329 Penn street, was severely burned this morning, when her clothes caught fire from the flames of a gas stove. The little girl was heating water when her clothes became ignited. She was taken to the Harrisburg Hospital

DYNAMITE AND SHOTS STIR R. R. POLICE CIRCLES

Explosive Reported to Have Been Found Near C. V. Bridge

Reported discovery of two sticks of dynamite on the island, near the Cumberland Valley Railroad bridge, and the firing of shots in the vicinity of NC tower at the west end of Rockville bridge have stirred up Pennsylvania railroad police circles. The dynamite story could not be verified at the office of Captain of Police Paul L. Barclay. Special Officer Guy H. Dull reported the shooting at the Rockville bridge. Guard Fired On According to reports the dynamite was found beneath a pile of lumber be-

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TWO VESSELS IN BELGIAN RELIEF WORK ARE SUNK

U-Boat Wounds Crew by Shelling Boats Lowered From Ship

By Associated Press London, April 5.—The Belgian steamer Trier from New York with Belgian relief supplies was torpedoed without warning on Wednesday. While the boats of the Trier were being lowered the submarine fired on them, severely wounding the captain, the mate, the engineer, a donkey man and a cook. The Trier sailed from New York on March 5 for Rotterdam and was reported arriving at Halifax enroute on March 8. She was a vessel of 3,001 tons gross. Washington, April 5.—Sinking without warning of the unarmed

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GREAT CROSSES TO BLAZE FORTH ON GOOD FRIDAY

Four of City's Highest Office Buildings Will Be Emblazoned With Light

Harrisburg's observance of Good Friday will be emphasized by great crosses of light emblazoned on the fronts and sides of four of the city's highest office buildings. The illumination will be so arranged that the windows in which the lights burn brightly will form a huge cross against a darkened background of unlighted windows. From a distance the effect is ex-

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LONDON NEWSPAPER PRINTS BATTLE HYMN OF REPUBLIC

London, April 5.—The London newspapers continue most enthusiastically to praise President Wilson's war message. The London Star publishes the Battle Hymn of the Republic on its first page.

NATION PLANS TO MARSHAL FOOD FOR WAR USES

Regulations to Prevent Manipulation Are Drawn by Experts

By Associated Press Washington, April 5.—Experts in the Department of Agriculture are devoting themselves to the foodstuffs question, obtaining from all sources throughout the country information of supplies, corn prospects, means for preventing waste, intensifying production and even regulations for preventing manipulation. Under direction of Secretary Houston several of the department's most

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JESS WILLARD VOLUNTEERS

By Associated Press Washington, April 5.—Jess Willard, the heavyweight pugilist, sent this telegram to-day to President Wilson: "I will fight. When do you want me?"