

MEN 18-23 TO BE CALLED TO COLORS FIRST

Plans for Assembling Nation's Forces to Strike at German Government Will Be Ready When Congress Speaks.

MARRIED MEN WILL BE ON EXEMPT LIST

Regulars First to Go to Europe, Newly Trained Men Act as Guards.

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—By the time congress acts on the "war resolution" all plans for assembling all the nation's forces to strike at the imperial government of Germany will be ready for presentation by the president.

Army legislation, based on selective conscription of the country's young men as rapidly as they can be equipped, officered and trained, is considered probably the most important of the war plans.

All men except those exempted—such as married men, mechanical experts, scientists, etc.—will be expected to come under the colors.

Mark of Designation Planned.
The government will have some designation—a button probably, which will be given to those exempted and otherwise serving the country, but who are not under training. This is the same scheme followed by England to protect those not actually in the army from being dubbed "slackers."

Under the three year basis plan, it is the intention of the government to train men in increments of 500,000 until there are sufficient to beat Germany.

Regulars May Be Sent First.
Men will be sent to Europe immediately, probably, none will go for at least six months. The present regulars believe they will be the first expeditionary force, leaving the newly trained men to act as a reserve.

The maximum and minimum age limits of men for the first is expected to be 18 and 28.

Pending the raising of America's army this government is making preparations to ship unlimited supplies to

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PROMINENT RANCHER RUNS AMUCK, KILLING THREE, HANFORD, CAL.

Justice, Attorney and Los Angeles Man Shot Down; Marshal Kills Murderer.

Hanford, Cal., April 4.—(U. P.)—Judge G. L. Meadows, justice of the peace here; Attorney E. T. Coper, a prominent lawyer, and W. G. Wiley of Los Angeles were shot and killed here today when L. T. Denny, a well known rancher, ran amuck, armed with a revolver. Denny himself was shot and killed by City Marshal W. J. Hines as he was getting into his automobile trying to escape after having slain Wiley.

Denny, who has had considerable trouble over his property recently, is believed to have become temporarily deranged and to have shot the three men in the belief that they were responsible for his difficulties.

Justice Shot at His Desk.
The shooting began in Judge Meadows' court room when Denny, carrying a revolver, walked in and fired at the judge. The shooting of the justice as he sat at his desk, killing him instantly.

Rushing from the court room, he ran down the street to the office of Coper, who had been summoned to the other side in recent litigation in which Denny had been involved.

Entering Coper's office, he found the attorney in conversation with Wiley, who was agent for the Yuba Tractor company of Los Angeles, and shot both men without parley. Both were instantly killed.

Prominent as Land Speculator.
Denny came out of Coper's office on the run, and started to enter his automobile, which was standing at the curb nearby. The shooting of Judge Meadows had caused an alarm to be sent to Marshal Hines, who was approaching the scene as Denny tried to flee. Hines opened fire and Denny toppled over from the car and was picked up dead.

Denny had been a prominent figure in land speculation here for several years, and it was these speculations which brought him into legal trouble.

American Aviators Ask Permission to Fly "Old Glory"

Paris, April 4.—(U. P.)—The leading American aviators in the French flying corps united in an appeal to the French government for the release of the Lafayette Escadrille to America, or otherwise for permission for this body of American aviators now fighting for France, to fly the American flag.

President's Speech To Be Distributed By Allied Fliers

London, April 4.—(U. P.)—In view of the extreme improbability that the German press will be permitted to publish the text of President Wilson's speech it was stated today that the allies are considering a plan of distributing it broadcast over Germany by aeroplanes.

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—"That's fine; that's great," Secretary Tumulty exclaimed today when he was informed of Great Britain's intention to distribute President Wilson's address arrogantly by aeroplanes. "When the German people read all of that speech they will know in their hearts where the heart of this government and the hearts of its people really are."

CHICAGO NOW BACK IN RANKS OF DEMOCRACY; 'DRYS' WIN MADISON

Clerk, Treasurer and Many Aldermen Are Democratic; Two Socialists Elected.

Chicago, April 4.—(U. P.)—Chicago swung back to the Democratic column Tuesday's city election. Mayor Thompson's Republican plurality of 14,477 in 1915 was turned into a victory for the Democrats by pluralities ranging from 25,000 to 40,000.

The Democrats elected Clayton F. Smith treasurer and James T. Igoe clerk, the only two general offices contested. They also elected 24 aldermen. Several wards still are in doubt. This is a gain of 19 aldermen, with the chance of getting several doubtful seats.

Two Socialists were elected and the party polled about 35,000 votes. They were elected in a determined fight to elect their candidates and with considerable success. The Republican machine was smashed all over the city.

The "dry" carried Springfield, capital of Illinois, at Tuesday's local option election, according to unofficial but accurate returns, by between 700 and 800 votes.

Election Marked by Murder.

Chicago, April 4.—(U. P.)—Murder and the rescue of the slayer from the police officer who had captured him marked the progress of Chicago's municipal election.

In sight of scores of public school children William Basket, a negro, was not to death at a polling place where he was working in the interest of one of the aldermanic candidates. The slayer, said by the police to be Benjamin Apollquist, was immediately arrested by Detective Sergeant James Carey.

On the way to a patrol box Carey was attacked by slugs, who had driven up in automobiles. One bullet pierced the policeman's overcoat and another went through his trousers, and he was knocked down and beaten. His prisoner was taken into an automobile and spirited away.

Wisconsin Drys Are Victors.

Madison, Wis., April 4.—(U. P.)—Drys today claimed another victory for prohibition as a result of yesterday's elections. Madison, the state capital, was swung from the wet into the dry column.

Latest returns shows that the drys have gained more than a dozen towns, and have won the majority in the four places captured by the wets are Superior, Platteville, Menominee and Blanchardville. Among the towns gained over by the drys are Bernitz, Baraboo, Waupun, Merrill and Fort Atkinson. The wets held Beloit, Janesville, Monroe, Portage, Eau Claire, Wisconsin Dells, Fells, Hudson, Lake Geneva and Beaver Dam, but the drys cut down the wet lead of the last election in most every place.

Latest returns showed that of 202 towns, villages and cities voting on the "no license" question, 35 have gone dry and 31 wet.

German, Worried, Kills Wife, and Self

Aberdeen, Wash., April 4.—Charles Anderson, a German rancher, living at Occota, 10 miles south of here, killed his wife and then himself this morning. He also attempted to kill his son. Anderson was 60 years old. Worry over the war is thought to have unbalanced his mind.

80X175 Garden Tract Soft Drink Parlor

For Sale—Kauai—\$1
BIG sacrifice, \$300 cash, new 7 C.A.N. mod. house, full set of plumbing, 10x125 ft. lot, water, gas, electricity, north \$3000. Our price \$1800; act quickly.

Suburban Actively—78
111 A. E. BENTLEY, N.W.
Buys 80x175 garden tract, 30 minutes out, close to station; water, gas, electricity; price \$550.

Business Opportunities—20
RENTAL room, house and business. Have other business interests; terms.

Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock—37
C.A.N. mod. bantams, Belgian Flemish Giant, White and New Zealand rabbits; also hatches for sale.

Opportunity is at the beck and call of those who keep posted on the "Want Ads" in The Journal classified columns.

GERMANS DENY TREATIES HAVE BEEN VIOLATED

Communication Addressed to U. S. Through the Swiss Minister Challenges Assertion; Says Americans Left.

CHARGE IS MADE THAT U. S. ALSO BROKE PACTS

Prevention of Departure of Vessels and Appam Case Are Cited.

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—Germany in a communication addressed to the United States through the Swiss minister, has challenged the assertion that the German government has violated the treaties of 1785, 1799, and 1828.

American citizens, said the note, may freely leave Germany and for the most part have already left. The note, replying to this government's refusal to reaffirm the treaties, declares the U-boat warfare does not contravene the provision of article 12 of the treaty of 1785, and article 13 of the treaty of 1799, since they do not oppose blockade or obstructions similar to blockade.

Delays Are Justified.
The communication, dated March 30, 1917, says: "The German government challenges the assertion that it has violated the treaties of 1785, 1799 and 1828. American citizens may freely leave Germany, and for the most part have already done so."

That departure from the country is delayed under certain circumstances is to be ascribed to necessary precautionary measures.

"Since the provisions of article 12 of the treaty of 1785, and article 13 of the treaty of 1799 do not oppose blockade or obstructions similar to blockade, the U-boat warfare does not contravene."

Appam Case Is Cited.
"In turn Germany has to reproach the United States with a violation of those treaties in that, without justification on the ground of neutrality, it prevented the departure on and after the beginning of the war of various German merchant vessels, contrary to the treaty of 1828, and contrary to article 18 of the treaty of 1799."

The American government in the Appam case also contested the right of the prize to stay in American ports and permitted judicial proceedings against the prize.

Departures to Be Allowed.
"Until further notice the German government will adhere to the maintenance of the principle of neutrality of 1799, inasmuch as it assumes from the declaration heretofore made by the state department that the American government holds the same view of the present situation, as well as for a possible state of war; in the same position it will place a liberal construction upon the article, that is to say, will not prevent money remittances to the United States and also in particular honor imperial treasury certificates and continue to allow Americans to depart."

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COLUMBIA RIVER NOW IS RECOGNIZED BY THE U. S. QUARTERMASTER

After Long Siege Chamber of Commerce Will See Two Ships Loaded Here.

Recognition of the Columbia river has been secured from the United States quartermaster's department.

After a long fight by the Chamber of Commerce the two ships are to be loaded here.

Bids for 3000 tons of old crop hay, 3000 tons of old crop oats and 100 tons of bran for delivery at the Philippines, are to be opened at the quartermaster's office May 2.

Bids for 1824 tons of hay, 30 tons of bran and 851 tons of oats for delivery at Honolulu are to be opened in the same office May 3.

Both specifications call for delivery at Portland or some other prominent railroad port.

Bulgaria Seeks Peace.

Geneva, Switzerland, April 4.—(U. P.)—The Lausanne Gazette declared today that negotiations with Bulgaria for a separate peace had been undertaken in Switzerland.

Col. Roosevelt's Offer Cannot Be Accepted Now

Food Prices Climb In Chicago Markets

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—The offer of Colonel Theobald Roosevelt to raise and command a division to be sent to the battle front in France cannot be accepted by the war department, it was learned today.

The offer only was in which the division could be accepted through a special act of congress and officials declare such a course would prove a great detriment to the army.

America's Score With Germany Is Long, Bloody One

Following are some of the steps in what President Wilson has termed "the cruel and un-governable" Germany's submarine war on neutrals:

The decree proclaiming a war zone by which the high seas were staked off and the United States with other neutrals warned that they would navigate at their peril.

The sinking without warning of the Falaba; 1 American citizen killed.

The attack upon the American merchantman a Gulflight; 3 Americans killed.

The sinking of the Lusitania without warning; 124 Americans killed.

The sinking of the Armenian without warning; 20 Americans killed.

The sinking of the Arabic without warning; 2 Americans killed.

The sinking of the Hesperian without warning; 1 American killed.

The sinking of the Ancona without warning; 9 Americans killed. In this case the lifeboats were shelled after they had left the sinking ship.

The sinking of the Persia without warning. An American consul killed.

The sinking of the Sussex without warning; several Americans killed.

Sunk Since February 1.
February 3—Houston, no casualties.

February 13—Lyman M. Law, no casualties.

February 26—Lacomia, 8 Americans killed.

March 12—Algonquin, unwarned, no casualties.

March 18—Vigilance, unwarned, 15 missing; City of Memphis, warned; Illinois, no casualties.

March 21—Healdton, unwarned, 21 missing.

April 1—Artes, unwarned, 28 missing.

CLAIM OF PORTLAND TO FEDERAL RESERVE BRANCH IS ARGUED

Emery Olmstead, Portland Spokesman, Presents Summary of City's Advantages

San Francisco, April 4.—(U. P.)—Further arguments by representatives of Seattle, Portland and Spokane in support of claims by each of these cities for the proposed new branch of the federal reserve bank were heard here today by the directors of the twelfth district federal reserve bank.

The conferences closed this morning and the question will be taken under advisement. Announcement is not expected for 60 to 90 days.

John Ferris, Chairman.
John Ferris, federal reserve agent and chairman of the directors of the local reserve bank, acted as chairman of the conference. Directors and officials of the bank also present included Governor A. C. Kaine, Directors Walton N. Moore, Alden James, Charles K. McIntosh, James K. Lynch, Elmer H. Cox and John A. McGregory; J. L. Reed, assistant to the agent; George O. Bordwell, cashier; Clifford J. Shepperd, assistant cashier, and Ira Clerk, auditor.

A. C. Miller of the federal reserve board, who is here from Washington on an official visit, was also an interloper.

Reserve Banks May Finance U. S. in War

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—That the United States will be largely, if not altogether, financed in war with Germany through the federal reserve banks, was indicated today by the monthly statement, which declared that in order to meet financial and banking problems growing out of the present crisis, congress will be immediately asked to pass legislation granting the federal reserve board additional rights.

Wall Street Wants to Help.
New York, April 4.—(U. P.)—Wall street, financial center of the nation, believes Secretary McAdoo should call a general conference of experienced bankers to devise ways and means of financing the war with Germany.

Plans for the issue of bonds, with no remuneration for the service, already are being made. Wall street is thinking of the war, not in millions, but in billions of dollars.

AUSTRIA WANTS PEACE, OFFER IS LOOKED FOR

Germany Expected to Make Proposition Carrying More Inviting Terms Than Carried by First "Peace Note."

APPEAL, ESPECIALLY TO RUSSIA, MAY BE MADE

Emperor William Reported Urging Emperor Karl to Break With U. S.

Berlin, April 4.—(U. P.)—"The people, soldiers and civilians demand from the leading statesmen of the country visible proof countervailing our enemies' statement, proof that Germany is not ruled by autocracy, is not leading a war of conquest. This proof is necessary," the Socialist paper Vorwaerts said editorially today.

The Hague, April 4.—(U. P.)—Austria has practically decided to break relations with America as soon as the United States declares war on her ally, Germany.

This decision, it was reported here this afternoon, had been reached at a conference at Homburg, of Kaiser Wilhelm, Emperor Karl, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg of Germany and Count Czernin and high Teutonic generals.

Emperor Karl, it was indicated in these advices, yielded to demands made by the Kaiser for such a step. It was known that the conference of the high Teutonic chiefs related principally to the American situation.

Another report received here this afternoon from Homburg declared that the Austrian emperor would shortly make a definite peace offer to the world in the name of the central powers.

London, April 4.—(U. P.)—A new peace move by the central powers, forecast in extracts from the semi-official newspaper, Lokai Anzeiger, has been forced by Austria's demands, according to German information received via Holland today.

The declaration was made in these dispatches that in the forthcoming announcement Germany would make a "worth while offer." Presumably, in the belief of close observers of German affairs, the offer would be a Teutonic official now realize they must make great concessions from the attitude adopted in the previous peace feeler.

According to the German belief, a peace offer at this time would appeal particularly to the new Russia, now reorganizing, and now anxious to transfer its activities and energies from the work of war to the work of reconstruction.

Bulgaria Approves Peace Plan.
Sofia, April 4.—(U. P.)—(Via Berlin)—Peace overtures of Germany and Austria-Hungary to Russia have been officially approved by Bulgaria. Premier Radoslavoff in the Sobranje, said Bulgaria intends the acceptance of both the German chancellor and the Austrian foreign minister.

Paris, April 4.—(U. P.)—French patrols today penetrated into the southwestern outskirts of the town of St. Quentin, the official statement declared.

The statement also reported progress made on both east and west banks of the Somme and south of the Allette river.

MEETING OF HIGHWAY ASSOCIATION MAY BE POSTPONED FEW DAYS

Samuel Hill Called East; Purpose of Seattle Gathering to Discuss Military Road.

There is a probability that the special meeting of the Pacific Highway association to be held at Seattle, April 19, will be postponed for a few days owing to the fact that Samuel Hill, president of the association, has been called to New York on private business.

The chief purpose of the meeting was to consider the wisdom of asking congress to build a military highway along the Pacific coast from Mexico to British Columbia and also to discuss other highways suitable for military purposes in California, Oregon and Washington.

Mr. Hill addressed the California legislature last Monday on Pacific coast roads, illustrating his address with many stereopticon views.

"There is great interest," said he, "in the proposed military highway along our coast, which is universally recognized to be in a very defensive position, but in fine some sentiment in favor of building the road east of the coast mountains instead of along the coast. This is entirely wrong. The only practical route is a few miles back from the coast."

**Would Give Power
To Requisition Ships**

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—Chamberlain's bill (the house naval requisition bill) introduced today introduced a bill to give the president flat power to requisition all ships needed to carry on the war. The bill would be effecting the same as the war resolution passed.

**Petrograd Displays
Great Enthusiasm**

Petrograd, April 4.—(U. P.)—Enthusiasm in Petrograd was granted President Wilson's speech here. Impromptu meetings were held around the Taurida palace, speakers explaining the significance of America's action.

CLAUDE A. SWANSON, senator from Virginia, who made dramatic plea for war resolution before the senate today.

SENATE DEBATE ON RESOLUTION BRINGS OUT SENTIMENT IN FAVOR OF FIRM DECISION BY CONGRESS

Senator Swanson of Virginia Delivers Principal Address After Opening of Debate by Senator Hitchcock, Urging Immediate Strong Aggressive Action Against German Government.

NORTH DAKOTA SENATOR WOULD GIVE GERMANY TIME TO CHANGE

Senator Norris of Nebraska, Who Aided in Blocking Neutrality Bill, Declares He Will Oppose War Resolution as Proposed.

ALLIED FORCES PRESS CLOSE TO ST. QUENTIN, CAPTURING VILLAGES

French Drive Forward While British Feint Continuation of Offensive.

London, April 4.—(U. P.)—Perfect coordination between the French and British forces smashed the allied ring of steel still closer to St. Quentin today. While the British feinted, as if in continuation of their assumption of the initiative during the past few days, the French suddenly drove a great thrust forward on a front of eight miles south of St. Quentin and captured three villages and a dominating series of heights two miles distant from the town. Then the British resumed their steady pounding away at the German lines.

It is a race between British and French forces now to see which will take the city first. They are almost equally distant from the town. The British have a scant few hundred yards advantage and like General Nivelle's troops, also hold a dominating ridge. Both armies were reported in battle front dispatches today to be pushing steadily ahead.

Meanwhile the French are tightening their pressure against German lines south of La Fere, driving forward another wedge toward Anisy.

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Explosion Arouses Montavilla Folk

Lord Report Tuesday Night Startles People on Gilean Near Seventy-Eighth Street, Smoke Smelled of Dynamite.

Inhabitants of the Montavilla section were startled by an explosion in the middle of Gilean street, between Seventy-eighth and Seventy-ninth streets shortly after 9 o'clock Tuesday night. No one had been found today who knew anything about it. The explosion occurred in the neighborhood of the street. The cloud of smoke hanging over the car tracks and the smell was the odor of dynamite. The explosion was strong enough to rattle windows many blocks away and one man residing nearby was thrown from a chair by the force. It was too powerful to discharge for a railroad torpedo and a car had passed to get off, residents said. The occurrence was reported to the police.

Beavers Have Lead At End of Fourth

Salt Lake City, April 4.—The Portland Leavers started out early in the second game to seek revenge for the opening day defeat. Williams romped home in the second on Rodgers' sacrifice after clouting out a double. Siglin singled in the second and scored on Stumpff's double.

In the fourth, Williams and Rodgers added two tallies. Hoff walked them and Hollister's fielder's choice advanced them. O'Brien walked, forcing Williams in. Rodgers scored on Brenton's fly. Brenton held the Bees scoreless and to three scattered hits in the first four innings, at the end of which the score was 4 to 0 in favor of the Beavers.

Resolution Would Bar German Dailies

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—Dailies printed in Germany would be barred from the mails in a resolution Senator Poindexter prepared today.

While holding that most of these papers would be loyal, he contended that existence of even one spreading German propaganda would be harmful.

Shipbuilding Site Is Offered to the U. S.

Washington, April 4.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—George Melvin Miller today telegraphed Senator Chamberlain from Eugene offering the government the free use of a mile of deep water frontage for shipbuilding but giving no further particulars.

Two pacifist peace at any price to the last. Cooper and Shackelford, voted against the resolution.

Pacifists Promise Aid.
On the senate side, this afternoon, Stone and Vardaman decried the war move, but stirred staid members to the depths by declaring themselves ready, personally, to go to the utmost limit in making war against Germany a success.

Stone, however, will vote against the resolution.

Senator Hitchcock opened the senate debate. His speech and Senator Lodge's declaration of an otherwise dignified body to the highest honor of the senate will act and act forcibly. Pacifist speeches may delay proceedings for a time, but the congress sentiment as a whole is for war—and war it will be by tomorrow night unless plans are taken.

HOUSE PASSES ARMY BILL

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—The house adjourned this afternoon after having passed the military academy appropriation bill. It will take up immediately the administration state of war resolution upon convening at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

After 25 minutes' debate the house passed the annual \$140,000,000 army bill. The bill is the same as that which failed in the senate last session.

War measures will be cared for in a separate bill.

By Carl D. Groat.

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—Senator J. Hamilton Lewis, Democratic whip, told the United Press at 4 o'clock that he "expects a vote on the state of war resolution not later than 6:30 this evening."

The house foreign affairs committee, in a report late today on the Martin war bill, which they presented to the house, declared no course was open to the government but to accept Germany's "sage of battle" and declare that a state of war exists.

Washington, April 4.—(U. P.)—Though pacifism ran in a discordant undertone in congress today, support of a war-act the finish was assured by both the upper and the lower house.

The house foreign committee voted favorably on the senate amended resolution and leaders served notice that war measures would come up tomorrow for passage.

If objection arises, it will be forced through under a rule checking debate.

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