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OREGON WEATHER
Tonight and Wednesday fair except showers northwest portion; southerly winds.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Driven at last by the acts of actual warfare against the lives and property of the American people to a point where further patience would be nothing less than criminal neglect, President Wilson has asked the congress of the United States to formally acknowledge that a state of war now exists. In seeking such a declaration the president also asks that he be equipped with authority to meet the acts of the German empire with the full force of the army and navy, and to carry on an effective warfare against a government that he characterizes as a "natural foe to liberty."

The president's message, read to congress Monday evening, is approved by the press and the people as among the most able of American state documents. It is a severe indictment of Prussian militarism, and the president says that the "wrongs against which we now array ourselves are not common wrongs; they cut to the very roots of human life."

Besides urging that congress by resolution declare that Germany has made war and is now making war upon the United States, the following are some of the president's recommendations:

"Utmost practical co-operation in counsel and action with the governments already at war with Germany."

"Extension of liberal financial credits to those governments so that the resources of America may be added so far as possible to theirs."

"Organization and mobilization of all the material resources of the country."

"Full equipment of the navy, particularly for means of dealing with submarine warfare."

"An army of at least 500,000, based on the principal of universal liability to service and the authorization of additional increments of 500,000 each as they are needed or can be handled in training."

"Raising necessary money for the United States government so far as possible without borrowing and on the basis of equitable taxation."

Of the course to be followed in making the declaration of a condition of war, President Wilson said:

"I advise that the congress declare the recent course of the imperial German government to be in fact nothing less than war against the government and people of the United States, that it formally accept the status of belligerent which has thus been thrust upon it and that it take steps not only to put the country in a more thorough state of defense but also to exert all its power and employ all its resources to bring the government of the German empire to terms and end the war."

The thread of thought that runs

through the entire message is that the United States desired peace, but that peace at the price that must be paid, with the rights of citizens trampled underfoot, would be worse than war. The objects of the United States in entering the war, he said, are to vindicate the principles of peace and justice against "selfish and autocratic power." He disclaimed all selfish ends, the chief end to be to make the world safe for democracy.

PAY-AS-WE-GO WAR SAYS THE CABINET

Washington, April 3.—The problem of financing America's part in the world war was directly before President Wilson and his cabinet.

The department heads await only action by congress on the "war resolution," introduced last night, before submitting the "first war budget," calling for hundreds of millions of dollars.

It is to be a "pay-as-we-go" war, the government has decided, "a war sustained so far as may be equitable by the present generation, by well-conceived taxation," the president declared in his message.

It is not the president's intention to shift the burden to further generations.

"It would be most unwise," the president said, "to base the credits which will now be necessary entirely on money borrowed. It is our duty to protect our people so far as we may against very serious hardships and evils which will be likely to arise out of the inflation which would be produced by vast loans."

All will be made to share in the sacrifice necessitated by the war, but it is evident that the administration has in mind a plan of taxing heavily the enormous incomes of the rich.

President Wilson's suggestion for a "pay-as-you-go-war" will meet opposition in the house. This was clearly indicated today when Minority Leader Mann announced his belief that "we must immediately borrow money" and issue bonds.

Mann pointed out that the nation still is paying its civil war, Spanish-American and Panama canal debts. Moreover, he suggested that plans for "confiscatory taxes" on incomes above \$100,000 will doubtless prove a subject for objection.

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORTS RESOLUTION

Washington, April 3.—The senate foreign relations committee reported out the administration "state of war" resolution, amended so as to strengthen its entire text, with but one dissenting vote—that of Chairman Stone.

The president is directed to employ the entire naval and military forces of the United States against Germany and "to bring the conflict to a successful termination."

All of the resources of the country, the resolution ends, "are hereby pledged by the congress of the United States."

The following is the text of the senate foreign affairs resolution:

"Whereas, the imperial German government has committed repeated acts of war against the government and the people of the United States of America, therefore, be it

"Resolved, by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America, in congress assembled, that the state of war between the United States and the imperial German government, which has thus been thrust upon the United

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GERMAN BATTALION IN WEST IS WIPED OUT

With the British Armies in France, April 3.—An entire German battalion, massing for attack against the advancing British forces east of Templeux, was mangled by British artillery today. The British forces continued their progress in the neighborhood of St. Quentin, despite a sudden "flare-back" into wintry weather. Dawn today saw eight inches of snow and a high wind which piled drifts five feet deep in some places. Fair weather succeeded about noon with such a sudden rise in the temperature that the thaw was immediate. The resulting mud and ooze made progress difficult.

On the Western Australian coast the tides are so variable that it is not an uncommon sight to see vessels high and dry at their piers.

The condor is the only bird which keeps its offspring in the nest for a year. The young cannot fly for twelve months after being hatched.

Biblical critics of today have no doubt that the behemoth mentioned in Job is the hippopotamus and that the leviathan denotes the crocodile.

"I wish Fritz would write his figures plainer. I can't possibly tell from his letter whether it is 1,000 or 10,000 kisses that he sends me."—Flieksende Blaetter.

Tommy-Pop, what is a theorist? Tommy's Pop—A theorist, my son, is a man who thinks he is learning to swim by sitting on the bank and watching a frog.

"Some people," said Uncle Eben, "regards truth de same as dey do jewelry. Dey admires it very much, but only uses it on special occasions."—Washington Star.

You often hear a single man bragging that he never made a mistake in his life. But you never heard a married man make a crack like that.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A steeplechase horse. The Chandler, is reported by the "Book of Wonders" to have covered thirty-nine feet in a single leap at Warwick, England, a few years ago.

In the Sandwich Islands the bast, or inner bark, of *Gossypium tomentosum*, a species closely allied to the true cotton plant, is employed by the natives for making a rude twine.

CHANGE NAME OF THE KAISERHOF RESTAURANT
San Francisco, April 3.—The Kaiserhof restaurant here today changed its name to the F. & L. The proprietors would not admit the trouble with Germany had anything to do with the change.

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Wheat—Club, 171; bluestem, 179.
Oats—No. 1 white feed, 39.50.
Barley—Feed, 41.00.
Hogs—Best live, 14.25 @ 14.35.
Prime steers, 9.50 @ 9.75; best cows, 8.00 @ 8.25; fancy calves, 10.
Spring lambs, 13.50.
Butter—City creamery, 43; country, 34.
Butterfat—44.
Eggs—Selected local extras, 28 @ 29.
Hens, 22; broilers, 35; geese, 12 1/2 @ 13.
Copper, 30.