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# FIRST MONEY

This Is Order In Which th United States Will Begin Her Task

FIRST HELP READY WILL BE FIRST TO BE USED

### Balfour Cables Report, America In Hearty Accord with Allies

By George Martin

(United Press staff correspondent). Washington, April 27.-The first chapter of America's part in the world here today by British Foreign Secrehere today by British Foreign Secre-tary Arthur James Balfour, when he eabled to his home government his in-itial report of agreements at the great-est war parley in American history. Balfour's report will tell our Euro-peau allies that the first problem set-tled was shipping. Balfour's report will be made public in London, probably within the next 48 hours, one of the commissioners said.

Closeted in the small office he has chosen for his historic work in the Sixteenth street mausion, the dean of diplomats wrote in effect that the British and French commissions have ex-pressed their wishes to the American government concerning the part it shall play in the war.

The American government has as-sured them its complete support and cooperation in getting precisely what they ask for.

they ask for.

Balfour will say that the American government asked how the allies want shipping handled; with a preponderance of men, munitions or food; and that after threshing the question out among themselves the British commission asked an equal division between munitions and food.

Can Wait for Men Can Wait for Men

The supplying of American fighting ien, it was agreed between Balfour. General Bridges and Admiral De Chair,

It has been agreed, Balfour will re-port, that each point in the gigantic in-ternational parley shall be asked about by America and answered by the Brit-

The French commission is in com plete accord with the shipping settle-ment, Balfour will report. His message while an official government report, was drafted to carry to the British, French, Russian and Italian minds the tremendous breadth the world war con ference has assumed since getting un

paragraph of his report to the tremendus assistance the American press can in helping America solve its prob-

lems of making efficient war.

Balfour, 's said a high official of the commission today, "has come to feel its duty to answer carefully and promptly all questions asked by the American press, except as to naval and

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### ABE MARTIN



Ther's two sides the ever question - smong the Canadians received the Croix ment in the house as leader of the anti-Bryan's an' th' right side de Guerre. The U.S. army and navy conscription forces.

### Billingsley Writes Seattle Star He Will Surrender Saturday

Senttle, Wash, April 27.—Logan Billingsley, bootlegger king, who escaped from the government detention station here Sunday rather than start serving a 13 months' sentence in the penitentiary, wrote a letter to the Seattle Star today, announcing that he would probably surrender himself Saturday at 2 p. m., at the corner of Third avenue and Stewart street.

"I have not decided yet who I should choose to win the \$100 reward offered for me," he wrote.

Billingsley, who was the star witness

Billingsley, who was the star witness for the government against Mayor Gill, Chief of Police Beckingham and four city detectives recently tried and ac-quitted of conspiring with him to vio-late interstate liquor shipping laws, has written three lengthy letters to newspapers since his escape from the third story of the detention station by sawing through an iron bar. He is evidently in hiding in Seattle.

## DEPARTMENT MAY BE PLACED ON WAR BASIS SAY THE OFICIALS

### war was penned in black and white Will Undertake to Increase Production and Lower Prices

By Robert J. Bender.

(United Press staff correspondent.) Washington, April 27-To combat the basis. Increasing one production of wheat and lowering of the price of bread are the main objectives.

Department officials say this must be done—soon—and congress will be asked ty. intelligence, purity and lofty pate pass legislation accomplishing it.

With powers of bandling situations ed. coming under its jurisdiction in the same manner as the war and navy de-partments control matters under theirs,

partments control matters under theirs, the agricultural department would be able immediately to cope with such developments as the sudden boosting of bread prices, officials say.

"Placing the department on a war footing would be the solution of the whole question of high prices on food stuffs," Assistant Secretary Vrooman of the department, said today. "It would assure the planting of vastly more acreage for one thing.

"Armies can be raised at any season of the year, but wheat has its planting season—and that a very short of the agricultural department would be the solution of the war maker." That is true. It is true not only because democracy abhors war and is not trained to war, but because of disjunctions are the planting season—and that a very short when it is forced into war."

planting season—and that a very short one. Once this season passes we must

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# BOTH HOUSES ARE

Senate Opened Two Hours Ahead of Time, 16 Senators to Speak

**OBLIGATORY SERVICE** MAKES CITIZENS EQUAL

Kahn, Republican, Oposed to Patriots Fighting While Cowards Slink

J. P. Yoder

(United Press staff correspondent) Washington, April 27,—"Under forc-draft" pressure the senute began ed draft" pressure the senate began today at 10 o'clock—two hours carlier than the house—its concluding drive to put through the president's selective conscription plan for raising an army. A night session is in prospect in the upper house. Sixteen senators have said they would speak.

"Three great things to convince the enemy of the fulfility of continuing the

enemy of the futility of continuing the terrible struggle," are necessary, de-clared Senator Jones, Washington, fav-

oring conscription, in opening debate.
"We should first drill, train, equip washington, April 27—To combat the high cost of food stuffs, the department of agriculture is to be put on a war we should conserve our national resources and human power by destroying throughout the nation the liquor traffie; third, we should stamp our pro-fession of democracy with the seal of sincerity by enfranchising the integri-

> No Reason Against it "No substantial or akerpowering \*
> cason is presented," he said, "against \*

when it is forced into war. Kenyon, Iowa, declared he would

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### Americans on French Front as Seen in Action by Canadian

troops achieved their latest glory in the taking of Vimy Ridge, they give a vivid picture of Americans now fighting in France and those who perished in that fighting.)

By P. A. McKenzie.

This was not the only dirty trick Ger. The was not the only us. I took the optomictor of portunity of paying off old scores.'

Houghton telegraphed to a friend to pion him. "Sure, which side," came the quick reply. There was no question of his side. Being a machine gun expert he was welcomed and give the control of the only dirty trick Ger. The was not the only direct trick Ger. The was not the only dirty trick Ger. The was not the only direct trick Ger. The was not the only direct trick Ger. The was not the was not the only direct trick Ger. The was not the

By F. A. McKengie.

Canadian contingent as privates. Ranch for one specially prominent act, but for owners and cow punchers, quiet lads continuous gallantry, initiative and from Maine and adventurers from the dash.

Texan border, engineers galore, school

Houghton once wrote a famous letter masters and bankers, sailors and lum to a friend in Chicago giving his real ber packs, flocked to Toronte, Winnipeg opinion of the Hun. It was the kind and Vancouver. At one time an attempt, of letter that would scorch the hide off was made to form a separate American an alligator. His friend published it Legion. Although the recruits came for and since then the major has received ward, it was ultimately abandoned. The hundreds of letters from pro-Germans Americans are scattered among the hundreds of letters from pro-Germans threatening him. "I know who you dreds of Canadian better the pro-Germans are scattered among the hundreds of letters from pro-Germans

ward, it was ultimately abandoned. The hundreds of letters from pro-Germans are scattered among the hundreds of letters from pro-Germans threatening him. "I know who you today struck back full fisted at James Canadian regulars has 250 of them in its ranks, and wants more.

What has been the record of these Americans? It is found in the rolls of honor of the British army. Dozens have earned commissions; hundreds have earned commissions; hundreds have of a famous battalion. Which, although a feer of long "leave." I've been of a famous battalion which, although the feeral waiting time. I naked the commander of a famous battalion which, although the feeral waiting time. The speaker said:

The speaker said of these seizure was made, speaker said against conscription.

The speaker said speaker in a statement last speaker in a statement to the United was shown that Mr. Schubinger was charged with said speaker in a stat

the way.

It will explain that the European allies have not, as they expected, come to a purely technical exchange of views, but that it has developed into a mutual declaration of world principles on which, thus far, the conferces are in perfect accord.

Pablicity Surprises Him
Palfour has been amazed at the extent of publicity in the United States and will devote, it is understood, as they expected, come (NOTE:—F. A. McKenzie, a well known Canadian newspaperman who has been with the Canadian forces on the Canadian forces on the western from and had exception able opportunities to see them in action, has written the United Press a series of stories on the Americans with this expeditionary force.

The first of these stories is printed to herewith; the second will be printed to make the Canadians have made a record of their own. Take, for example, Major Houghton of a machine gun battery. Houghton was nearly four wears in the U. S. navy, and wears to day on his uniform the ribbons of the west Indian and San Juan campaigns, alongside of his recently earned British Military Cross. "The United States herewith; the second will be printed to herewith; the second will be printed to morrow.

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fore America made her entrance into the world war and before Canadian "This was not the only dirty trick Geralmonth of the series was written besides with Spain in the Spanish war," \*

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pert he was welcomed and given his commission. He soon came to the front. (Written for the United Press.) commission. He soon came to the front.

With the British Army in the Field. He has taken part in all the big fightMarch 30.—(By mail). — When the ing of the past year and eight months, Great War began, there was a new American invasion of Canada, men offer wound. The share the machine gunners ing their services to fight Germany. Not take in a fight can be judged from their merous U. S. army officers resigned name, the Snielde Club. He received their commissions and enlisted in the his Military Cross at the New Year, not

TO THE EEADERS

The United Press, which supplies the Capital Journal with its news from the battle fields

its news from the battle fields of Europe, has received a number of requests from American soldiers fighting with the Canadian army in France for newspapers from back home.

For example, Captain F. H. Burr, of Columbus, Ohio, writes:

"The folks at home can give the boys a lot of pleasure hy seading them occasional packages of newspapers. Whenever an American newspaper does an American newspaper does happen to find its way to the depots in France, it is handed around, page by page, among the American soldiers until it is worn out."

Send them to the following addresses, either or all:

"Americans, 38th battalion, military postoffice, France."

"Americans, Princess Pat's Canadian Light Infantry, military postoffice, France."

"Americans, Royal Canadian Rifles Rifles, military postoffice,

THE DEADLY COTTON

Washington, April 27 .- During the three months ending March 31, 1917 — 83,652,900 pounds of bleached cotton fibre equivalent to 167,306 bales of 500 pounds each—were used in the United States in the manufacture of gun cotton and ex-plosives of all kinds, the census

urean today announced. Bleached cotton fibre held in munition factories on March 31, amounted to 11,284,845 pounds, quivalent to 22,570 bales.

The amount consumed for the corresponding quarter of 1916, was 144,988 bales.

### POOR STREET, ANWAY

Portland, Ore., April 27.—Pa-troluma Rich believe, in encour-aging the food preparedness movement. Indignant Woodlawn residents called the police this morning, declaring that somebody had dug up the street and was planting a garden. Rich, assigned to the case, told the gardeners to go ahead with their work. "Street's not much good for traffic anyway," he said,

### 15-CENT LOAF HERE

Portland, Ore, April 27.-The 15-cent loaf of bread made its appearance on the Portland market today, one of the leading bakers having adopted this size. It is predicted here that all oth-er bakers will be compelled to discontinue the five- cent loaf, and reduce the 10-cent size, owing to the rapidly climbing price

### SOME OFFICIAL TAFFY

Amsterdam, April 27. — Ger-many's submarine warfare is having its most successful period of operations, the secretary to the German ministry of marine told a reichstafg sub-committee today. Dispatches from Berlin quoted him as asserting that April successes so far equalled

all previous months.
"England will soon be forced to accept peace," he declared.

# CHAMP CAARK SAYS 'PREPOSTEROUS LIE'

You can't make a purse out of a Distinguished Conductant Medals, still washington April 27—After a speech when he tries to impeach my passes and fully a score of 35 minutes—one of the shortest made triotism he is simply lying.

One Americans nave received at least four dry law, the manufacturer of vinegar st.33 1-1. September opened down 5-1-1, when he tries to impeach my passes and fully a score of 35 minutes—one of the shortest made triotism he is simply lying.

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# HAVING COLD FEET

Says It Was This Characteristic That Prevented His Nomination

THROWS MUCH LIGHT ON GERMAN CASTE SYSTEM

Germany Intended to Attack America---Even In Case of Draw

New York, April 27.-Vigorous denunciation of Champ Clark's opposition to conscription and a bitter attack on Clark, in which the charge of 'constitutional cold feet' was made against the speaker, came as a climax of Former Ambassador Gerard's startling speech at the American Newspa-per publishers association banquet last

Gerard asserted that Clark is fighting conscription was behind the times.

'I supported Clark financially when he was a presidential candidate,' said Gerard, 'and I think there is some beneficent instinct which keeps the

American people from putting forward this type of statesman.

"If Clark did not suffer from constitutional cold feet he might be president today. At the Baltimore convention enough votes came over in the tion enough votes came over in the middle of the night to give him a majority. At his request his supporters caused an adjournment of that convention. The people of nerve who were supporting him said 'go on with the convention and you will get enough votes to nominate you before morning.'

"But he wanted an adjournment. I

ded the kaiser's government about the situation in America, thus causing conditions which resulted in America entering the war. He declared the old Germany of "kindliness and Christmas" fessed to see the weaving of even closer the provided from Russia which diplomats professed to see the weaving of even closer the particles of the Trish question.

"I appeal to the particles of all men to sink everything and get the ground out of the way." trees' was dead.
'The trouble is

"The trouble is that Germany in liberty and democracy is a hundred years behind the times," he said. "Peo ple of this country don't understand the German caste system, they don't the German caste system, they don't understand the system of hypocrisy and they don't understand how the people are kept down. There is not any change of rebellion in Germany. There may be riots. We must not put any confidence whatever upon the people of that country rising. They don't know themselves how badly they are off and it will be a long time before they are enlightened."

Gerard said America's worst enemies were the "insidious enemies at home.

Wheat Pit In Turmoil

were the "insidious enemies at home, who misrepresent facts for the benefit

of Prussian autocracy.'

The German military easte, he said, hated mame of America. And he added: "I know Germany would have stracked America had the war ended in g German victory or a draw.

# MUST RETURN CIDER

#### Justice Webster Holds Stock Seized Was Being Used to Make Vinegar

Asserts Gerard Is Lying to Keep Himself In the Full Limelight

Kee Washington, April 27.—Champ Clark lasted a greater portion of yesterday.

Schubinger stated yesterday that he will only bandle the cider as vinegar.

### Private Bill Coleman Won Out by Strategy

Portland, Ore., April 27.—War has no terrors for Private Clarence Rubisch and his squad of marine corps rockies, en route today to Mare Island, following osculatory high jinks at the Union depot last night.

Private Rubisch was placed in command of a party of 25 recently ordered.

Priseate Rubisch was placed in command of a party of 25 recruits ordered to en train for the south at 8 p.] m.

Shortly after 7:30 the newly enlisted men, each with a lassie, some with two or three, began putting in their appearance at the station.

Before the train whistled "all aboard", the girls in the party had increased to nearly 100. The last 10 minutes were spent in promiscuous farewell kissing, each recruit passing down the line of admiring young women to receive his quota of "smacks."

This so appealed to Private Bill Coleman, standing back with a party of fellow coast artillerymen who had not yet been ordered out, that he rushed to the end of the line and ran the gauntlet, missing nary a rosebud mouth.

Appeal For Home Rule For

## RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ARE NOW UNANIMOUS FOR CONTINUING WAR

### Leaders Convince Them Their Country's Safety Depends On This

By Arthur E. Mann.

(United Press staff correspondent.) Copenhagen, April 27.-Far from besidious Germanic pressure for a separ-ate peace, Russia's ties with the entente was imported. "But we must economize!"

was the most interesting evidence of the the most interesting evidence of the the the the most interesting evidence of Russia's increasing war power against the Teutons was information of highest authenticity that the Russian army has re-pledged to the war. Back in the early revolutionary days it was known here that a large percenetage of those in the Russian army supported a war policy on promise to them that they would not themselves he sent to the front.

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The provisional government's plan of the provisional government is provided.

How must economize! \*\*

Emphasizing the seriousness of the usbmarine problem, on which he said "the best brains of British and America were now concentrated." The provision of the provision provides here to day and increased production, voicing at the same time the belief that there would be no necessity for increased food prices.

How must ec

veites to nominate you before morning.

"But he wanted an adjournment. I suppose he wanted to go out and eall for volunteers. And it is because of that want of nerve that he is not sitting where he could do us immeasurable damage today."

There were hisses when Gerard told how Clark placed conscripts and convicts in the same class.

Traitorous Americans

Gerard asserted that some American newspapermen in Berlin succombed to German influences and falsely informed the kaiser's government about the sould for now that the provisional government's plan of the new regime and the menage of German influences and falsely informed the kaiser's government about the sould for the life of the same time the belief that the Russian army has re-pledged to the war. Back in the early the continuity of increased food prices.

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and tigether bonds between Russia and England and France. For that reason

# MAKES 17 CENT JUMP

### Wheat Pit In Turmoil As Gamblers Juggle the Nations Food Supply

at ratio of 10 of the enemy for one of Chicago, April 27—The wheat pit was ours."
in a turmoil today when May wheat, after opening at \$2.53 a bushel, six tle of the Somme," the prime minister cents under last night's close, rose to \$2.70 after a few minutes trading. It and 54 guns. In the same period around then dropped back 12 points and rallied Arras recently we took 18,000 men and at \$2.58, recovering to \$2.63 1-2 at 10 230 guns. Our gains were thus quad-

TO F. A. SCHUBINGER

a. m.

Belgian relief and other buyers grabbed the opportunity on the early break to buy practically cash wheat at May future prices. Cash wheat sold over \$3 and the Germans knew it—which explains the Gespair driving them into black piracy on the sea.

"America, after great patience, desided it was no use to wave a neutral

Word from Omaha stated that foreign eided it was no use to wave a neutral buyers were bidding 69 cents over the flag in the shark's seeth," the prime Chicago market for number two hard minister continued. "We have lost winter wheat there for Philadelphia de-livery on July futures. Adding aver-age freight charges, this would be equivalent to \$2.94 at Philadelphia.

During the trading here May wheat livered at the historic Guild hall after

Bullish reports of snow and cold He thanked London for its great serv-weather in the northwest wheat district ices in the war and particularly for its end the jeopardizing of spring sowing aid to the empire in the last war loan, by the unseasonable weather affected the market.

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### Appeal For Home Rule For Ireland Was Enthusiastically Cheered

By Ed L. Keen.

(United Press staff correspondent.) London, April 27 .- England is winaing; the ultimate success of the allies cannot be doubted and that success is being achieved at less and less cost. But neanwhile England must economize and make sacrifices. Around this text today Premier Lloyd George delivered an elequent address in formal exercises responding to freedom of the city granted him by London at the Guild hall, "Victory is becoming increasingly assured," he said. And again:

"The government is planning the 1918 harvest with three million addiing affected by the tremendous and in-dious Germanic pressure for a separ-

comrade. One essential to a speedy vic-tory is settlement of the Irish ques-

No part of the prime minister's inspiring speech was more enthusiastically cheered than this appeal.

Coming back to the coon again, Lloyd-George declared: "We must economize our shipping un-til some method is discovered of de-stroying this ocean basilisk. We have

already arranged to obtain three and possibly four times as many more ships as we had last year." Pleased With Trade, London, April 27.—"Victory is be-coming increasingly assured," was the

confident note sounded today by Pre-mier Lloyd-George in a Guild hall speech. Before June, 1915, we lost 84 guns and a number of prisoners; thereafter we have not lost a single gun while we captured 400 and have taken prisoners

advanced from 1 to 3 cents between Lloyd-George, in a formal ceremony, sales at times.

### THE WEATHER-



Oregon: Fair tonight and Saturday; nertherly winds.