

FORCES GATHERING AT THE CAPITAL

Pacifists and Anti-Pacifists Assembling in Numbers— Tremendous Excitement

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 2.—Pacifist and anti-pacifist pilgrims besieged official Washington today in an eleventh hour effort to influence Congress toward their respective view of impending war with Germany.

Street parading was denied both by police orders, but the program of each called for unorganized sidewalk processions to the Capitol, where Senators and Representatives might be canvassed for their peace or war ideas. Simultaneously, thousands of telegrams from all parts of the country poured in upon the Capitol and the White House, either praying for peace or urging drastic action to uphold American rights and honor.

Flags floated from nearly every window in downtown Washington and from houses in the residential section. All automobiles carried red, white and blue banners. Men and women wore flags on their coats, and children carried them to school. The day was marked by a show of patriotic fervor seldom equaled in Washington.

Most pacifists came here from New York and other cities under the direction of the Emergency Peace Federation. They arranged a meeting this afternoon to act on resolutions and petitions, and a mass meeting for tonight. The anti-pacifists, calling themselves "Pilgrims of Patriotism," came from a number of Eastern cities, marshaled by a New York citizens' committee, to neutralize the effect of the anti-war forces.

The delegations of pacifists assembled at headquarters of the emergency peace federation and were furnished with white arm bands bearing in large black letters the inscription, "Keep Out of War."

They were supplied also with cards to admit them to the business and mass meetings, and the city addresses of their Senators and representatives. The delegates were instructed to spend the morning calling upon their legislative representatives and urging them to take no action that would lead to hostilities.

The instruction list handed to each delegate called attention to the fact that both houses would convene at noon, and that they "might be interested in witnessing the opening." This was taken to mean that the pacifists were expected to be at the Capitol at 12 o'clock.

Anti-pacifists said they too would be at the Capitol whenever the pacifists planned to be there. They had instructions similar to those of the pacifists and long before the time set for the opening of Congress the telephone bells of Senators and Representatives in their homes and at their offices were tinkling with calls from both factions.

Louis P. Lochner, directing the activities of the pacifists said: "If we should fail to prevent war, we will continue to work for peace, just as certain people in England have done all during this war in Europe."

About 1,000 of the pacifists assembled on the steps of the main entrance at the Capitol and became so active that squads of police drove them off and onto the broad plaza, while small delegations of the pilgrims jeered and hooted. The pacifists shouted replies and there was no mistaking foreign accents in the words of some of the shouters. There were a few clashes between the two parties, but nothing in the nature of serious disorder.

Some of those in the crowd persisted in breaking through the police lines and mounting the steps. Police reserves were called and the pacifists were forced back a considerable distance on the plaza. Then some of them began to leave, scattering about the city. One or two were seen to remove their arm-bands and stuff them in their pockets before departing. Four or five hundred, however, remained. The police in the Capitol grounds kept all persons wearing pacifist insignia on the move.

BIG SUNDAY FIRE IN GOLDSBORO

Griffin Manufacturing Company's Plant Almost Destroyed Yesterday

(Special to The Dispatch.) Goldsboro, April 2.—One of the most disastrous fires that has visited Goldsboro in several years occurred at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when the A. G. Griffin Manufacturing Company's plant in this city was almost completely destroyed.

A large quantity of lumber, shingles and laths and one box car and one oil tank car were destroyed by the flames. The Indian Refining Company's local station adjoining the destroyed property was seriously threatened, and for a while it looked as though it would be destroyed, but as the fire progressed the wind took an opposite direction.

The fire department was quickly on the scene, and in spite of the intense heat, battled with the flames heroically and soon had them under control.

The fire caught in the company's sun-drying room, but the origin is unknown. The loss incurred and the amount of insurance carried could not be learned today, but it is believed the loss will be several thousand dollars.

phone bells of Senators and Representatives in their homes and at their offices were tinkling with calls from both factions.

Senator Pomeroy, of Ohio, indignant over arguments of an Ohio pacifist delegation, told them: "You are the best allies the Kaiser has."

Senator Martin, Democratic leader, received petitions demanding the ouster of Senator Stone as chairman of the foreign relations committee, because of his attitude on the armed ship bill.

Chairman Simmons, of the Senate's finance committee, conferred with Secretary McAdoo on the amount of money needed immediately by the government.

It was agreed not to go into details until after Congress takes action towards the attitude of the United States, then Secretaries McAdoo, Baker and Daniels will again discuss the question with Senator Simmons and also with House leaders.

Senator Simmons said he thought the credit to be granted to the President by Congress should be a large one. The amount fixed, he added, would not mean that all of it was to be used, or that much more might not be asked for later.

HANSON DECIDES TO LOAF A WEEK

Religious Services of Week Causes Hanson to Refuse to Stage Matches

Because there are so many meetings of a religious nature on at the various churches of the city this week, no wrestling matches will be staged during the week, Fritz Hanson announced last night. The local crack does not wish the wrestling game to interfere with religious worship and because of this he has decided to lay off during this week and start anew next.

There was some talk of Joe Turner coming here this week for a match, but negotiations along this line have been left off for the above stated reason and no matches will be staged.

Hanson is seeking to conduct the game along clean lines, his object being to stage exhibitions that the ladies do not object to witness and he does not believe it would be fair to the churches and the various religious organizations to stage anything of a worldly nature that might hold any person away from these services.

The First Presbyterian church is celebrating its hundredth anniversary all of this week and revival services begin at the First Baptist church tonight. Because of this the negotiations looking toward bringing Joe Turner here have been called off.

French Patrols Advance. Paris, April 2.—French patrols advanced last night to the German positions before St. Quentin, which they found to be held in force. South of the Ailette the French drove the Germans beyond Vauxhallon. The war office today gave out the following account of these operations:

"In the region of St. Quentin our patrols pushed forward northeast of Dallon and north of Castres (these towns are about 3 miles from St. Quentin) as far as the enemy lines, which they found to be held strongly. In the sector south of Oise there was heavy fighting between the advanced posts. South of Ailette, our troops followed up their success and drove the Germans beyond Vauxhallon. Enemy patrols were dispersed by our fire."

"The number of prisoners taken yesterday reached 120. We captured five machine guns.

"In the Champagne, several German counter attacks against the positions which we recaptured west of Maisons de Champagne were checked by our fire. We repulsed completely attacks on small posts east of Auberive, and west of Navarin Farm.

"In Alsace we made a successful surprise attack at Carspach Wood and took prisoners. Over the remainder of the front the night passed in quiet."

PRIVATE HARRISS DIES OF PNEUMONIA. Goldsboro, N. C., April 2.—Private C. Harris, of Raeford, a member of the supply company of the Second Regiment, died at a local hospital late last night. Harris was taken ill with pneumonia while returning from the 'order and upon arrival here he was removed to the Spicer Sanitarium, where his death occurred. The body will probably be taken to Raeford today.

THINGS THAT NEVER HAPPEN



ONE GOOD RELIABLE HORSE FOR sale cheap. One that you can depend on. H. A. Mumford, 1120 Dock street. 4-1-2t

UNREDEEMED DROPHEAD SINGER Sewing Machines all in good condition. Price from \$7.50 to \$18.00 at Charles Finkelstein, No. 6 South Front street. Phone 654. 4-1-tf

WANTED—TO BUY SEVERAL CAR-loads of scrap iron, Max Bane, 112 West Davie Street, Raleigh, N. C. 3-26-8t

TO THE WISE ECONOMIC HOUSE-keeper, we have Furniture of all descriptions at prices which will attract you. Great big bargains in everything. Furniture slightly used, you can tell from new, come to see us, we can't and won't be undersold. Furniture packed and stored. Sterling Furniture Co., 19 and 21 South Front street. E. H. Sneed, Manager. Phone 60. 2-21-tf

BLOOMING ROSEBUSHES THIS Summer. Come and get you some rosebushes already started in pots. The newest hybrid perpetual Tea's—all colors. No chance to lose. Each 50 cents; per dozen, \$5.00. The Holland Nurseries, Castle Haynes, N. C. 3-29-7t

WE DELIVER ALL MAGAZINES ON date of issue when so requested. Phone your order to 745. Gordon's News Stand. 10-7-tf

JUST RECEIVED A COMPLETE stock of "Pisk Jubilee Quartette" Records. Come in and hear them. Queen City Cymc Co., 209 Market street. Phone 862. 3-15-tf

FOR RENT—103 SOUTH 8TH ST. All latest improvements. Apply J. T. Gordon, agent. Phone 745 3-15-tf

FOR RENT—LARGE AIRY FRONT room, furnished; Southern exposure, one block from Union Depot. Apply 401 1-2 North Front street. 4-1-3t

PLANTS—CABBAGE, TOMATO, EGG, pepper and sweet potato plants \$1.75 per thousand by express, collect. All popular varieties of each. D. C. Proctor, Pembroke, N. C. 4-1-7-t

ARE YOU CERTAIN—WHEN YOU have your photograph taken, that you are getting the best possible for the money in Quality, Permanency and service? Foltz & Kendrick. 4-2-tf

WANTED—CONSIGNMENTS POUL-try, Eggs and Strawberries. Write for quotations. Theo. H. Tecklenburg, 105 Market street, Charleston, S. C. 3-30-30-t

OREGON AND CALIFORNIA RAIL-road Co., Grant Lands, Title to same revested in United States by Act of Congress dated June 9, 1916. Two million three hundred thousand acres to be opened for settlement and sale. Power Site, Timber and Agricultural Lands Containing some of best land left in United States. Now is the opportune time. Large Sectional Map showing lands and description of soil, climate, rainfall, elevations, etc. Postpaid One Dollar. Grant Lands Locating Co., Box 610, Portland, Oregon. 1-19-3M.

MOTTE'S SCHOOL OF SHORTHAND and Typewriting. Day and Night lessons. Leon L. Motte, Official Court Stenographer, Chief Instructor, 105 Church street, Phone 737-W. 3-18-tf

JUST RECEIVED SEVERAL CARS Canadian, Ratabags, Turnips, Apples, Oranges, Grape Fruit, Potatoes and Oranges, a full line of Candy. Send us your orders. Bear Produce and Merchandise Co., (wholesale), Wilmington, N. C. 3-18-tf

MEN, READ THIS—THROWING away dull razor blades is like throwing away money. Have 'm sharpened at Baxter's. Each blade hair-tested. Small cost, 18 North Front street. 3-27-7t.

OUR 69th Interest Quarter Begins April 1st and 2nd. 4 Per Cent. Compound Quarterly Paid to both the small and large depositor. Old and Strong The Peoples Saving Bank Corner Front and Princess Streets.

BUYING IN WILMINGTON WITHOUT Banking in Wilmington WILL NOT BRING THE DESIRED RESULTS. This Public Spirited Movement, is successful, will not only decrease the cost of all commodities, but will add to the prosperity of our city, and accordingly demand greater banking facilities for mobilizing our increased resources. THE FACILITIES THIS BANK WILL MEET THE DEMANDS OF ANY CONDITION THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK

Do Your Spring Planting NOW! THE AUDUBON SERVICE IS AT YOUR DISPOSAL PHONES 258-L 28 P.O. BOX 751

NEW VICTOR RECORDS FOR APRIL ON SALE TODAY These are only a few of the favorites: 35615—Waltz from Drigo's Serenade... Joseph C. Smith and his Orchestra 18248—From Here to Shanghai... Joseph C. Smith and his Orchestra 18248—Napoleon... Billy Murray 45111—The Miracle of Love... Lambert Murphy 45111—Mother (from "Her Soldier Boy")... Lambert Murphy 45109—The Gypsy Train... Reinald Werrenrath 45109—Fussy-Wussy... Reinald Werrenrath 44689—Orientale... Mischa Elman 44689—When Irish Eyes Are Smiling... John McCormack 74511—Home, Sweet Home... Amelita Galli-Curel 74512—Roméo and Juliet (Valse)... Amelita Galli-Curel 74509—Lucia (Mad Scene)... Amelita Galli-Curel 38581—Samson and Delilah... Enrico Caruso 95100—Rigoletto (Quartette)... Galli-Curel, Ferini, Caruso, DeLuca 95212—Lucia (Scetette)... Galli-Curel, Egner, Caruso, DeLuca, Journet, Bada C. W. YATES CO. Victor Agency.

VIM GO INTENSE ENERGY \$5.00 Spizzerinktum \$5.00 The Gas Saving Device for your Automobile invented by J. O. Brock, a home man in our home town, will make your car run smoother, increase the power, give you better mixture, reducing Gasoline consumption from 25 to 50 per cent. The above results are guaranteed or money refunded after 10 days trial. J. O. BROCK Manufacturer, 319 South Second Street. GEORGE T. HEWLETT, Agent, 410 South Second Street.

PREPAREDNESS Is the order of the day. While preparing to defend your country do not fail to prepare to protect your family against want when you are dead. Insure now before it's too late. The New York Life Insurance Company, strongest in the world, will issue you a life policy without any restrictions. Consult C. L. Dickinson, Agent Princess Building. Phone 859.

4% PAID SAVINGS DEPARTMENT AMERICAN BANK & TRUST COMPANY 6% CHARGED COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT OFFICERS: Thos. E. Cooper, President. Milton Calder, V. President and Trust Officer. Chas. E. Bethea, Cashier. E. Fred Banck, Asst. Cashier. Robert L. Henley, Asst. Cashier.