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First Lives Lost in Destruction of German Gunboat

Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey Join in Break

PASSPORTS OUT OF GERMAN SEA RAIDER AUSTRIA GIVEN THE OFF THE NANTUCKET LIGHT SHIP TODAY U. S. AMBASSADOR

Other Central Powers Quickly Decide to Break With United States Shipping Off New England Directed to Be on Look-out For Raider

HOLLAND IS NAMED TO REPRESENT AUSTRIA NEWPORT SHIPPING IS HELD IN PORT TODAY

The Decision Is Received With No Alarm and It Was Generally Expected on This Nation's Declaring War Against Germany. Nantucket Light Ship Is the First to Give Advice of the Presence of the Raider off New England Coast Today.

LONDON, April 7.—Passports have been placed at disposal of American embassy in Vienna, according to Vienna dispatches via Holland, which said that Austria and Bulgaria have also decided to break relations with the United States and Holland probably will look after Austrian interests in Washington.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Word that the Austro-Hungarian government had placed passports at the disposal of the American embassy at Vienna had not reached the American embassy here early today, according to attaches of the embassy.

PIKEVILLE MAYOR SERIOUSLY HURT Goshoro, April 7.—According to a report received from Pikeville, Tenn. yesterday afternoon, over the telephone, the Mayor of that town was seriously injured when he was thrown from an automobile, driven by a white man, alleged to be L. L. Utter.

IT IS reported that the Mayor of Pikeville, who chanced to be at the station at the time, suspected that the suit cases placed in the automobile by Mr. Utter contained whiskey, and demanded of that man to open them, at the same time stepping upon the running board of the automobile.

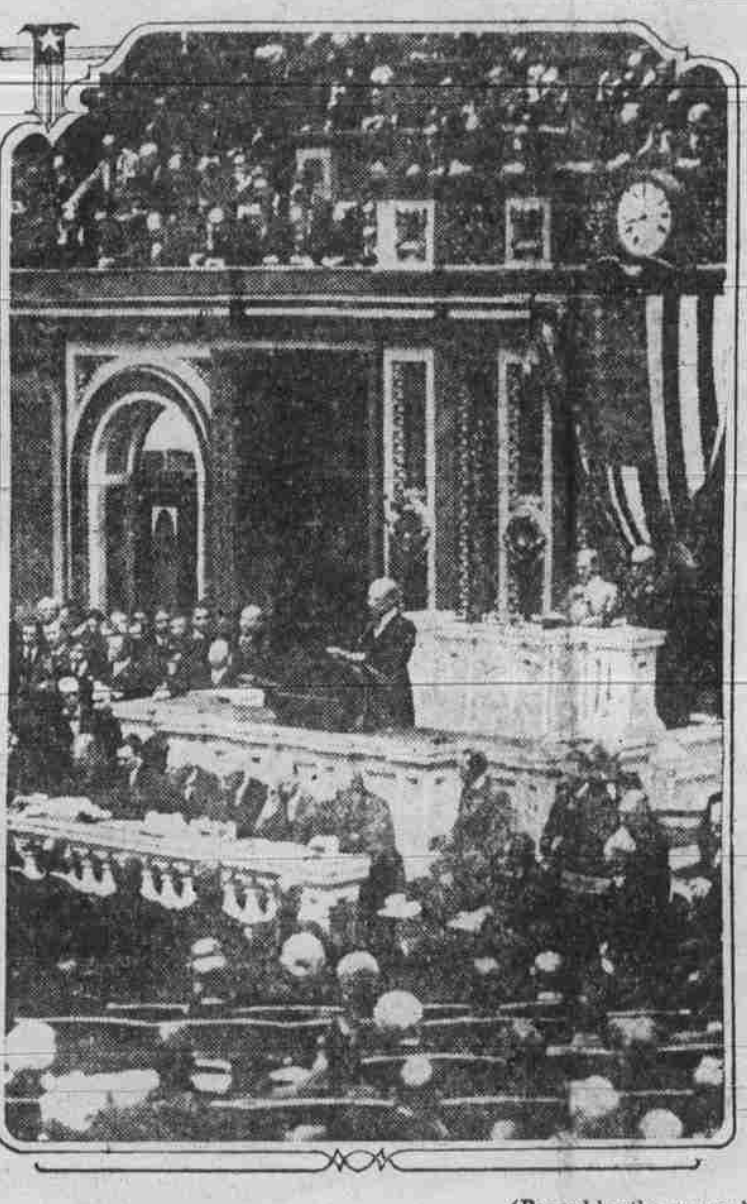
IT IS alleged that Mr. Utter refused to comply with the Mayor's request, and requested the official to vacate his position on the automobile, stating that he was in a hurry to proceed to his destination.

STARTS A MOVE FOOD CONSERVATION New York, April 7.—The American Food Conservation League is the latest organization to enlist in the move to guard the country from high prices and famine.

STOCK MARKET New York, April 7.—Trading in stocks interrupted by Good Friday holiday was resumed for the brief week-end session today.

SPRING HATS AND CHEAP GOWNS SCARCE Denver, Colo., April 6.—Two dollar hats are as scarce as hens' teeth, since the hood is with us.

PRESIDENT DELIVERING WAR MESSAGE



This remarkable picture, showing President Wilson delivering his great war message to congress, was made at just 8:43 P. M., as shown by the clock over Vice President Marshall and Speaker Champ Clark, and is from the only negative made by a time exposure.

BOY SCOUTS RAISE NATIONAL COLORS SECOND DAY IS A BUSY ONE

Large Flag Unfurled at Ten O'clock This Morning by Boy Scouts on Corner of Tarboro and Main Streets.

The Boys Scouts formally raised the Stars and Stripes this morning, at the intersection of Main and Tarboro streets. The flag was raised by Mayor Tilley for the organization.

ADVISORY FROM NANTUCKET Boston, April 7.—The following message was received today at the Boston navy yard from the Nantucket lightship "Commerce raider passed Nantucket light ship shortly before 8 o'clock this morning.

THREE CASES BEFORE MUNICIPAL COURT Walter Harner, charged with trespass in the municipal court this morning, had his case postponed and his prosecutor was ordered to pay the costs of the action.

NO COMMENT IN BERLIN PAPERS Berlin, April 6.—(By way of London) April 7.—The complete text of President Wilson's message has arrived by wireless.

BRAZIL AND CUBA TO JOIN IN WAR EARLY NEXT WEEK

ROCKY MOUNT'S HONOR ROLL TODAY Enlisted for Naval Service May Batchelor, George Nowell.

Enlisted for Home Guards H. C. Joyner, T. C. Sturgis. Enlisted for National Guard Robert Lindsey.

MASS MEETING MONDAY NIGHT

Prominent Rocky Mount Citizens Will Speak On Patriotism

APPROPRIATE MUSIC

Fraternal Orders and Benevolent Bodies Invited to Attend. Every Citizen Urged to be Present at the Meeting.

A patriotic mass meeting of the citizens of Rocky Mount will be held at the Masonic Opera House, Monday, April 9, at eight o'clock, in accordance with the proclamation by Mayor L. F. Tilley.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The second day of war with Germany found every prominent agency in action along three extended fronts with Congressional committees at work on the new army bill and budget measures.

CROSS TIES FOUND ON A. C. L. TRACKS Last night several cross-ties were found on the tracks of the Atlantic Coast Line, just a few hundred feet north of the passenger station at Tarboro.

A BIG AERIAL FIGHT REPORTED Berlin, April 7.—(Via London)—The Entente Allies yesterday lost 44 airplanes on the western front, says the official statement issued today by the German headquarters staff.

LADIES RIFLE CLUB ORGANIZED TODAY The Ladies Rifle Club, of Rocky Mount was organized at the Y. M. C. A.

FIRST BLOOD OF WAR ATTENDS REFUSAL TO SURRENDER SHIP

Interned German Gunboat Blown Up By Crew Rather Than Surrender.

SEVEN GERMANS ARE KILLED IN EXPLOSION Thirty-Two Officers and Three Hundred and Twenty Men Are Taken Prisoners as Result of the Explosion Last Night.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The interned German gunboat Cormorant, at the Island of Guam in the Pacific, has been blown up. The crew of the Cormorant refused to surrender the boat to the American force which went to take possession of her and destroyed the vessel.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The Cuban congress tonight is expected to declare that a state of war exists between Cuba and the Imperial German government.

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ARREST FORMER VICE CONSUL London, April 7.—Julius Vanho, American Vice-Consul at Ghent and recently connected with the Belgian relief commission, has been arrested by the Germans and sent to Germany.

NO BARE-LEGGED DANCING IN BOSTON Cambridge, Mass., April 7.—Even if the city censor of Boston has forbidden them to dance in their bare legs in that palace of propriety, the Harvard Hasty Hudding clubs boys in their feminine roles will pirouette with unpaired legs at their initial and private performance here tonight.

FRENCH SUCCESS ABOUT ST. QUENTIN Paris, April 7.—Violent cannonading went on during last night on the French front south of St. Quentin, the war of the Meuse German trenches were successfully pushed by French troops.

BELGIAN RELIEF SHIP IS SUNK New York, April 7.—The Belgian relief ship Anna Fontenes, carrying \$350,000 worth of grain to Rotterdam, has been sunk by German submarines. The vessel carried no Americans.

YOUNG CUMBERLAND MAN COMMITS SUICIDE Fayetteville, N. C., April 6.—Parolee Guy, 22 years old, a youth who was to have taken part in the county convalescent exercises here Tuesday, but who was arrested on a charge of forgery, before the day's events began, shot himself through the heart at an early hour last Wednesday morning at the home of his father, W. A. Guy, in Carver's Creek township.

SLUMP IN WHEAT CROP FIRST WAR PROBLEM Washington, April 7.—A prospective slump of more than 50,000,000 bushels in the winter wheat crop as compared with last year's crop is the first war problem to confront the country.

WHEAT MARKET BOUNDS UP Chicago, April 7.—Accepting wheat crop conditions shown by the government report as a calamity, the wheat market here today made sensational advances from 5 5/8 cents a bushel for May option at 13 3/4 for September.

PRODUCTION RYE IS VERY HEAVY Washington, April 7.—Notwithstanding the heavy decrease in the prospective winter wheat crop the production of rye is forecast by the Department of Agriculture at 60,000,000 bushels, the largest output of that crop ever recorded in the United States.