

WILL USE FULL FORCE OF NAVY

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SUCH IS STATEMENT OF LORD CHURCHILL

Lloyd George Explains War Will Cost Allies Ten Billion Dollars First Year—Arrangements.

London, Feb. 16.—The countries fighting against Germany, Austria, and Turkey, thus far have thrown only a third of their strength into the field. To maintain this force and to bring the remaining two-thirds into action will cost \$10,000,000,000 during the current year.

This announcement made in the house of commons yesterday by David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer, who, with Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, gave the British public perhaps a closer view of the machinery behind the great struggle than had been afforded since the outbreak of the war.

Mr. Churchill declared amid cheering that Great Britain finally had decided to clamp on every ounce of sea pressure to choke Germany's food supply in retaliation for the German submarine policy.

Mr. Lloyd-George detailed financial arrangements the allies decided on at the Paris conference and put into round figures what heretofore had been guessees—the remarkable increase in the productivity and efficiency of the Russian people by prohibition of the sale of vodka.

Great Britain, the chancellor said, had resources which would last five years and France perhaps sufficient for three years.

MOTHER OF W. S. DICKSON DIED THIS MORNING

Death Due to Heart Failure and Occurred at Home in Chapel Hill.

A message was received here this morning from Chapel Hill telling of the death at an early hour this morning of Mrs. Dickson, mother of W. S. Dickson, for many years connected with The Gazette-News.

MUCH INTEREST IN INCOME TAX

House Makes Maximum Appropriation of \$6000 to Be Used in Enforcing This Law.

INCOME TAX REVENUE INCREASE EXPECTED

House Is Quiet on Carter-Abernethy Controversy—Rumored That the Matter Will Be Dropped.

(By W. T. Bost.) Raleigh, Feb. 16.—The passage of the revenue act upon its second reading yesterday with only the voice of Bryan of Wilkes against it, brought that measure within a day of its journey to the senate and left the subcommittee free to proceed in the afternoon with the machinery act which is now in the making.

The editorial in the Greensboro Daily News on income taxation was read with a good deal of interest and gave fervor to quite a few who advocated the maximum appropriation of \$6000 to the state auditor's department for the enforcement of the tax laws that appear to miss the men of money.

The house was still as the grave on the Carter-Abernethy controversy. Somebody has gotten hold of somebody or somebody has caught a dreadful case of frigid feet.

Whether this is the last of it or not nobody knows. Whether Representative Whitford declined to assume responsibility for his alleged part of the program, isn't known, because he does not say.

Mr. Whitford was not here Saturday and when asked about the story that he would offer the resolution looking to the investigation of the New Bern trouble and an inquiry into Judge Carter's conduct, was not able to say what his course will be.

EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS IS NOW UNDER WAY

Amsterdam, Feb. 16.—The actual exchange of British and German prisoners, incapacitated for future service in the war is now under way.

BERLIN SAYS ENGLAND WILL SINK NEUTRAL SHIPS

Berlin, Feb. 16.—An official statement issued here states that it is the intention of Great Britain to try to cause conflicts between Germany and neutral nations; and it is thought in shipping circles that English submarines, in order to further this purpose will sink one or more neutral vessels in the naval war zone.

Progress of Teutons Seems To Be Confined to East Prussia

No Visible Forward Movement by Germanic Allies Either on Warsaw Front or in Carpathians—Advance on East Prussian Frontier Seems Less Rapid—Russians Claim Minor Successes—Only Artillery Duels in West.

TRYON HAS ORGANIZED TOWN FORESTRY CLUB

Has Distinction of Being the First Town in State Taking Such Move.

London, Feb. 16.—The general offensive of the Teutonic allies along the eastern front continues successfully for both sides, according to reports reaching London, but without visible forward movement either on the Warsaw front or in the Carpathians.

On the East Prussian front the Russians have not been able to regain their fortified lines, but the German advance, while not checked, appears to be proceeding with less speed.

Paris reports that the sole activity on the western front consists in artillery engagements and claims that the guns of the allies silenced a battery of the enemy northeast of Ypres and destroyed German trenches near Bauraines.

In diplomatic circles the German replies to the notes of neutral powers concerning Germany's proposed marine war zone around the British Isles is awaited with keen interest.

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NEGRO TRIED FOR DISTURBING MEETING

The case of John Wike, colored, charged with disturbing a religious meeting, was heard in the court of Magistrate B. L. Lyda this morning.

O. J. NORTON ATTEMPTED SUICIDE AT WINSTON

Winston-Salem, Feb. 16.—Oscar James Norton, bookkeeper for The Danville Register, made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide, by inhaling gas in a local hotel last night.

LAYMEN CONVENTION OPENED THIS MORNING

More Than 1500 Delegates to Charlotte Meeting Have Already Registered.

Charlotte, Feb. 16.—With "Facing the Situation," as the general theme and "To the Fore," as an inspiring motto, the fourth annual convention of the laymen's missionary movement of the Southern Presbyterian church of the United States assembled this morning in the city auditorium.

Addresses will be made by Morgan B. Spicer, chairman of the Charlotte convention committee, and Dr. James Lewis Howe, member of the executive committee of laymen's movement, Lexington, Va.

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BURLESON'S ORDER NOT AFFECT ROUTES HERE

Postoffice Here Knows of no Change Affecting Service From Asheville.

A news dispatch from Washington in yesterday afternoon's Gazette-News, carried the information of serious reductions of the rural free delivery service all over the United States.

TEAMS WILL BOWL AT Y. M. C. A. TONIGHT

The Y. M. C. A. bowling team in the state telegraph league will again have the alleys tonight.

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TWO REPORTED KILLED BY BOMB AT SOFIA

Berlin, Feb. 16.—Two members of Sofia's aristocracy are reported to have been killed and ten injured when a bomb exploded at a masked ball which was attended by the most exclusive society people of the Bulgarian capital.

PLANNING SHIP BILL INQUIRY

Senate Committee Arranges for Probe Into Charges of Influence for and Against the Shipping Bill.

WAY PAVED TO SHIFT CONTEST TO HOUSE

Democratic Caucus Decides to Attempt Passage of the Amended Measure in Lower Branch.

Washington, Feb. 16.—The way for shifting the scene of the historic fight over the administration ship purchase bill from the senate to the house where it is planned to pass an amended measure has been approved by a democratic caucus.

President Wilson told callers that he favored any reasonable closure rule in the senate. He believed in a rule which would stop obstructive tactics but he did not desire that fair debate should be cut off.

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EAGERLY AWAIT BRITISH REPLY

Washington Anxious to Learn England's Attitude Toward Germany's Proposal.

WAR ZONE DECREE TO BE IN EFFECT 18TH

Unless Great Britain Will Permit Food Shipments to German Civilians to Go Unmolested.

Berlin, Feb. 16.—The Cologne Gazette says that if the American suggestion that Great Britain refrain from the use of neutral flags is complied with at once would remove or reduce to a minimum all danger to neutral ships.

Washington, Feb. 16.—Officers here are awaiting with the keenest interest indications of Great Britain's attitude toward Germany's proposal to drop her plans for the destruction of British commerce as recently outlined in her naval war zone proclamation.

The full text of Great Britain's supplementary reply to the American note of December 28 regarding interference with American commerce by British war vessels was laid before President Wilson today.

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