

WITH CONGRESS BEHIND HIM PRESIDENT WILL RENEW HIS DEMANDS ON TEUTON POWERS

HIS VICTORY IN ISSUE OF ARMED SHIPS COMPLETE

The McLemore Warning Resolution Tabled in House Last Night By Overwhelming Vote.

ACTION FREES WILSON FROM EMBARRASSMENT

President Will Now Insist That Teutons Extend Assurances to Cover New Submarine Campaign.

Washington, March 8.—With congress standing squarely behind him, President Wilson was prepared today to go ahead with the submarine negotiations with the central powers.

After an all-day contest, such as has seldom been witnessed, the house last night, after President Wilson had mandated a "show-down" on congress sentiment on the armed ships issue, tabled the McLemore resolution proposing to warn Americans off armed merchantmen of the belligerents.

This action, with that in the senate in killing a similar resolution, freed President Wilson from the bonds of embarrassment which had been forced upon him by dissension in congress.

His victory complete, after the long and sensational fight, was regarded by the president and his advisers as a sufficient answer to the reports that had been circulated in Berlin to the effect that President Wilson was making demands on Germany which were directly opposed to the sentiment of the elected representatives of the people.

President Wilson was hopeful that there would be as little further discussion of the issue in congress as possible.

Secretary of State Lansing today was completing his examination of the appendices to the latest German note, which contained the allegation that entente merchantmen were prepared to attack German submarines and under which Germany sought to justify her new underwater campaign.

With the armed ships issue out of the way congress is now ready to settle down to the task of clearing up the legislative slate, which has been delayed

Are Considering Plans To Mobilize U. S. Industries

Members of Naval Advisory Board Meeting With Engineers and Advertising Men to Formulate Scheme of Industrial Preparation For War.

New York, March 8.—Members of the naval advisory board gathered here today to attend a conference with representatives of engineering societies and the Association of Advertising Clubs of the World, to consider plans for the mobilization of industries, including railroads and manufacturing establishments, in the event of war.

The purpose of the conference was to ascertain how much assistance in the way of preparation for war could be given by the large business concerns of the country. The information is to be classified, after which, it is understood, certain work will be assigned to each industry, factory or railroad. It was stated that leading advertising men and owners of periodicals had offered their services free for an extended advertising campaign which will be submitted to the conference today.

by the agitation over the armed ships issue. Opportunity for amending the McLemore resolution proposing to warn Americans against taking passage on the armed merchant ships was removed, and the house turned to debate on the resolution itself.

The administration forces carried the vote on the "previous question" 256 to 160, which shut off debate and made amendments to the resolution impossible. It was an administration victory and the house then turned to the adoption of the rule itself under which the McLemore resolution was to be debated for four hours.

The rule was adopted by a vote of 271 to 138, one man voting present.

Called to President. To the rallying cry of "stand by the president," and "is it Lansing and Wilson, or Von Bernstorff and the Kaiser," a big democratic majority and nearly half of the republicans in the house, three times rolled up overwhelming votes against the movement to warn Americans off the armed merchantmen of the European belligerents.

From the very outset of the fight the president's supporters, without regard to party, swept over the opposition.

On the first vote, which was a parliamentary proposition to prevent opening the McLemore resolution to amendment, and unlimited debate, the administration forces carried the day, 256 to 160. On that 192 democrats, sixty-three republicans and one progressive voted to support the administration. Two y-n-one democrats, 122 republicans, five progressives, one independent and Representative London, the lone socialist, of the house, voted against it.

This was the crucial vote of the fight, the one point on which administration leaders were uncertain. With victory in hand they moved on to the next proposition, the adoption of a special rule for four hours discussion of the McLemore resolution.

C. H. BARTLETT WILL PLAY THE FATHER IN "ASHEVILLE" MOVIE

Who Wants to Be a Movie Star? Read Details of Made-in-Asheville Photo-Play.

Popularity Contest Opens Today For Nomination of Leading Lady and Gentleman Who Would Appear Before the Camera.

Young men and women, girls and boys, here is your opportunity to appear on the screen, visit here at home, in a photo-play with incidents and scenes laid in Asheville.

Who wants to be the leading lady? Who wants to be the leading man? The Hudris Film company, of New York City, under the auspices of The Times will bring its forces to this city and use a local cast in the enactment of the scenes for a film play called "A Romance of Asheville."

There are hundreds of young men and misses who are interested in the movies. Many of them would like to appear in the pictures, but do not know just how to go about it. Here is the golden opportunity! Candidates for the two leading parts—leading man and leading lady—may be nominated today.

BAKER LEAVES OHIO TO ASSUME NEW OFFICE

To Take Oath as Secretary of War Tomorrow—Was Confirmed Yesterday.

Cleveland, O., March 8.—His nomination already confirmed by the senate, Newton D. Baker, former mayor of Cleveland, left today for Washington, where tomorrow he will take the oath of office and enter upon his duties as secretary of war.

FOUR ARE HELD AS PICKPOCKETS

Capture of Four Strangers in Raleigh Considered of Much Importance—Result of Long Campaign.

THEFTS COMMITTED IN SEVERAL PLACES

Police Working to Nab Men in Raleigh Believed to Have Been Friendly to the Men Suspected.

Raleigh, March 8.—The police raid upon four men who are alleged to have forty deft fingers looks serious enough to the government of Raleigh to warrant the further holding of the men caught Monday as the result of a long campaign for pickpockets.

The postoffice department has aided in this work and has furnished pictures of men wanted by it. The men in the cells have had their features stricken and comparisons will be made. These will probably be tedious but it is a portion of the detective game. They are no ordinary looking bunch, and every man is smart.

The city has not been able to connect the fellows in such style as to make a case against them. Policeman Lloyd who caught William Brown, said he found Brown with a hand in a passenger's pocket as both were getting on the train. Mr. Lloyd took his man, George Thompson, William Dory and J. A. Hart were the other three. Among them they carried about \$400. They had been stopping at the best hotels and looked prosperous.

Hart instituted a rugged residence, better known as the rough house when he found the proprietor of one of the hotels and a plain clothes policeman occupying his room. Two of the men had been taken. The other two walked leisurely back to the hotel and went to their rooms. The policeman nabbed Hart. He threatened suit against the hotel. Dory would not stand still. He walked off and kept ahead of the officers many feet until overtaken. He was on his way to a geographical portion of the city where young men sometimes sow wild oats.

Some of the fellows carried money in the lining of their coats and were heeled with mileage books. The case promises sensations not mixed up with themselves alone. The police have their men working on men in the city believed to be friendly to the suspects.

COMMITTEE TO CHOOSE RALEIGH

Memorandum of Democratic State Executive Committee Say Convention Will Meet in Capital.

Raleigh, March 8.—The members of the democratic state executive committee, here today for the meeting of the committee tonight, were of the opinion that the democratic state convention would be held in Raleigh? State Chairman Thomas D. Warren said that Raleigh would undoubtedly be selected for the convention city and declared that the only reason the convention had ever been held elsewhere in the past was because of lack of proper accommodations at such times.

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Recent Developments Indicate That No Part of Allied Front Is Free From Possible Attack.

ONLY FIVE ARRESTS SINCE LAST MONDAY

Just One New Case on Docket of Police Court This Morning.

Only five arrests have been made by the members of the police department since early Monday morning, up to noon today. It was not strange then that today's docket in Police court contained the name of but one new defendant. He was charged with drunkenness.

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