Unofficially Stated That

South American Country

Has Taken Final Step.

WILL STAY NEUTRAL

Guatemala and Peru Ex-

pected to Join in War

Against Germany.

RIO JANEIRO, April 10.—At a cabinet council today it was decided that Brazil should sever

LONDON, April 10.-Diplomatic relations between Brazil and Germany have been broken off, according to

the Evening News.
Switzerland will take charge
Brazilian interests in Berlin.

DECIDED TO BREAK.
BUENOS AIRES, Argentine Republic, April 10.—A dispatch from Rio
Janeiro received by a newspaper here
today says that the Brazilian government has decided to break relations

SOME NEUTRAL.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Much of the uncertainty as to Latin-America's attitude in the war between the United States and Germany was cleared away today by definite advices that Chile and Mexico will remain neutral and increasing indications that Brazil, Gustamala, and Peru will join Cuba.

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efinitely decided for war. As the angest South American nation,

Brazil's influence on the other repub-

Officers here professed to be ig-norant of the purpose of Peru as au-

nounced in press reports, in sending a

Council Delegates Refer to

Girl Munition Workers

as Martyrs.

WILSON ENDORSED.

dred girl ammunition plant workers was read. At the end of the prayer

thy to the people of Eddystone, Pa.

Evans Cowles, of Los An-

her relations with Germany

CHILE AND MEXICO

CITIZEN WANT ADS

BRING RESULTS

NATION'S MOST PRESSING BRAZIL BREAKS **NEED IS MORE FOODSTUFFS** RELATIONS WITH DETERMINED BY CABINET GERMAN EMPIRE

All Army, Navy and Munitions Plans Are Well Under Way, Is Declared-Money and Food for the Allies and Shipping Most Serious Problems.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—President Wilson and his cabinet at today's meeting reviewed the many phases of war activities, found that every step possible to equip the army and navy and turn out munitions is under way, and decided that the most pressing needs of the nation now are to increase the supply of foodstuffs and oceangoing vessels, and raise sufficient money to finance America's part in the war and make liberal loans to the entente allies. For present activities the allies are understood to be well supplied with munitions, and to have as many men in the field as they can equip and feed under present conditions. Through a co-ordination of the munitions industry in the country, and the raising of a large army, the United States will be in a position later to supply any need in either field.

Food and Money.

Members of the council of national defense, who are also members of the cabinet, have been studying the best methods of aiding in the defeat of Germany, and they took to the president word that the most pressing need of Europe is for food and money.

President Wilson personally appealed to farmers today through the National Agricultural society to make it their patriotic duty to increase the food supply of the nation, and Secretary Lane brought forward a plan for greatly increasing the acreage under cultivation on pub-

Guatemala, and Peru will join Cuba and Panama on the side of the United Secretary McAdoo left the cabinet meeting early to Osused Surprise.
The decision of Chile, the first of the American republic to announce appear before members of the ways and means comthe American republic to announce her neutrality, caused some surprise among officials here. In many quarters it had been expected that she eventually would break with the Berlin government, but would postpone her decision until advised definitely of the course of Argentina and Brazil, the other members of the influential A. B. C. group in South America. What effect her stand will have on the smaller nations of the mittee of the house regarding plans for issuing bonds totalling \$5,000,000,000 and treasury certificates totalling \$2.000,000,000; \$3,000,000,000 of the bonds to be loaned to the entente allies. The bill for the issues will be introduced in the house tomorrow. Examine German Ships

To quickly meet the demand for ships, examination Merico's decision caused no surprise and is regarded as dertain to have little influence with her sister republics. Reports that General Carranza was softening to a distinct pro-American attitude have not been credited by officials here, and neither have they believed widely-circulated stories that he was preparing to ally himself openly with Germany. was begun of the condition of the German merchant essels in American ports, which the government plans to use. It appeared probable that Major General George

Secretary Baker, General Scott, chief of staff, and General Crowder, judge advocate general, appeared bes of the new world is expected to second only to that of the United

(CONTINUED ON PAGE TWO)

AUSTRIAN NOTE WHICH naval officer to Washington "on a special naval mission," but it was taken as a sign that opinion in that . (Continued on Page Two.) SEVERED RELATIONS IS SHENT PRAYER OFFERED GIVEN TO THE PUBLIC WHEN CLUB WOMEN HEAR

State Department Issues Prominent Russian Believes OF EDDYSTONE TRAGEDY it With an Official Statement.

CONSULS TO LEAVE.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Austria's note to American Charge Grew, at Vienna, severing diplomatic relations with the United States because of this NEW ORLEANS, April 10 .- Delegates at the sessions late today of the biennial council meeting of the General Federation of Women's clubs, at the suggestion of the president, Mrs.

Minister for foreign affairs has just informed me that the diplomatic relations between the United States and Austria-Hungaria are broken and has handed me passperts for myself and the members of the embassy. He states that we may leave the mongeles, arose for one minute of silent prayer when the news of the killing in Pennsylvania of nearly one hunarchy at our convenience and that was read. At the end of the prayer archy at our convenience and that period, Mrs. Cowles pronounced the single word "fortitude."

Mrs. Thos. G. Winter, director for Minnesota, was granted privilege of the floor and said:

"The first martyr of the Christian of the prayer archy at our convenience and that the period of the convenience and that the convenience and the convenience and that the convenience and the

churches was a slave girl of Lyons. The first martyrs of the present crisis note handed me by minister: 'Since the United States of America tude of the United States toward the has declared a state of war exists between it and the imperial German to say the least. President Wilson's government, Austria-Hungary, as the efforts to bring about peace were allies of the German empire, has decided to break off the diplomatic relations with the United States, and the lations with great suspicion, to say the least. President Wilson's point of the United States and the United States, and the United States are lations with great suspicion, to say the least. President Wilson's point of the United States and the United States are lations with great suspicion, to say the least. President Wilson's point of the German property to the United States are lations with great suspicion. are our own working girls of Pennsyl-The convention then voted unantmously to send a telegram of sympa-After brief discussion resolutions were adopted endorsing President Wilson's stand on the German situa-tion and pledging the assistance of imperial royal embassy at Warking-ton has been instructed to inform the department of state to that offect.

every club woman of the nation, represented through the federation, to "While regretting under these cir-cumstances to see a termination of the the government.

The women were urged to put aside whatever disapproval of war they may have had and do everything possible to bring victory to the arms of the United States.

This is a holy war; a war guided by love, not by hate," Mrs. Percy Pennybacker, of Texas declared.

Mrs. Cowles, in her report as presi-

SAY REVOLUTION AND ENTRANCE OF U.S. INTO WAR WILL BRING END SOON

Late Events Have Shaken German Courage.

RUSSIA'S ADVANTAGE.

PETROGRAD, April 9, (via London, April 10).—(Delayed).—The Russian revolution and the entrance of the United States into the war, following with the United States because of this country's declaration of war with closely upon each other, can hardly fermany and offering every facility full to shake the determination and for the return of American officials in Austria was made public at the state department today with an official statement as follows:

Minister for foreign affairs has just of trade and industry. Professor Bakhmetieff said he saw a tremendous advantage to Russia in the action of the American congress, not alone mo ally, but financially and materially. alone mor-

The declaration of war, said M. Bakhmetieff, eradicated the long standing suspicion in the Russian mind that the United States not only was not neutral, but that she was anti-ally, and particular anti-Russian.

lenna with a view to leaving for sufficient and russian. witzerland if possible at end of week.
Following is translation of text of Bakhmetieff continued, "Russians genote handed me by minister:

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M. Bakhmotieff mid the affairs of Russia were progressing favorably. He was not over-optimistic, but ex-pressed the belief that a solution of the great problems facing the govern-ment would be found in due time. The the United States.

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Mrs. Cowles, in her report as president, emphasized the duty of the federation to the country in the present of the same time the undersigned avails himself of the opportunity to reaction to the country in the present crisis. Other general officers and slanding committees presented resistance.

(Signed)

Tall to place at the formers disposar, ment would be found in due time. The ment in deregime had left the governmental machinery in a deployable state. But it was roteworthy, M. Bakhmetteff added that, although the revolution was not a month old, every department in the new government had been thoroughly organized and tad bee





CHURCH-LIKE SILENCE, FOLLOWED BY WILDEST ENTHUSIASM GREETS SPEAKERS AT GREAT PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATION

Assemblage of Nearly 7,000 of Asheville's Best Citizenship Fills Auditorium and Overflows Into Street-Earnest and Sincere Loyally to the Government and the Flag Manifested-Splendid Addresses Heard by the Vasi Crowd.

to shoulder a gun and answer, the call to the colors. The speeches were interrupted again and again with applause and cheers. The invocation offered by Dr. R. F. Campbell made a deep impression on the great assem-

biage.

Meanwhile on the outside of the
Auditorium. 2,500 people who were unable to gain admittance to the building, were addressed by ex-Gov-ernor Locke, Craig, Thomas J. Harbuilding, were addressed of cernor Locke Craig. Thomas J. Harkins, Thomas Settle and D. Hiden Hamsey. The enthusiasm which greeted these speakers, whose addresses are published elsewhere, was no less marked than the cheers and applause given to the Auditorium speakers. It was a day of patriotism, rare patriotism in Asheville, and a day that will be long remembered.

The parade, which is also dealt with elsewhere, was a magnificent suctional succession. The parade, which is also dealt with elsewhere, was a magnificent suction of the colored race here to the

Asheville. The details of the parade were arranged by Major F. J. Clem-enger and his committee, and there

iffile influence with her sister republics. Reports that General Carranzing was softening to a distinct pro-American attitude have not been credited by officials here, and neither have they believed widely-circulated stories that he was preparing to ally himself copenly with Germany.

Not Confirmed:

Official confirmation of Brazil's conficuals the Berlin government will take the break with the Berlin government of the Berlin government will take the break with the Berlin government will take the position that if young men work in industries producing J. W. Walker, the colored physician, bledged the loyalty of the members of his own race and said he was ready the wall to the colors. The speeches were different units marching in the parade, then the parade ferent units marching in the parade, then the parade in charge of the construction of the great fleet of 1,000 than to parade.

In making exemptions from military service, if construction of Brazil's to the unswerving allegiance of the building. The first floor had been reserved for the difficult and the parade, showled the parade, showled the manufacture to the building. The first in the parade in Asheville than those delivered by the various presenters. These over ex-Governor Locke Craig. Congressman James J. Britt and Fred L. Seely. Resolutions do the Field hospital corps. When the Estilying to the unswerving allegiance of the negro race were presented and adopted, and in a splendid address Dr. J. W. Walker, the colored physician, but the field hospi

The day was a perfect one for such a demonstration as that of yesterday

An audience of many thousands completely filling and overflowing the auditorium yesterday afternoon magnificently testified to the loyalty of a church-like quiet broken only by the wildest enthusiase. The music and the patriotic songs rendered by that tremendous audience set the hearts of the multitude to beat long, from the time "Dilke" started the applause until the solemn prophecy of the Star-Spangied Banner made the ware at least 1, 100 per were cutified to their loyalty to the flag and to President Wilson at the memorable gathering of yesterday.

The loyalty of both races was plainly manifested and few finer addresses.

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more seats for those still outside.

Crowds Well Handled.

The parade and the mass meeting reflected the greatest credit upon the original committee of arrangements appointed by Mayor Rankin, and upon appointed by Mayor Rankin, and ayou the various special committees. The parade started on time, the many preliminaries for the meeting had all been made, and everything that executive ability and straight hard work could suggest had been done beforehand and so contributed to the entire The committee of arrangements ap

ted and a few minutes had filled the vacant seats. It is said a more orderly crowd, or one more considerate, has never been seen in Asheville. In the parade, and in the Auditorium and the overflow meeting were observed a number of American citizens of German descent, and the patriotic sentiments voiced by the speakers brought from them, apparently, as hearty appiause as from any other class.

Resolutions Adopted.

The committee of arrangements appointed by the mayor was as follows:

Dr. S. Westray Battle, chairman;
Dr. R. F. Campbell, Dr. R. R. Swope,
Donald Gillis, W. B. Williamson,
James H. Cains, T. W. Chambliss, S. Lipinsky, Curtis Bynum, T. J. Harkins, L. B. Rogers, C. H. Honess,
C. N. Brown, N. Buckner, J. A. Nichols, Major F. J. Clemenger, Capt.
Fred. Rutiedge, Capt. J. A. Perry, Col. Robert Bingham, Dr. George T. Winston, A. J. Lyman.
The Auditorium and the orchestra

for the meeting were secured through the courtesy of the S. A. Lynch enterprises.

There was a liberal display of United States flags in the Auditorium, especially on the stage. This was com-pletely filled, as was every other mook and corner of the building, and there were seated the speakers of the afternoon, and an augmented chorus of the

Mozart society, whose trained voices (Continued on Page Three.)

VILLA AND CARRANZA DANIELS WILL ANNOUNCE **OUTPOSTS HAVE CLASH** ARMOR PLANT SITE TODAY

Villa Still Moving Northward According to Reports Reaching Juarez.

JUAREZ, Mex., April 10 .- Villa and Carranza outposts clashed yesterday north of Namiquipa, an official teport received at military headquarters today stated Willa has ceased to move roday stated Willa has ceased to move northward and now has forces be-tween Bachinva and Namiquipa.

The defacto troops which left here Sunday evening for Casas Grandes have arrived there and taken the field against Villa. It was said here

PATROL STREETS.

El. PASO. April 10.—Troops are patrolling the streets, artillery is parked on the mesa overlooking Juarez and patrols have been strengthened along the river front, it was an-nounced today at military headquar-ters. An authorized statement says long been apparent to me, now in the measures were precautionary and clearly seen by all Russians. Those who doubted his horesty of purpose at that time now are convinced."

The wisdom of his course, which has the measures were precautionary and the opposite side of the fiver. It was also announced that an airplane secutalso announced that an airplane scoutborder late today.

REPORT BELIEVED RECEIVED.

REO JANEIRO, April 10, (Via Lon don.)—The official report regarding the sinking of the Brazilian steamer Parana, which the government has been awaiting before taking definite action toward Germany is believed to have been received today from the legation in Paris. It is believed the government this afternoon will sever relations with Germany.

Maryland, West Virginia or Presidents to Be Asked How

Kentucky to Be Given This Plant.

WASHINGTON, April 10.-Secretary Daniels will announce tomorrow the sites for the government armor plate and projectile factories. Three states, Maryland, West Virginia and Kentucky, were found by the inspec-tion board to possess the best loca-tions and one of them is virtually certain to get the award.

More than 209 cities, scattered throughout the country, were com-petitors for the plants and interest in the site chosen has been keen. Congress has appropriated \$11,000. 000 for the armor plate plant and \$1. 700,000 for the projectile factory. Substantial additional amounts probably will be provided before the es-tablishments are completed.

HISTORIC NAMES.

WASHINGTON: April 10 .- Name of historic naval vessels today were of historic naval vessels today were given to the five batrle cruisers be-ing built for the navy. They will be called the Sanatoga. Constellation, Constitution, Ranger and Lexington, after the famous frigates of the first American navy.

NEGROES MEET-

DURHAM, N. C., April 10.—Repre-rentative pegroes of this city, address-ing a mass meeting of saveral thou-and of their race here tought, branded reports that southern negroes are being influenced by German agents as false.

RAILROAD HEADS TO MEET TO DISCUSS WAR PLANS

They Are Prepared For a navy crew of gunners and was armed. The ship's crew of 284 men included 144 Americans. Co-Operation.

WASHINGTON, April 10 .- Presidents of the chief railroads of the country will meet here tomorrow with Daniel Willard, president of the Baltimore and Ohio and a member of the advisory commission of the council of national defense to discuss plans for furthering the nation's military and economic interests during the war. Mr. Willard will ask each railroad president to state the extent to which he is prepared to co-operate with government in bringing about

betterment of transportation condi tions, recognized as of 'vital import ance in the country's economic pro The chief transportation need a

present as officials view it, is to bring the railroads to the highest possible standard of efficiency and to estabstandard of efficiency and to establish the machinery of co-operation
through which any sudden strain on
transportation facilities imposed by
the government, man be mot with the
least amount of discreangement of
existing conditions.

The railread of cuttives also will
be asked, in all probability, to state
their views as to what could be done
about the government find it necessary to requisition some of the steamship lines now being operated by
roads.

THE WEATHER.

WASHNISTON, April 18.—Forecast for North Carolina: Fair and warmer Wednesday; Thursday, fair,

ROOSEVELT TALKS ARMY PLANS WITH PRESIDENT WILSON

Wants to Raise Division For Immediate Service in France.

STREAM OF CALLERS VISITS COLONEL

Makes it Plain That He Stands Squarely Behind the President.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Colonel Roosevelt, full of his old-time vigor and enthusiasm, began here today a personal campaign designed to result "at the earliest possible moment" in the appearance of the American flag and American soldiers, including him-self, upon the firing line in France.

Shows Plans to Wilson. Shows Plans to Wilson.

The former president placed his plans for recruiting a division of troops before President Wilson at a half-hour conference at the white house and during the remainder of the day and evening was busy with callers at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Nicholas Longworth. He talked about his project to the chairmen and minority members of the house and minority members of the house and senate military committees, and made arrangements to write them let-ters giving more specific details. He conferred with Secretary Baker and with Howard Coffin. Daniel Willard and Julius Rosenwald, members of the advisory commission of the coun-cil of national defense. He also re-ceived calls from the British Wesney. ceived calls from the British, French and Japanese ambassadors; Assistant Secretary o. State Phillips, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Franklin Becretary of the Navy Franklin Roosevelt, many senators and repre-sentatives and a score or more of per-sonal friends.

The colonel apparently enjoyed himself thoroughly. He did not spend a quiet moment from early morning until late at night. At all of his conferences he spoke not only of his own planoa, but made it clear that he stood suagraly behind President Wilson in the proposal to raise a war army on the principle of universal military service. He suppassed that his plane

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Able to Proceed Under Her Own Power Into Liverpool.

AMERICANS ABOARD.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The American liner New York struck a mine at 7:40 p. m., last night, five miles off Liverpool bar. No casualties were exercised. The vessel later proceeded to Liverpool.

Consul Washington, at Liverpool, reporting the incident to the state department today said:

"The American liner New York struck a mipe 7:40 p. m., last night, five miles off Liverpool bar. Company reports passengers landed at

pany reports passengers landed at Liverpool, except four who are still on ship. No casualties. Vessel procaeded under her own steam and is now (1 o'clock this morning) entering her dock."

NEW YORK, April 10.—The American line steamship New York left this port on March 29 for Liverpool with fifty-eight passengers, cargo and mail. The passengers included seven American citizens. She carried

The American citizens, who were passengers on the New York, with their addresses given when passage was secured, were: John M. Curtis, Mrs. Maude Augusta Dowling, and R. H. Gamble, New York city: Archer G. Jones and Mrs. Jones, Richmond, Va.; Charles E. Gale, Philadelphia and Captain Lawrie, Elizabeth, N. J.

The New York is commanded by Captain W. J. Roberts. The gun crew was in charge of a naval lieutenant.
The vessel, of 16,798 tons gross, was
the third American passenger ship to
leave armed from a United States

> Circulation Yesterday Suburban . . . 4,343 Country 1,674

THE ASHEVILLE CITIZEN

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