

LEGISLATION ON WAR QUESTIONS IS BEFORE CONGRESS

Measures Are Designed to Make Nation's Powers More Effective

SEDITION BILL HAS ROAD IN THE SENATE

Military Bills Have Right of Way in House, Beginning Today

WASHINGTON, April 7.—With the nation entering the second year of war, congress works this week on important legislation designed to make its powers more effective at the battle front and at home.

While the house gives right of way to bills extending the draft law, and other army legislation, the senate's schedule includes final disposition of several bills aimed at German spies and agents.

Beginning tomorrow military bills will have the right of way in the house.

RECOMMENDS A PUBLIC INVESTIGATION OF THE SALE OF WOOL TO HUNS

Germans Buying Wool Through Dummies, Is Declared

NEW YORK, April 7.—A public investigation to determine whether any of the wool purchasing operations of the Deutches bank of Berlin, were such as to cast doubt upon the present loyalty of the American and British firms and individuals concerned, was recommended today by Attorney General Clegg.

GENERAL FOCH PATIENTLY WAITING RIGHT MOMENT TO ATTACK GERMAN FORCES

Brilliant Leader Will Not Be Drawn Into Any False Move Where Moves Mean So Much—Will Strike With His Reserves at Moment Selected by Him.

The second phase of the great battle along the Somme, which the Germans began on Thursday last, has died down. It lasted less than three days, and the fighting has resolved itself into more or less isolated engagements in which the French and British allies have more than held their own.

The attention of the Germans for the present is mainly directed at the lower end of the battle zone, which apparently they are attempting to enlarge for the purpose of getting elbow room in which to move their vast masses of troops.

Meanwhile General Foch, the commander-in-chief of the allies is biding his time, meeting the German assaults with powerful resistance, and here and there conforming his lines to the necessities of the battle.

There may be some significance in the report that the German emperor, after a conference on the western front on Saturday with his chiefs, Von Hindenburg and Ludendorff, intends to proceed to Roumania.

The British on Sunday engaged in sharp local fighting at various points and repulsed German counter-attacks.

West of Noyon, a German detachment which had gained a foothold in the French lines was forced out by a counter-attack.

The official communication from German headquarters deals with the events of Saturday, when strong British infantry forces stormed the German positions around Beaumont-Hamel and Albert.

On the other hand, Field Marshal Haig's report says that a German attack on the British lines opposite Albert, Saturday, was repulsed and that British counter-attacks

Yes, Father's Getting His Exercise. But—



FRENCH AND BRITISH TENACITY HAVE UPSET AMBITIOUS PLANS OF GERMAN HIGH COMMAND IN BATTLE OF PICARDY

Now The Enemy, Determined to Gain Some Sort of Success at Any Cost, Is Hurling Masses of Men Forward in Attempt to Capture Limited Objectives—General Improvement in Strategic Position of the Allies Is Noted.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—French and British tenacity have upset the ambitious plans of the German high command for the battle of Picardy, says the war department's weekly military review tonight, and now the enemy, determined to gain some sort of success at any cost, is throwing fresh forces into the battle in an effort to secure limited objectives.

NEW YORK DISTRICT WILL TRY TO SELL BILLION AND HALF OF LIBERTY BONDS

Aviator Will Fly Across State "Bombing" Various Cities En Route

WAR INDUSTRIES BOARD ANNOUNCES CONTROL OF ALL WAR COMMODITIES

WASHINGTON, April 7.—Formal announcement was made today by the war industries board of its functions and policy under which the board and its chairman, Bernard M. Baruch, virtually will control the production and distribution of every commodity essential to the prosecution of the war.

GOVERNMENT RAILROAD HEADQUARTERS IN CAR

Secretary McAdoo Will Direct Railroads and Talk For Liberty Bonds.

WASHINGTON, April 7.—The main headquarters of the government railroad administration for the next few weeks will be "Car 302," traveling over thousands of miles of main tracks and shunting from siding to siding.

PRESIDENT REPLIES TO KING.

LONDON, April 7.—Replying to greetings on the occasion of the anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war, President Wilson has telegraphed the following message to King George:

ALLEGED BANK ROBBER CAPTURED AT CHARLOTTE

Police Declare That Frazier Has Confessed — Recognized From Photograph.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., April 7.—Thomas Frazier, alleged to have robbed a bank in San Francisco recently, getting away with over \$10,000, was arrested while walking along one of the principal streets of Charlotte late today by Detective Bradley, of the city police department.

ROME CELEBRATES.

ROME, Ga., April 7.—The formal demonstration planned for today in behalf of the third Liberty loan having been abandoned because of opposition of the Rome Ministers' association to a Sunday rally, a thousand citizens this afternoon marched in a driving rain in a parade of protest.

NO CONTEST OF CODICIL OF MRS. BINGHAM'S WILL

No Contest Either Over the Collection of Inheritance Tax by Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 7.—There will be no contest of the codicil to the will of Mrs. Robert Worth Bingham, formerly Mrs. Henry M. Flagler in which she bequeathed to her husband Judge Robert Worth Bingham, of Louisville, \$5,000,000, it was announced today by a Louisville attorney connected with the disposition to the estate who refused however to be quoted by name.

STATE OF SIEGE.

MOSCOW, Saturday, April 6.—(By the Associated Press)—A state of siege has been proclaimed at Kharkov, capital of the province of Kharkov, 424 miles southwest of Moscow. German forces are approaching Kharkov.

DR. SILVIO VON RUCK DIED YESTERDAY AT NEW YORK CITY

Noted Tuberculosis Specialist Succumbs to Pneumonia After Short Illness

FOR MANY YEARS DIRECTOR AT WINYAH

Deceased Physician Enjoyed International and National Reputation

Relatives and friends throughout this section were painfully shocked yesterday morning when it was announced that Dr. Silvio Von Ruck, for many years the director of the Winyah sanitarium, this city, and a prominent specialist in tubercular research work, had died at the Me-Alpine hotel, New York city, at 4 o'clock yesterday morning, after an illness of only four days, his death resulting from pneumonia.

For many years Dr. Silvio Von Ruck was associated with his father, Dr. Karl Von Ruck, in the management of the Winyah sanitarium, which the father founded here in 1888. He was born at Kent, Ohio, forty-two years ago, and came with his father and mother to Asheville at the age of thirteen.

Through a somewhat retiring disposition, the deceased's friends were legion, and he was ever popular with all classes of citizenship. He was always a generous donor to public and charitable movements, no worthy appeal being presented to him in vain.

The deceased was a member of several fraternal orders. No funeral arrangements have yet been announced.

GERMAN NEWSPAPERS DISCUSS ANNIVERSARY OF U. S. ENTRY INTO WAR

Devote Long Articles to Various Opinions as to Results

BLAME PRES. WILSON

AMSTERDAM, Saturday, April 6.—Nearly all the German newspapers received here contain long articles devoted to the anniversary of the entry of the United States into the war.