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# VOLUME XXXIV. SCOTLAND NECK, N. C., FRIDAY, APRIL 6, 1917. **TWICE A WEEK** TELEGRAPH SERVICE NUMBER 40 War Declared 1:13 When Wilson Signed Resolution

White House Issued Proclamation Declaring That a State of Wat Exists Between The United States And The German Empire

# Conscription Plan to Raise 2,000,000

# Men Between Ages 18 to 25 Years

#### (BY UNITED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, D. C., PRESIDENT ISSUED STATEMEN APPROVING WAR DEPARTMENT PLAN FOR RAISING 2 MIL-LION MEN. PROPOSED BEING THE REGULAR ARMY. NA-TIONAL GUARD TO WAR STRENGTH THEN ADD ADDITIONAL FORCE OF FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND IMMEDIATELY LA-TER INCREMENTS OF SAME SIZE AS NEEDED. NECESSARY MEN BE SECURED FOR NATIONAL GUARD AND REGULAR ARMY BY VOLUNTEERING AS AT PRESENT UNTIL IN THE PRESIDENT'S JUDGMENT RESORT TO SELECTIVE DRAFT BE DESIRABLE.

ADDITIONAL FORCES HOWEVER RAISED BY SELECT. IVE DRAFT OF MEN FROM 18 TO 25 YEARS OF AGE. THIS LEGISLATION MAKES NO ATTEMPT TO SOLVE QUESTION OF PERMANENT MILITARY POLICY FOR THE COUNTRY, PRESIDENT'S BILL IS ADOPTED TO THE PRESENT SITUA-TION. MILITARY COMMITTEE CONSIDERING.

#### (BY UNITED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6-The President appealed to all successful prosecution of the war.

of great love for her country Miss Jenaette Rankin, the only woman nueclus of a strong "sentimental" legion. member of Congress ,voted No on the vote for the declaration of war which was carried this morning by a vote of 300 for and 50 against.

Claude Kitchin made a speech in opposition to the measure and swung a dozen or more votes to the ranks of the opposition to the resolution.

Thirty two republicans, sixteen democrats, one socialist and one prohibitionist voted against the resolution.

Seventeen hours the house was in continuous session, and two hundred and twenty five members addressed the House.

#### WASHINGTON, April 6 .- Private William Schultz, single, district national guard, dropped from the drill ranks to whisper in his captain's ear. Captain nodded. Schultz off at a lope returned forty minutes later a married man.

MR. SAM KITCHIN DIES SUDDEN- Smith, who had been attending him, but failed. LY TODAY notfinding him, he ran'to Dr. Morgan Mr. Samuel B. Kitchin, the oldest of and returned in a minute or two.

Dr. Morgan administered a hypoder-

whe Kitchin family, son of the late

Co-Eds To Raise An Entire Company

# (BY UNITED PRESS)

EVANSTON, Ill., April 6 .- Northwestern University co-eds took the field today to raise an entire company for the first Illinois Infantry.

### Americans With Allies Transfer to U.S. Flag (BY UNITED PRESS)

LONDON, April 6.- The distinct understanding gained ground here today that the government would not oppose the transfer of all Americans from the ranks of the imperial forces to a fighting force under the stars and stripes-provided such a transfer would aid military plans of the United States.

citizens to uphold the laws and support the measures necessary for a British Army. A majority are with German regiments. Probably over to the Red Cross. She will drive the car herself. this number has been depleted by casualities but it is believed there

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6 .- With sobs, and protestation are a sufficient number of survivors to be regarded as the potential

# Six Months For

#### Attacking President (BY UNITED PRESS)

NEW YORK, April 6 .- Henry Yeager, a Maywood, N. J., a real estate dealer was sentenced to six months in the work house here today for having attacked President Wilson in a public speech. German

"This man is the type of character who has taken advantage free speech," said the magistrate in sentencing Yager. "It is better that this type be subdued."

Attempt was made to limit debate on the question, but this

#### (BY UNITED PRESS)

"Buck" Kitchin, died suddenly this mic of morphine and this revived Mr. ing financing the war, and secret precautionary orders have already would be harmful.

## **Federal Reserve Banks** To Finance War (BY UNITED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, April 6 .- That the United States will be largely if not altogether, financed in war with Germany through the Federal reserve banks was indicated today by the monthly statement which declared that in order to meet financial and banking problems growing out of the present crisis. Congress will be asked to immediately pass legislation granting the Federal Reserve Board additional rights and powers.

### Society Women To Drive Taxi Cabs (BY UNITED PRESS)

CHICAGO, April 6.-Mrs. J. S. Tolson announced she would It was estimated today that 30,000 Americans enlisted in the operate her automobile as a taxi, five hours a day and turn the money

#### **Polish Alliance Will** Offer 50,000 Men (BY UNITED PRESS)

PITTSBURGH, April 6 .- Officers of the Polish Falcons Alli ance here said today they are nearly ready to offer the President 50,000 men.

# Papers Are To Be Barred

#### (BY UNITED PRESS)

WASHINGTON, April6.-Dailies printed in German would be barred from the mails by a resolution of Senator Poindexter, prepared today.

While holding that most of these papers would be loyal, he con-WASHINGTON, April 6 .- The Cabinet is in session consider- tended that existence of even one spreading German propaganda

Kitchin, but he seemed to think that been issued to officials and civilians in different parts of the country morning about ten thirty, of acute in-

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digestion which struck his heart. he could not recover as he stated to Mr. Kitchin was an influential citizen Mr. Allsbrook "I am going to die". of S otland Neck, having farming in- He then seemed to sink again and Dr. large enterprises. His age was about mic of strychnine, but with no result first act of war. Twenty seven were seized in New York harbor, and fifty-two years, and until the past year as Mr. Kitchin died a few minutes was in excellent health. Last year he after.

had a slight paraletic stroke and re- The body was removed to his home cently complained of ill health. and the funeral will take place there This morning he ate a moderate .tomorrow afternoon, the funeral serbreakfast and seemed more cheerful vice conducted by Rev. R. A. McFarthan usual. About ten o'clock, coming land of the Baptist church. down from his office he complained to The deceased is a highly respected many. The Brazillian steamer has been submarined, killing three Mr. Bernard Allsbrook, his parner in 'member of society, and is survived by the Dixie Furniture Company, that he a wife, Mrs. Eva Kitchin, three sons, had a pain in his throat, which ran W. H., S. B., Jr., and Lewis Kitchin; down his back. Mr. Allsbrook imme- three daughters, Mrs. J. H. Dunn, Mrs. diately sat him down in the front of the J. B. Edwards, Jr., and Miss Evelyn of the store while he ran for Dr. Kitchin.

(BY UNITED PRESS) NEW YORK, April 6.-Ninety one german ships scattered in tere ts and interests in several other Morgan administered another hypoder- American harbors have been seized by the government, which is the

> seizures reported from Wilmington, Jacksonville, Philadelphia, Boston, New Orlenas, San Francisco and other points. No trouble with the crews is reported, which have been sent to the immigration stations. The vessels seized will be used by the United States after the damaged machinery, and the hulls, have been repaired.

> RIO de JANIERO, April 6.-Brazil may declare war on Ger-Brazillian citizens.

#### (BY UNITED PRESS)

## **Rockfeller** Stands By The President (BY UNITED PRESS)

Bavannah, Ga., April 6.-John D. Rockefeller said in a statement here today, "the true test of Americanism has come. We must all stand by the President. Party and religious differences must be sunk into the melting pot of the common cause-harmonious patriotism."

WASHINGTON, April 5 .- Preven- | Harrisburg, Pa., April 5 .- Seven miltion of palming off "embalmed beef" lion dollars probably will be approprior other inferior material on the army

or navy was proposed in a bill, intro- ated for preparedness within the next BUENOS AIRES, April 6.- England has threatened a coal embargo unless Argentina lifts the wheat emborga. This coal embargo duced by Rep. LaQuardia, New York. week by the Pennsylvania legislature. would paralyze Argentine.