

WEATHER FORECAST. North Carolina--Rain, followed by clearing and colder tonight. Friday, colder. South Carolina--Rain this afternoon; fair and cooler tonight and Friday.

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NO VOTE YET IN HOUSE ON WAR EDICT

KAISER TO HAVE ALL RESERVISTS TO MAKE ATTACK ON AMERICA

Sensation Sprung in House Today By Republican Congressman In Debate. MAKES STRONG CHARGE IN SPEECH.

Germany Intended to Attack United States All Along the Border--German Schooner Land Supplies and Officers For Villa.

LANSING MAKES DENIAL. (By Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., April 5.--When Representative Miller's quotation was submitted to Secretary Lansing, however, the Secretary of State declared the Zimmermann instructions "contain nothing of the sort."

Washington, April 5.--Representative Miller, of Minnesota, a Republican member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, created a sensation during discussion of the war resolution by declaring that an unpublished paragraph of the Zimmermann note offered to establish a submarine base in a Mexican port and supply Mexico with unlimited quantities of arms and ammunition and send German reservists in the United States to Mexico.

The unpublished portion of the Zimmermann note Miller quoted as follows: "Agreeably to the Mexican government, submarine bases will be established at Mexican ports from which will be supplied arms, ammunition and supplies. All reservists are ordered into Mexico. Arrange to attack all along the border."

It has been understood, but never officially announced, that the full text of the Zimmermann instructions to German Minister Von Eckhard was not published with the main portion, which revealed the attempt to ally Mexico and Japan in war against the United States. Members of the Foreign Affairs committee in Congress, however, had been supplied with the full text and with other evidences of German intrigues against this government.

Miller further said he understood three German schooners had landed on the western coast of Mexico and that Villa was surrounded by German soldiers who had taken charge of the defenses of his men. Reliable information also was that the Carranza army was "not much better," Miller said.

FUNERAL TOMORROW. Remains of Mr. W. J. Reeves Will Be Interred In Oakdale Cemetery.

The funeral services of Mr. J. W. Reeves, who died at the Tankersley-Harper Sanitarium yesterday afternoon, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Fourth Street Advent church, Fourth and Church streets. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

All members of Jeff Davis Council, J. O. U. A. M., are requested to gather at the residence, No. 61, South Second street, at 3:15 o'clock to attend the services.

AGED LADY DIES TODAY. Mrs. Elizabeth A. Burris Passed At Her Home This Morning--Funeral Friends Will Be Much Grieved To Learn of the Death of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Burris, aged 66 years, who passed away at her home, No. 212 Queen street, this morning at 9:40 o'clock.

Surviving Mrs. Burris are two daughters, Mrs. J. J. Franks and Mrs. J. F. Hart, of this city, and three sons, Messrs. L. J. Burris, of New York; J. I. Burris, of Baltimore, and J. E. Burris, of this city.

The funeral will be held at the residence tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock and interment will be made in Bellevue cemetery.

NOTED EDUCATOR TO SPEAK HERE

Dr. A. E. Alderman Arrived From Charlottesville, Va., This Morning.

Dr. Edward A. Alderman, president of the University of Virginia, who is to be the principal speaker at the centennial anniversary exercises at the First Presbyterian church this evening, arrived in the city this morning from Charlottesville, Va., and was greeted at the union station by a number of his friends. Dr. Alderman is a Wilmingtonian and held in the highest esteem by a large number of friends here and throughout the State.

Dr. Alderman will speak this evening on "Patriotism and Democracy." He is an orator of no mean ability and is regarded as one of the most eloquent and brilliant speakers to be at the First Presbyterian church this week. Dr. Alderman is one of the foremost American educators of the day.

Dr. Alderman spoke at the graduation exercises of the Wilmington High school some time ago and his address at that time was considered one of the best ever heard here.

AMERICA'S AID TO THE ALLIES

Speculation Among Britishers As To What It Will Consist of. (By Associated Press.) British Headquarters in France, via London, April 5.--There is much speculation in the British army as to what assistance, in a military sense, America might render the Allies.

Regardless of what theorists may say, practical fighting men here believe that the United States would want to have representation with the allied army on this front and would send over a considerable fighting force within six months, provided the war lasts that long.

One definite thing expected is that America will undoubtedly increase manifold the hospital and medical assistance which she is already voluntarily rendering the Allies.

Manufacturers Unable to Supply Demands for American Flags. The following New York dispatch is of interest, for it shows how very patriotic the country is and how solidly it is standing behind the government in whatever action it sees fit to take: "The patriotic feeling prevailing in the United States today has taxed the production capacity of flag-making firms. The demand for flags is far in excess of the supply and is growing daily. Flags are sold before they leave the machines, various companies reporting they are 10 days to two months behind in meeting their orders."

NEW DIRECTORY OUT. More Than Three Thousand Telephones Listed in New Book.

The Southern Bell telephone company are now issuing their new directory, complete up to March 1st. The new book contains more than three thousand phone numbers, which is evidence of the fact that the number of telephones being used in the city is growing rapidly. Manager S. D. Lucas, of the local office, requests that any subscriber who has not received one of the new directories can get the same by notifying the office.

ANOTHER AMERICAN SHIP SUNK

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 5.--Sinking without warning of the unarmed American steamer, Missourian, which left Genoa, April 4, with 32 Americans among her crew of 53, was reported to the State Department today by Consul-General Wilbur at Genoa. The crew was saved.

Ship Unarmed. New York, April 5.--The American steamship Missourian, owned by the American-Hawaiian Steamship Company line, left here March 6 for Italian ports. The ship was unarmed and carried on her outward voyage a general cargo. She was commanded by Capt. Wm. Lyons.

DR. FEW IS NAMED ITS PRESIDENT

New Head of Wesley Bible Class Federation--Rev. Dr. Plyler on Committee.

(Special to The Dispatch.) Rocky Mount, N. C., April 5.--With the election of Dr. William P. Few, president of Trinity College, as president, the second annual session of the Wesley Bible Class Federation, brought its 3-day session to a close this morning. Other officers of the association and the executive committee were elected, but the next place for the holding of the annual sessions was left in the hands of the executive organization. The other officers elected this morning included, vice presidents, B. V. Adams, of Four Oaks; Rev. J. M. Ormond, of Kingston; Secretary, D. H. Shelton, of Raleigh; treasurer, Miss Myrtle Muse, of Carthage; field secretary, elected by the North Carolina conference, H. E. Spencer, of Durham; executive committee, Messrs. J. A. Long, of Roxboro; C. R. Pough, of Elizabeth City; D. H. Hood, of Fayetteville; C. E. Weatherbee, of New Bern; Rev. A. L. Ormond, of Rockingham; R. E. Price, of Raleigh; Dr. M. Bolton, of Warrington; W. H. Newell, of Rocky Mount, and Rev. M. T. Plyler, of Wilmington.

The three days' sessions have been fraught with able discussions and excellent talks and papers on the live problems of Sunday school work and endeavors. Included among the able speakers of night session last night and the closing session today were Rev. W. R. Shelton, Sunday school field secretary of Western North Carolina conference; Rev. M. Bradshaw, of Raleigh; Dr. G. D. Dulla, superintendent of the Wesley Bible class department at Nashville, Tenn., and others.

Of greatest interest has been the open parliament discussions of live Sunday school problems, which have taken place at every morning session and which has been participated in by the upwards of three hundred delegates in attendance.

SELLS INTEREST. Mr. J. P. Matthews to Conduct Frost Ice Cream Company.

Mr. J. B. Farmer, who has been connected with the Frost Ice Cream Company for a number of years, has sold his interest in that firm to his business associate, Mr. J. P. Matthews, who will continue to conduct the business under the name of the Frost Ice Cream Company. Messrs. Farmer and Matthews have conducted this business for many years and wherever ice cream is eaten in the city the name "Frost" is not unknown. Mr. Matthews states that the business will be conducted on the same lines in the future as it has been in the past, the one idea of the company being to please its patrons.

Son Died En Route Home--Father Expired When Informed. Friends of Mr. T. P. Holloman, connected with the W. H. Banck Engineering Company, who lately came to this city from Atlanta, Ga., to live, will sympathize with him deeply in the death of his brother and father. Mr. Holloman received a telegram last night conveying this sad news, and left for Atlanta this morning.

The brother died while en route to his home from the Mexican border, where he had been employed by the government as a civil engineer. He underwent an operation for some ailment and was en route home when he died. News of his death was telegraphed to his father in Atlanta and the shock resulted in his death. The elder Mr. Holloman was 72 years of age.

TWO RELIEF SHIPS SENT TO BOTTOM; OTHERS ALSO LOST

Belgian Steamer From New York, With Supplies, Torpedoed With Warning

NOT TO VOTE BEFORE 9 O'CLOCK TONIGHT. (By Associated Press.) Washington, April 5.--Administration leaders in the House were agreed late this afternoon that the war resolution would not come to a vote before 9 o'clock tonight.

HEAD OF FRENCH NATION CABLED TO PRESIDENT

His People Are Deeply Grateful to America and Its Chieftain

CONVEYS THANKS OF FRENCH PEOPLE. Pledges Anew Friendship For United States--Faithful to Its Ideals, Poincare Says.

(By Associated Press.) Paris, April 5.--President Poincare, of France, has sent the following cablegram to President Wilson: "At the moment when, under the generous inspiration of yourself, the great American republic, faithful to its ideals and its traditions, is coming forward to defend with the force of arms the cause of justice and of liberty, the people of France are filled with the deepest feelings of brotherly affection."

"Permit me again to convey to you, Mr. President, in this solemn and grave hour, an assurance of the same sentiments of which I recently gave you evidence, sentiments which, under the present circumstances, have grown in depth and warmth. "I am confident that I voice the thought of all France in expressing to you and to the American nation the joy and the pride which we feel today as our hearts once again beat in unison with yours."

"This war would not have reached its final import had not the United States been led by the enemy himself to take part in it. To every impartial spirit it will be apparent, in the future more than ever in the past, that German imperialism, which desired, prepared and declared this war, had conceived the mad dream of establishing its hegemony through the world. It has succeeded only in bringing about a revolt of the conscience of humanity. "In never-to-be-forgotten language, you have made, yourself, before the universe, the eloquent interpreter of outraged laws and a menaced civilization."

"Honor to you Mr. President, and to your noble country. I beg you to believe in my devoted friendship." "Raymond Poincare."

SPOKE AT HIGH SCHOOL. Rev. W. J. Martin Address Student Body Yesterday

Rev. W. J. Martin, who is here attending the centennial celebration at the First Presbyterian church, visited the High school yesterday and spoke to the student body on "The Secret Of Success." The address was of a highly interesting nature and was thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils.

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HOUSE MAKES READY TO FOLLOW THE LEAD OF THE U. S. SENATE

Hoped to Obtain Vote on War Resolution Before Night

FLOOD OPENS DEBATE WITH HOT SPEECH

Mississippi Bitterly Denounces Both Germany and The Pacifists--Representative Cooper and a Few Others Oppose Resolution.

(By Associated Press.) Washington, April 5.--Debate of the war resolution began in the House promptly at 10 o'clock this morning with Chairman Flood of the Foreign Affairs committee making the opening statement.

Passing of the resolution, which will complete the action of Congress in declaring that a state of war exists between Germany and the United States, is expected before night, by a heavy majority comparable with that which attended its passage last night in the Senate.

Far in the rear of the hall sat Representative Cooper of Wisconsin, ranking Republican member of the Foreign Affairs committee, who expected to lead the opposition. Less than a dozen members, it was predicted, would vote against the war resolution.

The galleries were only half filled when debate began and less than half of the members were present when the session opened. Under the unanimous consent rule, by which the resolution was being considered, Representative Flood could move the previous question at any time after one hour; and, if sustained, bring the measure to a vote. He was disposed, however, to give members every opportunity to speak throughout the day.

The debate began without any limitation. "War is being made upon our country and its people," Representative Flood said, in opening. "Our ships are being sunk. Our noncombatant citizens, including men, women and children, are being murdered. Our merchantmen are denied the freedom of the seas. There is no choice as to our course. We are compelled by the acts of the German government to enter into this most colossal war."

"The time for argument has passed; the time for heroic action is here and our people will rally to the support of their government in this high and patriotic hour and meet war's sacred and glorious call with a brave and patriotic peoplehood."

"We should take our stand by the side of the allied nations which have been fighting humanity's battles for two and one-half years, determined that our power shall be so employed that complete victory shall crown their efforts and that Prussian militarism shall be crushed and the world shall be delivered from the threat and danger of the Hohenzollern dynasty."

Representative Harrison, of Mississippi, vigorously assailed pro-German sympathizers and pacifists. "If there be in this body or elsewhere, citizens who object to the course we are embarking upon," said Mr. Harrison, "I would suggest to them that they employ their talents and eloquence not in attempting to cause dissension among the American people, but in addressing Kaiser Wilhelm, Bethmann-Hollweg, the Reichstag, and the author of that remarkable sample of diplomatic 'kultur,' the Zimmermann note. Tell them how we love them; how we love history and principles of our Democratic Government; tell them how, during the whole war, the steady hand and unerring judgment and patriotic heart of the President have been employed in ceaseless efforts to avoid war and maintain a neutral position; tell them how our ships have been sunk, our citizens ruthlessly murdered and the most diabolical plots hatched at our very doors; tell them how we have protected, pleaded, and supplicated to a degree that has been almost humiliating, and how they have made promises only to be broken, and to injury have added insult; tell them that"

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