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## WAR WITH AUSTRIA ASKED BY WILSON IN HIS MESSAGE

### Declaration Against Turkey and Bulgaria Not Asked For At This Time.

#### IT IS A POWERFUL MESSAGE

"We Shall Go Wherever the Necessities of War Carry Us" Say The President

Washington, Dec. 4.—President Wilson read a powerful new note into his message to congress today. Calmly, but with his usual unassailable logic he urged an immediate declaration of war against Austria-Hungary. In moving words that brought cheers from the distinguished gathering which listened to him, he branded the dual monarchy as a vassal of Germany and, as such, an enemy of the United States.

The president added that the same logic would lead also to a declaration against Bulgaria and Turkey. They also are tools of Germany.

"But," he continued, "they are mere tools and do not yet stand in the direct path of our necessary action."

President Wilson's utterances were greeted with tremendous applause and cheering from the floor of the house and from the galleries. Ambassadors, members of the supreme court, members of the cabinet and the crowded rows of citizens expressed their hearty approval.

President Wilson asked for immediate action. He got it. Congressional consideration was started at once at both ends of the capitol, and it is a foregone conclusion that war will be declared on Austria, probably within a fortnight. The declaration may come next week; or it may be delayed by some possible pretext until the holidays.

## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The President spoke as follows:

"Gentlemen of the Congress:

"Eight months have elapsed since I last had the honor of addressing you. They have been months crowded with events of immense and grave significance for us. I shall not undertake to detail or even summarize those events. The practical particulars of the part we have played in them will be laid before you in the reports of the executive departments. I shall discuss only our present outlook upon these vast affairs, our present duties, and the immediate means of accomplishing the objects we shall hold always in view.

"I shall not go back to debate the causes of the war. The intolerable wrongs done and planned against us by the sinister masters of Germany have long since become too grossly obvious and odious to every true American to need to be rehearsed.

"But I shall ask you to consider again and with a very grave scrutiny our objectives and the measures by which we mean to attain them; for the purpose of discussion here in this place is action, and our action must move straight towards definite ends. Our object is, of course, to win the war; and we shall not slacken or suffer ourselves to be diverted until it is won. But it is worth while asking and answering the question, when shall consider the war won?

"From one point of view it is not necessary to broach this fundamental matter. I do not doubt that the American people know what war is about and what sort of an outcome they will regard as a realization of their purpose in it. As a nation we are united in spirit and intention. I pay little heed to those who tell me otherwise. I hear the voices of dissent—who does not? I hear the criticism and the clamour of the noisily, thoughtless and troublesome. I also see men here and there fling themselves in impotent disloyalty against the calm, indomitable power of the nation. I hear men debate peace who understand neither its nature nor the way in which we may attain it with uplifted eyes and unbroken spirits.

"But I know that none of these speaks for the nation. They do not touch the heart of anything. They may safely be left to strut their uneasy hour and be forgotten.

"But from another point of view I believe that it is necessary to say plainly what we here at the seat of action consider the war to be for and what part we mean to play in the settlement of its searching issues. We are the spokesmen of the American people, and they have a right to know whether their purpose is ours. They desire peace by the overcoming of evil, by the defeat once for all

## BOYS AT FORT CASWELL EXPRESS APPRECIATION

### Were Glad to See The Fellows From Home and Enjoyed the Big Thanksgiving Dinner.

The following letter from the "Hogan Gang" at Fort Caswell, which is composed principally of Dunn boys, the slogan of which is "Sherman Said It," expresses the appreciation of the boys for the many thoughtful gifts which were sent them Thanksgiving by the good people of Dunn and Harnett county. The letter is interesting and should be read by every one who is interested in the boys at the "Fort." It follows:

To the good people of Dunn who were so thoughtful as to remember the "Hogan Gang" at Fort Caswell Thanksgiving day with all kinds of eatables, such as turkey, cranberry sauce, fruits, variety of cakes, sandwiches, cigars cigarettes, etc. We the undersigned members of said organization do hereby use this method of extending thanks.

We deeply appreciate their efforts in making Thanksgiving day so pleasant for us. For days as fellows have been looking forward with so small degree of pleasure to a visit by some of the home people and after receiving word that Thanksgiving morning's boat would bring our friends to the port the year was bailed with delight.

Believe us—we met that boat and to see the familiar faces of Misses Margaret Pope, Cora Warren, Brownie Exall, accompanied by Gene Parker, A. D. Wilson, Bob Denning, and Gene Lee. We simply could not control our actions nor tongues. Happy—oh boy! Overjoyed is a mild expression.

We again thank all of those who contributed to the good feed for us, but more especially are we thankful and appreciative of the above named party who came from home in person, and not only delivered the goods, but made us feel like life down here has not been forgotten by all. Come again good people and visit us, we enjoy having you more than words can express. If you have any doubts just try it and see.

Ralph Wade  
Ralph Parker  
Alec Parker  
Lewie Strickland  
Jesse Wilson  
Bob Wilson  
Leon Cohen  
Bob Fearall  
Joe Newman  
Charlie Parks  
Elijah Lockomy  
Wesley Thompson  
Casper Warren  
Henry Lee  
Fort Caswell, N. C., Dec. 3.  
"HOGAN GANG."

## CONSERVATION PROPAGANDA MEETING WITH SUCCESS

### Reports Coming in Daily Are Very Encouraging to the Food Administration.

Raleigh, Dec. 4.—That the conservation propaganda being conducted in North Carolina is meeting with a splendid response in most places is shown by reports that are coming to the office of the Food Administration here.

A particularly inspiring report has just come from Salem Academy and College at Winston-Salem. This institution serves 1000 meals a day. It is observing five meatless days a week, having two sea-food days, one fowl day, and one day on which no meat in any form is served. Corn products and graham bread are substituted for white bread entirely on wheatless days and to a very considerable extent during the entire week. The consumption of sugar has been cut down from 100 pounds to 35 pounds a day. Desserts are served only on alternate days, and often salads instead of sweet desserts are served. Cakes has been practically eliminated.

President Howard E. Bondthaler writes Food Administrator Henry A. Page that he has enjoyed the hearty co-operation of the entire student body in his food conservation program and Mr. Page has written thanking the college authorities and the student body particularly for their co-operation. The Food Administration is also calling the attention of all boarding schools in the State to the example set by the Winston-Salem Academy.

## THE DEADLY AUTO

New York, Dec. 1.—Automobiles killed 801 persons in New York state since January 1, as compared with 604 during the same period last year, according to a report issued by the National Highways Protective Society today.

The food administration has seized 16,000 tons of sugar which was held in New York.

## WANT HIGHER SALARIES PAID SCHOOL TEACHERS

### Next Legislative Will Be Urged to Provide for Higher Salaries For Teachers

The North Carolina Teachers' assembly closed its 34th annual convention in Charlotte Friday night with a patriotic rally in the city auditorium when speeches were made by Gov. Bickett, President Graham of the State University, and Arthur Farwell, composer and musician, of New York city.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows: N. W. Walker, president, Chapel Hill; S. B. Underwood, vice-president, Greenville; E. E. Sams, secretary, Raleigh; A. S. Webb, Miss Mary Arrington and R. H. Latham were elected to fill vacancies on the executive board.

In the long list of resolutions passed at the business meeting Friday, the secretary was instructed to write a letter to all Superior court judges, calling upon them to charge their several grand juries as to the compulsory attendance law. Owing to the fact that many valuable teachers are leaving the service because of higher salaries paid by concerns profiting by the world war, the resolutions called upon the proper authorities to raise salaries of teachers to prevent this great loss to the teaching force of the State.

Pressure will be brought to bear upon the next Legislature for the raising of teachers' salaries, enlarging the State school funds, and erecting fireproof buildings.

The Shirley cup, given for the best musical composition in the state for the year, was awarded to Miss Alla Pearl Little of Hickory. Her composition was a circle of songs, five parts, "From the Heart of Nature."

## WILL CAPTURE KAISER FOR \$20,000 REWARD

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 1.—A man who signs himself "of the Air" has reported to State Treasurer Bill Alexander that he will deliver Bill Hohenschollern, alias Kaiser Wilhelm within 30 days, if the reward of \$20,000 is offered.

Kaiser Bill is hiked to \$20,000. "Anyone who thinks Kaiser Bill is in Germany," declared the signer of the letter in his missive, "is a fool. I talked to the Kaiser in Kansas City not fifteen days ago. If you want him advance me \$500 expense money."

## CIVILIZATION WILL DIE IF PRUSSIA WINS

### Minneapolis Tribune.

Hitherto America has felt safe behind her encircling seas, across which no superior hostile arm could reach. And the whole world has felt securely fortified on its side, from which direction only the good God was ever known to strike. But within the last three years we have been stripped naked of both these defenses. There is no guaranty of safety to a single human being for a single day or night so long as a power exists on earth large enough and malevolent enough to undertake a world raid.

In spite of the utmost national vigilance we shall be naked to our enemies as ever were the Gauls to the Huns or the Romans to the Vandals, if airships shall continue to develop and submarines to extend the radius of their destructiveness in the hands of a people devoid of moral sense.

How startling near the world now is to such a catastrophe is shown by many signs in the development of the German genius to destroy, but by none so vividly as that of the recent assault on Armentieres by German bombing planes carrying arsenic gas bombs. This gas is a colorless, almost odorless, exceedingly subtle and altogether deadly poison, one breath of which, it is said, is sure death, against which there is no known remedy. Its killing effect on Armentieres lasted for more than a week, and in that time 4,000 of the inhabitants everyone who breathed the gas, died in agony, greater even than that produced by the German chlorine gas.

Experts in the effects of poison believe that it is possible with this gas for one airman in one flight to kill every inhabitant of a village of 500 people; while persistent flights of great air squadrons could put to death an entire nation, once it had its gas munitions and air squadrons ready in advance of its intended victim.

We now know Germany well enough to believe that, driven into a luring fight, her high command will not withhold its hand for moral reasons from pouring this fatal poison over all or any of its enemies. All the world dead but Germany, official and unofficial, seems to be able to contemplate with calm serenity.

There is no defense against such a world-killing power except to put it under physical bonds while the world spirit is remade on the plan laid down

## THANKSGIVING ENJOYED BY THE BOYS

### Capt. Holland, of Company 9th Infantry, Sends Dispatch Menus to the Boys

The following menus were sent to the Dispatch last week by Captain Holland, of Company 9th Infantry, which is now at Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C. The menu that was served the boys was most enjoyed by the average boy. Uncle Sam's soldiers are the best paid and the best fed of any in the world, which is the satisfaction of all who are the best fighters. The menus follows:

**THANKSGIVING DINNER 1917**  
Oyster Soup  
Roast Turkey  
Giblet Gravy  
Sage Dressing  
Loin of Pork  
Creamed Mushrooms  
Sweet Potatoes  
French Peas  
Dill Pickles  
Lettuce Salad  
Cocoanut and Walnut Layer Cake  
Mince Pie  
Mixed Nuts and Candies  
Oranges  
Cigars and Cigarettes  
Cocoa  
Coffee  
Grantham-McBryde

Red Springs, Nov. 28.—A wedding of much interest throughout this section of the State was solemnized at the home of Mr. Thomas McBryde on Tuesday, November 27, at 3:30 o'clock, when his daughter, Jane Brown, became the bride of Mr. Lewis Irvin Grantham, of Lumberton. The bride was beautifully decorated with ferns and yellow chrysanthemums.

Preceding the ceremony Miss Annie McBryde, sister of the bride, sang "The Sweetest Story Ever Told." Mrs. W. C. Brown presided at the piano. To the strains of Liszt's "Wedding March" the bride entered with the best man, his brother, Mr. Walter Grantham, of Smithville, who was the best man.

Wild Rose" was softly played. Rev. Eugene Alexander, pastor of the bride, officiated, assisted by Rev. W. C. Brown. The bride wore a handsome blue suit with gray hat and gloves, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses and valley lilies. Mrs. Nibbet wore a blue satin gown and carried yellow chrysanthemums. Miss Annie McBryde wore taupe satin and Mrs. Brown grey crepe de chine with rose trimmings.

## DEMONSTRATION FORCES OUT LINE PLANS FOR WAR WORK

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 5.—The main work of the Farm Demonstration Division of the Agricultural Extension Service for the coming season will be in increasing food production and eliminating waste, according to an announcement from Mr. C. E. Hudson. The division will also concern itself with the promotion of the conservation of food and feed crops, through educational and demonstration methods by State, district, and county agricultural agents. To this end the organization will aid in the distribution of information coming from the Extension Service of the State College of Agriculture, and other approved sources. The agents have been very busy at work since the war began in trying to meet war conditions on the farm, and will continue along this line as long as the war lasts.

Under the operation of the Emergency Fund, recently available, an effort is being made to get a county agent in every county in the State. With a very few exceptions, the counties have all made appropriations for cooperating in the work. The intent and purpose of the Emergency Fund, therefore, is to extend and enlarge the work of these agents, and also to make more intensive. All forces in the State that can help in this matter are being asked to cooperate in it. With the situation that now exists, all people in the State should join in this work, in one way or another. Few citizens seem to realize the enormous amount of food that the country will be called on to supply during the next year or two, whether the war ends during that time or not.

Farmers, of course, will be the main producers in such crops. They are assured of good prices for them; so this emergency work is safe, from a farmer's standpoint. Others, however, can produce no inconsiderable amount of food in gardens, orchards, yards, and other small pieces of ground.

All people, whether farmers or others, are called on to observe a rational economy in the handling of food and feed crops, so that they will be used to the best advantage without waste. And, right here, the war will, no doubt, teach a good lesson in the way of proper economy. In almost every family there is certain waste that could easily be stopped, without any detriment whatever to the feeding of the family. It is thing.

When you want to be thrilled, when you want to be excited by the interplay of startling situations, narrow escapes, and thrilling sensations, when you want to be enthralled by a fascinating love story and entranced by the beauty of a star, see "Hearts Affire" at the White Way Theatre on Friday. This splendid film play will thrill you, interest you and entertain you during every moment that it is being presented on the screen. This pictureplay has everything that you want. You will like it and you will be charmed and delighted by the beauty and artistry of Clara Kimball Young, the star in the production. Based on the book "Hearts in Exile," written by John O'Shea and dramatized by Owen Davis, this offering is a great credit to the Clara Kimball Young Service-World Pictures, by whom this picture is released.

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by the Man of Galilee. The official breeding of game-wid hate—that cool calculating, merciless, mercenary, undying, Teutonic hate—must cease from the face of the earth, or civilization will die.

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## AGREEMENT CONCLUDED AT ALLIED CONFERENCE

### Also Announced That Creation of Inter-Allied Naval Committee Had Been Decided Upon

Paris, Dec. 4.—The foreign office officially announced today that at the recent inter-allied conference, in which the United States participated, agreements were concluded "upon the basis of a complete understanding and close solidarity among the allies for the solution of questions in which they have a common interest in the war."

It was also announced that the creation of a supreme inter-allied naval committee had been decided upon.

The inter-allied general staff, it was stated, was working upon a definite military program which was placing unity of military action in the way of certain realization.

The announcement regarding the results of the conference was made in the following official statement: "The minister of foreign affairs reported to the cabinet council today the result of the conference of the allies. The reading of communications from the presidents of each section of the allied conference, at which were present for the first time representatives of all the countries taking part with us in this war, has given felicitous results from every point of view. They give assurance of practical unity of action, economically, financially and militarily."

"The agreements have been concluded upon the basis of a complete understanding and close solidarity among the allies for the solution of the questions in which they have a common interest in the war. The financial needs of each of them, the requirements of their armament, their transport, their food, have been the subject of profound study which guarantees perfect satisfaction. The creation of a supreme inter-allied naval committee has been determined upon. Military unity of action has been placed upon the course of certain realization by the inter-allied general staff, which is at the present time working upon a definite program of action."

"From a diplomatic point of view entire accord resulted from the discussions among the representatives of the powers upon all the business, which has been arranged together, to assure common victory of their countries."

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## WHAT MOTHERS CAN DO TO PREVENT DISEASES.

### Dr. Malford Quarantine Officer, Wants Them to Co-operate, and Assist Him.

Nobody knows what it means to have a sick child like the mother therefore, I am asking the mothers of this county, especially, to co-operate with me, their county quarantine officer, and by all working together, to keep down those preventable diseases like whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever and diphtheria, as far as is possible.

Some old fashioned mothers used to believe that whooping cough and measles were like taxes, just had to come, and the sooner they "came and went," the better. But now mothers with me, their county quarantine officer, and by all working together, to keep down those preventable diseases like whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever and diphtheria, as far as is possible.

When a mother's baby, has measles it is less than five years old, she never knows whether it is going to be left blind, deaf, lame, or with weakened heart or kidneys, for life. The safest plan is to take no chances with any of these so-called children's diseases. Children don't have to have them, and why not protect them?

Some of the things mothers can do to keep down whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever, infantile paralysis and diphtheria in their homes and communities are, first, to suspect the disease and keep home the children having the first symptoms, such as sore throats or head colds, particularly if any contagious disease is in the community. Second, in case no physician is called to attend the child, the mother should see that the disease is reported at once to the county quarantine officer who will then tell her what to do and how to treat the case. The law requires her to do this. Third, every mother should respect the Quarantine Law. It may inconvenience her slightly but what will a few days of inconvenience mean if it saves a child's life or even if it saves him from a life-long defect.

Let every member of the Woman's Club not forget that the welfare of our town should not be neglected even if there is a war—we must live here after the war is over.

Be examined thoroughly by a physician this week and take inventory of your physical assets. Health may be undermined by some creeping malady—chase away the trouble—don't wait until it harasses you to death.

Come out to hear Miss Borggett and see her lightning sketches. 50 and 25 cents. Tickets at Drug stores.

Quite a success was the Baby Show which was held under the auspices of the Woman's Club last Wednesday. Such a crowd of little folks made it a bit difficult for the judges to decide but the blue ribbon for the prettiest child was carried off by Annie Whitehead and the pink ribbon went to Louise Fitzgerald. Misses Alice May and Agnes Gray Tart won the blue ribbon for being the smart babies for their ages and Paul C. Hood won the pink ribbon being only 3 months and 27 days old and weighing 15 1/2 lbs. Robert Barnes Godwin drew the greatest number of votes—35 and carried off the prize for being the favorite.

Simply a question of learning how to make the best use of everything, without an over-consumption of anything. It is thing.

## L. STURN ADMITS KILLING OF THE FAYETTEVILLE MAN

### Claims, However, He Was Justified Under the Unwritten Law

Fayetteville, Dec. 5.—L. Sturn, of Berkeley county, S. C., and Ross Edwards of Winston-Salem, the man and woman charged with the death of Angles Mouton, the Greek restaurant-keeper, whose body was found bound and gagged under a bed in their room in a lodging house here Monday night, were brought here by Rocky Mount police late this afternoon, having been arrested in that city late last night after being run down by Osborn Melvin and McFall of Fayetteville, deputized by Sheriff McGeehan.

Sturn admitted killing Mouton, but claims that he was justified under the unwritten law, though the Edwards girl has admitted, in a statement to the coroner, that she is not married to the man.

The train which brought the couple from Rocky Mount was met at the A. C. I. station by a tremendous crowd, on foot and in every description of vehicles, from horse-drawn to baby carriages.

The \$500 reward offered by the citizens of Fayetteville and authorities of Cumberland county for the apprehension of Sturn and the girl, will be shared by Osborn Melvin and Kim Hall, automobile drivers of this city, who trailed the fugitives to Rocky Mount and caused their arrest in a hotel at that city at midnight last night, and L. L. Wooten, proprietor of a lodging house here, who put the officials on the right track after they had been thrown on a false scent by Phillips, the chauffeur, now locked up.

Kim and Melvin were sent to Rocky Mount by Sheriff H. E. McGeehan last night after their arrival in the railroad city. The couple admitted their identity at once and also admitted that they were fleeing from the consequences of their act, but contended that homicide was not their motive and that when they left Mouton in their room he was "breathing all right," according to a statement made by one of the young men who caused their arrest, who returned from Rocky Mount this morning. The blow on the back of the Greek's head was to prevent his remembering too much about the affair. A doctor is authority for the statement that either the blow or the effect of the unskillful gagging could have caused death.

It was through information furnished by L. L. Wooten that the officials here first learned that the man and his companion had gone to Dunn instead of Roseboro, as Phillips, the chauffeur who drove them, stated at first. Mr. Wooten saw the pair at Dunn in company with Phillips at 6 o'clock Monday evening. They had formerly had rooms at a respectable lodging house across the street from Mr. Wooten's place of business and he recognized them at once, and reported the matter to Sheriff McGeehan when he got back to Fayetteville. The sheriff telegraphed to Rocky Mount as well as to a number of other cities asking the authorities to look out for the fugitives. But the sheriff, in his determination to catch the pair who had for the time outwitted him through the perverting chauffeur, was not satisfied with this measure, and learning that Melvin and Hall knew the couple by sight, sent to Rocky Mount to do a little slouching. The local boys made good within 10 minutes after setting foot in Rocky Mount.

Group Meeting at Rockyville  
The group meeting at Rockyville on last Friday, November 23, was quite a success. From the eight schools of the group there were eight committeemen and eight teachers present. The morning exercises were very strictly conducted by Miss Matthews and Tally, after which the regular work for the teachers was especially carried out. We, as teachers of this group, are pleased with the success of Rockyville school as our center, as we are aware that the people of the community are co-operative with their teachers in their educational work. The home being well furnished with necessary equipment, well furnished with fine pictures which is a great help in educational work to any school and we are going to accuse Miss Cherry and Prof. Gearty of being responsible to a great extent for the success the schools of Harnett county are making.  
A TEACHER.

## WHOOPIING COUGH

### Edward Holt, Jr., Holly Springs, R. F. D.

Measles:  
Irvin Kelley, Broadway, Route 2;  
Oscar Kelley, Broadway, Route 2;  
Diphtheria:  
Bruce Cameron, Jonesboro, R. F. D.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT WOMAN'S CLUB

### Next Meeting to be Held With Mrs. V. L. Stephens. The Baby Show a Success.

The Woman's Club will hold its regular business meeting with Mrs. V. L. Stephens, Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 8:00 o'clock.

Miss Evelyn Borggett, reader and cartoonist will appear at the Opera House Friday night, Dec 7th, at 8 o'clock.

The annual Red Cross Seal campaign will be put on soon. Let every one do our best. The more seals we sell, the better will our state be able to look after our soldiers who have contracted tuberculosis.

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