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## WILSON NAMES OCT. 24TH LIBERTY DAY

APPEAL COMES FROM WHITE  
HOUSE FOR LIBERTY LOAN  
SUBSCRIPTIONS.

## URGE PEOPLE TO ASSEMBLE

President Makes Stirring Appeal for  
People to Pledge to Support Govern-  
ment—Special Word to Subscrip-  
tion Workers.

Washington.—President Wilson in  
salute of the liberty loan issued a  
proclamation setting aside October 24  
as liberty day and urging the people  
of the nation to assemble on that day  
in their respective communities and  
pledge to one another and to the gov-  
ernment that represents them the full  
measure of financial support.

The President's proclamation fol-  
lows:

"By the President of the United  
States of America, a proclamation:

"The second liberty loan gives the  
people of the United States another  
opportunity to lend their funds to their  
government to sustain their country  
at war.

The might of the United  
States is being mobilized and organized  
to strike a mortal blow at autocracy  
in defense of outraged American  
rights and of the cause of liberty.  
Billions of dollars are required to  
arm, feed and clothe the brave men  
who are going forth to fight our  
country's battles and to assist the nations  
with whom we are making common  
cause against a common foe. To sub-  
scribe to the liberty loan is to perform  
a service of patriotism.

"Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wil-  
son, President of the United States of  
America, do appoint Wednesday, the  
twenty-fourth of October, as liberty  
day, and urge and advise the people  
to assemble in their respective com-  
munities and pledge to one another  
and to the government that represents  
them the fullest measure of financial  
support. On the afternoon of that day  
I request that patriotic meetings be  
held in every city, town and hamlet  
throughout the land, under the general  
direction of the secretary of the treasury  
and the treasury director, at which  
the people may assemble and pledge  
their support to the liberty loan."

With an over-subscription of more  
than 50 per cent. Let the response to  
the second loan be even greater and  
let the amount be so large that it  
will serve as an assurance of unequal-  
led support to hearten the men who  
are to face the fire of battle for us.  
Let the result be so impressive and  
emphatic that it will echo throughout  
the empire of our enemy as an index  
of what America intends to do to  
bring this war to a victorious conclu-  
sion.

"For the purpose of participating in  
liberty day celebrations all employees  
of the federal government, throughout  
out the country whose services can be  
 spared, may be excused at 12 o'clock  
Wednesday, the twenty-fourth of Oc-  
tober.

"In witness whereof, I have here-  
unto set my hand and caused the seal  
of the United States to be affixed.

"Done in the District of Columbia,  
this 12th day of October in the year  
of our Lord one thousand nine hun-  
dred and seventeen and of the inde-  
pendence of the United States of  
America the one hundred and forty-  
second."

(Signed) "WOODROW WILSON."  
"By the President,  
(Signed) "ROBERT LANSING,"  
"Secretary of State."

## TRADING WITH THE ENEMY ACT IS PUT INTO OPERATION

Proclamation by President, Confers  
Authority to Officials.

Washington.—Broad war powers con-  
ferred upon the president by the trad-  
ing-with-the-enemy act were put into  
operation under an executive order  
delegating the authority under the  
law to various government de-  
partments and to a newly created war  
trade board.

The board is composed of the mem-  
bers of the exports administrative  
board, which it will replace with the  
addition of a representative of the  
treasury department. It will continue  
to license exports.

Trading or commercial dealings of  
any nature with an enemy company  
or agent in this country or abroad is  
forbidden, except under license of the  
war board, which also is authorized  
to license enemy or "ally of enemy"  
companies doing business in the United  
States, excepting insurance com-  
panies, whose supervision is entrusted  
to the treasury.

Consent of cables, cables, radio  
and telegraph messages passing out of  
the United States is placed in the  
hands of a consensory board consisting  
of representatives of the war, navy  
and postoffice departments, the war  
board and of George Creel, chair-  
man of the committee on public in-  
formation.

To the treasury is assigned a regu-  
lation of transactions in foreign ex-  
change and operations in gold or sil-  
ver coin and currency, the enforce-  
ment of the law's provision against  
transmission to the enemy of infor-  
mation by any other means.

## UNUSUAL DEMAND CAUSES SHORTAGE

COAL PRODUCERS HAVE DONE  
THEIR BEST, GEOLOGICAL  
SURVEY ANNOUNCES.

## AN UNPRECEDENTED DEMAND

Due to Increase in Manufacturing  
and Transportation Activity—Coal  
Being Mined at Rate Never Equalled  
Before.

Washington.—Existence of a general  
coal shortage was admitted by the ge-  
ological survey, which attributes the  
situation, not to the failure of produc-  
ers to do their best, but to the unpre-  
cedented demand.

"The tremendous increase in manu-  
facturing and transportation activity  
this year," said a statement issued  
today, "has created a demand for soft  
coal in excess of any in the past, an  
increase in demand that is difficult  
to measure in terms of tons, but that  
is certainly more than 40 per cent  
by which the production has increased.  
To meet this demand the operators  
have been mining coal at a rate never  
before equalled."

A serious coal shortage exists in  
Ohio, fuel administration officials were  
told by a delegation of consumers  
headed by Attorney General McChes-  
ney, who came to Washington to protest  
against lifting the embargo on coal  
shipments to Canada. Of 200 towns  
in the state reporting more than 100,  
the delegation declared, are entirely  
without coal and are unable to obtain  
supplies because virtually all coal mined  
in the state is going through lake  
ports in the northwest and Canada.

The people of the state, spokesmen  
for the delegation said, are suffering  
and cannot wait until the northwest  
is supplied under the fuel administra-  
tion's priority order before laying in  
winter stocks. Mayors of some towns  
have seized carloads of coal on route  
to the lakes and have apportioned it  
among the inhabitants. Doctor Garfield  
assured the delegation that Ohio  
would be adequately supplied under a  
plan to be announced within a few  
days.

The fuel administration's present  
policy is to supply under a priority plan  
all the coal the road needs. Later  
order roads will be supplied in the  
same fashion and the final intention is  
to distribute coal among domestic  
users and industries where it is most  
essential.

Coal prices in some districts of  
Tennessee, Kentucky, and Virginia  
were raised by the fuel administra-  
tion after it was shown operators  
could not mine coal at a profit at the  
prices fixed recently.

## LEGAL OBSTACLE OF AERIAL PROGRAM IS CLEARED AWAY

Washington.—Legal approval has  
been given the agreement between the  
aircraft production board and the Air-  
plane Manufacturers' Association, which  
clears away a possible serious ob-  
stacle to the government's \$400,000,000  
aircraft program. Attorney General  
Gregory has held that the patent pool-  
ing plan to prevent patent litigation  
does not violate the Sherman anti-  
trust law.

The effect of the opinion is to ratify  
all the work done by the aircraft pro-  
duction board and the advisory com-  
mittee for aeronautics and insure the  
employment of the entire airplane pro-  
ducing capacity of the country, on the  
big job. Another result will be to  
leave the costs of machines to the  
government.

Details of the pooling agreement  
have not been made public by the gov-  
ernment, although much has been  
printed about it. In general terms, it  
provides for the pooling in the Air-  
plane Manufacturers' Association of the  
basic airplane patents known as the  
Wright and Curtiss patents and  
also of all other airplane patents now  
held or hereafter developed by mem-  
bers of the association.

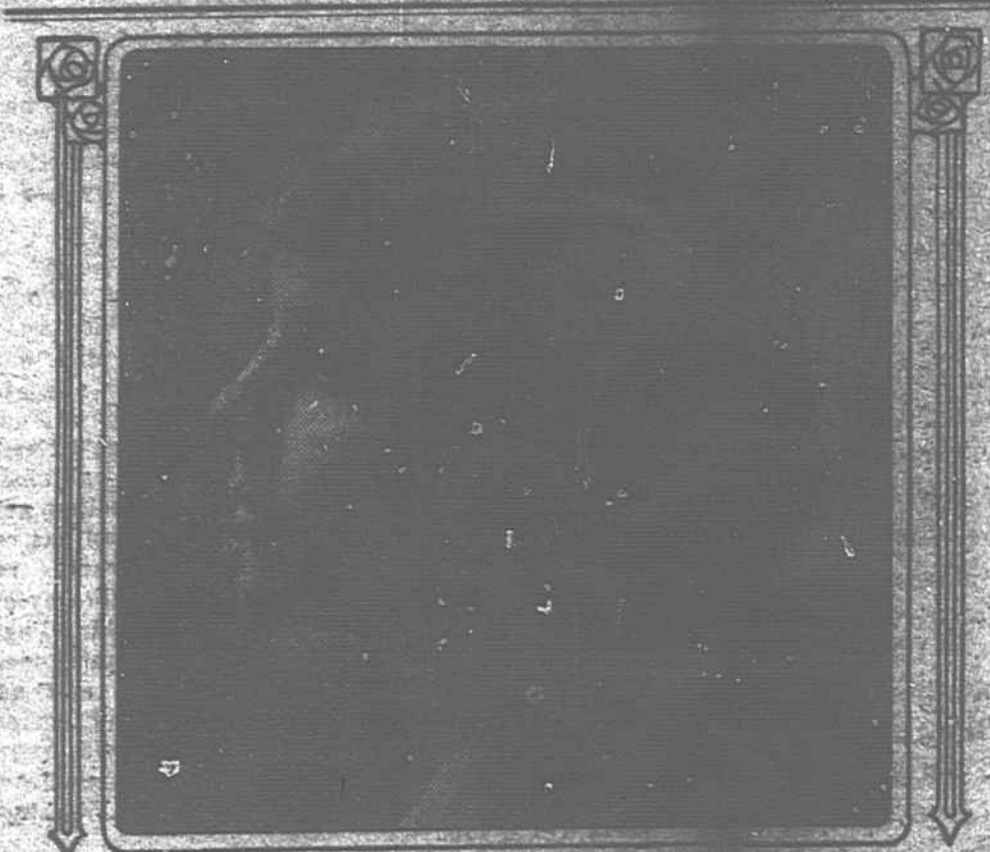
## APPROPRIATION FOR RELIEF OF BELGIANS

Washington.—The American Red  
Cross war council appropriated \$559,  
330 for the relief of Belgians not un-  
der German rule, the work to be car-  
ried out by the new Red Cross depart-  
ment for Belgian organized under the  
Red Cross commission to France. Com-  
prehensive plans for relief work have  
been worked out as the result of con-  
ferences between King Albert and  
Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, head  
of the commission to France.

## STANDARDIZED MOTOR TRUCK ACCOMPLISHED

Washington.—Details of the devel-  
opment of the government new motor  
truck, announced by the council of  
national defense reveal an accomplish-  
ment that officials declare is second  
only to the production of the liberty  
airplane motor. Two of the trucks  
have just been completed and are now  
on their way to Washington for inspec-  
tion at the war department. They are  
of three-ton capacity.

## Come To The Farmville FAIR Thursday Oct. 25th



Senora Andonegui.—Is a woman of rare personal charm and a violinist of exceptional ability. She complements the work of her gifted husband, Senor Jose Andonegui.

With The Chautauqua Coming to Farmville Oct. 25, 26, 27.

## REVOLT IN THE IMPERIAL NAVY

FEW DISPATCHES HAVE GREAT-  
ER MORE INTEREST IN OFFI-  
CIAL WASHINGTON.

Indicates That Iron Discipline of Ger-  
man Military System Might Be Los-  
ing Its Hold—Declining Morale Is  
Noted by Allies.

Washington.—Few dispatches since  
the war began have created more in-  
terest at the navy department than  
the reports from Amsterdam calling of  
a revolt in the German navy. Officers  
unhappily declared that the navy  
was in a state of anarchy.

## VIRTUALLY ALL FOODSTUFFS ARE NOW UNDER CONTROL

Washington.—Government control  
of foodstuffs is extended to take in  
virtually all essential articles of  
diet by a proclamation issued by  
President Wilson directing the food  
administration to enforce after No-  
vember 1, 1917, the manufacture, stor-  
age, transportation and distribution of some  
20 items.

## COLONEL HOUSE IS A VISITOR AT WHITE HOUSE

Washington.—Systematic collection  
of economic, historical, political and  
other information on European con-  
ditions to be used eventually in peace  
negotiations was discussed by Col. R.  
M. House with President Wilson, Sec-  
retary Lansing and other government  
officials. Some announcement is ex-  
pected.

## Sale of REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION

Ideal Small Farms. The Straband Farm Subdivided, On The  
Road Between Scotland Neck and Tarboro, Four Miles  
From Leggett, N. C., Ten Miles From Tarboro, N. C., and  
12 Miles From Scotland Neck, N. C.

### Friday October 26

10:30 A. M.

## Description of the Property to Be Offered

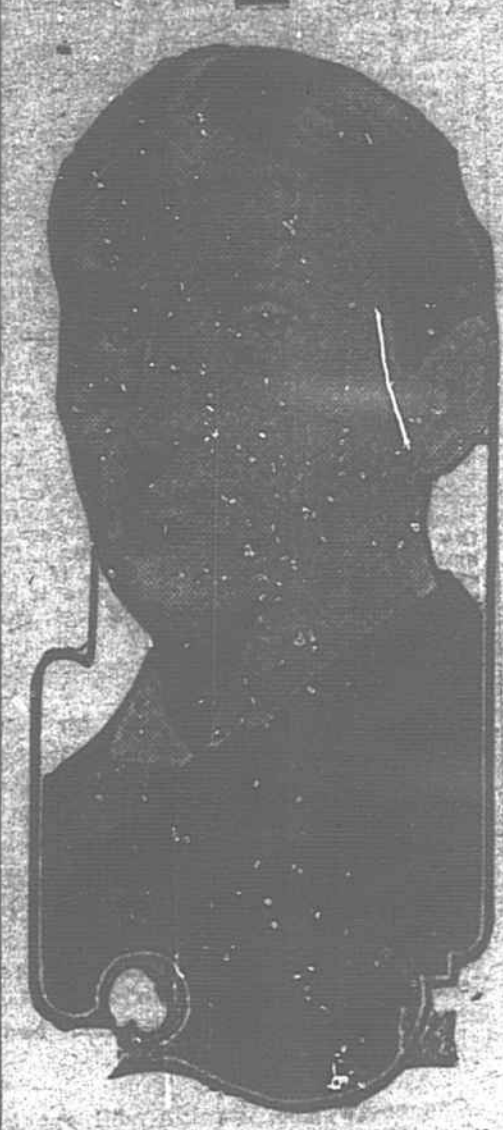
Beautiful small farms, the Straband farm, subdivided, on the road from Tarboro to Scotland Neck, four miles from Leggett, N. C., ten miles from Tarboro, N. C., twelve miles from Scotland Neck, N. C. Schools close by; good neighborhood; loamy top soil and clay subsoil; good tobacco land; the average yield of cotton from this land is one bale per acre. It also produces good crops of corn and peanuts. There is quite a lot of good pine timber on the place; 18 tenant houses; 2 overseer's houses, stables, gin house, corn barns and all necessary out buildings. Each tract will have a road frontage. Your price—easy terms. We shall also offer 18 mules and all farming utensils. This property is situated in one of the best sections of Edgecombe County. Take advantage of your opportunity to buy a small farm at this sale.

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## CONTROL ALL STAPLE FOOD

THE FOOD ADMINISTRATION AN-  
NOUNCES PRESIDENT WILL IS-  
SUE EXECUTIVE ORDER.

Wilson's Order Will Prescribe Regu-  
lations Under Which Some 20 Fun-  
damental Foods Will Be Manu-  
factured and Sold.

Washington.—Virtually all the staple  
food consumed by the American  
people will be put under government  
control November 1.

The food administration announced  
that within a few days President Wil-  
son will issue an executive order re-  
quiring that manufacturers and dis-  
tributors of some 20 fundamental  
foods operate under license restric-  
tions designed to prevent hoarding.

Regulations will be prescribed for  
meal packers, cold storage houses,  
millers, cannery, elevators, grain deal-  
ers and wholesale dealers and retail-  
ers doing a business of more than  
\$100,000 annually in the commodities  
to be named.

Issuance of the President's procla-  
mation has been delayed, the an-  
nouncement said, that the food ad-  
ministration might complete confer-  
ences with representatives of traders  
and producers and consumers.

"It has been the desire of the food  
administration," the announcement  
continued, "to secure the cooperation  
of all patriotic men in the various  
trades so as to eliminate speculation,  
hoarding, unreasonable profits, waste-  
ful practices, etc., in the great distri-  
bution system of the country."

"The food administration has se-  
lected about 20 basic commodities,  
and their products as forming the  
prime basis of life, and has limited its  
licensing control to the commodities,  
and also, in so far as practicable,  
eliminated the smallest units of busi-  
ness in these staples."

"It is the purpose of the food ad-  
ministration to effect conservation in  
the commercial use of these commodi-  
ties, and to keep them owing to-  
ward the consumer in direct lines  
through the channels of trade in as  
economical a manner as possible. The  
administration does not wish to dis-  
turb the normal activities of business  
and no business factor performing a  
useful function will be expected to  
surrender that function."

"The proclamation will require all  
of those handling the commodities  
concerned to apply for license before  
November 1, upon forms which will  
be supplied on application to the food  
administration."

## GERMANY'S MILITARY STRENGTH SHOWS MARKED DECREASE

Washington.—Germany's military  
strength now shows a clear decrease  
for the first time since the war began  
according to a review based upon data  
of the French general staff made pub-  
lic here by the French high com-  
mand.

Worn down and driven back by the  
never-ending pounding of the allies on  
the western front, the statement says  
the Germans have made their supreme  
military effort after drawing heavily  
upon their inactive armies in the east  
and calling out their 1918 and part of  
the 1919 reserves.

## DANIELS ANNOUNCES NAVY BUILDING PROGRAM

Washington.—The American navy  
is construction program consists of  
737 vessels, including all types from  
super-dreadnaughts to submarine  
chasers.

In making this announcement, Sec-  
retary Daniels said some of the ves-  
sels have been completed within the  
past few weeks and are now in ser-  
vice and that the remainder of the  
program is being rushed. The total  
cost is estimated at \$1,150,400,000.

## MAY HASTEN CALL SECOND DRAFT ARMY

DATE WILL LIKELY BE FIXED  
SOME TIME IN DECEMBER OR  
JANUARY.

## BIG DEFICIENCY IS EXISTING

National Army Divisions Formed Out  
of First Increment Are All Short of  
Quota—Room for Regiment at Each  
Cantonment.

Washington.—Discussion of the ad-  
visability of expediting the call for  
the second increment of the draft army  
now is in progress at the war depart-  
ment and it appears likely that the  
date may be fixed for some time in De-  
cember or January.

Mobilization of the first increment  
of 687,000 men is now well advanced  
to show clearly that there will be  
a big deficiency for the 17 national  
army divisions. More than 250,000 of  
the first increment are still to be as-  
sembled, but it is available at the 16 can-  
tonments quarters for an additional  
regiment at each post and at some  
for a full brigade of two regiments.

The strength of the new regimental  
organization is 3,600 men. With a  
regiment lacking at each cantonment,  
this alone would mean a shortage of  
nearly 50,000 men. In addition, there  
has been authorized a separate divi-  
sion of negro troops, which means  
nearly 30,000 men withdrawn from the  
original number assigned to the 16  
cantonments.

The shortage is due partially to the  
necessity of taking out of the national  
army men to fill up national guard di-  
visions. Two complete national divi-  
sions of southern troops have been  
absorbed in this way. The remnants  
of three other southern national army  
divisions will be consolidated to form  
a single divisional unit, and the sur-  
plus men from other camps will be  
sent south to make up the missing  
divisions.

Drafts on the national army forces  
must be made to fill up the enlisted  
personnel of the aviation service, the  
medical corps and the engineering bat-  
talion.

Some 25,000 men in the last named service  
alone, and the aviation and the medical  
service will take nearly as many  
more though not all of them will be  
taken from the national army.

## HAIG'S ATTACK CHECKED BY DELUGE OF RAIN

Already Swampy Region Converted  
Into Quagmire.

For the first time since he started  
his series of attacks against the Ger-  
man positions in Flanders, Field Mar-  
shal Haig has had to cease an opera-  
tion before all the objectives were at-  
tained. It was not the German guns,  
however, that stopped the British. It  
was a more than usually heavy rainfall  
which started during the battle and  
turned the already swampy region over  
which the men were supposed to pass  
into a veritable quagmire from which  
they could not untrack themselves for  
a forward move.

The drive, as has been customary  
in Haig's strategy was started in the  
early hours of Friday morning and  
extended from near the Houtholst  
wood to below the Ypres-Menin road.  
At several points the British troops  
succeeded in gaining ground over  
fronts ranging up to a thousand yards  
but here the rain intervened and the  
fighting ceased for the day.

The struggle was particularly bit-  
ter to the north of Poelcapelle and  
around Pannaschendale. In the lat-  
ter region the Germans apparently  
have massed their strongest array of  
troops, hopeful of being able to stay  
a further week forward by the British  
toward the Ostend-Lille railroad.

The Germans were expecting the  
battle for several hours prior to the  
signal for the British to attack they  
laid down a heavy barrage fire all  
along the line, interspersing the rain  
of steel and explosive shells with as-  
phyxiating gas bombs.

## EAST ST. LOUIS MOB MEMBERS CONVICTED

Bellefonte, Ill.—Herbert Wood and  
Leo Keane were found guilty of the  
murder of Scott Clark, a negro, who  
died as a result of injuries received  
in the recent race riots in East St.  
Louis, and the penalty was fixed at  
14 years' imprisonment. Wood and  
Keane were the first white men to be  
tried on charges growing out of the  
race riot. Ten negroes were found  
guilty last Sunday and each was  
given sentences of 14 years.

## POLITICAL SPEAKERS MAY VISIT CAMPS

Washington.—Citizen soldiers in the  
national army training cantonments  
will not have to forego the privilege  
of attending political meetings, this  
fall. Secretary Baker announced that  
he had approved an order by Maj.  
Gen. J. Franklin Bell, commanding at  
Camp Upton, N. Y., permitting polit-  
ical gatherings in camp under proper  
regulations, and that the ruling would  
apply to all the camps.