EVERY good American should read what President Wilson has to say in his message today.

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WILSON SMITES HYPHEN IN PLEA FOR LOYALTY

Put to Test, United States Stands Firm as Friendly and Impartial Nation

First American Unafraid in His Demand for Honor Among Nations

WILSON WHIPS HYPHEN WHILE PLEADING PEACE

President Talks Boldly to Foreigners With Dual Alliance.

European War Casts Threatening Influence Abroad.

U. S. NEUTRAL AND A FRIEND

Western Hemisphere Pledged to Sustain Monroe Doctrine.

Government Behind Ships of Peace, Not War Armada.

MRS. GALT WAS A LISTENER

Future "First Woman of Land" Created Much Attention.

Applause and Intense Interest Greets the President.

PRESIDENT WOODROW WILSON.

Full text of President Wilson's message to congress is printed on page 8.

Washington, Dec. 7.—President Wilson in his annual address to congress today laid down the administration plans for national defense and told his hearers it was necessary for the new and broad doctrine of Pan-America.

With sharp words he arraigned American citizens who by their sympathy for the foreign belligerents had endangered the neutrality of the United states.

"America never witnessed anything like this before," declared the president with deep feeling.

The president's outline of the plans for national defense and the stand for them was received in silence by the senators and representatives but with rapt attention and deepest interest.

"We insist on security in prosecuting our self chosen lines of national development," said he. "We do more than that. We demand it also for others. We do not confine our enthusiasm for individual liberty and free national development to the incidents and movements of affairs which affect only ourselves. We feel it wherever there is a people that tries to walk in these difficult paths of independence and right. From the first we have made common cause with all partisans of liberty on this side the sea and have deemed it as important that our neighbors should be free from all outside domination as that we ourselves should be; have set America aside as a whole for the uses of independent nations and political freedom."

Then a tense silence settled down over the hall as the president began reading in a low, even voice which could be heard everywhere. His reference to all parts of the American continent standing so far as we are concerned on a "footing of genuine equality," roused the first applause. Then the allusion to "United States aid but not coercion" of Mexico, evoked more enthusiasm. Many members followed the address from the printed copy.

Mrs. Galt There.

Mrs. Galt watched the president closely, but occasionally glanced over the house galleries. Another burst of applause followed the reference to "setting America aside as a whole for the uses of independent nations and political freedom."

Slap at Foreigners.

When he referred to foreigners within the United States borders, who while small in number "have brought deep disgrace upon us, and necessitate use of processes of law by which we may be purged of their corrupt dissempers," the greatest enthusiasm was shown, and loud applause interrupted.

Finally, at 1:42 o'clock after having been reading steadily more than an hour, the president finished, and another outburst of cheering took place as he left the chamber and started back to the White House. The joint session dissolved, the senate filed back to its chamber, and the house resumed work where it had left off.

Washington, Dec. 7.—A doctrine of Pan-Americanism—of full partnership between the nations of the Western Hemisphere in world affairs—was proclaimed by President Wilson today in his third annual address to Congress, the theme of which was preparedness by the United States to defend not only its own independence but the rights of those with whom it has made common cause. The message was read by the President to the Senate and House assembled in joint session in the chamber of the House.

Every recommendation embodied in the document had to do with comprehensive plans for strengthening the

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TODAY IN CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 7.—Senate met at noon and then assembled with the house to hear President Wilson's address.

House met at noon and then received the senate in joint session.

TEUTONS RUSH ON

French Forces in Southwestern Serbia Retreat.

Capture of Ipek, Montenegro, Announced by Germans.

Berlin, Dec. 7.—The war office announced today that the French forces in southwestern Serbia near the Vardar river, have been compelled to retreat.

The capture of Ipek, Montenegro, also is announced.

German participation on a large scale in the Mesopotamian campaign is probable, according to reports reaching Switzerland. The naming of Field Marshal Von Der Goltz as commander of the Turkish forces in Mesopotamia is commented upon in this connection.

In some quarters it is surmised that German efforts against the British in the east may be directed towards the Persian gulf rather than the Suez canal, as has been hinted. The general war council of the entente allies is being continued in Paris under the presidency of General Joffre, the French commander in chief. An unconfirmed report that a Bulgarian infantry regiment mutinied when ordered to the Gallipoli peninsula to fight with the Turks has reached London through Amsterdam. Three hundred of the mutineers are said to have been shot.

Distrust of Greece continues to be expressed by the press of the entente powers, notably by French and Italian newspapers. More vigorous measures to induce Greece to comply with the allied demands are again being urged.

According to reports through Holland, the German lines in France and Belgium have been heavily reinforced within the past fortnight.

The reassembling of the Russian duma, set for December 18, has been indefinitely postponed by an imperial rescript. Petrograd advices say the action was taken on the ground the preparation of the budget has not yet been completed.

FIRE IN BIG STORE.

Near Panic When Springfield Establishment Burns This Morning.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 7.—Christmas shoppers and salesgirls fled in a panic when fire broke out here today in the four-story building housing the Boston store. The entire stock, valued at $150,000, was destroyed before the fire was under control. It was partly covered by insurance. The building loss was estimated at $60,000.

A number of the salesgirls escaped from the second floor by jumping from the crowded platform of a fire escape.

WILSON TO LEAD

Democrats Want President in 1916 Race.

National Convention to St. Louis, Is Report.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The Democratic national convention at St. Louis, June 12, 1916, with Woodrow Wilson as presidential nominee, appeared the probable result of the national meeting today of the Democratic national committee.

Sentiment among the Democratic chieftains this afternoon veered toward St. Louis as the probable convention city. The fight narrowed down to the Missouri metropolis, Chicago and Dallas, with the strength in the order named. Balloting was expected to begin about four o'clock.

BEST IN 8 YEARS

Retail Business Is Unusually Heavy in Topeka.

Prosperity Is Apparent in Every Line of Trade.

"The best since 1907."

This is the verdict of the leading business men in six lines of merchandising in Topeka in answer to a questionaire issued by the Associated Advertising Clubs of America. The business condition of Topeka is so good that the merchants unhesitatingly name this year as the best in the last eight.

J. Will Kelley, secretary of the Commercial club, gave out the questionaires to the business men at the request of the New York office of the Associated Advertising Clubs. The data compiled will be used in a comparative report of business conditions in all parts of the country.

In Topeka datum was gathered from dry goods stores, clothing stores, hardware stores, jewelry stores and drug stores. The condition in these lines is taken to be indicative of the general business thermometer.

Lots of Silverware.

Jewelry store owners say that people are buying more solid silverware this year than ever before. This can be taken as a good indication of prosperity, the storekeepers say.

The statements of the various stores show a healthy increase in the percentage of business in November, 1915, over a similar period in 1914.

The paper houses in Topeka are doing more business this year than ever before, which indicates that there is a general increase in all lines of trade, as most merchants use paper to wrap their packages. The increase in wrapping paper sales has been phenomenal, it is said.

Hepburn Is Better.

Clarinda, Iowa, Dec. 7.—The condition of Col. W. P. Hepburn, former congressman from the Eighth Iowa district, showed much improvement today, after a bad day yesterday.

HE PLEDGES FARM

Man Promises Full Compensation to State of Kansas

For 30 Years' Care of an Insane Brother-in-Law.

TURNED OVER CHECK FOR $300

Had Saved Out This Amount to Pay Funeral Expenses.

Cost to State, $4,680, Will Be Paid Back in Full.

Kansas is to receive pay in full for the care of an insane patient sent to the Topeka state hospital thirty years ago. The case came before the board of control today from a Western Kansas county when a farmer pledged title to his farm to insure full payment for the treatment of an insane brother-in-law.

With the assurance that the state would receive payment in full for treatment of the insane man, the western farmer turned over to the control board a check for $300. This was money in possession of the insane man when he was committed to

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SHAME ON US!

Shouldn't Have Allowed Ford to Leave, Says Maxim.

Several Disappointed in Trip on Second Boat.

New York, Dec. 7—Anything might happen to the Oscar II and its cargo of Henry Ford peace propoganda. But nothing can deter the eagerness of a huge number of men and women who want to sail on the Frederic VIII Wednesday as members of the second section of the Ford party.

Edward R. Wiley, one of the many Ford secretaries, is in charge of the Detroit pacificist's headquarters in the Biltmore. He declared today that about twenty persons were going to Europe on the Friederich as guests of Mr. Ford. He made it plain that these 20 were persons who had not been able to catch the Oscar II. Moreover, he declared none others are wanted. Nevertheless Wiley was overwhelmed all day with demands from many persons. Some became indignant when told that they would have to get passports.

"Why, I thought that Mr. Ford attended to all that," cried one woman. "Who is going to pay my way to Washington and back?" demanded another. "I'm sure Mr. Ford would if he were here." A robust woman giving her name as Mrs. Aaron Carter called up saying that she was Henry's cousin. She declared that she had been invited but couldn't go because her dress-maker had been taken ill. From Syracuse today came word that Hiram Maxim, the noted inventor, declared himself ashamed of America for permitting Ford to leave on his mission of spreading peace over Europe.

NO RAIN THIS TIME

Fair Weather With Slightly Lower Temperature Is the Forecast for Next 24 Hours.

The sprinkle of rain that hovered about Topeka Monday missed the city completely and prospects of rain here during the next few days are gone, according to the forecaster. By Wednesday, the clouds that have obscured the sun for the past two days will have followed the rain to other points, and sunshine is promised. Fair weather is forecast for tonight and Wednesday with slightly lower temperature tomorrow.

Shippers' forecast advises the protection of shipments during the next thirty-six hours against temperatures as follows: West, 25 to 30 degrees; north, 20 degrees; south and east, above freezing. The temperature at Topeka will not be below freezing although it will keep close to that point.

The lowest temperature during the past twenty-four hours was recorded at 1 o'clock this morning when the mercury slipped to 39 degrees, fifteen degrees above normal. A six-mile an hour wind blew from the west.

Temperatures today averaged fourteen degrees above normal. The wind blew at the rate of fifteen miles an hour from the north. Following are hourly temperature readings for today:

7 o'clock	44	11 o'clock	51
8 o'clock	44	12 o'clock	53
9 o'clock	46	1 o'clock	54
10 o'clock	49	2 o'clock	55

ARSON TRIAL IS ON

Nine Men Before Court Alleged to Have Entered St. Louis Conspiracy.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—Trials of nine men indicted in connection with the alleged arson conspiracy begin here today. Either Julius R. Bersch, vice president of an insurance agency, or Harry Gilmore, head of a decorating firm, was to be the first defendant tried.

Germans Turn to Smite French in Balkan Crash

London, Dec. 7.—The campaign against the main Serbian armies having been closed, it is expected General von Gallwitz, with his German forces, will join the Bulgarians in Macedonia in an effort to crush the French and British armies before they become much stronger.

Information from Berlin indicates that the German forces engaged in the earlier movements in the Balkans have now been detached for the purpose of sharing in the attack on the Franco-British forces along the southern Macedonian front. Dispatches from Athens partly corroborate this theory.

As it is reported, two German divisions are co-operating with the Bulgarians near Strumitsa.

There is little to report from the other fronts, save the usual minor operations. The French, however, are carrying on a particularly energetic bombardment of the German lines in the Champagne.

In Mesopotamia the Germans are beginning to show considerable interests in the campaign which is developing in favor of the Turkish allies.

It is reported from Geneva that the Germans under Field Marshal Von Der Goltz are preparing an extensive campaign which will be directed toward the Persian gulf by way of Bagdad.

Further impetus is given to peace talk by the papal consistory, at which Pope Benedict delivered an address calling upon the belligerents to make a just and immediate peace.

The effect of the dismissal of the German military and naval attaches at Washington on the German public is not ascertainable, as the German newspapers have not been permitted to publish even the bare facts of the incident.

WON'T TELL WHY

State Department Silent in Boy-Ed Case.

German Embassy Say Action Is "Very Unfriendly."

Washington, Dec. 7.—Emphatic refusal by the state department of the reasons actuating the United States in asking for the recall of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain Von Papen was sent last night to Berlin and also to Ambassador Bernstorff, it became known today.

The action was interpreted at the Germany embassy today as "very unfriendly."

The German government, through Ambassador Bernstorff at Washington, and Ambasador Gerald at Berlin, it was stated at the embassy had requested that the reasons for the recall be given privately to the German government; if the state department did not care to make public the reasons.

Secretary Lansing, in his reply, refused any information either privately or publicly, it was said.

State department officials made no attempt to minimize the effect such a reply would have upon the German government, but it was pointed out that Secretary Lansing is abiding strictly by custom in his refusal, and furthermore, that the refusal has the effect of calling for a show down on the part of Germany.

Right up to the moment of leaving for the capitol, the president discussed with the cabinet today the situation between Germany and the United States. Armed with all information possessed by the state and justice departments regarding the activities of the German diplomats, the president left to give his scathing arraignmen of hyphenated Americans who plan conspiracy against this government.

Whether the German government is behind the activities of Boy-Ed and Von Papen and whether it sanctions and approves their acts is the key to the situation as the cabinet sees it.

The declaration of the president was made today with the cabinet's full approval.

Back of Mexican Revolution.

The department of justice is still investigating reports that German agents were back of alleged plans for a counter revolution in Mexico to be heade dby General Huerta. Attorney General Gregory said today, however, that no new information on the subject had been called to his attention recently.

One reason why the American government will not furnish Germany with specific reason for the request for the recall of Captain Boy-Ed and Captain Von Papen is its determination to keep secret the sources of its information.

Wilson Approves It.

President Wilson has fully approved Secretary Lansing's decision and it was said authoritatively today it will be adhered to no matter what Germany does.

Earthquake in Illinois.

Cairo, Ill., Dec. 7.—A severe earthquake shock, lasting 10 to 15 seconds was felt here at 12:45 p. m. today. No damage was reported.

So far as known the tremor was purely local. The vibration seemed to extend north and south. There are no instruments here to record earth shocks.

TIPPED OVER CLIFF

Minneapolis Man Confesses to Part in Hill Tragedy.

Mrs. Price Slain Soon After Coming Into Legacy.

HUSBAND IN MOTOR CAR PLOT

Confederate Said to Have Confessed to Death Ride.

Notes Are Cancelled and Money Is Paid to Boot.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Confessing, according to George W. Armstrong, county prosecutor of Hennepin county, Minnesota, that he aided Frederick T. Price of Minneapolis in hurling Price's wife to her death over a cliff, Charles D. Etchelson, a traveling salesman of Washington, D. C., is due in Minneapolis today to face legal action.

Mrs. Price was killed November 28, 1914, one day after she had been given $60,000 by her father.

Etcheison was arrested in Washington Sunday, by operatives of a private detective agency, and was brought to Chicago last night. Accompanying him was Mr. Armstrong, who said the prisoner had confessed.

"Mrs. Price was the daughter of David H. Fridley, member of one of the oldest Minneapolis families," Etcheison is reported to have said in his confession, "and the day after she got the money she and Price and I went to the matinee together. We returned to the Price home, and Price suggested an automobile ride.

"She sat in the rear with her dog—Price and I in front. Price stopped the car near a steep embankment. He muttered something about tire trouble and asked his wife if she did not want to get out and give the dog some exercise.

"As Mrs. Price stepped out, Price put one arm in front of her and I put an arm in front and we gave a fling. Down she went. Price picked up the dog and threw it after his wife."

When they climbed down the embankment, Etcheison is reported to have said, they found the woman still alive, and Price struck her head with a stone.

"We told everybody that she stepped over the cliff to save her dog," the officials said Etchieson confessed.

"Price cancelled my notes for $1,200 he held, and gave me $3,500 to boot."

Stand by Husband.

Minneapolis, Dec. 7.—Etchison and his wife in company with George Armstrong, assistant county attorney, arrived here shortly before noon. Mr. Armstrong said that when Etchison confessed to the crime in a room in a Chicago hotel yesterday, Mrs. Etchison, who had professed great confidence in her husband's innocence, fell in a faint. She said she would stand by her husband. Etchison was taken to the county jail.

LABOR PROBE IS ON

National Council Alleged to Have Stirred Up Strikes.

Activities in War Munitions Factories Are Charged.

New York, Dec. 7.—The alleged activities of labor's national peace council in stirring up strikes in war munitions factories continued under investigation today by the federal grand jury.

The fact that the council is being investigated was announced by United States District Attorney Marshall, who said he had received information that the reorganization was financed with money furnished by Franz von Rintelen, through David Lamar.

VILLA SOON TO FALL

Governor Ferguson, of Texas, Gives Optimistic View of Conditions Along Border.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Governor Ferguson, of Texas, today gave President Wilson an optimistic view of conditions along the Mexican border and in Mexico itself. The governor told the president that the recognition of General Carranza had gone far toward establishing order. He predicted the speedy elimination of General Villa.

"Texas has been the Belgium of the southwest for a long time and has had great difficulty in dealing with the situation," said Governor Ferguson. "With the recognition of General Carranza the federal government and the state of Texas can now operate to meet the situation adequately."

CZAR NICHOLAS ORDERS DUMA OPENING PUT OFF

Petrograd, Dec. 7.—Emperor Nicholas has issued a rescript postponing indefinitely the opening of the Duma and the council of the empire. This action is taken on the ground that the budget committees of those bodies have not yet completed the preparation of the budget.

Teutons Rush Thru Trenches in Champagne

Berlin, Dec. 7.—Capture of 250 metres of an advanced French trench in the Champagne district, east of Auberive, was announced by Germany army headquarters today.

13 H. S. GIRLS OUT

Pretty "Sorority Sisters" Suspended by Superintendent.

Charged With Violation of State Fraternity Law.

Thirteen Topeka high school girls were suspended today by Superintendent H. B. Wilson for alleged violation of the high school fraternity law. They will be out until the next meeting of the school board, the next regular session coming January 3.

The girls that were let out are Helen Lucas, Georgia Neese, Mary Samson, Esther Paxton, Katherine Dolan, Rhea Robinson, Irene Seery, Helen Whitted, Harriet Hill, Dorris Rosser, Nan Weightman, Beatrice Shakeshaft and Jessie Bernett.

Approved by Board Last Night.

The suspension of the girls was considered and approved at the board meeting last night, said Mr. Wilson. "A feeling on the part of the board that the high school was permitting an organization—or sorority, if you wish—of the kind barred under the state law to exist caused the action."

The immediate action was brought about by a dance at Kellam hall Friday night by the alleged L. A. L. organization. The girls were summoned to the superintendent's office and dismissed pending an investigation. Superintendent Wilson asked the girls for a statement regarding their actions and Miss Jessie Burnett wrote him the following:

"Several weeks previous to the party given December 3 I came to see you, asking under what conditions the party could be given which would be thoroughly approved by you and the school authorities in general.

"You stated the only possible way for a party to be given was to have the mothers of the respective girls assume the responsibility. Under those conditions you gave your consent. A short time afterwards I came to you asking your consent for a meeting of the girls. You consented to a meeting at which the mothers were to be present and I further stated that several of the girls would be present. The above meeting was held at my house on Tuesday, according to Mr. Stout, before Thanksgiving. The party was given December 3. You requested that I see you the following Saturday morning. I gave you a list of the mothers' names and the girls for whom the party was given.

(Signed) "JESSIE BURNETT."

Superintendent Wilson, the girls allege, demanded that the sentence "You showed some hesitancy and doubt about this" be substituted for "You consented to a meeting at which the mothers were to be present and I further stated that several of the girls would be present."

Miss Burnett refused to insert this sentence, she said, as it was a fabrication on her part.

The signing of the statement by Miss Burnett, the leader of the alleged L. A. L.'s would not have kept the thirteen girls from being suspended, but would probably help to get them back in high school sooner.

A card is signed by every high school student in the fall agreeing to taboo fraternities and sororities, says Mr. Wilson.

DON'T HAVE TO STRIP

Atlanta Teachers Win Out in Their Fight Against "Outrageous" Medical Examinations.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 7.—Public indignation forced the board of education to rescind its action, passed at the last meeting, calling for physical examination of the teachers by the medical inspection officers and requiring the young women to disrobe to the waist for the test.

The meeting of the board was marked by speeches directed at Dr. W. N. Adkins, head of the medical inspection department. Mayor Woodward branded Dr. Adkins' proposal as outrageous.

According to the revised ruling the teachers may allow Dr. Adkins to give the examination or apply to their family physicians.

SUBMARINE IS SUNK

German Radiogram Tells of Destruction of French Boat, Fresnel; 28 Men Are Captured.

Paris, Dec. 7—"According to a German radiogram, the French submarine Fresnel was destroyed on Dec. 5 by an Austrian war ship," says a communication issued today at the Marine ministry. "Two officers and twenty-six men were captured."

The Fresnel built in 1909, was 167 feet long, of 392 tons displacement above water. She had six torpedo tubes. Her normal complement was 24 men.

THIRST IS ON THE INCREASE

Topeka Received 1188 Consignments of Liquor in 2 Weeks.

Represents the Business of Only Three Carriers.

THE OTHERS NOT AVAILABLE

County Clerk Refuses to Submit Records to Inspection.

November 24 Was a Big Day for One Railroad.

One thousand, one hundred and eighty-eight consignments of liquor were carried into Topeka, prohibition capital of the world, in the fifteen days between November 15 and 30 by two railroads and one express company, according to reports made by the carriers to Shawnee county officials. In size the shipments range anywhere from two quarts of whiskey to two and a half barrels of beer. There are three express companies and four railroads which act as common carriers between Kansas City and Topeka.

The Santa Fe's report for the fifteen days was 415 shipments. The Rock Island reported 168 shipments. The Wells-Fargo Express company reports to the county clerk 605 shipments in a statement which consists of forty-four pages.

Efforts to keep the reports of liquor shipments from being made public are being made by O. K. Swayze, Shawnee county clerk. This morning when asked by a reporter for permission to glance over the statements Swayze refused. In an opinion handed down last month, S. M. Brewster, attorney general of Kansas, ruled that such reports are a matter of public record and that the public has a right to them. The reports of the railroads were obtained from the county attorney's office which is of the opinion that the public has the right to know what is going on in public places.

A Wet Thanksgiving.

Topeka's thirst for consumption of "joy-water" evidently took a spurt the day before Thanksgiving, November 25, for on November 24 one railroad alone unloaded 68 shipments of booze at its Topeka station. This is about a third more than usual. Another railroad unloaded 36 consignments.

The average day's shipment of liquor into Topeka by one railroad alone is startling. On December 1 a transcontinental railroad unloaded the following wares for the consumption of thirsty Topekans: One box of whisky, one-half barrel of beer, one box of liquor, one case of beer, one-fourth barrel of beer, one cask of beer, one-fourth barrel of beer, one case of beer, one case of whisky, one cask of beer, one box of liquor, one cask of beer, three cases of beer, one-fourth barrel of beer, one box of whisky, one case of beer, one box of whisky and one cask of beer.

HE WAS BURIED ALIVE

Half a Ton of Clay Was Dumped on St. Louis Teamster Today.

St. Louis, Dec. 7.—A steam shovel being used to load a wagon was opened too soon today and dumped half a ton of clay on John Medley, a teamster. When workmen dug Medley out they found he had been smothered to death.

INCREASE IN RATES

Cost of Hauling Grain From Minnesota and South Dakota to Kansas Goes Up.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Increased rates on grain from points on the Great Northern railroad in Minnesota and South Dakota to points on the Kansas City Southern in Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma and points on the Union Pacific in Kansas were approved today by the I. C. C.

FORD PLEA TO CONGRESS

Peace Advocate Asks Support in Efforts to End the European War.

On Board Steamship Oscar II at Sea, by Wireless, Via Siasconsett, Dec. 7.—Henry Ford, head of the party of peace advocates now enroute to Europe, has sent a wireless message to congress asking support for his plans to end the European war.

GERMANS PLAN SMASHING DRIVE IN MESOPOTAMIA

Geneva, Dec. 7.—The Germans are preparing on a large scale for operations in Mesopotamia under Field Marshal Baron Kolmar von Der Goltz, who has just been appointed commander of the Turkish forces in Mesopotamia, according to private information received by the Journal of Geneva.