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TELL THE KAISER

Germany wants to know what the United States is fighting for. She thinks the sinking of neutral ships without warning isn't enough to bring us in.

ALL RIGHT. LET'S TELL HER.
We are going to fight for outraged women.

We're going to fight for crucified nuns.

We're going to fight for namelessly mutilated soldiers.

We're going to fight for innocent thousands strewn upon the bottom of the sea.

We're going to fight for Belgium—outraged, desecrated as no nation in the previous history of the world has ever been.

We're going to fight for France—that magnificent nation of heroes—bled while defending civilization against the power of the Beast.

We're going to fight for England—who chose the path of honor, black tinted with despair, when the little nation she had sworn to defend was set upon as by a wild beast.

We are going to fight for Italy—which took up the cause of right against wrong—terrible tho she knew the cost may be.

We're going to fight in defense of those principles of human liberty which were laid down nineteen centuries ago by the first great preacher of human rights—the Man of Galilee.

Every iota of the philosophy and creed of HATE and BLOOD and VIOLENCE and BESTIALITY and diabolic CRUELTY and human ENSLAVEMENT that mark every foot step of the kaiser and his cohorts of hell are in direct and damnable opposition to every thought, word and deed of the Man of Galilee.

This is no fight of Democracy against Aristocracy.

It is not a battle of Nation against Nation.

It is not the battle of Man against Man.

It is the struggle between Right and Wrong; between the philosophy of Jesus Christ and the Powers of Evil thru the earthly defenders of each.

And we're going to fight—fight—Fight; side by side with our fellow is the Cause of Humanity, until there is no vestige left in all this great earth of the powers that—defying God and Man—precipitated this cataclysm of blood and tears.

There is only one sentiment in the whole broad land today, and the man who does not recognize it must indeed be deaf and blind; and that sentiment is a dogged determination deep down in the very bowels of every man THAT WE ARE GOING TO FIGHT UNTIL WE HAVE JUSTIFIED ITALY; SAVED ENGLAND; SWEET IMMORTAL FRANCE FREE OF THE HUN; LIBERATED BELGIUM; AVENGED SO FAR AS IS WITHIN HUMAN POWER THE COUNTLESS CRIMES OF GERMANY; BROKEN THE HINDENBURG LINE, AND SWEPT THE ARMY OF THE BEAST, AS CHAFF BEFORE THE WIND; HUMBLING THE EMPIRE OF HELL, AND—PLEASE GOD, RID THE EARTH OF THE KAISER AND ALL HIS FELLOW BREED.

If anyone asks you, tell them THAT is what we're going to fight for.—The Lumberman.

CYCLOPS IS MISSING

Big American Vessel Is Long Over Due At Atlantic Port—Carrying Manganese from Brazil

Washington, April 15—(By Associated Press, 12:00 m.)—The big American naval collier Cyclops, carrying fifty-seven passengers, fifteen officers and two hundred and twenty-one in the crew, is overdue at the Atlantic port since March 13. The Navy department announced it last reported at the West Indies on March 4. Extreme anxiety is entertained for her safety. The vessel was bringing a cargo of manganese from Brazil.

Advertisements in the News for results.

EXAMPLE CHILDISH PATRIOTISM

Little Ragged Children Give Up Candy to Become Members of the Red Cross Society

Saguache, Colo., April 18—Saguache public school assays one hundred per cent pure when it comes to patriotism.

The pupils of Saguache—there are two of them—come from the same home. It is a home of extreme poverty. The youngsters attend classes in their bare feet when the weather permits, and their clothing has an appearance that might be associated with the present-day Belgian kiddies.

Yet when the Junior Red Cross wave struck Saguache the two ragged little fellows shyly edged their way to the teacher's desk one morning and deposited thereon fifteen pennies with the query:

"Is that enough to make us members of the Red Cross?"

The teacher didn't have the heart to say "No." She knew the youngsters had sacrificed their Winter candy allowance, and she made up the eighty-five cents difference.

The great tabernacle meeting by the Christian church will begin an introductory here April 26. This will introduce Prof. Brock, the National evangelistic helper and singer. Mr. Brock superintends the building of tabernacles. May 5th Mr. Hamilton and wife will be on the ground with "the goods." They need but little introduction as they have proved themselves equal to all church emergency tasks. Their praise is heard from their labor in Joplin, Columbus, Miami and Galena. All these promise in harmony with our beautiful beloved city to every needed, in every necessary; so this great revival offers the greatest of its kind in the southwest, Rev. Poplewell says. Thanks for the friendship and fellowship to the adjacent towns and for the hope of Hamilton and most of all for the unlimited unexcelled kindness of his town, Baxter Springs, Kas.

The Baxter firemen, who have a fund belonging to the organization bought \$500 worth of Liberty Bonds during the drive. The firemen are a bunch of real fellows.

The news item from Commerce that two doctors there were arrested for violation of the sanitary ordinances in connection with the finding of a human finger laying in the street, is rather gruesome. The person finding the human fragment must have felt rather peculiar at the time. It is said one of the doctors admits the amputation of the finger from a patient and is willing to pay a fine because of its being found in the street.

J. J. Shepherd, publisher of "The Rounder," at Tar River, Okla., is out of a Miami jail on bond. A jury found him guilty there this week of carrying concealed weapons. Shepherd's attorney claimed the size of the weapon Shepherd was carrying made concealment impossible. The attorney said the weapon was just the sort the Home Guard would carry for protection. Shepherd was fined and given a jail sentence but has appealed his case to a higher court and furnished the appeal bond of \$500.

GETTING OUTSIDE NOTICE

Nearly every outside exchange, including the Kansas City papers has had something to say either in editorial comment or in the news columns relative to Baxter Springs Third Liberty Loan drive. It would take up too much space to print all that has been said in the way of praise or complaint, but it all tastes mighty good. From a comparative standpoint Baxter Springs is entitled to some credit but nevertheless it takes some generosity on the part of our brother editors to give it to us and we are truly much obliged.

PAINTED CANDY STORE YELLOW

Joplin Saloons Closed for Short Time This Morning Fearing Mob Violence to Pro-German

When the owner of a Joplin delicatessen, a Mr. Drautchen, went to his place of business Saturday he found that the front of his place of business had been painted yellow. Current report has it that Mr. Drautchen was highly indignant and gave vent to some expressions of rage that helped draw a crowd. The news of this went around rapidly and a large crowd gathered so fast that the police, following threats against the delicatessen keeper, removed him to the city jail for safe keeping. News dispatches sent out from Joplin exaggerated the whole incident. The best reports seem to think there was little danger of mob violence on anyone except Drautchen who many seem to think is pro-German.

THE MINING NEWS

It is reported that the Katy mine, which is now the property of the O. & T. Oil and Zinc company, has almost doubled its output on the property since they came into possession of it a short time ago. This company is blessed with an abundance of lead.

The 500-ton mill at the Old Abemine at Lincolnville, just across the street from the Blanton store, is now in the process of construction. The foundations are being laid by quite a force of men. The first mill ever erected on this site was moved away on account of water. Now it is thought it will be necessary to sink a well in one of the shafts in order to get water for milling purposes.

Arnold and Berry et al, from the east Missouri field, are now sinking a second shaft on the Jack Boy lease owned by them. When the first shaft was sunk on this property the head of water caused the project to be abandoned, but this difficulty has disappeared and the company is preparing to do business. At a depth of 80 feet the drill entered good jack and at the 90 foot level the drill was still in ore on this lease.

The Miami-Record Herald says the Commercial Royalty company has won its water fight at the Broomcorn mine on the state line north of Tar River. The miners will begin at once to drive a drift in the bed of the lead while the price is high and allowing the other companies to assist in pumping the great flow of water that's making mining in that section of the field difficult. The Broomcorn is so named on account of its being located by the side of a broomcorn factory.

The National Lead and Zinc company has begun the sinking of a shaft just south of the city of Quapaw. This lease is the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 1-28-23. It is said that eight of the nine holes that have been drilled on this lease have been good ones. Good ore was struck at a depth of from 62 to 108 feet.

A derrick is being placed on the C. M. Clark lease which is located one and a half miles west of Baxter Springs. This is the first act in preparation for the sinking of a shaft. Ten holes have been drilled on this land and five drill rigs are now drilling there. The upper runs from the 150-foot level to 212 feet. The lower run is from 285 feet to 323 feet. The Mineral State Lead and Zinc company now have possession of this lease they having subleased it from the Chanute Spelter Co.

EXPANDING TRADE TERRITORY

One of the most gratifying indications of Baxter Springs growth and importance in the district is what can be learned from noting the home place of the vehicles lining the curbs in such large number on Saturdays. Business men here say they can notice from week to week a widening out of the trade territory of the town—the regular Saturday farmer trade. Baxter Springs has some mighty fine stores with stocks of goods and prices that will meet any competition. The business section of the town is keeping pace with the growth and population and it is a natural consequence that people are going to come a little farther to Baxter Springs for trade than formerly.

COUNCIL MADE APPOINTMENTS

FAIL AND ROSENSTEIN ARE CITY CLERK AND CITY ATTORNEY

HORTON GETS MORE SALARY

Appoint Committees and Pass New Side Walk Ordinances—Water Committee to Report Tuesday Night

The adjourned meeting of the city council Friday night was one of the most important meetings of the year. In fact the beginning of the city government for the next year dates from last night. Officers and employees for the year were appointed last night and committees to look after the various departments of city business were appointed. All of the new councilmen had been sworn in at the previous meeting Tuesday night and now everything is "set" to do business as one of the councilman expressed.

R. E. Rosenstein was appointed by Mayor Wright to succeed Grant Waggoner, whose resignation had been in for some time. The appointment was confirmed by the council. O. W. Fail was appointed city clerk to take the place of Fred Bartlett, who did not want the office longer. Mr. Fail will receive \$200 per annum instead of the \$100 that has been paid formerly. In addition to this salary the city clerk makes a little extra money from licenses issued and for birth and death registrations. Mr. Fail will keep the city clerk's books at his office in half the Gas building on South Military avenue.

Henry Horton was re-appointed city marshal at the increased salary of \$100 per month. Three applications were made for this place at the same compensation. One of the other applicants was not considered as it said that if Mr. Horton wanted the place he would not apply against him. M. W. Foster was appointed night watchman and policeman for any extra work he may be called for by the city marshal. All of the above appointments by the mayor were sanctioned by the council. Samuel Ditty was appointed street commissioner at a salary of \$60 per month.

The new sidewalk ordinance No. 190 drafted this week by Atty. Waggoner under instructions of the council was passed last night. This ordinance is a little more liberal in its construction than was the old ordinance, which dated back several years. The new side walk ordinance it is hoped will help speed up the side walk building to answer the postoffice inspector's regulations and give us free city delivery as soon as possible.

A new ordinance relative to the city firemen was passed that will make it worth while to belong to this organization and give them something for their time, work and risk instead of thank-yous and wet clothes. The fire chief under the new ordinance will file a report with the city clerk at the end of each month stating the number of fires and the firemen actually employed at each fire and each one will receive two dollars a fire.

It will be noticed by the committees appointed that the councilmen are picked in equal number from each of the three wards. The first named councilman is chairman of the committee:

- Light and Water—Wells, Stein and Barnes.
 - Ways and Means—Wells, Stein and Barnes.
 - Law and Ordinance—Trecee, Sikes and Wells.
 - Streets and Alleys—Sikes, Wells and Youse.
 - City Property—Barnes, Trecee and Stein.
 - Fire—Stein, Barnes and Trecee.
 - Library—Youse, Wells and Sikes.
 - Claims and Accounts—Trecee, Youse and Sikes.
 - Police License—Wells, Youse and Barnes.
 - Cemetery—Trecee, Stein and Sikes.
- Some discussion of the city water question arose but after a little "pro" and "con" was turned over to the new light and water committee with instructions to report at the meeting Tuesday night. This subject is one of importance at this time and those interested should attend the next meeting of the council.
- City Surveyor Koelker was instructed to establish certain side walk grades, one of which is just east of the M. O. & G. depot.
- The advisability of opening up a part of Fifteenth street about half way from Park avenue to Military Ave., was taken up and referred to the Street and Alley committee with power to act.



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