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War May Be Declared By Congress Today

A Majority of the Members Assembled Are Openly in Favor of Such Action.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Congress assembled at noon today for a session generally agreed to be the most momentous in the history of the republic.

President Wilson, ready with his address, which it is believed will ask that a state of war already exists between the United States and Germany, waited only for the organization of the House of Representatives.

Democratic House leaders got word from the White House to hurry the organization as soon as possible. All plans have been made on the expectation that the President would speak Tuesday, but the leaders promised to do all they could to meet his wish to speak today.

Congress assembled with a majority openly in favor of a declaration of a state of war, if not actually a declaration of war.

Clark was re-elected Speaker of the House by a vote of 217 to 205 over his Republican opponent, Mann.

As THE NEWS goes to press President Wilson is delivering his address to the joint session of Congress. The address had been sent to the Public Printer early yesterday morning.

BALTIMORE, MD., April 1.—A mass meeting held here tonight under the auspices of the American League against militarism ended in a riot. A counter demonstration was organized on the pavement of the Academy of Music, in which Dr. David Starr Jordan was speaking. Finally the crowd took the matter into its own hands and, led by some militant, broke into the theatre and marched down the aisle waving the American flag.

Men socially prominent led the throng of 4,000 which broke into the theatre. College professors, students, bankers and lawyers were there. Carter G. Osborne, Jr., a banker, was at the head waving a flag. A policeman clubbed him into unconsciousness and the crowd which saw the flag disappear from his hands, leaped forward, swept the police aside and got into the theatre. Twenty men were clubbed and four of them were taken to a hospital.

A dozen others were arrested.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Orders were placed by the Navy department today with the American Steel & Wire Company of Philadelphia for the immediate construction of 100 steel rope submarine nets. The nets will cost \$1,881 each, 1,950 feet long, 30 feet wide with a 12-inch mesh. Deliveries will begin within three weeks and continue at the rate of ten a week thereafter.

ST. THOMAS, VIRGIN ISLANDS, April 2.—The transfer of the Virgin Islands from Danish rule to the United States took place simultaneously on the three islands at 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Commander Pollock, the ranking American officer at the islands, officiated at St. Thomas, while the commander of the cruiser Olympia acted in a similar capacity at St. Proix. Officers and marines of the cruiser Hancock and the Danish cruiser Valkyrien formed guards of honor fronting of the military barracks at St. Thomas, where the ceremonies were witnessed by members of the local legislature, officials, consuls and a large concourse of people.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Dr. Alfred Zimmermann, Foreign Secretary, speaking on the American situation, said that "the United States can not deny our rights to seek allies when it, already, before war has been declared, has set the entire world against us." Dr. Zimmermann, justifying the procedure of seeking to make Mexico and Japan her allies, contended that Mexico obviously was an ally, and that that antagonism between America and Japan was stronger than between Germany and Japan, despite the fact that a state of war existed between them.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—An American seaman who has arrived at Copenhagen from Germany says that more than forty Americans were among the nearly 600 prisoners taken to Germany by the commerce raider Moeve. The Americans, most of whom were captured while on the British horse transport Esmeraldas, are reported to be held as prisoners of war in Germany.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Official dispatches from Copenhagen confirm reports that two American seamen had arrived there from Germany with the story that some fifty others, taken in raids by the commerce raider Moeve, were held in detention camps. Reports from many sources have convinced officials here that Americans captured on the British steamer Esmer-

TWO PRISONERS STEAL AWAY FROM PARIS JAIL.

A bold and startling jail delivery was effected at an early hour, presumably yesterday morning, by which two prisoners in the Paris jail secured their freedom, at least temporarily.

By picking the lock of his cell on the upper floor, Robert Conley, white arrested on a charge of forgery, was enabled to descend to the lower floor, where the colored prisoners are confined, and picking the lock on the cell in which George Garrett, colored, rested, releasing him, Garrett was convicted on a charge of burglary, and under the habitual criminal act, was due for a life sentence in the Reformatory at Frankfort.

After getting their release, the men made their way to a window where they pushed aside a stone, and prying out the iron bars, gained the outer yard, scaled the wall, and dropping into the front porch, thence to the ground, made their way to "somewhere."

The authorities were notified as soon as Jailer Farris discovered the escape of the men and they began to set the wires busy to surrounding towns giving a description of the men and asking for their capture and detention. Jailer Farris offers a reward of \$50 for the return of his guests.

FAMILY REUNION.

Mr. John Funk, of Lexington, celebrated his eighty-third birthday Sunday at the home of his son, Mr. Thos. M. Funk, in this city, with a family reunion at which all his children and a few intimate friends were present. An elaborate menu of several courses was served at noon. At the close of the day a group photograph was taken. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Baker and daughter, Sarah, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Funk, of Nicholasville; Mrs. B. Bricken and son, John, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Funk, of Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Funk and Mrs. R. H. Funk, of Detroit; D. P. Hemphill, of Nicholasville, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Burgin and Mr. Henry West, of Paris.

aidas are held. As yet no reply has come to an inquiry sent through the Spanish foreign office a week ago as to whether there were Americans among the crews of vessels captured. This government, it is considered certain will make a vigorous demand for the release of the American sailors.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Instances of ground glass in bandages prepared for the American Red Cross have been discovered, it was declared Saturday in a statement from the organization, authorized by Albert W. Straub, director of its Atlantic division.

PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—The police refused to allow the holding of a peace meeting under auspices of the Emergency Peace Federation which was advertised for a local theatre to-night. In a letter to the manager of the theatre James Robinson, superintendent of police, said he had taken the matter up with the director of public safety and the director could not see his way clear at this time to permit such a meeting to take place.

GUATEMALA CITY, April 2.—It is reported that German reactivists are concentrating on the Mexican-Salvadoran frontier. It is also reported that a wireless telegraph plant has been shipped into Salvador from Mexico by which it is possible to communicate with Germany.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Governor Capper, of Kansas, who has been something of a pacifist in the past, now states that Congress should waste no time in declaring war against Germany, inasmuch as Germany some time ago declared war against the United States. Moreover Mr. Cooper says that the people of Kansas are practically unanimously of the same opinion. This, if correct, is very significant, for it has been from States such as Kansas that the peace at any price element expected to draw its greatest strength.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Naval enlistments in Central Kentucky are to be sought more eagerly beginning Saturday, when a naval recruiting station will be opened at Lexington. The office is to be a branch of the Cincinnati office and the decision to make enlistments easier for Kentuckians in the vicinity of Lexington was reached by Lieut. Archibald McGlasson, a Kentuckian, who is in charge of the Cincinnati office.

PITTSBURG, PA., April 2.—A resolution placing at the disposal of President Wilson, in case of war, 48,000 members of the Polish Falcons' Alliance of America, many of whom have had military training, was adopted at the opening session of a special convention of that organization here. The resolution, which also praised President Wilson for the stand he has taken for humanity, was read by Paul Schmidt, of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Dr. T. A. Starzynski, supreme president, presided.

Gov. Stanley Calls On Patriotism Of Kentuckians

Asks Co-Operation in Bringing Before Young Men Pressing Need of Navy.

FRANKFORT, KY., April 2.—In a proclamation issued here Governor Stanley calls on the public press, Mayors of cities, Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce for co-operation in bringing before the young men of the State the pressing and immediate need of the navy. The proclamation follows:

"I am just in receipt of a communication from H. M. Bennett, commander of the United States Navy and officers in charge of the Navy Publicity Bureau, in which he states that a plan, having the approval of the Navy Department, has been devised to bring the service and its recruiting necessities before the people of the country by means of a window display advertisement of simple character, in about 800 representative large retail stores in every city in the Union.

"Co-operation of the public press, Mayors of cities, Boards of Trade and Chambers of Commerce is requested.

"It is the duty of every patriotic citizen at this time to lend the Government the most hearty and instant support. I have every assurance that the officers and business men of the cities of Kentucky will be more than pleased to co-operate in every way in this laudable endeavor to bring most vividly before the young men of the country the pressing and immediate need of the navy and render every assistance in recruiting, without delay, the vitally important department of National Defense."

GOVERNOR ASKS SILENCE ON TROOPS' MOVEMENTS

Kentucky newspapers are requested to exercise a voluntary censorship over news concerning movements of the Kentucky National Guard. Governor Stanley through the Adjutant General's Department, has issued the following statement:

"As Governor of the State of Kentucky, I request all Kentucky newspapers, because of the present international crisis which is affecting the National Guard of the State, particularly to refrain from publishing any information, reports or rumors pertaining to orders, instructions or movements of any troops, which are sent out from their home stations for police or guard duty, and subsequent movements and stationing of troops at destinations or other activity at such destinations."

PATRIOTISM RAMPANT.

More than 8,000 schoolhouses in Kentucky will be flying American flags with an idea of instilling a spirit of patriotism in the youth of the State if provisions of a resolution, introduced by Senator S. M. Bradley, of Rowan county, and adopted by the Senate, are carried out.

The resolution calls attention to the fact that the United States is on the verge of war, and requests V. O. Gilbert, superintendent of public instruction, to take steps toward the purchase of a "flag for every schoolhouse." The resolution requests that the flags be raised at each of the schools "with appropriate exercises," and asks that the teachers give their male pupils some character of military drill each day.

State Supt. V. O. Gilbert said that Senator Bradley spoke to him about it before introducing his resolution in the Senate, and he already had consulted Attorney General Logan and had been assured that it would be within his power.

DRESS-UP WEEK.

Throughout the United States from April 1 to April 8, has been designated as "Dress-Up Week," and almost every city and town in the country has joined in the movement. From the number of fashionably tailored suits, both for men and women, which have been sold by the local merchants, Bourbon county people will be well supplied to observe the week, and are prepared to uphold the reputation enjoyed by the community of being among the best and most correct dressers in the State. It is an oft-repeated assertion of traveling men that they never get out their shoddy stuff to show Paris dealers, because it would be a waste of time.

BACK TO OLD JOBS AGAIN.

John Moran, Earl Curtis and Lawrence James, all of Paris, who have been members of the Third Texas Infantry, U. S. A., recently mustered out at El Paso, have returned to Port Arthur, where they will resume their former positions with the Texas Oil Co., unless their regiment is recalled to the service in case of war with Germany.

BOURBON CIRCUIT COURT

When court reconvened Friday morning a large number of witnesses for both sides in the case of Lee Deavers charged with the killing of Sidney G. Clay, which had been on trial for three days, were examined. The defendant himself made one of the best witnesses on his side, and maintained a remarkably calm and clear line of testimony under the rigid examination and cross-examination of the attorneys. One of the principal witnesses in the closing hours of the trial was Elizabeth Deavers, the thirteen-year-old niece of Lee Deaver. The prosecution introduced a large number of witnesses.

Taking of testimony was concluded at three o'clock Friday afternoon, when the first argument in the case was made by Mr. Robert C. Talbot, of counsel for the defense. He was followed by former Commonwealth's Attorney John R. Allen, of Lexington, for the prosecution. Hon. Robert B. Franklin, of Frankfort, made the second speech for the defense, and the closing argument for the Commonwealth was made by Commonwealth's Attorney Victor Bradley Saturday morning.

The case was given to the jury Saturday morning about 11 o'clock. They were hardly out of the room before they returned saying they had agreed upon a verdict. The verdict when read acquitted Deaver, who was immediately released from custody.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

We are agents for Paris and Bourbon county for the Kelly Carpet Cleaning Co., of Lexington. Phone orders will receive prompt attention. Best work and satisfaction guaranteed. ELECTRIC DRY CLEANING CO., (30-21) Fifth Street.

ELKS DIDN'T INSTALL.

Owing to a confusion in dates, District Deputy Wm. J. Carrol, of Covington, who was due in Paris, Sunday morning to conduct the installation of the new officers of Paris Lodge No. 373, B. P. O. E., did not arrive until Sunday night. Consequently the installation ceremonies were deferred until a more propitious time. Mr. Carrol stated that the Paris and New York lodges are the only two in the United States that meet on Sunday afternoon, all the others meeting some night during the week.

—WE KNOW NOW—

EASTER SUNDAY

Is Only a Few Days Off and You Must Be Well Dressed On That Day.



There is no better store—no more reliable, none more dependable—than our store when it comes to selling the right kind of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

Our Easter Suits, Hats, Shoes and Furnishings Surpass any others.

The clothing purchased from our store has style, service and comfort. Not high in price, but high in quality. Neat patterns for conservative dressers and fancy patterns for the more extreme ones. Pinch Backs and 2-Button Sacks, English Cut Coats made extreme.

the kind that well dressed fellows like to wear. Select your Easter Suit to-day, while the assortment is large.

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DRESS-UP WEEK AND EASTER!

THIS is National Dress-Up Week—and Easter is right around the corner. Men everywhere are racing to their personal appearance. As your clothes make your social position and are also a great factor in your business world, you just can't afford to take chances on things to wear. We are better prepared this season than ever before to care for your wants in dress.

Our Clothing Department

offers many inducement to the man or young man who is seeking Spring Clothes. You can select a Hart Schaffner & Marx or a Kirshbaum Suit in our shop and feel among the well dressed. Hundreds of colors and patterns in single and double-breasted models—some with plain backs, also belted and pinch backs. Splendid values at the prices—

\$15.00 to \$25.00

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Knox, Crofutt & Knapp and Stetsons in the newest shapes and colors for Easter Wear.

\$3.00 to \$5.00.

Neckwear 50c to \$1.00

Shirts \$1.00 to \$5.00

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