

UNITED STATES ENTERING THE GREAT WORLD WAR

UNITED STATES WILL LEND A BILLION DOLLARS TO THE ENTENTE ALLIES

In Addition There Will Be Domestic War Loan of \$500,000,000, Besides Loans Already Authorized—Banking Interests To Be Represented in Cabinet—Continuous Preparations Throughout Republic to Bring Germany to Her Knees—United States Entering on Side of Allies.

Special to The Standard.

New York, Mar. 23.—The substantial banking interests in this city have been in constant communication with President Wilson regarding war financing, which the President will outline in his address to Congress, and they have given the suggestions their approval to the extent of \$1,000,000,000 credit to the Allies and the issuance of a domestic war loan of \$500,000,000 in addition to the loans already authorized.

Furthermore, the chances of changes in the President's cabinet are under discussion, and in any re-organization, Wall Street banking interests will be either directly or indirectly represented.

Boston, Mar. 23.—The members of the National Guard of Massachusetts have been directed by their officers to have their field kits in readiness for mobilization. There is no definite knowledge as to when it may take place, but there is a belief that orders to report at armories may be received within a short time.

Gov. McCall sent to the Legislature a message calling for the creation of a home guard in Massachusetts to protect especially bridges, waterworks, factories and other structures which might be made the object of attack in case of war.

"To protect the domestic peace," the governor says in his message, is his object, and he suggests that age and other conditions of enlistment be made so that there shall be no competition with the National Guard in recruiting volunteers.

Arsenal on Two Shifts. Watertown, Mass., Mar. 23.—Orders have been received at the arsenal here from the war department to go on a 24-hour basis with two shifts.

The new order will mean practically the hiring of about 800 men, a similar number being employed at the present time during the day. Skilled workmen, especially machinists and mechanical draftsmen will be in demand.

Activity at Springfield. Springfield, Mass., Mar. 23.—Col. W. S. Pierce, commanding at the United States armory here, said today that he has received authority to increase the hours of operation from 16 to 20 a day.

Two 10-hour shifts will be employed as soon as possible, and this, with plans announced to increase greatly the number of employes, is expected to more than double the present output.

This will make possible an output of more than 1,000 rifles a day. A large number of men sought employment today as a result of the call issued yesterday.

Concord, N. H., Mar. 23.—By unanimous vote, today the New Hampshire Senate authorized the governor to sign

DANTON WAS BATTLESHIP TORPEDOED

Total of 286 Men Went Down With Ship—Berlin Dispatch of March 19 Told of French Battleship Sunk.

London, March 23.—In the sinking of the French battleship Danton in the Mediterranean on March 19, says a statement from the French admiralty, received here, 286 men were drowned. The Danton was torpedoed by a hostile submarine.

The sinking of a French battleship of the Danton class by a German submarine in the Mediterranean on March 19, was reported in a statement issued by the German admiralty on March 20, and received here by wireless. The Danton was built at Brest, and was commissioned in 1909. She had a speed of 19.2 knots, and was 481 feet long. She carried four 12-inch guns and 38 of smaller calibres.

CANADIANS AGAIN HEAR ARTILLERY

The Hun Replying to Vigorous Fire of Boys From Dominion—As Stewart Lyon Sees It.

Canadian Headquarters in France, March 23 (By Stewart Lyon, special correspondent of the Canadian Press)—As his retreat in the valley of the Somme slackens the enemy begins to waken up again on the Canadian front. His patrols are increasingly vigilant and his artillery, which for a time was so quiescent as to induce doubt as to whether he meant to fight or withdraw, is now returning the fire of the Canadian batteries with new vigor.

Aerial observation is also better and keeps our flying men and arches busy. Men along the front are greatly heartened by the news that the enemy is at last heading for home though such wanton destruction as cutting down fruit trees,angers them almost as much as if Germans were ravaging Niagara peninsula. The way in which all British troops begin to regard the soil of France in defense of which so many of the bravest have laid down their lives, gives an indication that the alliance of France and the British empire will last long, and become even more intimate, especially if Russia, France's other ally, becomes a

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his warrant for \$500,000 to be used in the defense of the state and to meet possible demands for national defense.

The House, without a dissenting vote, gave this authority to the governor on Wednesday.

Colors Displayed in Boston. Boston, Mar. 23.—Not since the week of the preparedness parade has there been such a display of the national colors in Boston as there is at present.

If the display of flags is any indication, State street continues to be the most patriotic thoroughfare in the business section of the city. Nearly every building on the upper end of State street has a large flag suspended over the entrance.

State street has been lavish in its display of the national colors for some weeks, however, and now the patriotic sentiment, quickened by the nation's rapid approach to war, has spread generally throughout the city and suburbs.

New spots of red, white and blue are blossoming out frequently on drab city walls.

Tells Just What They Did For Her Well Known Lady Makes a Statement Regarding Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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Ayre's Cliff, Que., March 23rd.—(Special).—Mrs. W. Coules Macdonna, a member of one of the oldest families living in this neighborhood has consented to give the public the benefit of her experience with Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Southern Canada Power Company, Ltd. Reports earnings for the four months ending January 31st, 1917, as follows:

	1917	1916	Increase
Gros earn.	\$121,210	\$91,050	\$29,941
Insg. . . .	61,954	47,028	14,926
The increase in gross earnings is over 33 per cent, while the increase in net earnings is over 21 per cent. This is considered very satisfactory.			

DIED. MILLER—In this city on the 21st inst. at her late residence, 87 Chesley street, after a short illness, Mrs. Amy Miller, wife of the late Thos. Miller, in her 118th year, leaving one daughter, four sons, two sisters, and a large circle of friends to mourn.

BECOMES BRIDE OF ENGLISH OFFICER

A wedding of interest to St. John people took place in London, March 21, when Miss Valerie Vizard DeBury, became the bride of Lieut. A. Gifford Ayrtton, England, son of the late R. Ayrtton, England, of Sillstead Hall, Yorkshire. The bride is a daughter of Lieut. Col. Count DeBury and do Bocarme, eldest son of the late Count DeBury of this city, and a niece of Mrs. Daniel Mallin. Count DeBury is serving with the Canadian artillery

EASTPORT DEFENCE

Eastport, Mar. 23.—Mayor Fred T. Eddridge, who is at Washington, and expected to return home Tuesday, sent the following telegram to O. H. Brown: "President calls special session April 2nd. Supply ship to be stationed in Eastport harbor." It is stated that the supply ship may arrive here this week and that the large and safe harbor and anchorage for which

CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY OR A REPUBLIC

is modernized industrially. These matters are far more discussed at the front than even the progress of the war.

THIS FRONTIER CITY HAS LONG BEEN NOTED

and is, so far as known at the present time, on the firing line in France. He went to England last September in command of a brigade of artillery from Petevava camp.

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