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U.S. Prepares for Aggressive Action Against Germany

Village of Henin-Sur-Cojeul Falls Before Dissolve Under Heavy Artillery Fire.

ONDON, April 3 .- Prolonged fighting for the Village of Henin-sur-Cojeul, southeast of Arras, has ended in the capture of the place by the British, according to the official report tonight from headquarters in France. Maissemy, northwest of St. Quentin, and Ronssoy Wood, further to the north, have also been occupied.

"In the course of a successful attack yesterday southeast of Arras, our troops, after prolonged fighting, carried the Village of Henin-sur- rushed forward today by the ad-Cojeul, in addition to the villages already reported captured. During the evening a second German counter-attack was broken up by our and only await action by congress on artillery. (The other villages, mentioned in Monday's official state- a war resolution to be put into exement, were Doignies, Louveral, Noreuil, Longatte, Ecoust-St. Mein and

"Further south we also captured the Village of Maissemy and occusied Ronssoy Wood. We carried out a successful raid last night opposite 24 hours had been caused in the sen-

German Aeroplanes Fall. "Two German aeroplanes were brought down by our gunfire yester- bate will begin in both houses tomorday, one of which fell in our lines. In air fights four German machines row, with action before adjournment and navy of the entente allies are as- of the financial burden as possible

Despite a heavy blizzard which raged during the night, further progress was made by the British forces, says Reuter's correspondent in a despatch from British headquarters in France. Henin-sur-Cojeul, five miles southeast of Arras, has been cleared of the enemy, giving the British possession of the line running almost straight from Beaurains to session, and previously the national the Amiens-Cambral road, near Beaumetz. The British occupied the defence council with its civilian ad-Village of Maissemy, northwest of St. Quentin, while a German counter- visory ttack against Templeux-le-Guerard was repulsed with heavy casualties.

INTERVENTION OF U.S. HASTENS END OF WAR

Viscount Bryce Declares American Participation Will Increase Demoralization and Weaken Resistance of German Armies.

Viscount Bryce, the former British who strove for it. She is now rendering help of incalculable value to the dering help of incalculable value to the cause of freedom.

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Foe Government to Blame. highest importance in three ways, and possible. Demoralization must increase and resistance weaken.

no selfish motives, but as the champion international justice and humanity, petrate such crimes. outraged by the German methods of the addies in their effort to vindicate last of the despotisms that remain in human rights, to respect for which the Europe."

MENTION OF WILSON CHEERED IN COMMONS

Premier Lloyd George's Speech

Awaits Action of Congress. sion of the American Congress in restitute for sugar in baking or pregard to war. Mr. Bonar Law replied: serving. "I have just received a telegram from our ambassador in Washington British Ship Torpedoed in which, after referring to the speech President Wilson, he adds that in ' his opinion it was well received by congress, and the expected authority

asked for would be given." When President Wilson's name was mentioned the members applauded, and they chered again when the chan-

ONDON, April 3.—Replying to success of Germany would give a fatal

"President Wilson, in his lofty and it gives the keenest pleasure to impressive address, worthy of the oc-America's warmest friends here. casion that called it forth, has right-Firstly, it must bring the war to a speedier close, not only by the material German Government rather than the German people that is responsible for sid, in money and men and in the the series of crimes committed by supply of food to the allied countries, land and sea during this war. The America can render, but also by the German people, hitherto fed by their moral effect her participation will to realize that it is the military caste produce on the German people and the which dominates them that has by its German armies. They will now see ruthless savagery roused against Gerthat success has for them become im- many the horror and indignation of the new as well as the old world. We may now hope that they will shake off the yoke and bring themselves, as the "Secondly, America comes in from Russian people have done, into the fellowship of those free nations whose

governments would not dare to per-"Never has a better blow been struck conducting the war. She stands by for democratic freedom than that

France Adopts New Plan Of Fixing Price for Grain

Paris, April 3-The chamber deputies today adopted a measure authorizing the government by decree London, April 3.-A storm of ap- to fix the price on wheat and other plause, was aroused in the house of grain, substituting this law for a precommons today by mention of Presi- vious one by which the price of wheat. dent Wilson's address to congress, for instance, was made 33 francs for Henry Dalziel asked Chancellor Bonar a metric hundredweight, or approxi-Law whether he was in a position to mately 220 pounds. The chamber also give any information as to the deci- adopted unanimously a bill authoriz-

American is Among Victims

New York, April 3 .- The British steamship Stanley, of 3,978 tons gross, from Newport News, March 7 with a cargo of grain for Cherbourg.

BRITISH ADVANCE UNITED STATES MAKING FRENCH CAPTURE IN ARRAS REGION BIG WAR PREPARATIONS ST. QUENTIN LINE

Drive - German Counter Attacks Enactment of War Resolution Not Later Than Tomorrow Anticipated, and Meanwhile Wilson and Cabinet Consider Program for Aggressive Hostilities---Selective Conscription to Raise Adequate National Army.

hostilities against Germany were

Enactment of the resolution not later than Thursday was confidently forecast at the capitol after a delay of ate by Senator Lafollette's objection to its immediate consideration. Deprobable. Scntiment in favor of the resolution is almost unanimous, and shall be devoted to speechmaking. Discuss War Plans.

President Wilson and his cabine went over the war plans at a two-hour sidiary organizations developed poli-cies and details of momentous consequence to the nation. Meanwhile the quence to the nation. Meanwhile the war and navy departments were going ahead with the most immediate

preparations for defence, American fleet and those of the entente the war. The most important plans under preparation by the administration include:

Selective Conscription. Enlistment by selective conscription of young men for a national army, in pire to terms and end the war."

ASHINGTON, April 3.—War, addition to the regular establishment plans — military, economic and national guard, in increments of composed of Secretaries Baker, Lane, and financial—for aggressive 500,000 until enough have been train—Daniels, Wilson, Houston, and Red-

cial interests for economical and ef-

of combating the submarine menace; deal ahead of time with problems of The raising of a very large sum of money; as much as possible to be obtained by taxation, and the definite certained.

vision of law which allows the secre-

Division of the young men of the

Will Hurry Legislation. Most of these plans will require the authorization of congress, but from Already the navy has taken steps to is believed that once the war resoluensure co-operation between the tion is adopted further legislation to can be raised quickly in the U.S. empower the executive branch to go allies, to become effective upon the full speed ahead will follow quickly, guaranteeing of foreign bond issues, formal entry of the United States into There is every indication that the but it appeared probable that the U. President Wilson's recommendation the government of the German Em- nish them with ample capital with

The council of national ed to make certain the defeat of Ger- field, following a conference with its advisory commission, decided to name fective distribution of commodities the nation for effective distribution of among the civilian population: Rapid provision of adequate means people generally. Its aim will be to

To Raise War Sinews.

In line with the president's suggesamount of the first budget not to be tion to congress in his address that fixed until the exact needs of the army the present generation bear as much the ways of providing money consideration today included increas of all kinds for the army under a pro- ing the excess profits tax, lowering the ing the super-tax under the income tax law, increasing internal revenue taxes on small articles and placing stamp taxes on some articles not now included. The general idea is to best able to pay.

the necessary funds will have to be raised by bond issues in the form of opinions expressed at the capital it estimated by one cabinet member that Opposition has developed to the mation, thru its representatives, will S., having raised money in this counfollow out President Wilson's words try, would purchase the bonds of one to congress and "exert all its powers or more of the entente allies at low and employ all its resources to bring rates of interest and in that way fur-

Several More Powerfully Fortified Villages Fall Before Onslaught of Allies-Germans Pushed Back on Ailette River.

DARIS, April 3.—A series of powerfully organized points of support held by large German forces and about eight miles in extent have been captured by the French to the south of St. Quentin. Various villages and heights fell into the hands of the French,

The official communication from the war office, announcing this latest successful operation, reports that the Town of Rheims has been violently bombarded by the Germans, more than 2000 shells having been thrown into it, resulting in some casualties to the civilian population. The text of the statement reads:

"East and west of the Somme, after violent artillery preparation, our troops attacked an enemy position, which extended north of the line of Castres, Essigny and Benay, from l'Epine de Dallon as far as the Oise. Notwithstanding the stubborn resistance of the enemy our troops everywhere reached their objective and occupied on a front of about 13 kilometres a series of points of support, solidly organized and held by large forces. L'Epine de Dallon and the Villages of Dallon, Giffecourt and Cerisy and several heights south of Urvillers are in our power.

Gain South of Ailette. South of the Atlette River we continued to progress in the region of Laffaux, the southern and northeastern outskirts of which we hold. "Our troops likewise captured Vauveny and have taken foot on the ridge north of that hamlet. Our batteries took under their fire a German column marching in the direction of Laffaux mill.

"The enemy violently bombarded the Town of Rheims, into which more than 2000 shells were fired. Several of the civilian population

"The cannonade was intermittent on the rest of the front."

WHAT ABOUT EDISON? T ABOUT EDISON? U. S. ACTION SEALS

popular subscription loans. It was His Inventive Genius Counted Upon to Help U. S. in War.

Paris, April 3.-The attention of France is fixed intently on Washington, waiting for a vote of congress on that congress declare that a state of war with Germany exists. Among the characteristic newspaper comment is that of The Temps, which says:

"It is a great date in the history of of humanity. The decision not to mix in the quarrels of Europe has dominated American policy for more than a century. German violence has been stronger than this will, and a new ally joins us. Despite the Monroe Doctrine, despite immigration and despite all sorts of ties binding two nations, the aggressive policy of the Hohenzollerns has forced war on a people which was firmly decided to remain neutral."

"What will Edison do?" "What was stronger than this will, and a London, April 3.—President Wilson's message aligning the United States with the nations fighting against Germany was warmly welcomed and unanimously acclaimed by the British people. They recognize that no deci-

By Entry of U. S. Into War

Canadian Associated Press Cable.

London, April 3.—Roman Dmowski, leader of the Poles and a former member of the Russian duma, in a statement today concerning President Wilson's address to congress, said:

"From the Polish standpoint the participation of the United States in the war is most desirable. We are sure in our struggle for the recognition of our position among nations we have the full sympathy of the United States. The most difficult part of our task is retaking from Germany her Polish provinces, which are of first importance to our nation's future. The Canadian Associated Press Cable.
London, April 3.—Roman Dmowski.
leader of the Poles and a former mem-**OPINION OF PREMIERS** ance to our nation's future. The United States will be an important factor in support of our claim."

"Votes for Women" Candidate ent men whose opinions on President Is Swamped in By-Election Wilson's address are printed here are those of William Ferguson Massey, pre-

London, April 3.—Frederick Pethick Lawrence, joint editor of "Votes for Women," and well-known as an arden supporter of woman suffrage, standing for election to the house of com-mons on a "peace by negotiation" platform today polled only 333 votes, while his opponent. Sir John Fleming, the coalition canidate, received 3283. The balloting took place in a by-election for the seat for South

To Attempt to End Life

London. April 3 .- The wife of the former Russian premier, Boris V Sturmer, has attempted to commit-suicide, according to a Reuter despatch from Petrograd. After re-ceiving a letter, the contents of which ore not known, she cut her throat. M. P. for South York: Well, Kal, I She was taken to a hospital, where she your Uncle Sam is Jinin' in the war.

DOOM OF POTSDAM

Greatest Event Affecting the War Since Britain Joined. London Believes.

LINES UP FREEDC

America, a great date in the history Message of President Wilson Pleases Public- German People Blam ble

> sion with a weightier influence upon the result of the world struggle has been given since Great Britain, after a few days of consideration, resolved to march with France. No news of to march with France. No news of the past year has so stirred the country, save only the Russian revolution.
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> There have been no street demonstrations or exhibitions of excitement, such as the first weeks of the war saw in London, because the war has long since passed the stage of excite-ment, and is regarded here, as in

that recommendations to congress limited to defensive measures for the protection of American commerce would have fulfilled the general expectations. That the Russian revolution did much to pave the way for American co-operation with Germany's opponents and made President Wilson's policy possible is one of the first features of the situation which the newspapers seize on.

Blame German People.

The only feature of President Wilson's message which evokes dissent is his acquittal of the German people from responsibility for the policies of the German Government. Libera papers, like The Daily Chronicle, contend that the German people have supported with apparent enthusiasm such proceedings as have been going on in Belgium and have demanded its

anrexation.

That the press regards the entry of America as one of the most momentous events of the war is shown in the (Concluded on .Page 11, Column 4).

How They Regard It Up the Don.

M. P. for South York: Well, Kal, I see Mayor of Wexford: Yes; he wants to get in in time fur th' crowin'.

Press as to what difference america's entrance into the war would make to Europe now and hereafter, which has pre-eminently loved and prized who strove for it. She is now ren Wiscount Bryce, the former British who strove for it. She is now ren Wiscount Bryce, the former British who strove for it. She is now ren Wiscount Bryce, the former British who strove for it. She is now ren-COMING FROM FOE

Berlin Warmly Supports Proposal That Belligerent Powers Confer.

BOASTS OF STRENGTH

Germany is Still Standing Unshaken.

London, April 3.-The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger's article concerning the proposal of the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister that a peace conference he held by the belligerents, as repro duced by The Rheinische West falische Zeitung of Essen, a copy of

which has been received here, says: "The standpoint taken by the Ber lin and Vienna Governments is shared also, it need hardly be said, by the governing circles of Sofia and Constantinople, and will shortly be given

of a highly placed personage from the dual monarchy. "More unbroken and more firmly we stand on all fronts and more con-scious do we feel our power to persist to the end, better are we able with head erect to offer our enemies a

and they chered again when the chancellor told them what the ambassador
had cabled.

It is understood that Premier Lloyd
George proposes to attend the session
of the house of commons tomorrow for
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To Wage War On U.S.

Berlin Says No Change of Attitude Will Follow

Action By U. S. Congress.

"What will Edison do?" "What unexpected discovery will he offer to his country?" are questions that are being asked by the French people in view of the prospect of the United States joining the entente. The greatest curiosity is being manifested in possible new war inventions. DERLIN, April 3, via London, April 4.—The press report of President Lokal Anzeiger Maintains German attitude, even if congress adopted President Wilson's views. Germany will not declare war nor take any steps to wage war against the Polish Prospects Brightened United States. The submarine war will be continued as it has been conducted since Feb. 1, but this, declare the officials, is not directed more against the United States than any other neutral.

It is also declared that there will be no change in the treatment of American citizens in Germany, who now have the same freedom as all other neutrals. But Germany expects that the United States will continue the same treatment of Germans in that country.

U. S. VALUABLE AS ALLY

Morris of Newfoundland

Express Views.

London, April 3 .- Among the promin

CANADIAN VICTORY LOAN MUCH OVER-SUBSCRIBED

Total Subscriptions Almost Two Massey of New Zealand, and Hundred and Sixty-Seven Millions.

By a Staff Reporter. Ottaws, April 3.—The total subscriptions to the third war loan are \$266,784,-300, of which \$60,000,000 was received from the chartered banks and \$18,121,000 miler of New Zealand, and Sir Edward represented conversions from the 1915 Morris, premier of Newfoundland. Both head erect to offer our enemies a peace worthy for all parties for the immense sacrifices they have made in this war.

"Should our enemies show themselves now unwilling to grasp this opportunity for preparing to end the bloodshed and for restoring peace to the peoples of Europe, they will act on their own responsibility. We are prepared to continue to hold out. On that there is only one opinion in our quadruple alliance."

DINEEN'S FIRE SALE.

represented conversions from the 1915 war loan issue. A statement to this effect was made by Sir Thos. White this entente allies will derive from America's entente allies will derive from America's considers that the principal advantage which will be surrendered in payment of subscriptions of \$25,000 and under the United States will enter into the war the United States will enter into the war.

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