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Congress Decides! U.S. Now at War With Germany.

CONGRESS VOTES FOR WAR.

WASHINGTON, April 6. By a vote of 373 to 53 war was declared on Germany at 3.15 a.m.

SEIZE GERMAN SHIPS.

WASHINGTON, April 6. as a measure of safety.

BRAZIL MAY DECLARE WAR.

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 6.

ASKS CUBA TO DECLARE WAR.

NEW YORK, April 6. tion of the United States.

LLOYD GEORGE'S MESSAGE TO AMERICA.

LONDON, April 6. liberty and human rights. Once the cessfully. conviction was reached the great Republic of the West has leaped into the arena and stands now side by side with the European democracies who, bruised and bleeding after three years' grim conflict, are still fighting the most savage foe that ever menaced the freedom of the world. The glowing phrases of the President's noble deliverance illumine the horizon and make clearer than ever the goal we are striving to reach. There are three phrases which will stand out for ever in the story of this crusade: The first is that the world must be safe for democrocy. The next menace to peace and freedom lies in the existence of autocratic governments backed by organized force which is controlled wholly by their will and not by the will of their people; and the crowning phrase is that in which he declares that a steadfast concert for peace can never be maintained except by a partnership of democratic nations. These words represent the faith which inspires to sustain our they have made and are still making. They also believe that the unity and peace of mankind can only rest upon democracy, upon the right of those who submit to authority to have a voice in their own government, upon respect for the rights and liberties of the nations both great and small, upmilitary autocracy is an implacable foe. The Imperial War Cabinet, reentatives of all parts of the Brit-

ognize the chivalry and courage

engaged in by human endeavor."

BIHTISH ADVANCE.

LONDON, April 6. Continuing their attacks north of St. Quentin, the British have captured American ports went out this morn- soy. The official from headquarters ing. They are to be held at present in France adds that prisoners were taken and large numbers of German dead found. The operations of the Pazana and the killing of three Bra- terday in the neighborhood of Rousfight. During the operations of the Arras our advance proved the enemy suffered severely, large numbers of dead being found in many localities. Premier Lloyd George to-day gave We entered the enemy's trenches yesthe American newspapers, on behalf trday east of Arras and took eight of the War Cabinet, the following: prisoners. We carried out another "America has at one bound become a successful raid during the night opworld power in a sense she never posite Wytschaete on a front of three found a cause worthy of her tradi- 21 prisoners. We blew a mine last tions. The American people held night east of Ypres. Yesterday and back until they were fully convinced Wednesday night several long-disthat the fight was not a sordid scrim- tance raids were carried out by our mage for power and possessions, but airplanes and a number of important an unselfish struggle to overthrow railway junctions, munition depots a sinister conspiracy against human and aerodromes were bombed suc-

FECT UPON GERMANY. COPENHAGEN, April 6. America's entry into the war evipast week between St. Quentin and effect upon the reform movement in Arras, the statement adds, resulted in Germany. The conviction that the Brazil may declare war on Ger- severe German losses. The text of instant modernization of the Prussian and carried the village of Lempire. of the war is necessary as a military a German counter attack after a stiff Austria-Hungary and declare itself in favor of peace without annexations past week between St. Quentin and is heard from the moderate liberal as well as from the Socialist quarters. This demand no longer represents alone the belief of many thinking persons that annexation except for slight frontier alterations would be against the real interests of Germany, but to consider this message and report. also the realization that after the United States had joined the ranks ITALY TO MAKE WILSON'S SPEECH was before. She waited until she hundred yards, in which we captured of the enemy time has passed when Germany could hope to dictate terms

WILL SEIZE SHIPS.

war exists between Cuba and Ger- Government agency. There was no war. Orders to seize all German ships in the village of Lempire north of Rous- AMERICA'S ACTION HAS HAD EF- for war declaration, it was said by J. many, the Foreign Secretary states. the statement reads: We continued constitution and the proclamation on to help the United States to its full-The sinking of the Brazilian steamer our attacks north of St. Quentin yes- a more democratic basis of the gov- est extent. The German ships in Haernment and the diplomacy of the vana Harbor have been under suszilians has aroused intense excite- soy, ten miles north of St. Quentin, empire without waiting for the end picion and close watch for some time Further prisoners and three machine and political measure "to counteract took on a considerable quantity of near the Persian border, the war of guns were captured. Large numbers the tempest of the world's public supplies it was feared she was going fice announced. The Turks are reof dead were found in the captured positions. To-day we made further positions. To-day we made further evidently gaining ground in all exlic has asked Cuba to declare war against Germany, inspired by the ac-

the Cuban Government, following the Italian documents of the highest im- S. Deputy Marshals were in charge of selection. Conscription bills to carry President Menocal this afternoon Havana Harbor. This announcement tinue to express the deep impression land 54,282 tons gross, to the small Naval Committees. The budget is disent a message to Congress asking was made to-day by the Republic of which has been made in Italy by the sailing vessels. The port officers act- vided so that \$2,932,000,000 goes to the that body to declare that a state of Cuba news bureau here, the Cuban entry of the United States into the ed under orders issued by the Secre- army, \$468,000,000 to the navy. These doubt the Cuban Congress would accede to President Menoca's request V. Knight, the director of the Bureau. which received to-day from the President a copy of his address to Congress. Already plans were well advanced for economic mobilization of the Republic would be in a position he said. Recently when one of them on the Diala river in Mesopotamia,

A COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER.

HAVANA, April 6. At 5.50 o'clock this p.m., the Senate, after reading President Menocal's message, appointed a committee of five Senators to meet a like committee from the House of Representatives

ROME, April 6.

With the formal declaration by Cu- munes. Such action has been taken Savannah, Wilmington and New York | million trained men, including the

course of the United States, intends portance. The newspapers, public the German ships in these ports rangto seize three German ships now in men and various organizations con- ing in size from the majestic Vater- ed the Congressional Military and

PORT OF NEW YORK CLOSED.

NEW YORK, April 6. The port of New York will hereafter be closed at six o'clock every night to all ships passing in or out it was announced at the custom house

RUSSIANS AND BRITISH MEET.

LONDON, April 6. detachments came into touch Monday the Diala river. Turkish forces in this region are reported in retreat in the direction of Kifri.

VESSELS SEIZED.

NEW YORK, April 6. The seizure of German merchant vessels which took refuge in Atlantic I ports at the beginning of the war began almost immediately after the Congress passed the resolution detween the United States and Germany.

tary to the Treasury. It is understood tion and that the vessels are held for 000, and appropriations totalling German vessels now in American navy. The navy's task will be to raise ports number 91 with a gross tonnage the present enlisted strength of 68.of about 600,000 tons.

BRAZILIAN STEAMER SUNK.

CHERROURG, April 6. sunk during the night. Three mem- staff has been approved by President bers of her crew are missing. The Wilson, and the department decided The Russian and British advance Parana registered 4,861 tons and was to-day to make it public immediately owned at Rio Janeiro.

LONDON, April 5. ing caught in their own wire entanglements and raked by the fire of both large and small throughout British machine guns. Additional France and passed resolutions acgains for the British east and northeast of Metz-en-Coutre are also chronicled by the British war office.

AMERICA'S WAR PLANS.

WASHINGTON, April 5. The vast scope of the Administration's plans for the army and navy claring that a state of war existed be- were revealed to-day after a military budget of \$3,400,000,000 had been sub-The Italian Government is about to The collector at the port of Boston mitted to Congress. In broad terms, take the unusual course of posting was the first to act. Federal officials it is proposed to quadruple the enlist-President Wilson's address to Con- at New London, Baltimore, Philadel- ed strength of the navy and have in gress in public places in all com- phia, Newport News, New Orleans, service within a year an army of one ba of a state of war with Germany, in the past only in respect of official quickly followed. Before daylight U. | first 500,000 brought to the colors by

this move does not involve confisca- army appropriations bill of \$240,000,the present as a measure of safety. \$157,273,802 already available for the 000 men to 197,000 in the shortest possible time. It is estimated it will cost \$175,865,761 to do this. A lump sum appropriation of \$292,538,790 for The Brazilian steamer Parana was the army bill drafted by the general upon the passage of the war resolu-

AMERICA'S DAY IN FRANCE.

tions by the House.

PARTS April 5 This was America's day in France There was a great display of the Stars Municipal Councils met in the cities claiming the United States. Such was the demand for newspapers that the evening editions of the Paris papers giving the votes in the United States Senate on the war resolution was quickly exhausted. Crowded subway cars were more animated than at any time since the war began with general conversation about the new American ally. Knots of soldiers and civilians in front of all cafes and at all street corners discussed the great event with manifest satisfaction.

GERMAN ATTACK FAIL. PARIS, April 5 (Official.)

Between the Somme and Oise Gernan artillery violently bombarded our positions north of Urvillios. The vigrous reply of our batteries silenced the enemy's guns. The enemy made use of flaming liquid but was repulsed by our barrage of fire and left dead and prisoners in our hands. Northwest of Rheims the German attack announced in the preceding communication against our positions between Sapignuil and Godat farm, developed on a front of 2.500 metres. The enemy assembled numerous special troops for an assault with the object of driving us from the left bank of the Aisne as proved by orders found on dead officers and prisoners. The attack completely failed over the greater part of the front where we reoccupied almost immediately our first line of trenches. Attacks are under way for the capture of some of the elements which the enemy still holds. This afternoon on the left bank of the Meuse our guns caught under their fire north of Hill 304 German troops which suffered heavy losses. In Lorraine, in the region of Grimecey, we shelled a train of which several wagons were burned.

RUSSIANS JOINING BRITISH.

In the direction of Khanikin our cavalry detachments pursuing the enemy have occupied Kasnichinn and Khanikin and are engaged in a battle near the village of Dekke, northwest of Khanikin with the Turkish rearguard which is endeavoring to prevent us from crossing the Diala River with the purpose of joining the British. A Cossack detachment has peen despatched from Khanikin to

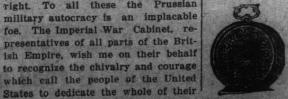


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