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WEISER LINES UP WITH THE PRESIDENT

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should thank God for the great message he presented to Congress. It was both American and Christian. We believe that our Congress will stand behind the president. But what are we going to do about it?

We have the choice of doing one of two things: 1. We can weakly submit to the dictatorship of a despotic government vested in the house of Hohenzollern; we can keep our principles at home; we can give up our principles; we can hand down the Stars and Stripes and admit that we are ready to quit. Or, 2. We can do as our fathers before us did—We can show that we still believe in our principles of democratic government; that we will defend those principles at whatever the cost; and that we will continue to lead the nations of the world in Christian progress.

We must make one of these two choices. There is no half-way ground. Peace talk now is entirely out of place; the time for it is past. There is about as much sense and decency and Christianity in asking our President to keep us out of war now as there would be in asking a man whose wife and children are being insulted and murdered before his eyes to take no part in the affair.

"This has come when we must act. Talk of further neutrality now is the talk of treason. Every person now is either for the United States or against it."



Saturday Specials April 7

- Set of 6 Pie Plates 23c
- Set of 6 Dinner Plates 39c
- 6-Inch Vegetable Dish 10c
- Set of 6 Cups and Saucers 45c
- 6-Inch Vegetable Dish 19c
- Set of 6 Water-Glasses 25c
- 3 Bars Colgate's Bath Soap at 25c
- 6 Bar Armour's Bath Soap at 25c
- Single Dining Bottle 7c
- Emollient Soap, 5 bars for 21c
- White Paper Napkins 10c
- Chocolate Marshmallow Peanut Coated, a lb. 25c

Resolved, that the time has come to let the world know that, while Americans are long suffering and peace loving, we are not a nation of cowards or molluscoides and that we are not afraid to draw the sword in defense of human liberty, national dignity and the peace of the world.

The path of duty lies before us and we stand ready to follow it, under the guidance of Almighty God, to that victory we believe awaits the champion of the cause of humanity.

Resolved, That we, the citizens of Weiser and Washington county here assembled, in support of former national dignity, solemnly pledge our untold and unwavering support to President Wilson and to Congress in this great crisis. And to the end that autocracy shall give way to democracy, we pledge to justify, defend, support and follow the example of our fathers' early patriots and lay down our lives and our sacred honor.

The exhibition drill was watched by hundreds and showed that the boys have gotten their lessons. They were applauded again and again. Taken altogether the demonstration was a remarkable one, and the people of Weiser did themselves proud.

Two auto-loads of pupils from the Haas school took part in the patriotic parade in town on Monday. In the forenoon the flag was saluted on the school grounds.

At the last meeting of the Liberty Bell Club, Dwight Armstrong was elected secretary to fill the vacancy caused by Ralph Watson leaving the district. There was a short program and amusing debate.

Signs of the girls have started the formation of a patrol of Girl Scouts.

LOCAL ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Talbot left today for Chilly, Idaho, where they will spend a couple of months looking after their ranch there. They are making the trip in their automobile.

The Jillson family have been quarantined for six weeks on account of chicken pox, but had had notice that they will be released from "prison" tomorrow for which they are all very thankful.

Mrs. S. W. Applegate of Payette and Mrs. C. R. Ross of Parma, who were called to Midvale Monday by the death of the sister-in-law Mrs. C. F. Reavis, returned to their homes Wednesday.

Miss Bessie Tarter who is attending St. Francis Academy at Baker City, arrived in the city today, to spend winter vacation with relatives. She will be the guest of Miss Ruth Whisler for a few days.

Word from S. S. Harralson (Scop) is to the effect that the condition of his father remains about the same. Some days he is better and some worse, and now the doctors are unable to tell whether there is any hope for him. The friends of Mr. Harralson hope more favorable news may be received from him soon.

Mud Flight Pea Weevil

A. Michener, representing Rogers Bros. of Alpena, Mich., has been in Weiser for several days with a view to contracting for several hundred acres of peas, but he soon discovered that weevil were in evidence to such an extent that it would be impossible to raise seed peas here. He went in every direction from Weiser and reports practically the same conditions in every locality.

Mr. Michener says the weevil have been brought in in defective seed, and that if the farmers of this section ever expect to raise peas for marketing purposes, a study of how to eradicate the pest should be made, as there is danger that they may spread to other crops and do even greater injury than they are doing now.

Open Meeting Next Week

The "smoker" which is given monthly by the commercial club, will be given next week, possibly next Thursday night. The date has not positively been decided upon.

We are making a special price on the hats for the week, let us fit you to the proper style.



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- WANTED—Weaving to do Mrs. H. Elkins, Fourth and East Commercial streets. 4117
- LOST—One platinum ring with diamond set and one pink sapphire ring. Finder, please leave at M. L. Vail's jewelry store and receive reward. 66-67
- FOUND—Ladies' black purse. Owner can secure property by calling at 684 east Main and describing same. 67
- FOR SALE—A gentle driving horse and surey. Also white Wandotte hens and eggs. Phone 107 R. 1. 61TT
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- FOR SALE OR TRADE—Will sell or trade for livestock, an almost new spraying machine. H. D. Coble, R. F. D. No. 1, Weiser. 6037
- FOR SALE OR TRADE—Two-acre tract adjoining city. A. E. Omap. adv. 60-61
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GOVERNMENT TO RAISE SIX AND A HALF BILLION

Billion in Bonds and One and a Half by Taxation—Allies to Be Loaned Three Billion.

WASHINGTON—President Wilson, followed in his address to Congress by paying America's war bill as possible while the war is waged, leaving a minimum rate heavily on large incomes, in a virtual decision by the house and senate to raise six and a half billion dollars by taxation.

The program congress will vote upon to raise war revenues \$6,000,000,000 through new and increased taxation during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1918. This is the \$5,000,000,000 bond authorization for which will be this week. The total demand for the first year of war, the program, would be \$6,000,000,000.

The bill, \$3,000,000,000, it is stated Sunday night, is to be introduced to the senate after the bill has been passed by the house.

The bill is proposed to raise interest on the national debt to 6 per cent. The bill is to be introduced to the senate after the bill has been passed by the house.

AUSTRIA SEVERES RELATIONS

DEFENDER OF KAVALA REWARDED



Ventsos, head of the Greek provisional government, presenting a standard to Colonel Christofidatos, defender of Kavala against the Bulgarians. A large crowd attended the ceremonies.

Charge Zwiedinek Asked State Department for His Passports—and they were Given at Once.

WASHINGTON—Washington officials who have hoped that the declaration of war with Germany would not lead to the severing of relations with Austria, have been disappointed today when Charge Zwiedinek, the temporary head of the Austrian legation in Washington, called at the state department and demanded his passports and the passports for the entire legation membership.

Official Washington lost no time in complying with his request and his passports were at once available for Zwiedinek, Count Taromsky and the entire embassy staff. All Austrian diplomatic agents throughout the country have been notified.

The relations between Turkey, Bulgaria and the United States are as far undisturbed, but it is likely those countries will sooner or later follow the example of Austria and show their support of the German method of warfare.

To Punish Plotters

WASHINGTON—The senate today passed a bill directed against plotters against the country. The bill is the most drastic one, and also provides for the punishment for attempts to the destruction of war materials, including railways, docks, munitions and munitions plants.

To Take Over all Wireless

WASHINGTON—A bill has been introduced in the senate giving the government the option to take over and to punish any persons found establishing wireless communications without authority of the war department.

Planned Base in West Indies

WASHINGTON—Copenhagen officials have given out semi-officially that the real reason for the hurried action of the United States in closing a deal for the purchase of the Danish West India was the discovery that Germany was planning to gain possession of the base and establish a submarine base there. The purchase of the islands defeated the plan, which the United States knew of it is said.

War Submarine Base at Panama

WASHINGTON—Secretary of War Baker requested congress today to fund a submarine base at Panama.

St. Louis Arrives

WASHINGTON—The armed American lines, St. Louis arrived today with three hundred passengers on board. There were no special incidents of the voyage to record.

Washington

WASHINGTON—The United States Supreme Court today handed down a decision upholding the constitutionality of the Oregon ten hour law for men.

O. S. L. FREIGHT WRECK

Extra freight train No. 2025, which left Weiser for the west about 1:30 p.m. Sunday morning, was wrecked on the bend two miles west of Eaton and fourteen cars were thrown from the track.

The cause of the wreck was a broken wheel. This fact seems corroborated as parties who saw the train pass Eaton say one of the car wheels was shooting a regular blaze of sparks and they thought at the time there was something wrong with it. The broken wheel is in evidence and as there is only one this conclusion seems correct.

Of the fourteen cars thrown from the track seven of them were plunged into the river in order to clear the way for the other cars. The other seven were thrown across the track and on the side of the grade. The wrecker, which was brought from Huntington, was completely disabled by the wreck. The wrecker is at work and will undoubtedly soon have the cars all moved from the scene in a day or two.

The fortunate feature of the accident is that no lives were lost and no one was injured. Only the conductor of the cars will prove to be none of the water but the thought of what would have been the result had it been one of the night passenger trains makes one shudder.

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CUBA AND PANAMA STUDENT KILLED FOLLOW U. S.

BOTH SMALL REPUBLICS DECLARE WAR ON GERMAN GOVERNMENT.

HAVANA—The republic of Cuba has declared itself at war with Germany.

In a joint resolution passed by the senate this afternoon, and approved by the house at 6:10 Saturday night, the United States in the war against the German government.

Friendship for America. Liberator of Cuba, was the chief factor behind the country's decision.

President Menocal signed the war bill immediately after it was transmitted to him by the house.

The violent scenes of enthusiasm greeted passage of the measure in the house. Conservatives and Liberal members alike rose frequently to punctuate the speeches of their leaders with cheers and applause. Not one of the regulars neglected to mention the gratitude which Cuba felt toward the United States and not one of them failed to receive thunderous applause.

According to the story told by his fellow students, young Henry and several other members of the Glee club, recently in Weiser, Idaho, were the victims.

PREPAREDNESS MEETING TOMORROW

PLANS BEING FORMULATED TO STIMULATE PRODUCTION IN THIS COUNTY.

A number of the leading business men of Weiser met at the Commercial Club room Saturday night to talk over the question of urging the cultivation of every acre of ground in Washington county, and plans of assisting farmers who are unable to purchase seed.

George Nesbit was elected chairman and H. U. Spaulding secretary. It was unanimously decided some steps were necessary and after some discussion a committee composed of George Nesbit, R. P. Spaulding, H. W. Wicklin, F. S. Gwilliam, E. A. Van Sickle, Morris Sommer and Herman Haas was appointed to take the preliminary steps to the formation of a county-wide organization.

This committee met Sunday afternoon and appointed the following sub-committees:

Seed and Seed—F. S. Gwilliam, Homer Farabee, Joe Madison, Marsh and Will D. Keithley

Equipment—A. H. Morgan, E. A. Van Sickle, Wm. Black, R. E. Wilson, Walter Keefe, Wm. Peckles and D. B. Richardson.

Irigration—L. L. Lewis, James E. Smith, Charles Hulst, James Huddleston, J. D. Forsyth, Tom Muir, E. A. Griffin, George Triploh, Frank Gribben, Turner, Ed. Patch, Pete Gladhart, Marion Smith, W. H. Edes, Charles Hale, James Pringle, Hans Lynch, Frank Lund and O. F. Struble.

The executive committee decided to appeal to the county commissioners for funds to assist in the work and also for the appointment of a county farm advisor.

Another conference was held this morning, after it was learned the county commissioners were taking steps to hold a meeting of leaders from all parts of the county, and it was decided to hold a meeting at Weiser tomorrow (Tuesday) afternoon. This meeting will be held at the Commercial Club hall, and word has been sent to all parts of the county.

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