April 6, 1917

World War I began in 1914, a month after the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand of Austria. But the United States didn't get involved until April 1917, making it a world war. Notice the "woman congressman weeps" headline. Did you know there was a woman in Congress even before the 19th Amendment was ratified in 1920?

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WAR FOR U.S. NOW

UNCLE SAM SEIZES 91 GERMAN VESSELS

WOMAN CONGRESSMAN WEEPS AS HOUSE AMID RENDING STORM VOTES FOR WAR

U. S. Rushing to Completion Most Powerful Battle Ships World Has Ever Known

This is one of four of the United States' new battle cruisers now under construction. It is the greatest battleship ever built by any government, 874 feet long. She will have a speed of 35 knots, five knots faster than anything England or Germany has. She will carry ten 50 calibre 14-inch rifles, twenty 5-inch rifles and 8 torpedo tubes, and has oil burners which will give 180,000 horsepower. This is the first picture of the monster ever published.

MARINES ABOARD GERMAN VESSELS

German Crews Made Prisoners In All Harbors By Armed U. S. Bluejackets.

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, April 6.—United States armed forces today seized all German ships in all American ports. In ports on every coast of the United States and in island possessions marines and blue jackets went aboard the enemy's ships early today, made prisoners of the German crews and took possession of the vessels in the name of the United States.

At Hoboken eighteen vessels, including the giant Vaterland, were taken over. In all twenty-seven ships were seized in New York waters.

The total number of German ships in American waters which were seized is ninety-one, representing a gross tonnage of 594,696.

From Philadelphia, Boston, New Orleans, Jacksonville, Wilmington, San Francisco and other ports came the reports during the morning of the seizure. No trouble was reported.

In every instance marines or bluejackets were armed, waiting and ready for the signal to board the vessels. The signal was word that the house had passed the war resolution.

In New York harbor a long gray war-painted destroyer waited just off the box of the Vaterland. Her guns were trained on the enemy liner.

The launch of Collector of the Port Malone carried the collector as he supervised the work. His deputies were on the docks in Hoboken and Staten Island. The German sailors were ordered to pack their belongings and were hurried away to Ellis Island. In all cases the enemy sailors were sent to the immigration station.

U-BOATS ARE SIGHTED

(By United Press.)

NEW YORK, April 6.—German submarines are near the great circle trade route between New York and Cape Hague and other South American ports a warning sent out by wireless today said. British and other allied ships were warned to be on the lookout for U-boats.

Sufficient Evidence

Can be secured in our shop at any time to sustain the fact that we make all our own lenses. S. Silver, Jeweler & Optometrist, 227 State St., Hammond, Ind.

ALIENS STATUS IS DEFINED

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The president's proclamation defining the status of aliens in this country during the time of war was issued immediately after he had signed the war resolution. Under the law subjects of a foreign government with whom this country is at war but are within the borders of the United States are liable to be apprehended, restrained, secured and removed as alien enemies. Wilson's proclamation said that Germans who did not violate the law would not be molested. The proclamation said in part:

"All alien enemies are enjoined to preserve the nation's peace and refrain from crimes against the United States. They must comply strictly with the regulations which are from time to time promulgated by the president for the government of their conduct in relation to actual hostilities by giving information, and in conduct to our enemies as long as they act in accordance with the law they shall be protected in the free exercise of their business in peaceful pursuits of their love and occupations. Citizens of the United States are enjoined to treat them with all such friendliness as may be compatible with loyalty and allegiance to the United States. All alien enemies who fail to conduct themselves as prescribed shall be liable to restraint or removal as specified in the statutes. And pursuant to the authority vested in me I hereby declare and establish the following regulations:

"It is alien enemy shall not have in his possession at any time or place any firearms, weapons or implements of war or ammunition thereof, or ammunition, explosive or other element bomb or explosive or material used in the manufacture of explosives or any other article or thing which the president may from time to time designate by his proclamation or other public proclamation to be dangerous to the safety of the United States.

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KASSON FUNERAL MONDAY AFTERNOON

Charles Kasson, one of Hammond's most respected citizens, who passed away at his home, 38 Webb street, yesterday, was born in Greenport, N. Y., May 12, 1841. He came to Hammond in 1871, the year of the great fire, and began a service with the G. H. Hammond Company until it left Hammond in 1892. He afterwards was with the American Glue Company up to the time of his death. Before coming to Hammond he was employed in the war department at Washington. Mr. Kasson was defeated for the republican nomination for mayor of Hammond about fourteen years ago, though it was a case of the office seeking the man. He leaves a wife and six children but no other immediate relatives. The funeral will take place on Monday at 1 p. m. from the house. Interment at Oak Hill. Friends may view the remains on Saturday and Sunday.

WEATHER.

Fair tonight; Saturday unsettled; no decided change in temperature; northerly winds; Saturday's gentle; no decided change in temperature; northerly winds.

INDIANA PEOPLE TO BE CALLED

State Must Strive to Produce Greatly Increased Food Supply, Not Only for the State, But for the Nation.

TIMES BUREAU AT STATE CAPITAL.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 6. In Adams has been asked to be ready for a call to produce greatly increased food supply because of the war. A state wide movement under the leadership of Governor Goodrich has been started for increased food production as well as the conservation of the food supply of the nation and to use and the conservation of food and call for a meeting of the state food commission for Saturday afternoon. The call which went out last night to every member of the commission.

In the face of the greatest shortage in the food supply this country has ever known we are preparing to enter the European conflict. Indiana will supply her quota of men. She must produce in proportion more than her quota of food. It is necessary to organize the agricultural resources of Indiana that we may make a larger animal, grain, meat, milk and vegetable the utmost every product of our farms.

"That our people may more fully appreciate the situation and the necessity for the conservation of our food supply, I have called a meeting of the state food commission for Saturday afternoon, April 7, at which time the situation will be fully discussed and plans for the conservation of our food supply will be considered.

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BRAZIL MAY WAR ON GERMANY

(By United Press.)

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 6.—Brazil's Senate has an resolution calling on the government to declare war on Germany. The resolution was introduced by the sinking of the Brazilian steamer Parana, killing three Brazilian citizens around the coast where neutrality belligerent.

The situation is now grave. A declaration of war may be made, said Foreign Secretary Nabuco today. It was generally believed today Brazil would order all German ships interned in her harbor. There was intense anxiety today as to how the situation would be affected by the presence of 1,000 German citizens in the Brazilian state of Rio Grande.

FLAG RAISING AT GIBSON YARDS

There was great doings at the Gibson yards of the N. Y. C. R. today at 12 o'clock when Commodore Schell before 400 employes raised a big American flag to the breeze. The flag was presented by the car department and is a beauty. Messrs Erickson and McConnell represented the railroad company.

A WARNING.

Be careful how you circulate rumors about a man's disloyalty. Nothing can do a man greater injury than to accuse him of disloyalty. Disloyalty to flag and country comes mighty near being treason, and the greatest harm you can lodge against a man now is treason.

WILSON GIVES PROCLAMATION

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 6. President Wilson this afternoon issued a proclamation to the people of the country declaring a state of war exists between the United States and the Imperial German government.

At the same time he issued an order of the United States government civil and military, to execute vigorously the laws of the United States relating to a state of war.

At the same time he issued an order to the army and navy to enforce the law of the land and "give undivided service and loyal support to those measures which may be adopted by the constitutional authorities in prosecuting the war to a successful issue and in securing a speedy and just peace."

COMMANDS THE U. S. SUBMARINE FLEET

Rear Admiral Albert W. Grant.

Rear Admiral Albert W. Grant commands the submarine force of the Atlantic fleet. As submarines cannot fight submarines he may get little opportunity to use his underwater fleet. The submarines are being kept close to the coast for coast defense.

Latest Bulletins

HOSTILE MOVES IN MEXICO.

By United Press.

EL PASO, TEX., April 6.—Hostile movements of Mexican government troops toward the border today in three Mexican states is believed by federal officials to portend hostile action against Uncle Sam's territory. There are rumors of the Carranzista contingent that these detachments are partial a concerted attack against the United States. Some are arriving nearly five thousand of a hostile force and action will be taken at the first hostile indication.

DIPLOMATS ARE NOTIFIED.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—A proclamation declaring the state of war has been cabled to all diplomatic representatives of President Wilson signed the war resolution. The state department at his last notice will inform governments of the proclamation.

SUBMARINE SINKS STEAMER.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—The unannounced sinking of the British steamer Dunsley carrying an American crew was William Lewis of San Francisco was reported to the state department by the American consul at Hull, England. No lives were lost.

FRITZEN IS SENTENCED.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Indian Ali Fritzen pleaded guilty in the United States district court here today to having conspired with Captain Hans Tauscher to blow up the Welland canal. He was sentenced to eighteen months in the federal prison at Atlanta. Addressing the court before sentence was passed Assistant District Attorney Rice referred to Fritzen as "Tools of and in the hands of the unspeakable Von Papen." Fritzen was formerly a captain of artillery in the German army and was given his first citizenship papers in this country in 1912.

MITCHEL WARNS ALIENS.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Warning that acts of treason are punishable by death, Mayor Mitchel today issued a proclamation urging calmness and reasonable conduct among the vast alien population of New York.

ENLARGE NAVAL POSTS.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, April 6.—Enlargement of all naval training stations is to be effected at once, the navy department announced today. The station at Chicago will be one of the first to be enlarged.

LA FOLLETTE AND STONE HANGED IN EFFIGY.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 6.—Senators La Follette of Wisconsin and Stone of Missouri, who voted against the German war declaration resolutions, were hanged here last night in the central part of the city, a few blocks from the White House. Twelve streets and alleys in the heart of the city were the scene of the proceedings.

HUB BOYS TO JOIN CO. F.

Capt. J. A. Cuplahy, commanding Co. F at Gary, today got word that a number of Crown Point young men were coming to Gary to join the Gary unit. Several applications for enlistment were received today. There are still places for several young men who want to be with an outfit made of Lake county soldiers.

PRESIDENT HATER JAILED.

By United Press.

LOUISVILLE, April 6.—Department of justice agents today arrested Theodore Lawrence on a charge of threatening bodily harm to the president. Lawrence is alleged to have said that if he could get to Washington he would kill the president.

POLISH FALCONS ARE ALL READY FOR WAR.

Polish Falcons in extraordinary session at Pittsburgh took up consideration of a military preparedness program. One of their first acts after the call to order was adoption of a strong resolution offering to President Wilson and the nation the services of 15,000 Poles in the ranks of Falcons over the country.

SPITS ON FLAG; RESULT: BEATING AND CELL.

John Shandon, a Greek arrival from East Chicago, Ind., last night at Chicago and Western avenues in Chicago drew the American flag from his pocket, spit upon them, threw them on the pavement and trampled on them. James Moriarty, 1414 West Chicago avenue, soundly thrashed him, blacked both eyes and then took him to a police station, where he was locked up.

GOV. URGES FARMERS TO BE PATRIOTIC.

(Special to The Times.)

CROWN POINT, IND., April 6.—The farmers of Lake county are urged to display their patriotism by responding to the following telegram received today:

"Indianapolis, Ind., April 6.

"To Crown Point, Lake County, Agent, Crown Point, Ind.

"We must organize Indiana agriculture to meet demand for food raised by war conditions abroad and the exhausted supply at home. See daily papers for notice of meeting at your court house Saturday 1:30 p. m. Arrange for room, chairman, conduct publicity and every agency to secure wide attendance.

(Signed) "JAMES P. GOODRICH, "Governor."

LOTS OF RUMORS ARE FLYING AROUND.

Sergeant W. S. Welch, the local recruiting officer, has decided to investigate every complaint against German agitators.

A complaint was received last night from Godfrey T. Gillmore by telephone of a man whom he said was talking unpatriotically in a saloon at Gerrits and Hickory streets. Sergeant Welch, two soldiers and Police Captain Hanson went to investigate. O'Connor pointed out the man he claimed was talking against the American flag. He said the fellow had told him he was foolish to fight against Germany. The charge was denied. O'Connor showed his patriotism by accompanying the Sergeant to his office and enlisting.

Two other rumors caused quite a stir at the army headquarters. One was the report that a secret service man had arrested five Germans for treasonable talk at Hammond and the other that a foreigner was killed in the fire trap yards a few nights ago for uttering treasonable words. Neither of the rumors could be verified.

PRESIDENT SIGNS WRIT AT 1:13 P.M.

Wires Flash Orders to U. S. Fleet. To Army and to All Nations of the World of America's Act.

(By United Press.)

WASHINGTON, April 6.—War was declared at 1:13 this afternoon.

As President Wilson scratched off his signature to the war resolution wires and radio waves flashed innumerable orders loosening America's fleet and forces against the imperial German government.

For twenty-four hours mobilization and countless special orders awaited the final word. At exactly 1:13 President Wilson signed the joint resolution passed by the house and senate declaring a state of war between the United States and Germany.

It had already been signed by Vice President Marshall at 1:03 p. m. Every seat in the gallery and every seat in the chamber was filled as the official minutes from the house entered just after the chaplain's prayer and adjournment.

A page from the house of representatives, the house messenger who carried to the vice president's desk and solemnly intoned the paper. There was silence as Marshall signed the paper.

The vote in the house stiffer in the day on the war resolution was 373 to 50.

Mrs. Jeannette Rankin, the first woman member of Congress, voted "No."

As she arose to record her vote she wept and said: "I want to stand by my country but I cannot vote for war."

As the war vote in the house was taken a heavy thunder and lightning storm broke over the capitol. Amid loud detonations of thunder the ayes and noes were announced.

It was pointed out that the United States voted for war on Good Friday the anniversary of the day on which Christ was crucified and on an that occasion the heavens wept.

President Wilson's signing the parchment were the last steps necessary to make the United States an ally of Great Britain, France and Russia in the world war of democracy against autocracy.

As the president affixed his signature to the document Lieutenant Commander Byron McCandless signed across the street in the navy department that war was formally on, and orders were flashed from the government wireless to the ships and see and to the forts of the United States.

Simultaneously every steam whistle in Washington and on the river nearby was opened wide and their screeches could be heard in every corner of the capital.

While the ink was still wet on the historic war resolution messages were sent to all the centaloes of the eagle notifying them of the war.

Human passion ran in great deep the session of the House this morning.

Democratic Floor Leader Kitchin accused Congress by deserting Wilson. He said the U. S. would do as Germany did were she in the same position.

"I have proof for positive," he said.

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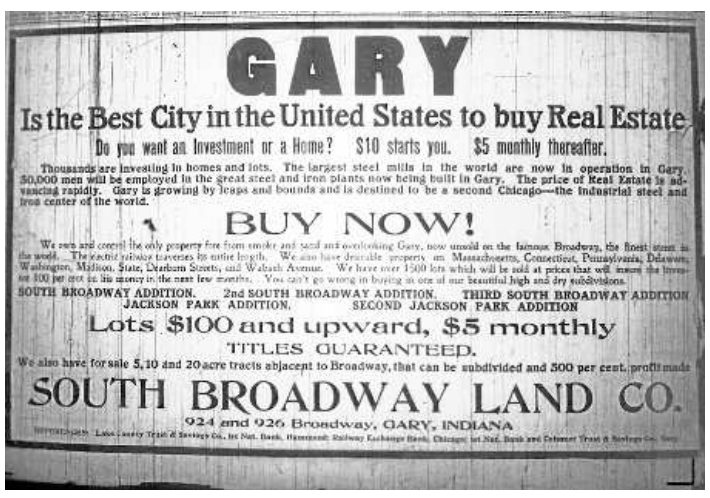
ADS FROM THE PAST

1906



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Is the Best City in the United States to buy Real Estate

Do you want an Investment or a Home? $10 starts you. $5 monthly thereafter.

Thousands are investing in homes and lots. The largest steel mills in the world are now in operation in Gary. 30,000 men will be employed in the great steel and iron plants now being built in Gary. The price of Real Estate is advancing rapidly. Gary is growing by leaps and bounds and is destined to be a second Chicago—the industrial steel and iron center of the world.

BUY NOW!

We own and control the only property free from smoke and sand and overlooking Gary, now unsold on the famous Broadway, the finest street in the world. The electric railway traverses its entire length. We also have desirable property on Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Washington, Madison, State, Dearborn Streets, and Wabash Avenue. We have over 1500 lots which will be sold at prices that will insure the investor 500 per cent on his money in the next few months. You can't go wrong in buying in one of our beautiful high and dry subdivisions.

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Lots $100 and upward, $5 monthly

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We also have for sale 5, 10 and 20 acre tracts adjacent to Broadway, that can be subdivided and 500 per cent. profit made

SOUTH BROADWAY LAND CO.

924 and 926 Broadway, GARY, INDIANA

This is among the first ads in The Lake County Times, published in June 1906. The real estate business was booming.

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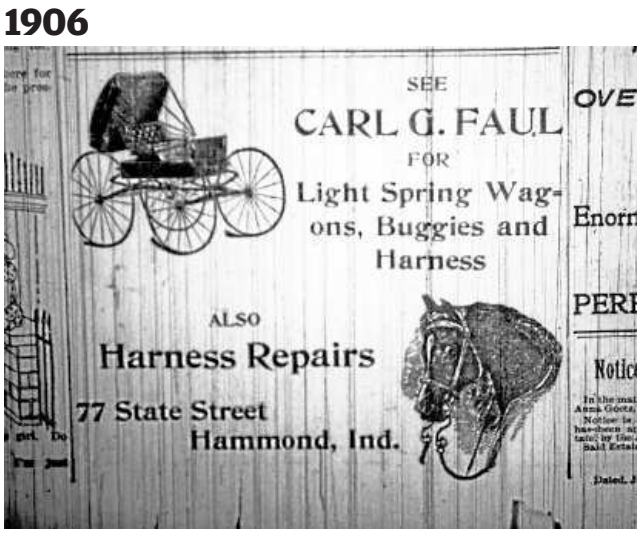

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Light Spring Wagons, Buggies and Harness

ALSO

Harness Repairs

77 State Street

Hammond, Ind.

This is among the first ads in The Lake County Times, published in June 1906. Automobiles were still a novelty.

1916

Do Not Delay

Those contemplating building this year who have not yet acquired sites are urged to make selections at once.

Residence lots on Tyler, Polk, Fillmore, Pierce and Buchanan Streets are selling rapidly. A very few desirable lots only on Polk and Fillmore Streets.

Gary Land Co

This January 1916 ad shows the real estate market in Gary was still going strong.

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