Kaiser's Promises

Refuses to Believe Subma Will Commit Overt Acts inst American Lives and Ships.

iton, Feb. 3.—President Wil afternoon addressed a joint of congress, outlining the that led up to the diplomatic with Germany. He said: congress, February 3, 1917. lemen of the Congress: Imperial German government

Blst of January announced to vernment and to the governof the other neutral nations and after the 1st day of Februpresent month, it would adopt with regard to the use of rines against all shipping seek pass through certain designated of the high seas to which it is my duty to call your attention. me remind the congress that 18th of April last, in view of inking on the 24th of March of cross Channel passenger steamer by a German submarine, withmons or warning, and the conloss of the lives of several of the United States, who nt addressed a note to the Im-German government in which it

it still be the purpose of the Imgovernment to prosecute relentvessels of commerce by the submarines without regard to we government of the United sust consider the sacred and able rules of international law ne universally recognized dichumanity, the government of iffed States is at last forced to conclusion that there is but one it can pursue. Unless the imgovernment should now and imely declare and effect an abanof its present methods of ripe warfare against passenger ant carrying vessels, the govtof the United States can have dee but to sever diplomatic rewith the German empire alto-

the following declarations:

Assurances Given

reply to this declaration the im-Clerman government gave this ent the following assurance: The German government is preto do its atmost to confine the one of the war for the rest of eration to the lighting forces of elligerents, thereby also assuring reedom of the seas, a principle which the Gegman government now as before, to be in agreewith the government of the States.

Gorman government, guided this idea, notifies the government the United States that the German avail forces have received the follow orders: In accordance with the eral principles of visit and search destruction of merchant ressels senguised by international law, such sels, both within and without the declared as naval war zone. dared as naval war zone, shall not e with without warning and without human Hves, unless these ships to escape or offer resistance. at added, 'neutrals cannot that Germany, forced to fight existence, shall, for the sake of interests, restrict the use of an e weapon if her enemy is perto continue to apply at will and warfare violating the rules sternational law. Such a demand he incompatible with the charof neutrality, and the German ment is convinced that the govent of the United States does not of making such a demand. that the government of the States has repeatedly declared

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this the government of the Enit tes replied on the eighth of May ng, of course, the assurance giv

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feels it necessary to state that It for granted that the im-German government does not to imply that the maintenance wly announced policy is in any ingent upon the course of re-diplomatic negotiations bee government of the United ther belifgerent governthe imperial govnote of the fourth instant

notifies the imperial government that it cannot for a moment entertain. much less discuss, a suggestion that respect by German naval authorities for the rights of citizens of the United States upon the high seas should in any way in the slightest degree be made contingent upon the conduct of any other government affecting the rights of neutrals and noncombatants. Responsibility in such matters is single, not joint; absorute, not rela-

rerument of the United States

"To this note of the eighth of May the imperial German government made no reply. On the thirty-first of January, the Wednesday of the present week, the German ambassador handed to the secretary of state, along with a formal note, a memorandum which contains the following statements:

"The imperial government, therefore, does not doubt that the government of the United States will understand the situation thus forced upon Germany by the entente allies' brutal methods of war and by their determination to destroy the central powers, and that the government of the United states will further realize that the now openly disclosed intentions of the entente allies give back to Germany the freedom of action which she reserved in her note addressed to the government of the United States on May 4, 1916.

"'Under these circumstances Germany will meet the illegal measures of her enemies by forcibly preventing after February 1, 1917, in a zone around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean all navigation, that of neutrals included, from and to England and from and to France, etc., etc. All ships met within the zone will be sunk.'

No Alternative Consistent With Country's Honor.

"I think that you will agree with me that, in view of this declaration, which suddenly and without prior intimation of any kind deliberately withdraws the solemn assurance given in the imperial government's note of the fourth of May, 1916, this government has no alternative consistent with the dignity and honor of the United States, but to take the course which, in its note of the eighteenth of April, 1916, it an nounced that it would take in the and Indiscriminate warfare | event that the German government did not declare and effect an abandonment of the methods of submarine warfare which it was then employing and to which it now purposes again to re-

> "I have, therefore, directed the secretary of state to announce to his excellepcy the German ambassador that all diplomatic relations between the United States and the German empire are severed and that the American am bassador at Berlin will be immediately withdrawn, and in accordance with this decision to hand to his excellency his passports.

Cannot Believe Germany Will Carry Out Threats.

"Notwitherinding this unexpected action of the German government this sudden and deeply deplored reaunciation of its assurances, given this government at one of the most critical moments of tension in the relations of the two governments, I refuse to believe that it is the intention of the German authorities to do in fact what they have warned us they will feel at liberty to do. I cannot bring myself to believe that they will indeed pay no regard to the ancient friendship between their people and our own or to the solemn obligations which have been exchanged between them and destroy Anterican ships and take the lives of American citizens in the willful prosecution of the ruthless payal program they have annamiced their intention to adopt. Only actual overt acts on their part can make me believe it even now

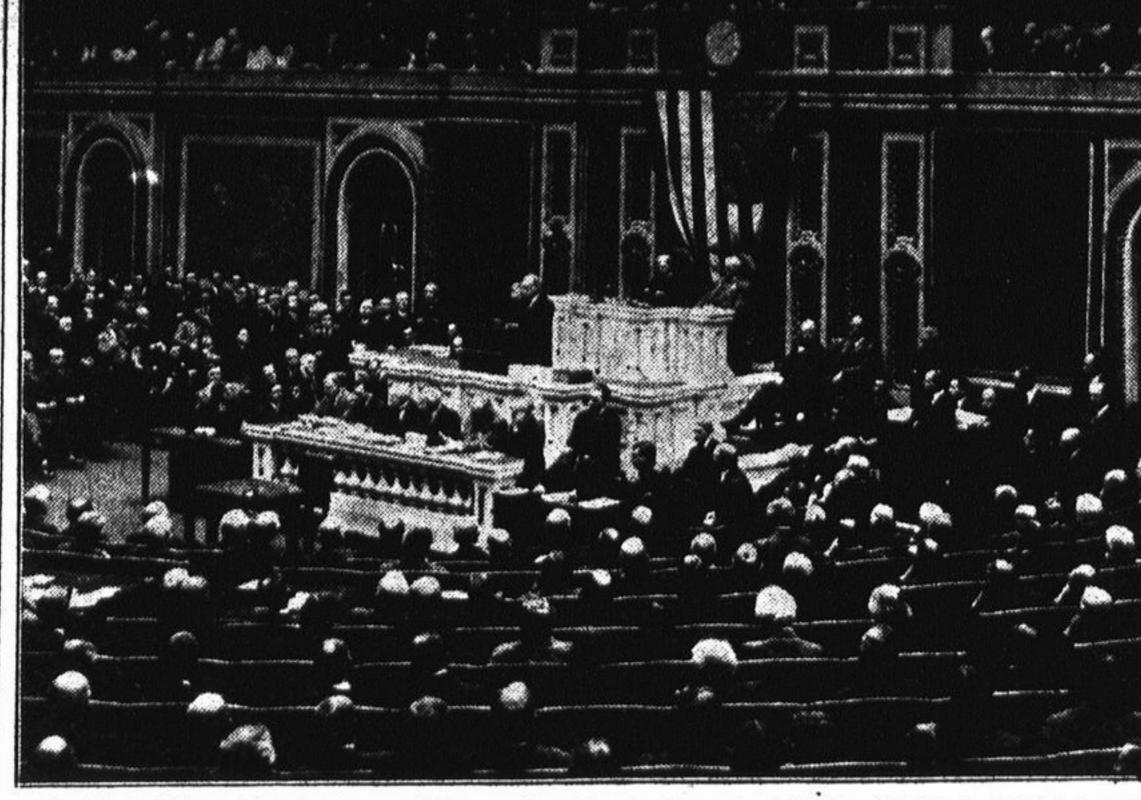
"If this inveterate confidence on my part in the sobriety and prudent foresight of their purpose should unhappily prove unfounded; if American ships and American fives should in fact be sacrificed by their naval commanders In heedless contravention of the just and reasonable understandings of international law and the obvious dictates of humanity. I shall take the liberty of coming again before the congress, to ask that authority be given me to use any means that may be ner essary for protection of our scamen and our people in the prosecution of their penceful and legitimate errands on the high sens. I can do nothing less. I take it for granted that all neutral governments will take the same

Purpose Only Defense Of American Rights.

It is determined to restore the "We do not desire any hostile conflict with the imperial German governwhatever quarter it has been vioment. We are the sincere friends of the German people and enrnestly desire to remain at peace with the gov ernment which speaks for them. We shall not believe that they are hostile to us unless and until we are obliged to believe it, and we purpose nothing more than the reasonable defense of the undoubted rights of our people We wish to serve no selfish ends. We seek merely to stand true alike in thought and in action, to the immemortal principles of our people which I sought to express in my address to the senate only two weeks ago seek merely to vindicate our right to liberty and an unmolested life. These are the bases of peace, not war. Grant that we shall not be challenged to defend them by acts of wilful injustice on the part of the government of Ger-

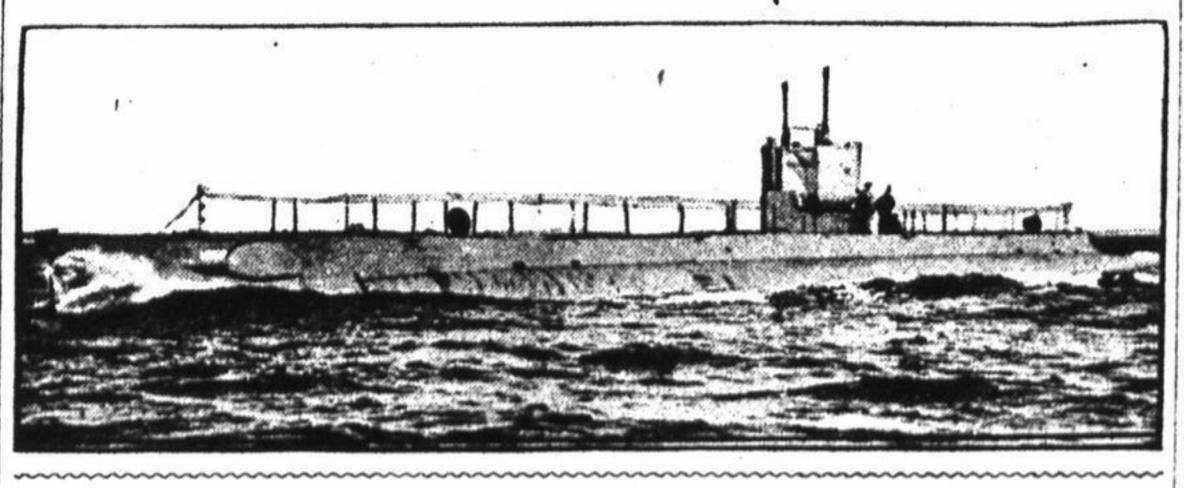
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President Wilson addressing congress February 3 on the developments following Germany's decision to wage ruthless submarine warfare and telling the lawmakers of the breaking off of diplomatic relations with the kaiser's

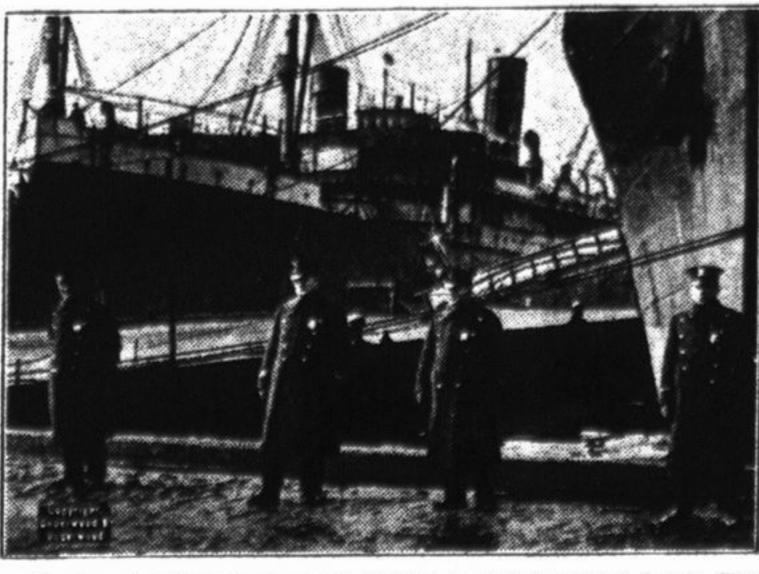
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POLICE GUARD INTERNED GERMAN SHIPS



Cordon of police guarding the German ocean-going liners Prince Eltel Friedrich and Koenig Wilhelm II at New York. The police are proving a big rear admiral. His duties, if war aid to the neutrality squad in guarding the interned finers.

CONDENSATIONS

There is a Catholic daily newspaper published in Tien-tsin, China. Electric street car service was be

gun in Matanzas and Cardenas on December 17. A new baby carriage, which includes receptacles for clothing, can be folded

to resemble a suitcase. A household novelty is both a put pick and bottle opener, and can be ned to hold an ear of corn while it is

The finest harbor in the world is said to be that of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, An English scientist has discovered that Eskimos have two more ribs than any other human race.

The Brazilian city of Para is planning to sterilize all of its drinking water with ultraviolet rays.

in 1852 New Zealand province has ex-

ported gold worth \$116,196,000. ers employed in Bohemia, and their would have been otherwise unusual average rate of pay is 28 cents a day. saving 1,650 pounds of coal.

REAR ADMIRAL BRAISTED



New photograph of William C. Braisted, surgeon general of the navy. who has been made a rear admiral. In case of war he will be one of the most important officers of the navy.

REAR ADMIRAL HARRIS



Frederick R. Harris of the engineer corps, who has been promoted to be a comes, will be most important.

Conserving Energy Novel use is being made by a Swiss

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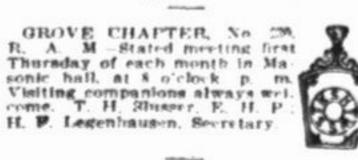
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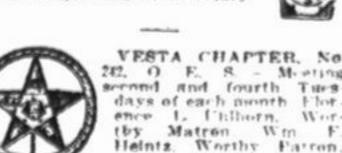
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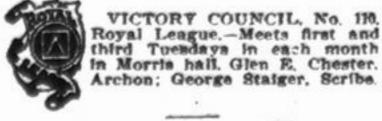
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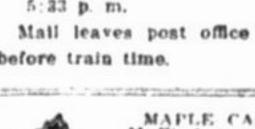
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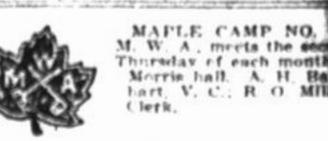
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