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## WILSON'S PEACE MESSAGE BRINGS JOY TO GERMANY

Announcement of President's Endeavor to End War Given Tremendous Welcome in Capital.

### KING GEORGE IS MILITANT

British Monarch Says Must Fight Till Rights Vindicated, Security Established.

### SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Berlin, Dec. 22.—(Via London.)—The announcement of President Wilson's peace endeavor was accorded a tremendous welcome in Berlin. The impression of official and newspaper circles appeared in the noon editions under large display headlines reviving the interest in the German peace overtures, which had sunk to a low point under the influence of the preliminary declarations of statesmen of the entente powers.

The American embassy, to which Ambassador James W. Gerard returned late last night from New York, the Associated Press correspondent and the American charge, Joseph C. Grew, were besieged by newspaper men who sought additional information concerning the president's peace note.

### King George Militant

London, Dec. 22.—Parliament was prorogued this afternoon without the members being given any further information regarding President Wilson's note or what action the government contemplated with respect to it. Neither the note nor the German peace proposal was mentioned in the king's speech, read in both houses. The only reference to the president's suggestion was made by Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader, in reply to Sir William Pollard Byles, a pacifist member. Mr. Law declaring that the question was one which could not be dealt with except in communication with the allies.

### Speech is Brief

The speech from the throne was one of the briefest on record. It expressed confidence in the ultimate victory of the allies and determination to prosecute the war "until we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies and established the unity of Europe on a sure foundation."

### Text of the king's speech was as follows:

Lords and gentlemen: Through the months that have elapsed I last addressed you, my navy and my army, in conjunction with the gallant and faithful allies, by their unceasing vigilance and admirable valor justified the high place I placed in them. I am confident that however long the struggle, the efforts, supported by the ineffable determination of all my subjects throughout the empire will finally achieve the victorious consummation of those aims for which I entered into the war.

### Object of Reconstruction

"My government has been reconstructed with the sole object of furthering those aims, unaltered and unimpaired. I thank you for the unstinted liberality with which you continue to provide for the burdens of the war.

"The vigorous prosecution of the war must be our single endeavor until we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies and established the security of Europe on a sure foundation. In this sacred cause I am assured of the united support of all my peoples and I pray the Almighty God may give us His blessing."

King George was not present in person at the prorogation, which was effected by the lord high chancellor in the House of Lords and by the speaker in the House of Commons reading the king's speech. The prorogation of Parliament is until February 7.

## The Weather

Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday.

Hour	Temp.	Dir.
5 a. m.	1	1
6 a. m.	1	1
7 a. m.	1	1
8 a. m.	1	1
9 a. m.	1	1
10 a. m.	1	1
11 a. m.	1	1
12 m.	1	1
1 p. m.	1	1
2 p. m.	1	1
3 p. m.	1	1
4 p. m.	1	1
5 p. m.	1	1
6 p. m.	1	1
7 p. m.	1	1
8 p. m.	1	1
9 p. m.	1	1
10 p. m.	1	1
11 p. m.	1	1
12 m.	1	1

### Comparative Local Record.

1915, 1916, 1917, 1918.				
Highest yesterday	24	31	24	29
Lowest yesterday	-2	34	10	14
Mean temperature	12	22	22	22
Precipitation	.00	7	.00	.00
Temperature and precipitation departures from the normal at Omaha since March 1, and compared with the last two years.				
Normal temperature	25			
Deficiency for the day	15			
Total excess since March 1	124			
Normal precipitation	.53			
Deficiency for the day	.53			
Total deficiency since March 1	14.23			
Deficiency since March 1	12.44			
Deficiency for year period, 1915	2.91			
Deficiency for year period, 1916	2.13			
Deficiency for year period, 1917	2.13			
Deficiency for year period, 1918	2.13			
Reports from National Bureau of Station and State—Temp. High—Rain—				
Omaha, clear	10	26	.00	
Des Moines, clear	10	26	.00	
Denver, clear	28	42	.00	
Des Moines, clear	28	42	.00	
St. Paul, clear	28	42	.00	
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