(Continued From First Page) wigne would out its vitals who could plan what they
and and render account to no to would be a corruption seated its very heart. Only free peoand prefer the interests of hkind to any narrow interest

At Indeed, it is now evident that the spies were here even before the war began; and it is unhappily not a matter of conjecture, but a fact proved in our courts of justice that the intrigues which cionally near to disturbing the peace and dislocating the industries of the country have been tries of the country have been carried on at the instigation, with the support, and even under the personal direction of official

personal direction of official agents of the imperial government accredited to the government accredited to the government of the United States.

"We are now about to accept goage of battle with this natural-foc to liberty and shall if necessary, spend the whole force of the nation to check and nullify the pretensions and its power. We are glad, now that we see the facts with no veil of false pre-tense about them, to fight thus for the ultimate peace of the world and for the liberation world and for the liberation of ats people, the German peoples included; for the rights of nations, great and small, and the privilege of men everywhere to choose their way of life and of bedience. The world must be made safe for democracy. Its

"We have no selfish ends to serve. We desire no conquest, no dominion. We seek no indemnities for ourselves, no material com-pensation for the sacrifices we shall freely make. We are but one of the champions of the rights of mankind. We shall be satis-fied when those rights have been as secure as the faith and the freedom of the nations can make

"Inst because we fight with out rancor and without selfish objects, seeking nothing for our outer but what we shall wish to have with all free people. We I feel confident, conduct ar operations as belligerents without passion and ourselves ob-

with proud punctilio the principles of right and of fair. Play we profess to be fighting for. "We are, let me say again, the siscere friends of the German people, and shall desire nothing a much as the sarty reestablish. so much as the early re-establish-ment of intimate relations of mu-tual advantage between us—however hard it may be for them, for the time being, to believe that this is spoken from our hearts. We have borne with their present government through all these bitter months because of that friendship—exercising a patience and forbearance which would othse have been impossible. We whall happily, still have an op-portunity to prove that friendship in our daily attitude and actions toward the millions of men and women of German birth and native sympathy who live amongst and share our life, and we shall be proud to prove it towards all who are in fact loyal to their neighbors and to the Government megabors and to the Government in the hour of test. They are, seet of them, as true and loyal Americans as if they had never thrown any other fealty or allegance. They will be prompt to stand with us in rebuking and restraining the few who may be a different mind and purpose. If there should be disloyalty, it will be dealt with with a firm hand of stern repression; but, if it lifts its head at all, it will lift it only here and there and without tess and malignant few.

It is a distressing and op-

pressive duty, gentlemen of the an thus addressing you. There it may be, many months of firial and sacrifice ahead of It is a fearful thing to lead this great peaceful nation into war. mto the most terrible and disas sto the most terriple and disease frome of all wars, civilization it.

self seeming to be in the balance.

But the right is more precious

shan peace, and we shall fight for

the things which we have always

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who submit to authority to have voice in their own governme for the rights and liberties small nations, for a universal do sman nations, for a universal do-minion of right by such a con-cert of free peoples as shall bring-peace and safety to all nations, and make the world itself at last free. To such a task we can dedicate our lives and our fortunes, everything that we are and everything that we have, with the pride of those who know that the day has come when America is privileged to spend her blood and her might for the principles that gave her birth and happiness and the peace which she has treasured. God helping her, she

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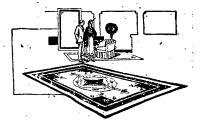
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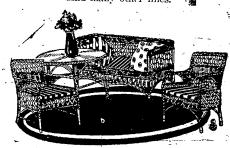
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