

any nation that seeks to upset the peace of the world. Be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution properly attested by the presiding officers be sent to the president of the United States, to the presiding officers of both branches of congress and to each of the United States senators and representatives from Wisconsin.

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[Jt. Res. No. 36, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17.

Relating to the appointment of a committee to work with the officers of the federal government in securing proper explosives for use in clearing land.

WHEREAS, Both the state and national governments are vitally interested, among other things, in securing farm land for our returning soldiers, sailors and marines; and

WHEREAS, In northern Wisconsin there are thousands of acres of land, now impossible to cultivate, which can be made highly productive in a short time by the use of explosives in clearing such land from stumps; and

WHEREAS, There is no method now known for clearing such character of land as satisfactorily as by the use of explosives; and

WHEREAS, The main reason why the farmers are not clearing more land is not because they do not want to use explosives nor because of not knowing how to use it, but is due almost exclusively to the exorbitant prices asked for such product; and

WHEREAS, During the late war the government made extensive investigations of all matters relating to powerful explosives, and has now in its possession a fund of information which can be made of great benefit in furnishing a high grade explosive at a price to make it available to the farmers of this state; and

WHEREAS, Members of congress from Wisconsin and Minnesota have for some time been working with some government departments on the matter of devoting the information in the possession of the government in more practical ways; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring*, That a committee of five be appointed by the governor to take up with congress and the departments at Washington all matters necessary in an effort to secure the proper quantity and quality of explosive at such prices as will enable the farmers in northern Wisconsin to purchase and use the same in clearing their lands and making them productive. Said committee shall as soon as

convenient make a report of the work done and results obtained to the governor who shall furnish such information to the legislature on request.

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[Jt. Res. No. 29, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18.

Requesting peace conference to grant the right of self determination to Ireland.

WHEREAS, The allied powers associated with the United States now assembled in conference for the purpose of drafting terms of peace affecting the settlements of various questions arising out of the world war, and for the purpose of drafting agreements affecting the rights of the nations involved in said war, and for the purpose of readjusting conditions brought about by said war relative to those nations whose people are either subjects to or whose national integrity has been endangered by the autocratic powers responsible for said war; and

WHEREAS, The allied powers associated with the United States have subscribed to the fourteen principles enunciated by President Wilson as a basis for a just peace, one of which principles is that the people of all nations forming a separate and distinct race in a particular country have the right of self determination in the creation of the administering power of government within their borders to the end that the power of government may conform to their ideas of justice and freedom, thereby preventing their subjection by governments or peoples foreign to their race and ideals; and

WHEREAS, The allied powers associated with the United States have given assurance to many of the smaller nations that they will guarantee that such rights of self determination will be provided for in the final treaties or agreements which shall be presented by the peace commissioners to the various powers for signature and ratification by said powers; and

WHEREAS, The people of the state of Wisconsin believe that the right of self determination of self rule ought to and does apply to all nations no matter under whose rule such people are subject, and believing further that the people of Ireland come within the classification of such nations, and believing further that consistent with justice and humanity the Irish people are entitled to the same rights as other subject nations. Therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring,* That the representatives of the people of the United States at the peace