SITUATION AGAIN **BECOMING GRAVE**

German Military Attache's Letter Offensive to U. S.

ARABIC NOTE RENEWS CRISIS

Consul-General Also Slated To Go. Diplomatic House Cleaning May Result In Ousting Von Bernstorff.

Washington.-President Wilson's request for the recall of the Austrian Major Conrad's Death Laid To Vir-Ambassador, Dr. Constantin Theodor Dumba, has broadened into a situation involving Capt. Franz von Papen, the military attache of the German embassy; Alexander Nuber von Pereked, the Austrian Consul-General in New York, and possibly Count von Bernstorff, the German Ambassador.

The official view is that the Ambassador, although technically involved, is not so seriously concerned as the military attache or the Consul-General. It is not unlikely that both of the latter may be recalled or dismissed from the country.

Criticized U. S. Officials.

Captain von Papen is involved in the Dumba case because he forwarded by James F. J. Archibald, the American correspondent traveling under an American passport, a personal letter in which he made offensive statements about American officials. Moreover, Ambassador Dumba's letter to the Vienna Foreign Office, found on Archibald, mentioned Von Papen as having approved what the State Department in its note to the Austro-Hungarian Government characterized as a conspiracy to cripple the legitimate industries of the United States. Consul-General Nuber is drawn into the case because the Dumba letter disclosed that he was connected with the strike plan.

Editor's Case Considered.

High officials indicated that the Government would take steps of some kind against the editor of a Hungarian newspaper in this country from whom a memorandum was inclosed in the Dumba letter outlining carefully prepared plans for putting into effect the scheme for handicapping munitions plants.

Count von Bernstorff is involved a letter for him, but as it was a copy Ambassador by Secretary Lansing, bassador's status in the affair as apor the Austrian Consul-General.

Waiting On Vienna.

It is quite probable that until the Vienna Foreign Office replies to the request for the withdrawal of Dr. Dumba nothing further will be done in his case, nor in the cases of Von Papen or Nuber. If the receipt of documentary evidence bears out the information now in the hands of the State Department, officials would not be surprised to see both men withdrawn by their home Government or, as a final resort, dismissed from the country.

BERLIN'S ARABIC NOTE IS DISAPPOINTING

Defense Of U-Boat Comes As a Shock. Regarded As Repudiation Of Von Bernstorff's Pledge To United States.

Washington.-The sinking of the MORE THAN 40 HURT IN WRECK. Arabic by a German submarine looms up again as an incident which still may be denounced by this Government as a "deliberately unfriendly act."

Germany's diasppointing and unthan ever before, in the belief of offi- rival of relief trains. cial Washington.

Second Note Rumored.

Hopes that the submarine crisis had been safely passed and that a break between Germany and the United States had been avoided were displaced by misgivings. Talk of the possibility of breaking diplomatic relations was heard again, although this time it involved both the central pow- of the crew of the vessel were saved. ers, on the theory that Austria, after | The Norwegian bark Glimt has been having her Ambassador practically dismissed from the country, might stand safely, with her ally in relations with the United States.

Unofficial reports that a second note owned at Arendal, Norway. had been started from the Berlin Foreign Office for Washington furnished TRAIN HITS AUTO; FIVE KILLED. about the only basis of optimism in official quarters, so far as the submarine controversy was concerned. Another Occupant Of Motorcar, Which There was no official intimation that another communication was on the note on the Arabic probably will be delayed until officials can learn into a speeding Deleware and Hudson to wreck the safe. The first aroused from Berlin.

Sharp Reply Expected.

Germany's declaration that, while

she regrets the loss of Americans, she recognizes no liability for indemnity, even if the submarine commander was mistaken in believing the Arabic was about to attack him, and practically offering to arbitrate the principle, is regarded in official circles as leaving the whole submarine question practically where it was left by the Berlin Government's unresponsive attitude toward the Lusitania negotiations and in remarkable contravention of the favorable view which State Department officials had been led to take by the statements of the German Ambas-

fication of Germany's explanation an American note will reach Berlin which

will set forth the views of the United

States in a brief and unmistakable

LAST ARUGMENT FROM CHAIR.

ginia Debt Case.

Washington.-Relatives of Major Holmes Conrad, the Virginia lawyer who died at Winchester, declare his deat hwas hastened by overwork in the Virginia-West Virginia debt controversy involving \$14,000,000, which the Supreme Court of the United States decided in favor of his clients, the old debt certificate holders. Major Conrad made this case the chief work of his declining years. When the Supreme Court heard final arguments in the case last spring Major Conrad, against the advice of his physicians, insisted upon being carried into the court room, where from a chair he made the final argument.

PRODUCES COLORED COTTON.

South Carolina Planter Predicts Black Staple Soon.

Savannah, Ga.-Remarkable results seem about to be achieved by A. W. Brabham, of Olar, S. C., who has succeeded in producing cotton which ranges in color from snow white to a deep olive green. The planter asserts positively that black cotton, sought for ages by spinners and manufacturers, is about to be a reality. That the statement of Brabham is no idle dream s borne out by the receipt in Savannah of samples of his colored cottons. The exhibit has been framed and hung on the walls of the Cotton Exchange, where it has occasioned general interest and comment.

FIRE LOSS \$2,500,000.

One Person Killed and 526,000 Bushels Of Grain Destroyed.

Newport News, Va.-Although it technically because Archibald carried probably will be weeks before an accurate estimate of total damage can of a statement previously made to the be made, the property loss in the elevator fire will total about \$2,500,000 wholly of an innocuous character, offi- according to estimates, \$500,000 more cials do not regard the German Am- than at first supposed. All that is left of the mammoth Chesapeake and Ohio proaching that of his military attache grain elevator A is the towering smokestack and a smoldering mountain of grain, sheet metal and costly machinery. The office of the United States Shipping Company and the general offices of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, both of which were frame structures, were destroyed.

RIGA'S PLIGHT GRAVE.

Germans Moving In To Force Evacuation Of Baltic Port.

London.-The menace to Riga, an important Russian seaport in the Baltic, is becoming more serious. The Germans still hold the bridge-head at Friedrichstadt, the occupation of which effectively cuts off Riga's railway communication south, while German aircraft are active in the gulf, perhaps presaging another naval clash as part of a concerted German move from land and sea to complete the isolation of the city and force its abandonment by the Russians.

Electric Trains Collide; One Filled With Excursionists.

Sandusky, Ohio.-From 40 to 59 persatisfactory explanation of the tor- sons were injured when two interpedoing of the liner after Count von urban trains collided on the Lake Bernstorff had given assurances that Shore Electric road. An eastbound full satisfaction would be given if it limited crashed into a westbound local was established that a German sub- at Sage's siding, near Huron. There marine sank the ship has strained this were no fatalities. Many of those incountry's friendly relations with Ger- jured proceeded on their way after many more toward the breaking point receiving attention following the ar-

TWO MORE SUNK.

Danish Steamer and Norwegian Bark Sent Down.

London.-Lloyds announces that the Danish steamer Frode has been sunk. Captain Clemmeson and 18 members sunk, but its crew of 14 was landed

The Glimt was a vessel of 884 tons gross and was built in 1875. It was

Was Cut In Two, Injured.

way, but the American reply to the killed and one man was injured when Albany, N. Y .- Five people were the automobile they occupied crashed Railroad excursion train at a grade crossing near Glens Falls. The automobile party were returning from an ing the wire barrier the robbers had It may be stated, however, that if outing at Lake George to Whitehall, taken \$2,000 and escaped in a motornothing comes in the nature of a modi- where they all resided.

Sends Note to U. S. on the Sinking of Liner.

OBLIGATION ADMITTED

This Even if Commander of Submarine Erred.

Communication Says the Officer In Charge Of the Submarine Was Convinced That British Steamship Had Intention Of Attacking and Ramming Him-Loss Of American Lives Deplored-Would Submit Any Difference Of Opinion To The Hague.

Berlin (via London).-In its note to the United States on the sinking of the White Star liner Arabic the German government says that it "most deeply regrets that lives were lost through the action of the commander; ft particularly expresses this regret to the government of the United States on account of the death of American citizens," and adds:

"The German government is unable, however, to acknowledge any obligation to grant indemnity in the matter, even if the commander should have been mistaken as to the aggressive intention of the Arabic."

Germany's note to the United States bearing on the sinking of the White Star Line steamer Arabic on August 19, which was communicated to the American Ambassador, James W. Gerard, for transmission to Washington, is in the form of a memorandum under date of September 7, and the text of which follows:

Submarine Feared Attack.

"On August 19 a German submarine stopped the English steamer Dunsley about 15 nautical miles south of Kinsale, and was on the point of sinking the prize by gun fire after the crew had left the vessel. At this moment the commander saw a large steamer making directly toward him. This steamer, as developed later, was the Arabic. She was recognized as an enemy vessel, as she did not fly any flag and bore no neutral markings.

"When she approached she altered her original course, but then again pointed directly toward the submarine. From this the commander became convinced that the steamer had the intention of attacking and ramming him.

"In order to anticipate this attack he gave orders for the submarine to dive and fired a torpedo at the steamer. After firing he convinced himself that the people on board were being rescued in 15 boats.

"According to his instructions the commander was not allowed to attack the Arabic without warning and without saving the lives unless the ship attempted to escape or offered resistance. He was forced, however, to conclude from the attendant circumstances that the Arabic planned a violent attack on the submarine.

"This conclusion is all the more obvious as he had been fired upon at a great distance in the Irish Sea on August 14-that is, a few days before -by a large passenger steamer, apparently belonging to the British Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, which he had neither attacked nor stopped.

Regrets, But No Indemnity.

"The German government most deeply regrets that lives were lost through the action of the commander. It particularly expresses this regret to the government of the United States on account of the death of American citizens.

"The German government is unable, however, to acknowledge any obligation to grant indemnity in the matter, even if the commander should have been mistaken as to the aggres-

sive intentions of the Arabic. "If it should prove to be the case that it is impossible for the German and American governments to reach a harmonious opinion on this point, the German government would be prepared to submit the difference of opinion, as being a question of international law, to The Hague tribunal for arbitration, pursuant to article 38 of The Hague convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes.

"In so doing it assumes that as a matter of course the arbitral decision shall not be admitted to have the importance of a general decision on the permissibility or the converse under marine warfare."

ROBBERS USED WAR TACTICS.

Stretched Barbed Wire Around the Bank They Were Looting.

Jefferson, Okla.-Tactics borrowed from the trench warfare in Europe enabled three robbers to loot the Farmers' State Bank here. Before entering the bank the man broke into a hardware store and procured several coils of barbed wire, with which they erected entanglements about the bank ing sensibly and effectively to that come into the country free of duty. Four charges of explosives were used | end. the townspeople, but before the citizens could devise a way of overcom-

TWO QUESTIONS

One question is uppermost in the mind of every patriotic American at this moment. That is:

"Will President Wilson succeed in against Germany?"

nut politician. That is:

since the War for Independence?"

the mean, calculating hope of profit- every two years. ing from the country's misfortunes; ger for office.



PRESIDENT WILSON

If politicians of any party believe that they can win public esteem by snarling at the President's heels, by attempting to stir up distrust and fear of the President's motives and purposes, by dividing public sentinent and weakening the nation's con- until they feel that his election is asfidence in its own strength and in the honesty and sagacity of its chosen leaders-if there are such politicians, neglect to register their approval of they will richly deserve the rebuke that they are laying up for them-

And it matters not whether such politicians be ex-Presidents, ex-ambassadors, officeholders or newspaper editors, the same retribution is in coupled with that of his colleague, store for them.

"Stand by the President" is a good slogan for us all, but it only rings true when the man who speaks ganizations. it, also lives it

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS

In all this discussion about national

ter, and one that cannot be settled at it is made a partisan dispute.

There are few men in public life in correcting the defects and deficiencies of our present military and ocratic ranks. naval establishment. But the wisest of them are not clamoring for an increase of armaments in every direc- Republican, ex-Governor Herbert S. tion, before they know how much of past and future expenditure will be wisdom and prophecy: made futile and fruitless by the new devices and methods disclosed by the

great war. What all good citizens want is a scientific, well-balanced building-up of the American people as its progresall arms of the service, to the point sive party." where the country will be secure against sudden attacks and unprincipled aggression, and will have an of Penrose in Pennsylvania, of adequate and efficient first line of de- Barnes in New York, of Lorimer in fense, which can withstand the first Illinois, of Smoot in Utah, of Phillip shock of war, while the slower pro- and Stephenson in Wisconsin, of Cox cess of mobilizing the nation's vast resources of men and money and Indiana, to blossom forth as a promoulding them into an effective fight- gressive party in 1916, and to draw ing force can be carried on in safety.

of war and peace have been summoned by the President to determine publican party cannot win in 1916. the nation's military and naval needs and to formulate a policy and plan ington, both when in power and when for meeting those needs. When the in opposition. naval doctors of every government in the world are at odds as to the future perts of the American navy, and when they could have blotted out the memthat is done, and only then, can the ory and the record of their ungenquate defense.

as perilous and foolhardy as to strike difficult and more bitter. in anger. It certainly is not the province of men who failed while in authority to correct the abuses and lapse the other day, admitted in a remedy the defects of our service, formal interview that manufacturers now to criticize those who are mov- like to have their raw materials

BRUMBAUGH HELPS BOSSES

By Appointing Contractor Vare's Men, Strengthens Boss's Grip.

Harrisburg, Pa., Sept. 7 .- Governor Brumbaugh has given another evihis effort to uphold the national dence that he has forgotten his promhonor and to protect the rights of ise to "scotch the bosses" by appoint neutrals, without taking up arms ing another contractor-boss-picked Philadelphian to a fat state position. Another very different question is The latest addition to the bosses' absorbing the thought of every pea- trophies under Governor Brumbaugh is a job on the Public Service Com-"Will the Republican or Bull Moose mission, which he has just given to party be able to make political capi- Thomas B. Smith, a Philadelphia tal out of the most distressing and ward leader and former postmaster perplexing international situation In notifying Smith of the appoint ment, the Governor explicitly stated Between those two attitudes of that the appointment was suggested mind is all the difference between by the Vare Brothers, who control patriotism and partisanship; between one-half of the notorious contractors' unselfish and unprejudiced devotion machine, and who help to run the to the country's best interests, and State Senate ring at Harrisburg

This is the fourth fine appointment between frank, courageous recogni- given directly to Vare followers by tion of fine public service, and the the Governor. The Attorney General cowardice and jealousy bred of hun- has been for years the personal attorney of Senator Vare; Public Service Commissioner John Monaghan is a Vareite, and was formerly attorney for the Republican City Committee; Harry A. Mackey, of the Workmen's Compensation Board, is a Vare ward

The report, published by local papers, that the Smith appointment was a part of a plan, to which Governor Brumbaugh was a party to clear the way for William S. Vare as mayor of the city, has been denied by the Governor, who declared that it had

nothing to do with the mayoralty. At any rate, the consensus of opinion both here and in Philadelphia, is that the Governor has immensely strengthened the grip of the contractor bosses in Philadelphia by turning over the state patronage to them rather than to the independent Republican forces of the City.

JUDGE HEAD A WINNER

Superior Court Judge Gets Strong Endorsement for Reelection.

Greensburg, Pa., Sept. 7.-Endorsements of the candidacy of Judge John B. Head of this town for re-election to the Superior Court continue to pile up, according to his friends here, sured, providing his many friends and admirers through the state do not his candidacy at the polls.

Judge Head has served a full term in this court, and is the only Democrat in that body. He has received the unanimous endorsement of the bar of many counties, his name being Judge Orlady, who is also a candidate for re-election, in resolutions adopted by both partisan and non-partisan

RYAN OUT FOR JUDGE

Late Candidate for Governor Expects to Turn Trick in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 7.-The andefense and preparation, it is well to nouncement by Michael J. Ryan, Dembear in mind one clear principle, to ocratic city solicitor of this city, of The question of what is an ade Pleas Court, Number Two, was one quate defense, and how it should be of the political sensations of the week provided, is a question without the here. Mr. Ryan, who contested for faintest partisan or political charac- the Democratic nomination for governor in the primaries last year, as the all, much less, fairly or sensibly, if candidate of the Old Guard against Vance C. McCormick, is expected to receive substantial support from one in any party who are not in favor wing of the local Republican machine, of adequate national defense, and which was friendly to his candidacy who are not ready to give their aid last year, when it became apparent that it would create discord in Dem-

> We are indebted to a distinguished Hadley, of Missouri, for this gem of

> "A party whose representatives are generally conservative to the point of being, reactionary in state affairs, cannot command the confidence of

This is commended to the consideration of those who expect the party and Foraker in Ohio, of Fairbanks in to its bosom the genuine progressives The nation's experts in the crafts of the country. Governor Hadley has well stated one reason why the Re-Another reason is its record at Wash-

Abraham Lincoln once suggested to usefulness of dreadnoughts, the most some prominent and influential critics serviceable types of battle cruisers, of his administration, that sensible the relation of submarines to naval people did not shout either abuse warfare, the most important phase of or advice at a man crossing Niagara national preparedness is the deter- on a tight-rope, especially if they had international law of German sub- mination of actual necessities, and intrusted to him their sacred forthe framing of a safe and sound pol- tunes. Lincoln's critics of that day icy of construction. For months that would gladly have given all their has been the daily task of the ex- worldly possessions, in later years, if American people be sure of an ade- erous and ill-tempered attacks upon the patient, noble-spirited man whose To act in haste and rashly is just task they had made infinitely more

Senator Penrose, during a mental because it reduces the cost of such Of all things, the defense of the materials to the manufacturer. The nation's rights and vital interests, the last we knew, it was the foreigner lives of its men and the happiness who paid the tax on raw materials of its women and children, offer the as on everything else, and the tariff poorest conceivable basis for partisan made no difference with the price. There's a bolt loose somewhere.

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