



BERLIN TRANSMITS REPLY FRIENDLY BUT EVASIVE TO U. S.

Frankness and Directness of Wilson Protest Lacking, It Is Reported. Concentrates on Broad Facts of Lusitania Tragedy, Leaving Submarine Policy for Consideration.

Tone Conciliatory, But Principles at Issue Remain Unsettled, According to Rough Outline of Contents Known in Berlin, Despite Official Secrecy—Imperial Chancellery Seeks Protracted Discussion, Belief in Washington.

MAKE IDENTITY SURE, DAY OR NIGHT, GERMANY WARNS SHIPS IN WAR ZONE

WASHINGTON, May 29.—The State Department today issued the following: "The American Ambassador at Berlin has been informed by the German Foreign Office that, in view of the fact that, during the past few weeks, it has repeatedly occurred that neutral ships have been sunk in the waters designated as an area of maritime war by the German Admiralty on February 4, 1915, and especially in one case where it was established that the sinking was traceable to an attack by a German submarine which took the neutral ship for an English vessel in the darkness, on account of the inadequate illumination of its neutral distinctive markings, it recommended that American shipping circles again be warned against traversing the area of maritime war incautiously and also be urged to make the neutral markings as plain as possible and especially to have them illuminated promptly and sufficiently at night."

Whether the Gullright or the Nebraskan was referred to was not known.

BERLIN, May 29.—The German reply to the American note regarding German submarine warfare was delivered to Ambassador Gerard this morning.

In spite of every effort to secrecy the contents of the German reply in rough outline are generally known here. Germany will ask that Berlin and Washington first come to an agreement on statements of fact in the Lusitania case. When the two Governments have reached a perfect understanding in this first phase of the negotiation, further interchanges bearing upon the broad question of Germany's submarine policy will follow.

The German reply, contained in five typewritten pages, was handed to Mr. Gerard at the Embassy at 10 a. m. Secretaries Grew and Hovey immediately translated it and put it into code and a few hours later it was on its way to Copenhagen. It is now almost certain that the text will be in the hands of the State Department at Washington on Sunday.

The reply was semi-officially described as "polite, but leaving room for further negotiations."

WASHINGTON, May 29. Germany is willing to agree to limit her submarine warfare to merchant vessels of her enemies. She is willing to permit time sufficient for passengers and crews to take to their boats, if in so doing she does not endanger her submarines. Neutral shipping, however, must aid her by taking all precautions to establish identity.

On the eve of receipt of the German reply to the American note this was the interpretation placed on a notification, as to identification of neutral ships in the war zone, given to Ambassador Gerard by the German Foreign Office Friday and cabled here today.

No attempt was made to minimize the importance of this German position. Following as it did on the heels of various seemingly authentic statements that Germany would stand on what she considers her right under international law to make reprisals on her enemies, officials thought the situation none too rosy.

While the German note was handed officially to Ambassador Gerard for transmission today, it was known that a summary of its contents had preceded it to the State Department. Secretary Bryan.

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THE WEATHER



RAIN

There is something peculiarly optimistic about a dull, sunless day. It stimulates all the resistance to depression, the fighting qualities which have made our race predominant. Enough of these bright, sunny glimpses into that region of enchantment of May with a tang of autumn in the air. Let's see how bravely we can work and struggle with the skies against us.

The weather man knows this. He almost chirps with enthusiasm yesterday morning, amid all the radiant freshness and brilliancy, when he predicted cloudiness for today. And, sure enough, it's cloudy. Clouds open the horizon to hope. You cannot hope for the sun when it's shining. But, heavens and earth, that sounds familiar. It's been said before.

To have all the other good things been said before.

That's what makes them good.

FORECAST

For Philadelphia and vicinity—Showers tonight and probably Sunday; not much change in temperature; gentle, easterly winds.

For details, see page 2.

FIRE LIEUTENANT OVERCOME AT BLAZE IN CENTRE OF CITY



Lieutenant William Donahue, of Engine Company No. 11, was overcome by smoke in the clothing store fire at 11th and Filbert streets today. The picture shows his comrades administering first aid by inducing artificial respiration.

IDA RIEHL IS FREED IN \$5000 BAIL GIVEN SECRETLY BY WOMAN

17-year-old Girl Who Killed Man When He Refused to Marry Her Cheered by Crowd at Habeas Corpus Hearing.

Ida Riehl was released today under \$5000 bail. The 17-year-old girl, who killed the man who insulted her when she demanded that he marry her, owes her freedom to a New York woman, who read about the case in the newspapers and who refused to disclose her identity to any one but the prisoner's attorney.

This sympathetic woman, who declares that her name will never be published, is said to have offered to pay for every expense of the defense in the trial of the girl for the shooting of 29-year-old Edmond Hauptfuehrer. So Ida Riehl was not compelled to return to the maternity ward of the Philadelphia Hospital, where, in dreary surroundings, she had expected to await the birth of her child in November. She will go to her home with her father after spending a few days at the hospital for treatment.

WOMAN ACTIVE ON CASE The woman, who furnished the bail through the National Surety Company at the hearing on a habeas corpus writ argued before Judge McMichael today, has been seen at City Hall many times since the shooting last Saturday night. At least, it is understood, that she is the same woman who has visited various offices seeking information in regard to the possibility of gaining liberty for the girl.

She is described as about 35 years of age, smartly dressed, with dark hair and dark eyes and of refined appearance. She is said to have remarked to a member of the coroner's staff that if she paid Ida Riehl's expenses it would be with her husband's approval. He is said to be a wealthy New York merchant, and it is declared he would have provided up to \$500,000, if necessary, for the girl's bail.

CROWD CHEERS DECISION As Judge McMichael said the words, "Bail will be allowed, \$5000," Ida Riehl flung herself wildly into her father's arms and the entire courtroom rose in such an expression of sympathy which it is probable was never before displayed in a courtroom in this city.

"Silence," cried the Judge, pounding his gavel again and again, and the court officials took up the words. But it was several minutes before the demonstration subsided.

"Now I can go back home with you, father," the girl sobbed in his arms again and again, while the man wiped away the tears that streamed down his face.

After the girl had composed herself

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ITALIANS HOLD LOWER TYROL; WIN GRADISCA

Austrian Positions in Adige Valley Shelled From Captured Mountain Positions.

The extreme southern end of the Austrian Tyrol is in Italian hands, and from captured mountain forts their great guns dominate the Valley of the Adige as far as Rovereto. On Mount Altissimo, about two miles from the eastern shore of Lake Garda, the Italians placed heavy artillery, which prevents the Austrians using the railway from Ala to Trent.

The advanced positions of the Italians driving on Trieste are now only 16 miles from that city. Riva, an Austrian stronghold at the head of Lake Garda, is being bombarded by the Italians. Throughout the lower Tyrol the roar of Italian artillery is arousing the Alps echoes, while shells are falling on the Austrian works near Serravalle.

The advance of the Italians in this region threatens to turn the flank of the Austrian forces guarding Trent.

In the territory to the west of Lake Garda the Austrians have been forced from several important positions, while on the lake itself Italian gunboats supported the advance of the troops and drove off several Austrian aeroplanes.

In the Adriatic, off Venice, two Italian torpedo-boats engaged two Austrian submarines which attempted to raid Italian merchant ships at Venice. After a spectacular battle the Italians sank one of the submarines and chased the other back to Pola.

In the Trieste drive, the Italians have made further advances and have occupied Gradisca. Trieste is reported to be in the hands of a mob that defies the military authorities.

ROME, May 29. All efforts of the Austrians to check the Italian invasion of Trent and Istria have failed, and the advance continues successfully at every point.

The advance guard of the Italian army

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CORNELL'S ATHLETES HAVE JUMP ON RIVALS IN FINAL EVENTS TODAY

Ithacans Qualify 18 Entries to Harvard's 16—Injuries Heavy Blow to Penn—Meredith Will Try for Two Records.

PROGRAM FOR TODAY AT FRANKLIN FIELD

- 3:00 p. m.—100-yard dash (semifinal heats).
3:10 p. m.—120-yard hurdles (semifinal heats).
3:25 p. m.—One-mile run (final).
3:40 p. m.—120-yard hurdles (final).
3:50 p. m.—100-yard dash (final).
4:00 p. m.—Two-mile run.
4:20 p. m.—220-yard hurdles (semifinal heats).
4:35 p. m.—220-yard dash (semifinal heats).
4:45 p. m.—Half-mile run (final).
4:55 p. m.—220-yard hurdles (final).
5:10 p. m.—220-yard dash (final).

FIELD EVENTS.

- 3:00 p. m.—Throwing the hammer (final).
3:00 p. m.—Putting the shot (final).
3:00 p. m.—Pole vault (final).
3:00 p. m.—Running high jump (final).
4:00 p. m.—Running broad jump (final).

FRANKLIN FIELD, Phila., May 29.—Not even a drizzling rain could keep back the crowd which flocked to this historic field to witness the final of the Intercollegiate track and field championships of America. The gates were opened at 1 o'clock, two hours before the games were scheduled to begin, and a steady stream of track enthusiasts filed in. The quarter-mile cinder track had been swept and rolled with the greatest of care and felt fast enough for all kinds of records.

Cornell entered the meet a slight favorite over Harvard. The Ithacans qualified 18 men in the preliminaries yesterday, Harvard getting 16 through. The experts had it doped out that Cornell would certainly win if the Ithacans made good in the one-mile and two-mile runs as anticipated.

Only one intercollegiate mark was made yesterday, that being in the hammer throw, but this afternoon the records are likely to tumble right and left. Particularly in the quarter mile and high jump it is believed that new world records are almost certain.

Cornell qualified 15 men, Harvard 15, Yale 11 and Pennsylvania 9.

CORNELL IN BEST SHAPE

The Cornell team looks to be the best conditioned that ever came out of Ithaca. Only one man on whom Coach Mackley had counted failed to qualify. He was Milton, in the pole vault, but his failure was more than atoned for by the work of Fox, who, with a sprained wrist, worked his way into the finals. Furthermore, Cornell qualified one man in the quarter-mile run and three in the half-mile, where only two were looked for. If the Ithacans maintain this record this afternoon they should run up a big score.

At the same time Harvard still has a chance to win. If the Crimson sprinters, middle and long distance runners score as heavily as they showed their points, coupled with what the Crimson may get out of the hurdles, high jump and pole

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The Kensingtonian Says:

Bill Penacost was met at Broad and Lehigh and asked if he would go over and see a Ford. Bill said he was on the water wagon.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Neighborhood Alleyway and Kensington ave., shepherds dog, black and brown, white breast and white spot on head. Reward \$500 N. 1319.

LOST—Diamond brooch, one large, 2 small and cluster diamonds, silver platinum. Liberal reward. St. P. Lind, 1601 Race.

Other classified Ads on Pages 11 and 12

TODAY'S BASEBALL SCORES

Table with 2 columns: Team and Score. Boston 0 0 0 1, Athletics 0 0 0.

Ruth and Carrigan; Wyckoff and McAvoy.

QUICK NEWS

40 LIVES LOST WHEN FIRE DESTROYS RUSSIAN SHIP STOCKHOLM, May 29.—The Russian steamship Bore II caught fire and burned to the water's edge in the harbor of Stockholm, Gulf of Finland, today. Forty lives were lost.

NAVAL ATTACHE REPORTS ON NEBRASKAN

WASHINGTON, May 29.—A preliminary report by Lieutenant Towers, the naval attache at the American Embassy in London, who investigated the damage to the American ship Nebraskan, was given out by the State Department today. Lieutenant Towers reports that the chief engineer "observed a white streak in the water perpendicular to the ship on the starboard side and a severe shock was almost immediately felt, followed by a violent explosion abreast of hold No. 1." This testimony is the only intimation in the report that Lieutenant Towers is convinced that the American ship was deliberately torpedoed.

AUSTRIAN HYDRO-AEROPLANE RAIDS ITALIAN PORT

ROME, May 29.—Italian warships in the harbor at Brindisi and the naval station there were attacked today by an Austrian hydro-aeroplane which had sailed across the Adriatic Sea to make the attack. A number of bombs were dropped, but the Austrian machine was chased away by two Italian aeroplanes before it could do any serious damage. It fled toward Cattaro.

25 FISHERMEN REPORTED LOST IN HURRICANE ON COAST

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 29.—Reports received here today indicate that 25 fishermen lost their lives in the terrific hurricane that swept up the South Carolina coast late last night. Eight fishing boats were lost, as far as known. The storm was gradually subsiding today.

INVESTIGATING BETTING AT BELMONT

NEW YORK, May 29.—Supreme Court Justice Scudder today began an inquiry at Mineola, L. I., into allegations that betting has been carried on illegally at Belmont Park race track. Forty-two witnesses were summoned to testify at the hearing, which is being conducted by District Attorney Smith, of Nassau County, before Justice Scudder. Evidence was given to the effect that many girls and even women with babies in their arms placed bets openly.

NORTHCLIFFE BURNED IN EFFIGY

LIVERPOOL, May 29.—An effigy of Lord Northcliffe, the newspaper proprietor, was burned in the streets today. Lord Northcliffe's papers have been attacking Lord Kitchener, the War Secretary, because of his war policies.

CASH REGISTER COMPANY FILES REPLY

WASHINGTON, May 29.—The defense in the National Cash Register case today filed in the Supreme Court its answer to the application of the Department of Justice for a review of the proceedings with a view to upsetting the Appeals Court's reversal of the district tribunal's conviction of John H. Patterson, president of the National Cash Register Company, and 26 of his associates on charges of violating the Sherman law.

BATTLESHIP VIRGINIA COLLIDES WITH NAVAL TUG

BOSTON, May 29.—The battleship Virginia and the naval tug Sioux collided today in the harbor off the navy yard and as a result the naval tug was put into drydock more or less smashed up by the huge propellers of the war vessel. It was feared the propellers of the battleship may have been bent or broken by the collision. She lay in the harbor and a diver may be sent down to see what damage was done.

U. S. CRUISER NORTH CAROLINA FLOATED OFF EGYPT

WASHINGTON, May 29.—Captain J. W. Oman, of the American cruiser North Carolina, which went ashore Thursday in the outer harbor at Alexandria, Egypt, has cabled to the Navy Department that the warship has been floated. Captain Oman stated the ship was not damaged and is now on her way home.

LOST SUBMARINE F-4 SHOWS DAMAGE

WASHINGTON, May 29.—A hole has been discovered in the forward compartment of the submarine F-4, which now lies in 48 feet of water in the harbor at Honolulu. Admiral Moore cabled to the Navy Department today. The submarine will be brought to the surface in two or three days, the admiral said. At the Navy Department the suggestion that divers be sent down to enter the hole in the damaged compartment and take out the bodies of the dead was decided to be impracticable. The danger to the lives of the divers was considered too great, and it was feared valuable evidence as to the cause of the disaster would be destroyed.

EVERY CAR RIDER ENTITLED TO SEAT, SAYS SERVICE BOARD

NEW YORK, May 29.—The Public Service Commission has decided that every New Yorker is entitled to a seat 17.75 inches broad in all street, subway and elevated cars.