IN REFUSAL OF U. S. DEMANDS

Will Not Disavow Attack on Lusitania, Tenor of Note on Way

BERLIN FORESEES BREAK

Germany is understood to have rejected in diplomatic terms the demand of the United States that the sinking of the Lusitania be disavowed. It was authorisatively stated today that the German Government will not admit the destruction of the Cunard liner was illegal.

The reply transmitted to the United States sets forth this position clearly, it is stated, and makes it plain that under a directionarian will Germany alter its circumstances will Germany alter its

Unless America waives disavowal of the this america waives disavowal of the staking of the Lusitania, or agrees to submit the question to Hague arbitration, an amicable adjustment of the German-American controversy is impossible. This is the unanimous view taken by German

officials and Berlin newspapers today.

The Lokal Anzeiger, one of German most influential newspapers, declared to-day that Germany had done her utmost to prove her friendship for America. The hewspaper further declared that Germany cannot admit that the sinking of the Lustania was in violation of international

Officials, indorsing this view, expressed the hope that Colonel E. M. House, the President's confidential agent, who is now in Paris, will be able to present the Ger-man attitude to the President so correctly that an amicable settlement may be

PRESIDENT CONCERNED OVER LUSITANIA CASE

Receives Important Messages From Lansing on Impending Crisis

ABOARD THE PRESIDENT'S SPE-CIAL TRAIN, HARRISBURG, Pa.,

As he sped back to Washington today to resume his place at the Government helm, President Wilson studied important

messages which he had received from Secretary of State Lansing. It was believed that among the messages was one relating to the Lusitania, but the President refused to permit any announcement of the contents of the dis-patches to be made public. President Wilson is said to have shown

deep concern over one message, and to have sat in deep thought for some time after he had read it. It was regarded as probable that he would confer with Secretary Lansing immediately after eaching Washington, but no Cabinet secting will be held today.

MRS. MOHR MAY KNOW FATE THIS AFTERNOON

Defendant Weeps as Counsel Pleads Her Case Before Jury

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 4,-Mrs. Elizabeth Frances Mohr and the negroes on trial for the murder of Doctor Mohr may know their fate by tomorrow night. John J. Fitzgerald began the closing argu-ment for Mrs. Mohr when court convened. Attorney General Herbert Rice will wind it up for the prosecution.

Fitzgerald began by referring to Mrs. Mohr as "that poor little woman in black, a loving mother and wife, who had no earthly motive to kil her husband." No motive had been shown by the State, he Mrs. Mohr sobbed audibly as her coun-

Fitzgerald recalled to the jury the un-happy evnts of Mrs. Mohr's life with her husband and told of the beatings she had received from Doctor Mohr in return for the love and devotion she gave him.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF MEDICAL INSTRUCTION

Banquet Tonight Will Celebrate Memorable Event

Today mai the 150th anniversary of the beginning of medical instruction in this country, for 150 years ago today the medical school of the University of Pennsylvania, the first institution of its kind in America, was founded by John

Alumni of the medical school at the

Alumni of the medical school at the University of Pennsylvania will celebrate the event with a big banquet at the Bellevue-Stratford tonight. It is expected to be the biggest event of the kind ever held by the graduates of that institution.

Among those who will respond to toasts at the dinner are Dr. Charles K. Mills. "Sesquicentennial Recail": Dr. Harry Lane, United States Senator from Oregon. "Septic Surgery": Dr. Edgar Falls Smith, Provost of the University, "Early Professors of Chemistry in the University": Dr. E. H. Bradford, dean of the Medical School of Harvard University, "John Harvard to Benjamin Franklin—Congratulations"; Dr. Alonzo E. Taylor, "The Present and Future of the Medical School."

The toastmaster will be Dr. John K. Mitchell. On the entertainment commit-tee are Dr. Herbert B. Carpenter, Dr. John G. Clark, Dr. Charles A. E. Cod-man, Dr. John B. Deaver, Dr. William Pepper, Dr. Samuel D. Risley, Dr. G. E. de Schweinitz, Dr. B. Franklin Stahl, Dr. Charles K. Mills, chairman; Dr. Floyd E. Keene, secretary.



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\$1120 IN STAMPS MISSING: POSTOFFICE CLERK GONE

Reveals Serious Shortage in Haggerstown, Md.

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Feb. 4.—Disclosure of a \$1120 shorteste in the stamp account at the Hagerstown postoffice, coincident with the disappearance of William D. Benchoff, a clerk, is admitted by Postal Inspector E. Pariridge, who has been here examining accounts preliminary.

Portal Inspector E. Parridge, who has been here examining accounts preliminary to the transfer of office from Postmanter Harry K. Startzman to his successor. John B. Sweeney.

The shortage is covered by the young man's bond of \$200. He left on a vacation on January 27, but has not been heard from since his departure. He is unmarried and is a member of an old and highly researched Harrestown family. highly respected Hagerstown family

AUSTRIAN AIRMEN SHELL PRINCIPAL ALBANIAN CITIES

Avlona and Durazzo Bombarded by Hydroplanes. One Brought Down

CAPTURE KRUJAN REGION

The official statement issued by the War Office follows: "In Albania we captured the region west of Krujan (northeast of Durazzo).

"Our hydroplanes on Wednesday bombarded Durazzo and the camp near there causing heavy damage. On the same day three Austro-Hungarian hydro-planes bombarded Aviona, hitting the harbor works, ships and camps there.

"One hydroplane was damaged and descended to the Sea. Another descended, destroyed the damaged machine and then ascended with the two rescued occupants of the destroyed hydroplane. This machine alighted undamaged in the Gulf of Cattarn having covered 120 kilometers. attaro, having covered 220 kilometers

Aviona (Valona) is the Italian base.

ENVOY VOICES DISPLEASURE

Colombian Minister Disapproves of Amended Treaty

WASHINGTOM, Feb. 4 .- Julia Betencount, the Colombian Minister, has saued a statement expressing his ap-proval of the amendments to reduce he indemnity the United States would say Colombia from \$25,000,000 to \$15,-00,000, and to make the expressions of egre; for the partition of Panama mutual o both nations.

Minister Betancourt said he was certain that the treaty, already accepted and rati-fied by his country, would be rejected now with the proposed amendments. There were suggestions in Latin-American quarters that the Minister was considering whether it would be an expedient and diplomatic method of expressing disap-proval if he left the legation and returned

Expect Jump in Quinine Price

The price of quinine will be raised 5 cents on the ounce before the week is ended, according to predictions made today by chemists. The quantitions on the drug range from \$1.65 to \$1.15 on ounce at present. The expected rise is credited to the demands that have come this week from France and Paly for the drug. France and Italy for the drug, risparamio e' the beginning of the war.

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SOLDATI MUTILATI

ROMA, 4 Febbraio. Oggi il Ministero della Guerra ha pub-dento il reguento rapporto del generale sotorna.

"In Val Lagarina (valle dell'Adige) une "In Val Lagarina (valle dell'Adige) uno del nostri reparti in ricomiaione appoggiato dall'artiglieria attracco" e disperse truppe nemiche a nord-ovest di Mori.
Nella rona tra la valle dell'Astico e Corra, nella sera del primo del mese, li nemico, vestito di tunuche bianche ed appoggiato da mitragliatrici, avanzo contro le nostre posizioni funco il fronto Camanorre-Millegrobe, ma fu respinto dai nostri contrattacchi, e ricacciato inleste.

Nella Val Sugana le nostre forze hauno respinto quelle dei nemico. Vi sono state azioni intermittenti di artizileria sulla fronte dell'Isonzo. A nord di Gorizia noi abbiamo bombardato truppe nemiche marciavano lungo la strada di che marciavano lungo la strada di Rosio. Nella gona di San Martino uno del nostri reparti attacco un trincera-mento nemico e vi prese alcuni prigionieri. n numero di fucili e parecchie granate

Aviona and Durazzo, the chief cities of Albania, were hombarded from the air by Austro-Hungarian hydroplanes on Wednesday, the War Office announced today. One of the hydroplanes that at diacked Aviona was destroyed, but its two occupants were rescued by the crew of another machine.

The rescuing hydroplane reached the Galf of Cattaro in safety, having made a flight of 138 miles.

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costrette a ritirara.

Intanto, mentre ricomincia una certa
attivita' delle siluranti austriache, che
possono occasionalmente uscire dai loro
porti e sgusciare tra le forse navali italporti e sgusciare tra le forse invani-iane, anche gli aeropiani austriaci si mos-trano attivi, non soltanio sui varii tentri della guerra, ma anche in Albania. A Vienna e' stato annunciano infatti che una squadriglia di droaeropiani ausche una squadriglia di idroaeropiani austrinci ha bombardato Durazzo e Valona, quest'ultima città" martedi" e giovedi". Anche mercoledi", come annuncia Vienna un accampamento italiano a Valona fibombardato. Un projettile italiano colpi pero uno degli idrovolanti al motore, cosicche esso cadde in mare. Allora un altro velivo si abbasso e raccolse il pilota e l'utficiale e riusci" a ritornare con essi alla base di Cattaro, sfuzgendo all'attacco di due cacciatorpediniere italiana che si gyvicinavano a tutta velocià."

che si avvicinavano a tutta velocta.'
L'on. Danco, min-sti delle Finance,
ha prenunciato un discorso a Torino nel
quale ha accennato alla necessita' di far quale ha accentato alla necessita' di far fronte alle spese della guerra con nuovo tasse quando sara' terminata la sotto-scrizione al terzo prestito di guerra che sara' l'ultimo. Il ministre ha detto che il successo del prestito attuale e' assi-curato, giacche' 2 millardi di lire (460 mil-loni di dollari) sono zia' stati coperti e può darsi che per il 10 corrente si arrivi alla somma di 3 millardi di lire.

L'un prestiti precedenti ragriunaero la

I due prestiti precedenti raggiunsero la somma complessiva di 2500 milioni di lire. Ora invece di Ipotecare l'avvenire con l'emissione di altro vrestiti, conviene meglio, ha detto l'on. Daneo, imporre tasse su coloro che possono pagarle, cio' che varra' a far compiondere al pubblico che conviene risparmiare il denaro invece di sperperarlo in cose non necessarie. A proposito di questo sperpero, l'on. Danec ha detto;

na detto;
"Lo sperpero del denaro in tempo di guerra e' un delitto. Quel che occorre ora e' indurre il popolo a ridurre le spese non necessarie e cessare di emettere prestiti quando i mezzi per pagarne gli inter-essi non sono facilmente disponibili. Il nuovo sistema di tassazione dall'ottobre del 1914 ha reso al Tesoro 375 milioni di iire e quest'anno rendera' piu' di 509
milioni. E non bisogna dimenticare che
piu' tasse noi paghiamo e meno pericolo
vi e' di essere forzati a sottorcrivere a
prestiti. Puo' sambrare un paradosso, ma
le tasse fanno comprendera al popolo il
bisogno di risparmiare, ed ogni piu' piccolo
rissaramio e' un coefficiente di vittoria."

sione, quella sullo zucchero, suile persone esenti da servizio militare, sulle automobili e sul reddito. Si crede che le nuove tasse saranno un aumento nell'affrancazione delle lettere per l'interno, da tre a quattro soldi, una imposta del terzo sul valore dei biglietti teatro, marche da bollo su documenti di vario genere e probabilmente anche un aumento della tassa fondiaria e una imposta progressiva che a cominciare da una certa somma di reddito sarebbe abbastanza grave.

La Villa Mirafiori, dove aveva sede l'Accademia Americana della quale la villa d' ancora proprieta', e' stata dal prof. Jesse B. Carter, direttore dell'Accademia, trasferita ieri ad un comitato formato per dare assistenza al soldati mutilati in guerra. Ottanta mutilati sono di gia' ricoverati nella villa dove si insegnano loro i nuovi mezzi di guadzaganza da vivere. Uno di questi mezzi e' la fabbricazione di arti artificiali per sostituire quelli amputati. quelli amputati.

SCHOOL MEN NAME OFFICERS

State Directors' Association Adjourns After Election

HARRISBURG, Feb. 1.-At the closing session of the annual convention today, the Pennsylvania School Directors' Association elected the following officers: President, Charles M. Myer, Easton; Vice presidents C. Howard McCarter, Narberth; Miss Mary L. Trescott, Wilkes-Barre; R. Clifford Cheyney, Thornton.

Secretary, Daniel D. Himmellbaugh, Executive Committee, A. D. McClune, Braddock, W. G. Davis, McKeesport, Dr. I. J. Yost, South Bethlehem, W. E.

Houster, Benton; Frank Barnhart, Mt. Legislative Committee, T. G. Magee, Altoona; W. O. McClurg, Chester; Dr. J. C. Orr, Leechburg; A. E. Banford, Wilkes-Barry; the Rev. Dr. E. S. Brownmiller, Reading; Ambrose Langan, Pittaton.

350 MILL WORKERS QUIT

Employes Demand Reinstatement of

Superintendent VORK, Pa., Feb. 4.-Demanding that F. Shaub, their superintendent, who was W. Shaub, their superintendent, who was forced to resign because of frequent quorrels with another official, he reinstated, 350 employes of the silk mill of the Pennsylvania Textile Company refused to go to work today and the plant is closed.

Walter S. Roberts, of New York, president of the concern, is expected to strive here to adjust the differences. The company is rushed with orders.

ZEPPELIN SINKS 13 OF CREW DIE

Raid on England Drops Bomb on Ship

ONLY THREE MEN ESCAPE NEW OFFENSIVE STARTS

LONDON. Feb. The collier Franz Fischer, which left Hartlepool Monday afternoon, was sunk at sea by one of the raiding Zeppelins that visited England. Thirteen of the crew-including the captain, were drowned.

Three men were saved, Chief Engineer Birch, Steward Taylor and Seaman Charles Hiller, The Franz Fischer was a captured enemy vessel employed as a

a captured enemy vessel employed as a coasting collier.

The loss of a Zenpelin in the North Sea is described in dispatches from Grimsby. Skipper william Martin, of the trawler King Stephen, reported to Admiralty authorities there today that at daybreak yesterday morning while in North Sea his attention was attracted by flashes of their consecutions. light proceeding apparently from an alarm lamp.

The trawler's bow was furned in the direction of the light, and after steaming some distance came upon a huge mass floating in the water. As the light improved it was seen the weekage was that of the German Zeppelin 1-18. The Reppelin was deathy submerfied, her cabine being under water and a portion

On the platform running along the top of the Zeppelin were seven or eight men. They hailed the trawier, and asked to be taken of. Their numbers were quickly augmented by other Germans from below until there were more than 20 on the platform.

Chauffeur Painfully Burned

Mike Decollo, of 927 Bainbridge street, chauffeur, was painfully burned about truck caught fire in a garage at 1206 Fitz water street today. Decoilo owns the truck, but drives it for the Colonial Bla-cuit Company. It is the first miship, he said, that he has had in 10 years.

ARTILLERY OPENS BRITISH COLLIER; GERMAN DRIVE ON FLANDERS LINE

Airship Returning From Teuton Guns Pound British Positions at Loos-French Explode Mines

PARIS. Feb. L. Violent artillery duels along the entire western front are reported by the French War Office in a statement issued fast right. Disputches from London also report great artillery activity by the Germans and British

The Allies' big guns are constantly battering the German lines in the Neuville scotor, where the Germans obtained con-siderable ground in their recent two days' offensive. This is supposed to be in an-ticleation of German attempts to follow up their successes in that region. Mill-tary observers attach much significance to the increasing signs of a coming Teu-ten offensive, the chief object of which is believed to be to throw all available musses of froops against the Ailied left wing in an effort to push through to Calaba

The French communique was as fol-

To the north of the Aisne we bombarded enemy trenches on the plateau of Vauclere and around Ville aux Bois. Troop movements were signaled on the road



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rom Berry-au Bac to Juvincour: roops were taken under our fire. "In the Argonne there was consid-"In the Argome there was consider mining activity. We exploded nume mine chambers, which destroyed the derground works of the chemy, on Courtes Chaussees, another at La-Morte, four at Hill 285 (Haute the head and three at Vauntois. Between Morte, four at Hill 285 (Haute Charthee) and three at Vauquois. Between 285 and Haute Chevaichee enemy grattempted an attack against our posts. The attack was repulsed after artillery and hand gremade battle.

"In Alsace, south of the Thur, our tillery fire caused a conflagration in enemy works at Cehlenberg (northean Burnhaupt)." Elected Steward at Home NORRISTOWN, Pa., Feb. 4. - John Bartman, of Collegeville, a former m-ber of the Legislature, has been else steward of the Montgomery Co Home, at Black Rock, to succeed Dr. Brown, resigned. Dr. Warren Sander Trappe, was elected physician at



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