### EVENING LEDGER-PHILADELPHIA, TUESDAY, MAY 2, 1916.

# **GERMAN REPLY ON SUBMARINE DISPUTE READY**

Officials Silent on Text, but Believe Break Will Be Averted

MAY BE SENT TONIGHT

### **Optimism** at Present Confined to Berlin-Washington Waits

By CARL W. ACKERMAN BERLIN, May 2.

Germany's reply to the American note demanding a change in submarine warfare under threat of a diplomatic break has been completed.

Some few alterations may be made in its text. These, however, will not alter the character of the note, which was decided upon several days ago. Nothing definite can be learned as to when it will be dispatched, but it is thought possible it will be put on the cable to Washington tonight or tomorrow.

Arrangements were made today for a conference between Foreign Minister von Jagow and Ambassador Gerard on the latter's arrival from the front. He reached Berlin this afternoon.

The American Embassy received from Washington yesterday a message explain-ing the interpretation placed by the United States on certain points of inter-national law involved in the note. This message was telegraphed at once to Am-bassador Gerard, who was then in con-ference with the Kaiser.

The Ambassador telegraphed shortly after that he would cable to Washington a long report on his conference with the Kaiser immediately upon his arrival here.

Kaiser immediately upon his arrival here. Whether he brought a private message to President Wilson from the Kaiser is not known. Officials prefer that correspondents cable nothing indicative of the character of Germany's reply until the communica-tion is received in Washington. It was stated, however, that nothing has oc-curred to change the situation materially since last Wednesday when the statement was made on excellent authority, that the crisis had virtually passed and there would be no brake between Germany and the United States predicted on developthe United States predicted on develop-ments up to that time.

**Optimism** over a satisfactory adjustment of the submarine controversy is confined to Berlin and is based exclusively on un-official forecasts and hints of the answer to President Wilson's note determined by the Kaiser after conferences with Am-bassador Gerard, the Chancellor, the For-eign Secretary and the Chiefs of Staff of army and navy. The substance of Berlin forecasts is that Germany will offer a truce to the United States in formulating a new U-boat policy. Washington has received no official message or even intimation to warrant the hopeful views cabled from abroad, and to expect an adjustment without rupture of diplomatic relations with Germany. to President Wilson's note determined by

of diplomatic relations with Germany. Only acceptance of the final terms laid down in the most recent and general note will satisfy the Administration, and optimiam must be based on German modification of U-boat methods under complaint to preclude a break.

### WASHINGTON SUSPENDS OPINION ON U-BOAT REPLY TILL ARRIVAL OF TEXT

WASHINGTON, May 2. When President Wilson met with his Cabinet today, official Washington was

still waiting for the Kaiser's reply on the U-boat issue. As a result of Ambas-sador Gerard's delay in returning to Bersador Gerard's delay in returning to Ber-lin from headquarters where he has been



Deputy sheriffs dispossessed William Bradley and his sister from 606 South 3d street, for failure to pay Taxes. This photograph shows the pair moving their possessions back into the house.

### CONSUMER MUST PAY FOR MINE WAGE RISE, **OPERATORS DECLARE** Scale of Increased Coal Costs to

Public Being Prepared. Says Representative of Owners

MILLIONS GO TO MEN

### **Consumers Here Must Pay** \$1,000,000 of Miners' Rise

Wage rise to anthracite miners increases operators' expenses be-tween \$9,000,000 and \$12,000,000 yearly.

Local consumers must pay about \$1,000,000 of this sum. Dealers expect sliding scale ad-

vance of 10 cents a ton, starting this month, until retail prices reach 50 cents above present schedule.

Prevailing prices of so-called domestic sizes are: Pea, \$5.25; nut, \$7.25; stove and egg, \$7, with 25 cents added where coal is carried

Domestic sizes will pay greatest share of excess price, which conse-quently will fall heaviest upon householder and small user.

The price of coal is going up. Philadel phiafs within the next 12 months prob-ably will have to spend \$1,000,000 more for anthracite than they did last year. In fact, Philadelphia dealers who heard the bands, in spite of the representations of War Minister Obregon, who in conference with Generals Scott and Funston request-ed its withdrawal. announcement that the concessions to the anthracite miners would reach from \$5,000,000 to \$12,000,000 made no attempt to hide the fact that the bill ultimately ranzo and Obregon will "swallow it" and make the best of it. Meanwhile General Pershing is pursuing bandit detachments would be paid by the consumer.

None of the dealers would

are riding mercilessly on their trails. These fugitives, in groups of two or three SCOTT SUMMONS and singly, are making their way far into the wildness of the mountain region in their attempt to escape the Americans. The new motor ambulances which re-cently reached the field headquarters are **OBREGON IN NEW** being given their first test in active serv-ice, carrying the wounded from Parra and Toachic to the field hospital at Co-PARLEY ON HUNT onia Dublan.

BORDER INTERESTS SEEKING Carranza Will Back Down in Demand to Quit, Bor-EL PASO, Tex., May 2.-Intervention interests at El Paso have been endeavor

der Believes

EL PASO, Tex., May 2 .- For the first

time since his arrival here to negotiate

Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, today gave

an opinion on the state of affairs exist-

ing between the United States and Mexico

Dealing with a situation of this sort

He gave the opinion after the receipt

of fresh dispatches from Washington. A measurement immediately was sent to Juarez to arrange another interview with Gen-

What Scott's instructions from Wash-

ington were was not revealed, but it is not believed that the United States is prepared to back down on its original determination to continue the expedition.

PLEASED AT WILSON STAND.

Extreme satisfaction is expressed or

his side of the border over the decision of President Wilson to continue the expedi-tion in Mexico against Villa and his outlaw

The opinion prevalent here is that Car

is like sitting among a collection of powder barrels with sparks flying in

General Scott sald:

all directions.

eral Obregon.

ing to influence the opinions and actions of the American military men toward Mex-ico, Secretary of War Baker has been in-TROOPS READY TO MOVE formed.

Shown a border story stating interven onists had interviewed General Scott, the Secretary today said: with Minister of War Obregon, General

TO EMBROIL U. S. IN MEXICO

"You know General Scott so very well there is no need for me, to say anything of that particular phase. I have heard rumors here, however, that intervention interests are endeavoring to spread infor-mation with a view to influencing the sit-uation." uation

The Secretary made it plain he reposed the utmost confidence in General Scott and his ability to handle the situation. Both he and Secretary Lansing have indi-cated clearly in the recent week, however, their belief that El Paso news stories were influenced by interests inimical to friend-ship hetween the de facts and the United ship between the de facto and the United States Governments. Repeatedly Secre-tary Lansing has shown displeasure at the

one of some El Jaso news matter. Many army men are privately pro-inter-ventionists. General Funston, at the out-set of the present situation, said plainly that the Carranzistas were not in sym-pathy with the United States; that the United States would have to go it alone

in hunting Villa, and recommended strong measures to clear up forever the borderraid danger.

### CARRANZA BLUFF CALLED: U. S. NOW MERELY WAITING

WASHINGTON, May 2.—Secretary of War Baker and State Department heads still believed today General Scott and General Obverge could

### EVICTED TAX DODGERS **DEFY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Move Back Into House While Authorities Hold Council of War

William Bradley, speaking for the whole family in general and for his sister. Miss Ann Bradley, in particular, said today that he was prepared to defy any deputy sheriffs and all of them, even Harry C. Ramley himself, if necessary.

The Bradleys, including the two men-tioned and Mrs. William Bradley, were evicted from their home at 606 South 1d street yesterday for nonpayment of taxes, and they moved back in today. ejected.

"How do you mean, prepared "" asked. "Regular preparedness?"

"No. morally prepared," Mr. Bradley explained. "But we won't be put out again. The laws of this land won't permit it. The Linked States Summer of the permit again. The laws of this land the Court has it. The United States Supreme Court has

Mr. Bradley refused to cite the ruling hich he intimated supported his case. It took a good while to get all the goods

\$125,000 FIRE MENACES back into the house. They were piled high yesterday by Deputy Sheriff John CENTRE OF RALEIGH McKinney and his assistants, who were McKinney and his assistance, who were ordered to put out the Bradleys because they so persistently refused to pay their taxes, an obligation which William Brad-ley insists does not apply to him. Just what the Sheriff's office will do will be decided this afternoon by Solicitor Burgetil. City Forced to Call for Help

From Neighbor-Flames

Start in Livery Stable

Russell. The atternoon by Solicitif The Bradleys operate an antique store at the 3d street address, and live above the store. The building, an exceedingly old one, has been in the family since 1846, according to William Bradley, though for the last 25 years it has been in the name of his sister Ann. No taxes have been paid since it came into their pos-session, and the building was sold by the city three years ago. They have not paid ront to the landlord since the sale, ac-cording to the Sheriff, and he had them sjected.

RALEIGH N. C. May 3.-Fire of un-determined origin discovered in a livery stable in the heart of the business section here early today caused \$125,000 damage before it was extinguished. For a while the entire business section of the city was threatened and early For a while the entire bininess motion of the city was threatened and assistance was called on from Durham. The age paratus from the latter city extinguished a fire in the residential section started by sparks from the original blaze. Miss Ann Bradley, the owner, declared

Miss Ann Bradley, the owner, oursessed that the legal writ which disposessed them was issued against her mother, Mary A. Bradley, who has been dead 25 years. The Bradleys say they intend bringing suit against the Sheriff and the city. The deater dogs and six cats were found The principal loss was in the setab-lishment of the J. P. Wyatt & Sons Com-pany, agricultural and hardware mer-chants, whose four-story structure was snitrely destroyed. entirely destroyed.

Twelve dogs and six cats were found in the house by the Sheriff, who sent them to the Morris Refuge for Animals. Brad-ley waited until the officers had disap-peared, then he started carrying every-thing back into the house. Robertson Coaching at Penn Lawson Robertson was in active charge a some of the track men on Franklin Field for the first time yesterday in his initial day a sesistant to Coach Orton.



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patch, expected from the American Ambefore tomorrow morning. In the mean-time there is no official light on the course of ermany's proposed action, and specu-lation is suspended.

The fact that the conference between the Kaiser and Mr. Gerard was more pro-longed than at first planned is taken as r hopeful indication in some quarters here. The feeling prevails that German official have been having a hard struggle with the demands of President Wilson. That Germany may contend, in her re-

ply to the United States U-boat ultimatum, that she already has "effected an abandonment of present methods of submarine warfare against passenger and freight carrying vessels' was suggested in diplomatic circles here today. It is claimed in Teutonic circles here that since the American note was delivered in Ber the American note was delivered in Ber-lin there has not been reported an au-liantic case where a merchant vessel was attacked without warning. Officials say that when the German reply is received it will so declare, and will also state that from now on cruiser warfare will be fol-lowed, which would mean rigid adherence to the declaring of visitations. to the doctrine of visitation and search. If this is so, then officials say the sub-marine controversy will be at an end.

Should, however, Germany simply say that she has ordered a temporary cessa-tion while the entire question of rules for submarine warfare are entered into by <text> diplomatic negotiations between the two

mations. Meanwhile, Senator La Follette con-inues addavoring to line up all of the peace advocates in the Senate for his resolution, which would provide for a nation-wide referendum election on war, if the Fresident shall break of diplomatic relations with Germany. Senators Gors, of Oklahoma, and Vardaman, of Missis-sippl, two of the most ardent anti-war Democrats in the Benute, have been in organization with La Follstie. So far-they have not desided whithar they will appear the Wisconsin solon.

Serbian Accused of Bomb Plot

antronan accuses of Bonno Fint BERLIN, May I.— "On suspicion that was the author of the recent attempt blow up the Bulgarian Legation at hem up the Bulgarian Legation at hem by means of a bonn a Rerbian med Bulgvac has been arrested by the set authorithm," any the Overseas are Ageney. "It was after a caroful estimation," and the news agency, at the unappleted beach, which was not and heather difference which was

what the increase would be, although it was said that even if there were no change in price this summer next autumn the price of anthracite would be at least 50 cents a ton higher than last year. In other quarters it was stated that the ad-vance would be 10 cents a month, starting this month. Charles K. Scull. secretary of the Philadelphia Coal Exchange, was one of those who took this view.

The advance in price, dealers said, would depend to a large extent upon the

rates asked by the coal operators. The rates are being worked out, according to Samuel D. Warriner, president of the Le-high Coal and Navigation Company and chairman of the Operators' General Conference Committee. They will not be ready for several days. Meanwhile, he said, the winter rates will be maintained.

The concession to the miners comprises chiefly a wage increase granted to about 180,000 workers. The arrangement is between the operators and workers for a period of four years and probably will be ratified today at the miners' convention in Pottsville. The general committee of ancontextue. The general committee of an-thracite operators met yesterday at the office of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company in the Reading Terminal. The details of the minera' agreement were explained and the oper-

ators formally ratified the action of the nittee

Mr. Warriner said vesterday that it would be hard to ascertain at present just what the additional cost will be to the operators by the increase in wages. "We helleve," he said. "that it will range from \$10,000,000 to \$12,000,000 annually." It is estimated that 10 per cent at least of the wage increase will have to be paid by the

"The wage increase certainly will mean an advance in the wholesale price of coal," Mr. Warriner explained. "In no coal." Mr. Warriner explained. "In no other way can the tremendous sum of money involved be distributed. Just how the increase will affect this part of the State I cannot may, as the freight rate question, which is still before the courts, first will have to be decided. I am not speaking of retail prices. It is only the wholesale price to which I refer." "The bill certainly will be passed on to the householder." Such was the teres comment of William Bryant, of the Bell Coal Company, who said that higher prices were certain. The same view was ex-pressed by many others."

"Millionaire Hobo" Here Tonight J. Eads Howe, the "millionaire ho is expected to arrive tonight from is expected to arrive tonight from St. Louis to complete the arrangements for the anual meeting of the Eastern Con-ference of the International Brotherhood Walfare Association. The meeting will open meat Monday at the local headquar-ters of the association, 456 North 5th streat James J. Murray, international organizer, arrived at the headquarters on Sunday from Kanass City, and Charles Krouse, the president is expected to ar-rive tomorrow from Baltimore. A com-mittee meeting will be held at the end of the week and the plana for the coming convestion, will be discussed. Forty or fifty delegates from all parts of the cou-try, are expected to attend the conven-tion.

#### "Summer Time" in Germany

BERLIN May 2.—The ascalled "sum-mar three" became effective last miniplet, the choice being advanced an hour for the conservation of daylight. The transition occurred without any disturbance to any branch of sellivity. Even railroad sched-lies had then as arcsmool that only a the clo

tions carried on here. OBREGON OPPOSES BREAK It is known that. General Obregon ishes the friendship of the United States. and neither General Scott nor General Funston believes he will recommend ac-tion against the American troops. What

is feared to some degree is that a few of his officers may endeavor to crystallize opposition to the United States and in this way take the situation out of Obregon's hands. As General Funston said, however, "Our

troops are in splendid shape, well armed, mounted and provisioned. We could take care of ourselves in any ordinary emergency. General Luis Gutlerrez and Governor

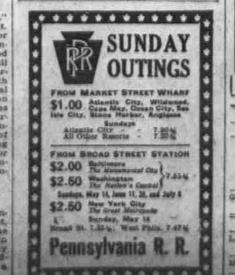
Ygnacio Enriquez left for Chihashua Sun-day night and their departure, coupled with the departure on Sunday morning of General P. Elias Calles for Agua Prieta; lent the suggestion that General Obregon either regarded the conference as having progressed to a point where the crisis had been passed, or that he wished the com-manders of the armies of Chihuahua and onora State to be on hand with their

men for any eventuality. While waiting to see whether attitude of the Carranza army is to altitude of the Carranza army is to be one of co-operation or real warfare, Gen-eral Pershing is being kept informed of all developments at Washington and at the conference in El Pazo. He has been advised of the departure of the Mexican generals from Juarez. It can be stated authoritatively, how-

ever, that both Generals Scott and Fun-ston feel assured that there will be no trouble that cannot be settled by the re-spective State Departments of Mexico and the United States.

PERSHING CONTINUES CHASE, PREPARED FOR "ANYTHING" FIELD HEADQUARTERS, NAMI-QUIPA. Chinakua, May 2 (By radio to Columbus, N. M.)—Brigadier General Pershing is planning for every possible inture development. Every report of the advanced cavalry columna and those reaching here from the border are studied thermult in obtain a

thoroughly in an attempt to obtain a proper perspective. The scattered bands of Villa followers are having no rest. Columns of cavair,



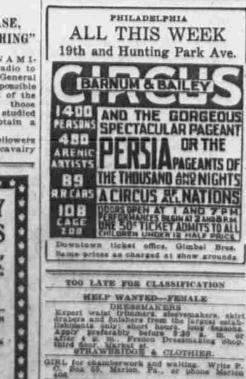
south, disregarding the negotia General Obregon could come to an agree-ment for better co-operation between the de facto and United States Governments in the Villa hunt than has been the case. Although both Obregon and Ambassaregon could come to an agree dor Arredondo here entertain strong de

it is felt the two may see the logic of assisting the expeditionary force when they realize that the hunt is to continue regardless of their wishes. On this point the Administration has left no doubt.

Here is the way the situation stands to day: General Scott has been advised that the United States will not accede to de-mands for the immediate dithdrawal of the American forces. But, it has been made plain to the General that the Wash-ington Administration will consider the withdrawal of its forces in a reasonable windrawai of its forces in a reasonable lime, the definition of this time limit to be left open. Officials frankly declare that in renewing the demand for the with-drawal of the American forces Ambassa-dor-designate Arredondo was indulging somewhat in a game of bluff. For the present at least the bluff has been called. The instructions sent yesterday to Gen-eral Scott were to renew the conference. eral Scott were to renew the conference. But apparently the United States has no intention of backing down.

#### U. S. Buys Vanderbilt Land

C. S. Buys vanderbilt Land ASHEVILLE, N. C., May 2.—Mrs. George W. Vanderbilt has further re-duced the size of the Biltmore estate left by her late husband by selling 50,000 acres to the United Stress Government to be added to the Appalachian forest re-serve. The land sold is in Henderson and Transylvania Counties. The considera-tion is said to have been \$5 an acre.



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