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GERMANY YIELDS IN U-BOAT DISPUTE; CRISIS SEEMS PAST

GERMAN ORDERS TO U-BOATS

"In accordance with the general principles of search and destruction of merchant vessels, as recognized by international law, such vessels both WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE AREA DECLARED A WAR ZONE (the waters around the British Isles) shall not be sunk without warning and without saving human lives, unless ships attempt to escape or offer resistance."

ORDER BY MAYOR FAILS TO SATISFY PENROSE FACTION

McNichol Has Little Faith in Instruction to Shun Politics

VARE CHAMPIONS SMITH

Leaders Express Views of Mayor's Order to Police

Senator McNichol—"The people who are responsible for political conditions should first leave men free to act for themselves in political matters and then talk peace or harmony."
 Senator Vare—"My friends are in favor of the right kind of harmony, but not the kind that was brought about by the Catlin Commission. It is only natural that officeholders should make a choice between candidates."
 Select Councilman Trainer—"If the Mayor is acting in good faith, I would suggest that he request the resignation of Director William H. Wilson and appoint a non-partisan man in his place."
 Mayor Smith—"My statement, issued at midnight, is intended as an order to all city employees and the police to keep out of politics. I will enforce it in every instance. I have every confidence in Director Wilson and have no intention of dismissing any member of my Cabinet."
 City employees, excluding women, about 11,000.
 County employees, not affected by Mayor Smith's order, 1253.
 Votes formerly controlled by city and county employees, about 77,000.
 Votes controlled by county employees, 7618.

That the Smith-Vare administration is facing a crisis and that there is little or no hope of harmony between the warring factions of the Republican organization was evidenced by conflicting views expressed today upon Mayor Smith's warning to officeholders and police to keep out of politics.
 Mayor Smith today announced that his statement, issued at midnight, is intended as an order to all city employees and the police to keep out of politics. He said he would enforce it in every instance.
 When asked how he intended to enforce his order, the Mayor replied:
 "Why don't you ask the District Attorney, Why don't you go out and stir up these political factions so there will be only one left after the primaries? I am out of politics and I am not going to talk any more politics until after the primaries. But I am going to keep on fighting for the lead bills."
 That Penrose-McNichol leaders are not inclined to look upon Mayor Smith's statement as more than a warning to officeholders and that he will have to advance stronger orders with every pacification effort is shown by the manner in which they criticized the statement and spoke of the situation generally.
 Harry J. Trainer, Select Councilman from the 16th Ward, a former Vare leader who has turned in with the Penrose-McNichol faction, when told of the Mayor's order, called for action instead of words. The Mayor, declared Trainer, could not give a stronger proof of his lack of good faith than by his failure to act while he continues to talk.
 The Mayor's declaration that the police and firemen must be kept out of politics was scolded today by Director of Public Safety Wilson in issuing an order warning them to keep out of politics.

4 MORE LEADERS OF IRISH REVOLT SHOT BY BRITAIN

Seven Chiefs in All Executed—Ten-Year Penalties for Seventeen

ACT IN SULLIVAN CASE



COUNTRESS MARKIEWICZ
 Active participant in the Irish uprising who is now a prisoner of the English and may have to face trial for treason. Her husband is a Polish artist. A brother is an English knight at Manchester. During the Dublin fighting she is reported to have been wounded. Some months ago her home was raided by the police on a charge that she was distributing pro-German literature.

DUBLIN, May 5.—Four more leaders of the Irish revolution were shot this morning.
 They had been found guilty of treason by a general court-martial.
 Those executed were Joseph Plunkett, Edmund Daly, Michael O'Hannahan and William Pearse.
 Plunkett was one of the seven Sinn Feiners who signed the proclamation declaring Ireland free and independent of England.
 The other three took an active part in preparing for the uprising, but were not signers of the proclamation.
 The death sentences were carried out by a firing squad at dawn.
 Seven leaders have now paid the death penalty for the part they played in the revolution. Besides Plunkett, three other of the seven signers of the republican proclamation—P. H. Pearse, president of the republic; Thomas J. Clarke, in whose shop the plans were laid, and Thomas McDonagh have been executed.
 The following official report was given out: "The following 15 men, who had been sentenced to death by the court-martial, subsequently had their sentences commuted to 10 years' penal servitude: 'Thomas Bevan, Thomas Walsh, Feidlim Lynch, Michael Mervyn, Denis O'Callaghan, P. E. Swensen, Patrick McNeisty, Peter Clancy, William Tobin, George Irvine, John Doherty, J. J. Walsh, James Mellin, J. J. Reid and John Williams. 'Another prisoner, John McGarry, who had been sentenced to death, had his sen-

GERMAN REPLY ALLAYS FEARS OF U.S. CABINET

No Cause Seen for Break, but Counter-Demand May Raise Issue

AWAIT OFFICIAL WORD

General Feeling of Optimism at Capital Over Tone of Note

By a Staff Correspondent
 WASHINGTON, May 5.—There will be no break with Germany on its note replying to President's Wilson submarine denials, but it is believed that a break cannot be avoided later in case the United States eventually does not succeed in inducing England to observe international law as defined in the counter-demand in the present note.
 This was the position taken by a leading member of the Cabinet, who asserted further that the note was entirely acceptable as far as it goes, to this Government. He said that the note was the most friendly and the strongest Germany had written. It gives evidence of the intention of Germany to concede for a time being all that is demanded by the United States. This concession makes it impossible for the United States to break with Germany over this note, which, however, does not finally settle the dispute between the United States and Germany.
 The general sentiment of the entire Cabinet, after its two hours and a half consideration of the unofficial note, was wholly optimistic. This feeling was reflected by members of Congress also.
 No official announcement could be expected from the White House, it was said, until the President received the official text from Ambassador Gerard. This began arriving in code by cable today. It is coming very slowly and will require from five to six hours to decode.
 The final decision of the President is not expected, therefore, before late tomorrow.
 Cabinet members refused to discuss the German note in any way. It was indicated, however, that there was strong hope of a satisfactory settlement based on the note. It was said no special session of the Cabinet would be necessary, and Postmaster General Burleson said he was going fishing.

KAISER ISSUES NEW ORDERS TO SUBMARINE COMMANDERS IN AND OUT OF WAR ZONE

Demands, However, That Britain Also Be Forced to Keep the Law of the Sea—Promises to Give Warnings to All Ships

Concedes Wilson's Demand That Rules of War Be Observed Regarding Both Passenger and Freight Carrying Vessels—Berlin Sure U-Boat Masters Will Obey

BERLIN, May 5.—Germany has yielded substantially every point made by President Wilson in his note demanding a complete change in German methods of submarine warfare. This is conceded in the German reply made public here today. Every possibility of a diplomatic break between the two countries has apparently been averted.
 Germany's complete backdown, however, is made conditional on the success of efforts to urge the United States to make to force Great Britain to observe fully the principles of international law.
 "Should the steps taken by the Government of the United States (to force England to alter her conduct of war) not attain the object it desires—to have the laws of humanity followed by all belligerent nations—the German Government would then be facing a new situation in which it must reserve to itself complete liberty of decision," said the concluding paragraph of the reply.

Germany concedes fully President Wilson's contention that in the future no merchant vessel, whether freighter or passenger liner, shall be sunk without warning, either within or without the war zone around the British Isles, unless they offer resistance or attempt to escape. President Wilson already has conceded the right of submarines to sink ships under such conditions.
 German submarine commanders already have received new orders, meeting in full the demands made by President Wilson. The German Government expresses implicit confidence that these orders will be executed in good faith by the German submarine commanders.

TEXT OF THE GERMAN REPLY

The following is the text of the German reply:
 The undersigned, on behalf of the Imperial German Government, has the honor to present to his Excellency, the Ambassador of the United States, James W. Gerard, the following reply to the note of April 20 regarding the conduct of German submarine warfare.
 The German Government handed over to the proper naval authorities for further investigation evidence concerning the Sussex, as communicated by the Government of the United States.
 Judging by the results that investigation hitherto yielded the German Government is alive to the possibilities that the ship mentioned in the note of April 10, as being torpedoed by a German submarine, is actually identical with the Sussex.
 The German Government begs to reserve further communication on the matter until certain points are ascertained which are of decisive importance for establishing the complete facts in the case.
 WILL NOT FAIL TO DRAW CONSEQUENCES
 Should it turn out that the commander of the submarine was wrong in assuming the vessel Sussex to be a man-of-war, the German Government will not fail to draw consequences resulting therefrom.
 In connection with the case of the Sussex the United States made a series of statements, the gist of which is the assertion that the incident to be considered was but one instance of a deliberate method of indiscriminate destruction of vessels of all sorts and all nationalities and destinations by German submarine commanders.
 The German Government must emphatically repudiate the assertion. However, the German Government thinks it of little avail to enter into details in the present stage of affairs, more particularly as the Government of the United States omitted to substantiate assertions by reference to concrete facts.
 The German Government will only state that it has imposed far-reaching restraint upon the use of the submarine weapon solely in consideration of the interest of neutrals, in spite of the fact that these restrictions were necessarily of advantage to Germany's enemies.

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QUICK NEWS

BRITISH RELEASE TEUTONS TAKEN FROM U. S. SHIP

LONDON, May 5.—The British Government today gave orders for the release of 38 men taken from the American steamship China by a British cruiser while en route from Shanghai to San Francisco.

U. S. EMPLOYEE "FIRED" FOR ATTACK ON WILSON

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Ernest Bruncken, assistant registrar in the copyright division of the Library Congress, was dismissed today for making statements derogatory to President Wilson and the United States in general.

POOR RICHARDS' FUND GAINS \$1025 TODAY

The Poor Richard Club announced this afternoon that \$1025 was contributed today in the campaign for \$75,000 needed for the convention of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, to be held in this city next month.

IRON MERCHANT AND MASON DIES IN OFFICE

Morris E. Ware, 63 years old, of 719 West Berks street, died suddenly this afternoon in his office at 805 Jefferson street, where he was in the structural iron business. He was a 32d degree Mason.

PHILLIES AND ATHLETICS ARE IDLE

Neither the Phillies nor the Athletics will play this afternoon. Rain prevented the Mackmen from engaging Washington in the second contest of the series, while the same weather conditions caused the postponement of the Phillies-Brooklyn fray.

LOSES POWER OF SPEECH AFTER FALL DOWN STEPS

Charles F. Bannon, 40 years old, of 43 East Walnut lane, became speechless today after an accidental fall. Bannon, who owns several slot machines, was about to remove one from a cellar on Frankford avenue near Bridge street, when he fell down the steps, striking his spine. When he was revived several minutes later, he had lost the power of speech. By means of paper and pencil Bannon indicated that he wanted to be taken to the home of his father, Frank Bannon, 15 East Chelton avenue. This was done. A physician who examined him, fears that Bannon's affliction may be permanent.

RAILWAY TELEGRAPHERS ACCEPT MEDIATION

NEW YORK, May 5.—All parties of the threatened strike of the Order of Railway Telegraphers of the New York Central and Nickel Plate Railroads have officially accepted mediation of the United States Board of Mediation and Conciliation. It was announced today by Assistant Commissioner Hanger, of the board. The 5000 telegraphers and allied craftsmen will remain at work pending the outcome.

ALIENS IN NEAR-RIOT IN FEDERAL BUILDING

More than 150 aliens, who appeared before Judge Dickinson for their final citizenship test today, caused a near-riot in the Federal Building, where they crowded the corridor outside the courtroom and threatened to invade the courtroom in a body. A call for help was sent to the United States Marshall's office and Chief Deputy Marple, assisted by a score of deputies and bailiffs, restored order after using strong-arm methods.

RAIDING ZEPPELIN DESTROYED IN MACEDONIA

SALONICA, May 5.—A German Zeppelin, bent on a raid upon the Anglo-French camps, was destroyed this morning. (This is the second German Zeppelin reported destroyed within 24 hours.)

STOCKS DROP ON GERMAN NOTE, THEN RECOVER

NEW YORK, May 5.—First dispatches on the German reply to the note of the United States, which were viewed with misgiving in Wall Street, caused prices of stocks to drop from 1 to 6 points at the start of trading this morning, but when later advices were received, which were a complete reversal of the earlier ones, the whole market recovered. The majority of the early losses were recovered by midday and some few issues showed gains, as compared with the closing of last night. Selling orders were in large volume long before the opening and initial dealings were exciting. When the later advices were received early sellers turned buyers and the good demand for stocks soon caused an upturn.

TIOGA STEEL COMPANY RAISES EMPLOYEES' WAGES

Officials of the Tioga Steel and Iron Company, 52d street and Grays avenue, have granted their employees a 10 per cent. increase in wages, according to the announcement of the president of the company today. The steel concern employs about 125 men.

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Daily Average for April, 117,310	

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THE WEATHER

Everything is fine about May—even her rains. They are warm and reviving, and the brighter way to receive them would be to go to bathtubs and absorb them into one's being like a benediction. If we could remember it accurately, we would even quote something from Shakespeare about "dewy" as the gentle dew from heaven, but the trouble is that every day we quote something from memory we get it wrong. However, we really ought to be pardoned for this plunge into lyric reminiscence, for with us the coming of May is a joyous occasion which we do not get over until May 31. And then we have a new joyous obsession—June!

FORECAST
 For Philadelphia and vicinity—Partly cloudy tonight; Saturday fair; no decided change in temperature; moderate shifting winds.

LOST AND FOUND
 Lost—Lost, Tuesday afternoon, long bar of soap, the cap of a stationer in center room, Mrs. L. L. Linscott, 2024 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

OBITUARY
 Mrs. Elizabeth M. Sisk, in her 80th year, died at her home, 124 North 11th St., Philadelphia, Pa., on Tuesday, May 3, 1916, at 11:30 a. m. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and was a widow of the late John Sisk, who died in 1882.