

SITUATION IS REGARDED WITH MUCH GRAVITY - VIEWED WITH ALARM

After an hour's conference between President Wilson and Secretary Lansing it became known to-day that the German situation is viewed with extreme gravity and that the American government had already begun to formulate definite steps.

It was regarded as not impossible that action of some kind had already been taken but there was no indication of its nature.

There also were indications that no announcement of the course of the government would be made until certain steps had been taken through the Navy Department and the Treasury for safeguarding American ports and other interests.

CERTAIN STEPS TO BE TAKEN

It was disclosed that President Wilson and Secretary Lansing had a conference last night although it was then denied they had conferred at all.

It was indicated to-day that before the course of the United States was made public there were certain necessary steps to be taken.

Senator Hitchcock, Democrat, member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, was at the White House early to-day but said he did not discuss the submarine question.

Passports for Count Von Bernstorff, orders for recall of Ambassador Gerard, solemn warning to Berlin that breaking of her pledges means severance of diplomatic relations, or tense waiting for an overt act which would sweep aside diplomacy and bring the American government to the point of action, are among the contingencies which fill the situation to-day.

Confers With Col. House

President Wilson conferred with Colonel E. M. House, his friend and adviser, who was hurriedly summoned from New York. Early to-day he had not called any meeting of the cabinet nor any conference with the Foreign Affairs committee of Congress, who have been assured of being taken into the President's confidence before diplomatic relations are broken off.

New Dangers Here

New crisis, however, brings new dangers to the very shores of the United States where a score or more of German and Austrian ships have been laid up since the beginning of the war, and where several German commerce raiders are interned.

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number of undersea ships to make this force effective and was punished for his shortsightedness.

More Startling Coming!

Now, the officials who speak for Germany in this country, unhesitatingly announce the plan to starve out England with a fleet of submarines which they estimate at between 200 and 500 and that the think they can cut off the food supply of the British Isles completely within sixty days.

The air of confidence which was openly expressed at the German embassy was generally interpreted as an indication that the Berlin government was virtually sure of the success of its plans.

Reports of ships being armed secretly for a dash to sea, of plots to sink them at their wharves or to block American harbors by destroying them in the channels have been under investigation for many months.

This was diplomatic day at the State Department, a set occasion for receiving representatives of foreign governments.

Von Tirpitz Outcome

The German embassy for months has been building up an atmosphere of hopefulness and at one time it was said that Von Tirpitz, who originated the campaign of ruthlessness, actually had been forced from his high position by influences brought to bear by the German ambassador here in an effort to preserve good relations with the United States.

Capital Awakes With Shiver

Washington awoke this morning with a shiver at a realization of this situation. It had come so suddenly in the midst of lingering hopes for an early peace in Europe and speculation over what might be the President's next move toward that end that there had been little time for deliberation.

President Wilson, upon whom lies the burden of determining the nation's course, was alone in his study at the White House until late in the night with a copy of the German note. He saw no callers, but is understood to have held several telephone conferences with members of the cabinet and to have sent a summary to Colonel E. M. House, his close friend and constant adviser on foreign affairs.

Will Act Quickly

There is every indication that whatever the American government does will be done quickly.

Handing Count Von Bernstorff

his passport without further delay, sending at once a warning to Germany that she will violate American rights at her peril, or awaiting the development of the new stayation campaign against England announced to begin to-day.

The President has given no intimation of the trend of his thoughts as he expressed incredulous amazement yesterday when informed of what was coming through the Associated Press agencies from Berlin. He had as could be learned early to-day that a renegade had been made for him to appear before Congress, as he did last night to announce the dispatch of the Sussex note informing Germany that unless the Imperial government abandoned the conduct of submarine warfare without regard to the principles of humanity and the rights of neutrals, the United States would be obliged to break off diplomatic relations.

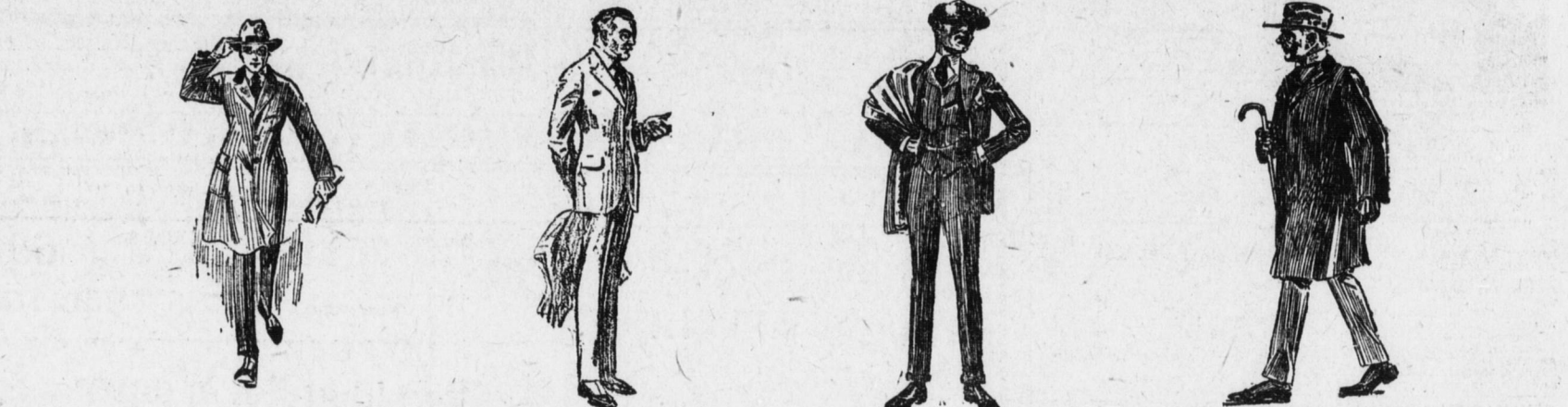
Back to First Disagreement

The new German warning carries the situation back practically to where it was upon the original proclamation by Germany two years ago of a war zone around the British Isles. That proclamation called forth the famous "strict accountability" note from the United States. It was followed by the sinking of the Lusitania and the virtual ultimatum from the United States which resulted in the German pledge not to sink "liners" without warning and provision for the safety of those on board.

Has 500 U-Boats Ready

In her final note in the Sussex case, Germany extended her pledges to Germany peaceful merchant craft, but gave notice that if what she termed Great Britain's illegal blockade was maintained, a new situation would be created in which she would reserve full liberty of action. The exchanges closed with the United States accepting the new assurances in a terse note which informed the Berlin government that it was taken for granted that observance of American rights was not contingent upon the outcome of negotiations between the United States and another nation.

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Text of German Note to the United States

Mr. Secretary of State: Your Excellency was good enough to transmit to the Imperial Government a copy of the message which the President of the United States of America addressed to the Senate on the 22d inst. The Imperial Government has given it the most careful consideration...

Addendum to the German Note

From Feb. 1, 1916, within barred zones around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean all sea traffic forthwith will be opposed. Such barred zones are: In the North Sea the districts around England and France which are limited by a line twenty sea miles; district along the Dutch coast to Texel...

Paris Notified That Ruthless Warfare Will Start at 6 O'clock Today

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